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HOME EDITION

Billy Sunday's great Easter sermon, the concluding message of his Tacoma revival series, is printed today on page 8.

# SHIPPING TRUST GOES BROKE

## FIND GERMS DO BEST WORK ON CROWDED CARS

NEW YORK, April 3.—Bacteriologists of the department of health have established the fact that about every infectious disease there is may be caught on the street cars. Every fourth person that rides is a germ carrier. Some of the authorities believe that the proportion is much higher.

The well and the ill alike spread the danger, and Commissioner Goldwater has convinced even the New York transit company officials that he has justification for his new attitude toward overcrowding. "Between 25 and 50 per cent of the people of this city carry virulent germs of some sort in their nasal and oral cavities," said Dr. Charles Boldman, head of the bureau of public health education, yesterday. "The commonest of these germs at this season of the year is that of pneumonia.

**Many Diseases Spread.** "The bacillus of influenza is largely present among those who ride on the transit lines. The tests made by the bacteriologists of the department have definitely established this. Our records show that, on an average, 5 per cent of the school children of this city carry the bacteria of diphtheria. The bacilli of tuberculosis are present in the noses and throats even of those who have never come into direct contact

with consumptives. "Infantile paralysis is spread in the same way. Measles, whooping cough and scarlet fever have all been found to be carried about in this way. The germs that cause suppuration of cuts and abrasions of the skin are to be come across everywhere. No one can tell to what infection he may be exposed; no one can tell what infection he himself may be bearing to others.

**Overcrowding Dangerous.** "As we see it, the great importance of this situation lies in the fact that those who are thoroughly well and healthy may be germ carriers. You, for illustration, might give to another man a disease to which you yourself would never fall a victim. You might do it with no possibility of ever knowing it. That in itself makes the situation extremely difficult.

"It must be obvious that the closer men are thrown together the more exposed they are to infection. Transmission of the germs may result from the mere act of breathing in sneezing and coughing it is done most effectively. It should need no argument to show that the danger of infection in an overcrowded street car is tremendously greater than in one that is not crowded. That is the position Commissioner Goldwater has taken, and to which every one is now agreeing."

## This Is Sort of Place Where Disease Bacilli Are the Worst



## Watch the Pink!

The Tacoma Tigers will meet the Bates-Federals team of the City League at 8 o'clock this afternoon, in the first practice game of the season. The Bates-Federals is one of the strongest amateur nines in Tacoma. The game will be reported in detail in tonight's Pink edition of the Times sport experts. There will also be a page-full of amateur news and sport stories. Also a nutty Town in Review. Read the Pink for sport news first.

## EMBARRASSING

### School Day Incident J. L. T.'s Worst; What Was Your's?

Embarrassing Moment reminiscences began coming into The Times office last night within two hours after the paper was off the press.

Remember, folks, the editor is going to pay \$2 for the one with the best laugh. Be sure to enclose your name and address, and if you do not want them printed, in case we print your contribution, say so, and the initials only will be used.

Here is one of the good ones: It was when I was a grammar school boy back east that my moment of greatest perturbation occurred. I was fairly young for my grade, but big and awkward.

The boys had a practice of tearing into fine bits all the waste paper they accumulated and storing it in their caps.

Ready for Good One. At noons and recesses they would go out with it on their heads. When they met one of the girls they would make a sweeping bow, doff their cap, and out would pour the home-made confetti.

Teacher, of course, soon ordered the practice stopped. And the rule, naturally, made us all the more eager to play the prank.

Through an amicable settlement at Vancouver last night, the strike of longshoremen was ended, and with it the Tacoma boycott on all steamers touching at the British Columbia harbor. Details of the Vancouver settlement were not given out, except that "both sides made concessions."

**DOCK STRIKE OVER**

## JONES TAKES HAND

That the Baptist church in the Northwest had been stirred to its depths by the scandal in the First Baptist church here, as a result of which Dr. J. H. Sutton was obliged to resign suddenly, was indicated today when authentic information was received by The Times that Dr. Carter Helm Jones of Seattle had become very much interested in it.

