Labor Council to Boost Referendum

Throwing its influence determinedly for the referendums now pending against the vicious measures passed by the last legislature, the Central Labor Council last evening arranged to have petitions in a dozen or more places on the street Saturday evening.

Also they plan to have tables on the street in as many places as possible permanently, and to have a woman with a table and petitions in the public market.

All this is in line with a movement to make the signing of the petitions as easy as possible.

It was reported to the council that this plan of circulating petitions in Seattle had been successful, and that 98 per cent of the names obtained there had been good.

Many of the petitions Saturday night will be placed near the city hall, so as to be convenient for those who wish to register and then sign.

The interest in the referendum movement has boosted the registration well along toward the 9,000 mark.

Took Him 9 Months To Learn

An amazing confession which Mrs. Edna Royse made to her husband as to her relations with other men was brought into the divorce suit brought by the husband in Superior Judge Clifford's court today.

In this confession, written, she admitted that one man had been calling on her three or four times a week for nine months before it was brought to the attention of the husband by neighborhood gossip, and that this man had kissed and caressed her.

Also she admitted that three or four other men had had a share of her attention.

This confession she first made as she sat on her husband's lap, after he had returned unexpectedly from a trip east, and later, at his direction, she wrote them down.

Notwithstanding this trouble, so Royse testified today, the two were reconciled, and lived together until once again word came to him of her infidelity. Then once again she admitted her faults, and he prepared the divorce papers.

Mrs. Royse's defense is that Royse was cruel to the baby, that he struck it because it cried in the night. It was claimed he once beat the child while the mother was still in bed due to the illness of childbirth. Royse denies this.

Nice Ol' Railway

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Here is what the Pennsylvania railway thinks of its employes:

That they should be allowed to organize so long as it does not decrease their dependence on the railroad, or place them under the control of a union.

That they should have good wages, but should not strike for them.

Vice President Atterbury also told the industrial relations commission that his company had on hand a sufficient stock of rifles, clubs and other weapons to protect it in any extremity—say a strike.

"Don't you believe the state ought to have control over armed forces," asked Chairman Walsh.

"Oh, yes, theoretically," said Atterbury, "but we can't be sure of what the state will do. If it would agree to patrol our property, we would be satisfied."

Decision Upholds Statute

NEWARK, N. J., May 6. — Judge Haight held today that the U. S. statute barring the importation of prize fight motion pictures is constitutional.

The legality of the law was attacked by owners of the Johnson-Willard films.

The ruling in effect will prevent the showing of the pictures in the United States.

Attorneys for the film men said they would appeal the case.

WOMEN DECLARE WAR ON AUTO SPEEDERS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6.—War on speeders was declared here today by the members of the women's Pacific Coast Good Roads association, representing California, Washington and Oregon, in session at the Inside Inn, within the Panama Pacific exposition grounds.

CANADIANS LOSE 6,849

LONDON, May 6.—The total casualties of the Canadian division engaged in Flanders are 323 officers and 6,026 men.

T. R. Can't Testify Of 'Vice Ring'

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 6.—Col. Roosevelt balked today on technical grounds in his attempt to place before the Barnes libel jury the details of vice and liquor conditions in Albany, Barnes' home town, and how Barnes was lined up politically with the men and landladies who conducted these places.

This evidence of Barnes' connection with corrupt politics was excluded, after argument by counsel, on technical grounds.

After his attorneys were through questioning him, Col. Roosevelt turned expectantly to Attorney Ivins, for Barnes, to await cross-examination.

"I do not care to have anything further to do with Col. Roosevelt," snapped Ivins.

The colonel smiled toothfully and left the stand.

BLUE SMOKE MEASURE IS TURNED DOWN

The "Blue Smoke," a new organization formed among professional and business men of Tacoma, met defeat at the hands of the city council today.

Members of the organization had made a strenuous fight for the passage of an ordinance restricting the sale of firearms and small weapons in Tacoma. The council today, however, threw out the ordinance bodily, and voted to introduce a new one, of a few lines, merely demanding that persons selling firearms make a weekly report of their sales to the police.

Fred Edwards, Homer King and Fred Dubois, leading sporting goods dealers, appeared as a committee before the council and declared that the "Blue Smoke" ordinance would not restrict the sale of firearms, but would send the purchases outside of Tacoma. They offered gladly to furnish a detailed report of every sale to the police.

None of the "Blue Smoke" members attended the meeting.

New Market to Open Saturday

The Central Market, which has recently been completed in the quarters recently occupied by McHugh's department store, 1144-46 Pacific avenue, will be opened to the public Saturday.

Everything in the way of eatables can be purchased there. The management announces that this is an anti-trust market.

The market is all painted white, and is exceptionally well ventilated. Ammonia pipes have been placed to keep goods in the best of condition.

BOYS ROCK CANOE; SAME OLD RESULT

SEATTLE, May 6.—Archie H. Von Carnap and Clifford Niblock of Kirkland, across Lake Washington from Seattle, rocked the canoe.

The bodies have been recovered.

Von Carnap's father had just warned him not to enter the canoe.

POSTER STAMP CRAZE HITS EXPRESS CONCERN

The poster stamp craze has spread to the express companies.

Manager Stanniford of the Wells-Fargo Co. in Tacoma announced today that he had received several thousand stamps, showing the growth and history of the express company from its infancy to the present day. There are six stamps in the series. They are being distributed rapidly.

DEVELOPMENT OF NEGRO RACE SINCE EMANCIPATION

CHICAGO, May 6.—The trail of the negro from the auction-block to political and commercial potentiality will be shown in an exposition at the Coliseum Aug. 23 to Sept. 22. Coincident with the exposition will be held the Abraham Lincoln jubilee celebration at which hundreds of relics of the martyred president will be shown.

BUILDING UNCLE'S OWN LINE

Construction men at work extending sea end of Uncle Sam's first freight railroad at Woodrow Creek. How does this stir of activity strike you, folks?

A WOMAN'S PROTEST

Mrs. George L. Dickson Leads Attack On Proposal For Metering All Water

Editor The Times:

I read with genuine astonishment the proposal of the commissioner of light and water to place meters on all city water service at an approximate cost of $200,000.

Referring back to the time of building the present gravity water system, the one most potent answer to any claim of excessive cost of the plant was, "when it shall have been completed, the people of the city of Tacoma will have an abundance of pure water at a minimum cost," and in keeping with this promise the sprinkling charge last year was abandoned, with the result that the lawns of this city never looked so well.

No Free Sprinkling

At the beginning of the season this year, hours for sprinkling were designated and now comes the proposal to put all water service on meter, which means No Free Water For Your Lawns.

It means further that the man of limited means—the mechanic, the laborer and the working man who owns his home—will not, nor can he, well afford to use the water necessary to keep his lawn green and beautiful.

I make this statement without fear of contradition: No concession has so far been made to the taxpayers and home-owners of this city that has netted better results than free water for sprinkling.

Calls For Protest.

Then, too, the cost of the meters, $200,000, will be but a part of the cost as time goes on, for the cost of reading all these meters each month—no small amount, by the way—must be added thereto.

I ask that every person in the city who agrees with my ideas as herein set forth, make himself or herself heard before this matter goes any further.

MRS. GEORGE L. DICKSON.

Arrest Former U. S. Senator As Spy For Allies

VIENNA, May 6.—Former United States Senator Lafayette Young of Des Moines, Ia., accompanied by a former American deputy consul at Berne, Switzerland, was arrested at Innsbruck, Austria, yesterday on suspicion of espionage directed against Mr. Young's companion.

Mr. Young was promptly released with apologies after a few hours' detention in his hotel.

BELIEVE 'TWAS ONE OF KAISER'S AIRMEN

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 6.—United States Consul Liscoe at Rotterdam cabled the state department today that the aeroplane which dropped bombs on the American steamer Cushing, had three crosses painted on the under side. It is understood that the Germans are decorating their aeroplanes with facsimiles of the Iron Cross. This seems to point definitely to the fact that a German plane attacked the steamer.

HIT BY A TORNADO

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 6.—Ardmore, Okla., was reported today to have been struck by a tornado. The Western Union reported all wires were down between Francis and Ardmore.

GERMANS MAKE GAIN AT YPRES

PARIS, May 6.—An admission that the Germans have made substantial gains on hill No. 60, near Ypres, was made today in the official statement.

Heavily reinforced, the Germans broke through the allies' line in several places. The British came up to aid the French and part of the lost ground was retaken.

TWO MORE VESSELS SENT TO BOTTOM

LONDON, May 6.—A German submarine today sunk two more vessels. The schooner Carl was torpedoed off the Irish coast and the trawler Stratton in the North sea. Both crews were rescued.

ON TO CONSTANTINOPLE—ADVANCE OF ALLIES LAND FORCES

How the allied French and British troops have clinched their hold on Turkish soil and are pushing forward to Constantinople.

The advance is indicated by the arrows. The British landed originally at Cape Tekeh, Cape Helles and Seddel Bahr, at the point of the Gallipoli peninsula, and at Sari Bair up the coast above Gaba Tepeh.

The French took Koum Kaleh and Yeni Cher. All parties experienced severe battles in their march inland, but were assisted by the allied fleets which shelled the Turkish trenches and ramparts and made them uninhabitable.

According to the British official reports the Turks are fighting gallantly under the direction of German officers but are being gradually forced back. The cities marked with black circles from the entrance to the Dardanelles up as far as the narrows at Nagara, are those of which the forts have been shelled by the fleet.