In fact, it was charged that after the Rev. Sylvester McAlpin had become reconciled with Dr. Sutton here, he was forced to return to this city and file charges with the board of deacons which resulted in the forced resignation of Dr. Sutton.

**Jones Forces Issues.** When the Rev. McAlpin left this city, he was on the best of terms with Dr. Sutton, as The Times has told.

When he reached Seattle, however, Dr. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of the First Baptist church there, insisted that any attempt to smooth over the matter would not be tolerated.

Because of this, McAlpin returned to this city and renewed before the board of deacons the charges which he previously had taken up with the prosecuting attorney's office and had dropped, on the testimony of two Tacoma physicians that his 15-year-old daughter Doris was in a normal condition.

**Deacons on Defensive.** At this time, it was agreed by McAlpin that the prosecuting attorney could not proceed with a criminal action because of this testimony.

An examination by a Seattle woman physician disputed this, and Dr. Jones of Seattle gave credence to her.

Other developments today placed the board of deacons of the First Baptist church, which forced Sutton's resignation without hearing him, and the Rev. Sylvester McAlpin, who brought the charges, avowedly on the defensive.

Instead of attempting to demonstrate that they had not committed an injustice toward Dr. Sutton, they were engaged in explaining why they had taken such an action, and in justifying the course of the Rev. McAlpin.

**Walker Busy.** In addition, Deacon J. Marion Walker was busily engaged in giving publicity to a statement from the R. E. Anderson Realty company testifying that he had not warranted the renting of his property on D street to improper tenants.

As a part of their defensive strategy, the deacons, through J. M. Walker, obtained from the prosecuting attorney's office permission to tell of the details of how they came to discharge Dr. Sutton.

**May Recall Sutton.** This story simply confirmed the account already published in The Times: that the Rev. McAl-

## Here's That Hat



Here is the prize Easter hat, on display today at the Floriece, 914 Broadway. The young woman wearing it is acting as a substitute for Miss Emma Curtin, the designer winner of the Times contest. Miss Curtin was obliged to beg off on posing for the picture because of illness.

## CRANE CONVICTED

SEATTLE, April 3.—Felix Crane, alleged head of Seattle's underworld, and one of the headpieces of a gang that operates in Tacoma and other northwest cities as well, today was found guilty of accepting money from an unfortunate woman.

The jury went out last evening, after pleas had been made by the defense that the evidence given by Prosecutor Lundin's chief witness, Maxine Evans, was not

## PREDICTS SHOWERS

Oh, if we only lived in the eastern part of the state! If all the women of Tacoma with their new Easter outfits lived east of the mountains they would have the finest of weather to display the finest of their wardrobes tomorrow.

But as it is—Tacoma and vicinity: Showers tonight and Sunday. State: Fair in east and showers in west portion tonight and Sunday.

## BRAKEMAN SHOTS 4

OLYMPIA, April 3.—Seeking revenge because he had been discharged from the employ of the Simpson Logging Co., O. C. Steele, a logging road brakeman, opened fire yesterday on a locomotive in the woods above Shelton, killing three men and wounding another. Then Steele went home, and while his wife looked on in horror, he placed the muzzle of a revolver in

his mouth and fired. He cannot live. The men Steele killed were Joe Stertz, foreman of Stimpson camp 5; C. E. Day, a brakeman, and Aleck Johnson, conductor. They were riding in a logging engine cab with Edgar Marnane, Harry Munson and J. D. Drake. Burke was struck by one of the bullets, but will recover.

Lachlan, R. M. Walker and C. C. Page, were aggressively carrying on a campaign to override the deacons next Thursday evening and to bring Dr. Sutton back to his church. They claimed 97 per cent of the congregation were with them in this move.

## CAN'T MEET BONDS

NEW YORK, April 3.—A petition for a receiver for the International Mercantile Marine Co. was filed here today by the New York Trust Co.

It is alleged that the concern known as the "Shipping Trust," has defaulted on \$2,300,000 interest on bonds.

The company was formed by the late J. P. Morgan and its business was estimated at \$50,000,000 a year.

The receivership was precipitated by losses sustained on account of the war.

The company, which is probably the largest of its kind in the world, controls the White Star, Red Star, American, Atlantic, Transport, Dominion and Leyland lines.

It was formed in 1902 as the crowning work of Morgan's genius for organization.

## ENTER HOME; STEAL \$1,400

Bold early evening thieves last night looted the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Pittman, 3756 North 29th street, and escaped under the eyes of the couple with goods of an intrinsic value of \$1,400.

Inasmuch as a great quantity of the stolen property consisted of prized heirlooms the loss is felt by the Pittmans even beyond the large money value represented.

The couple during the evening were in attendance on the Dr. Hugh Ross meeting at the First Congregational church.

When they returned home they saw a flashlight inside. On hurrying to the front door Mr. Pittman discovered the keyhole to be plugged.

While he tried to force the door open, the thieves leaped from a window with their loot in sacks and made off.

The goods consisted of watches, table silver, old coins, vases and even pictures from the walls.

Mr. Pittman is manager for the Pacific Coast Mercantile Co. A son, Frank Pittman, is widely known as an athlete at Stadium High school and later at Stanford

## JOHN BULL COMING TO PROHIBITION, BUT 'T WILL BE A SHOCK

LONDON, April 3.—If prohibition of the sale of liquor in Great Britain comes, as it is believed it may in a few days, it will be the biggest shock ever felt in this country—there can be no two opinions about that.

The Norman conquest, the York-Yancaster civil war and the drastic dictatorship of Cromwell will bear no comparison to it, and this statement is made seriously. Britons place much stress on their personal rights, even in war time.

The sudden shutting off of the sale of drink is certain to be dramatic. It is likely that it will be done at night by the police and the inland revenue officers, as happened in Russia at the beginning of the war.

**Saloonkeepers Not Napping.** The general opinion among the Britons is that such a method might do for the simple Slavs, but would not "go" in England. They suggested that the rest of the night would be spent in unscrewing the backs of the cupboard, substituting empty bottles and replacing the backboards.

It is not likely, however, that the saloonkeepers of Britain will

be caught napping. The rolling of distant thunder, presaging a storm has been heard and, like the wily Bedouins worrying the Suez canal, the massed formation of bottles is being rapidly split into smaller contingents and these are again divided into single units fleeing from the wrath to come.

**Liquor Now Being Hidden.** In brief, wine and beer are already being hidden on an extensive scale. Beer is being buried in back yards, hidden in attics, stowed under cellared coals and pushed up into unused chimneys.

The suburban gardener is getting sudden orders to cancel plans to use the sequestered patch of rich, loamy soil for lettuce crop and is told to utilize the cooperation of the full moon, which is illuminating Great Britain at this crisis, for vespertine trenching.

**Way to Tipperary Shorter.** On the highest authority it is said that Ireland will be exempt from prohibition, nominally because it is producing no munitions of war. The result certainly will be the discovery on an unprecedented scale of the superiority of Irish scenery and air and the salubrity and general suitability of vacations.

"As for Scotland, one would think from what some Scotchmen say that the entire nation will die within a week or migrate to Ulster. It is likely that the Ulstermen will join the Redmonites and that a united Ireland will rise from the ashes of past sorrows solid for home rule and unrestricted internal lubrication.

"We shall have to change that song," added the manager. "Believe me, the morning that John Bull awakens to find prohibition gripping the land, the nation will be singing 'It's a short way to Tipperary.'"

## GROWING GROWING GROWING

The Puget Sound State Bank is growing every day—join their "Thrifty Club" and grow with them. The pleasant enthusiasm and energy they display is catching—it gets the money—"nuff said"—join.

## WOULD HANG VON TIRPITZ

LONDON, April 3.—"Hang Admiral von Tirpitz and other responsible German officers at the close of the war," is a suggestion made today by the Chronicle in a fresh burst of indignation. Other papers arraign the Kaiser for "reverting to barbarism" in the sinking of trawlers and other shipping.

## WHEN A MAN'S MARRIED