Gallipoli, far up the straits, has been shelled overland from the Gulf of Saros, at distances varying from 10 to 15 miles.

Sprinkling Hours Are Extended

Commissioner Drake's effort to restrict sprinkling in Tacoma this summer to the hours of 6 and 9 a. m. and 6 and 9 p. m. was thwarted by the city council today, when an amended ordinance was introduced extending the sprinkling period two hours a day.

By the new ordinance, which will be passed next week, Tacomans can sprinkle between 5 and 9 a. m. and 5 and 9 p. m. Any person who allows an automatic sprinkler to sprinkle on a sidewalk will be arrested. Persons receiving water meter service will be given unlimited sprinkling service, if they wish, and if they abide by the morning and evening springling periods will be given a 25-cent rebate on their monthly bills.

The entire council except Drake declared that the three-hour sprinkling periods morning and evening were too brief to accommodate the large mass of home owners.

JITNEY JOTTINGS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6. — Employes of the traction company here who were discharged because they wished to join a union, have a plan to start a jitney business in competition with their former employer.

They have been promised financial support by organized labor.

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KANSAS CITY, May 6.—The National Jitney association, formed in convention here, pledges itself to protect the business everywhere and to endeavor to work out a definite policy of insurance, bonding, and other problems.

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SEATTLE, May 6.—Jitney men who tested the constitutionality of the law passed by the last legislature to "regulate" them, lost today in the superior court, but will appeal.

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LOS ANGELES, May 6.—The jitney-bus ordinance, requiring $10,000 bonds and the keeping to one particular route was upheld here today.

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AUSTIN, Tex., May 6.—The jitney ordinance requiring bonds and a fixed route was upheld here in the court of criminal appeals.

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William Hummons, owner of a Sumner-Tacoma bus line, yesterday was awarded $330 damages against a rival company for damages done one of his trucks in a collision, in superior court.

In turn Hummons has been sued for damages by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Garlick, patrons, for alleged injuries.

PANTAGES
UNEQUALED VAUDEVILLE
"GARDEN OF THE RAJAH"
Story of Mysterious Beautiful
5—OTHER BIG ACTS—5

Blow Up Chicago Buildings

CHICAGO, May 6. — Scores wer aroused from their beds and fled into the street in scant attire when a terrific explosion wrecked a two-story building in West Ohio street immediately adjoining a three-story structure which was partially demolished.

The panic spread across a wide area.

The police believe a bomb was thrown between the two buildings. No casualties were reported.

Orient Close to War

TOKIO, May 6.—Japan and China are squaring off, ready for war. The Japanese today declared martial law on the Kwangtung (Port Arthur) peninsula, and on the South Manchuria railway. The latter could be used fo rthe transportation of troops.

The Japanese cabinet is to meet today for a final meeting. A newspaper close to the government published an article last night that war already would have been declared but for an attempt at mediation by the United States.

SHIP $8,000,000 OF FIR LUMBER

In a recent publication of the federal government, some interesting statistics are brought out, covering the exports of lumber and lumber products for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914.

Of the total amount of fir exported from the United States (680,380,000 feet), Oregon and Washington furnished 630,000,000 feet, valued at $8,059,940.

Nearly 260,000,000 feet of this fir went to Australia, New Zealand and the Islands of Oceanica, over 145,000,000 feet went to Asiatic points, nearly 120,000,000 feet went to South America, and approximately 23,000,000 feet to Panama. European countries took not quite 40,000,000 feet, England leading with 27,000,000 feet and Germany ranking second with 2,000,000.

Women to Interview Premiers

THE HAGUE, May 6.—Peace envoys of the International Women's congress started today on their rounds of the various warring nations, in the interest of peace. The delegation, headed by Miss Jane Addams of Chicago, will be given a hearing by the Dutch premier on Friday, and will leave at once for England, where they will call upon Premier Asquith. From London the women will visit Berlin, Vienna, Buda Pest, Berne, Rome, Paris, Havre and Madrid.

Re-elect Geiger

Well satisfied with the present conduct of the schools, the board yesterday re-elected W. F. Geiger superintendent, and most of the faculty members.

Geiger's new contract runs for a three-years' period with no change in pay.

The names of teachers will not be made known until September.

TRAIN IN DITCH

MERCED, Cal., May 6.—Southboud Santa Fe flyer No. 2 ran into a washout caused by an irrigation ditch on the main line at Cressey, 12 miles northwest of here, early today. Six persons were injured, none seriously. Three baggage and mail cars left the track. The smoker and one chair car were overturned.

AGIN "LOVE STUFF"

LOS ANGELES, May 6.—A spirited campaign against "love stuff" on the women's page of daily newspapers will be launched by the [illegible] Christian [illegible] day in [illegible]