

MRS. MILLER TELLS OF HER RELATIONS WITH CHATTEN

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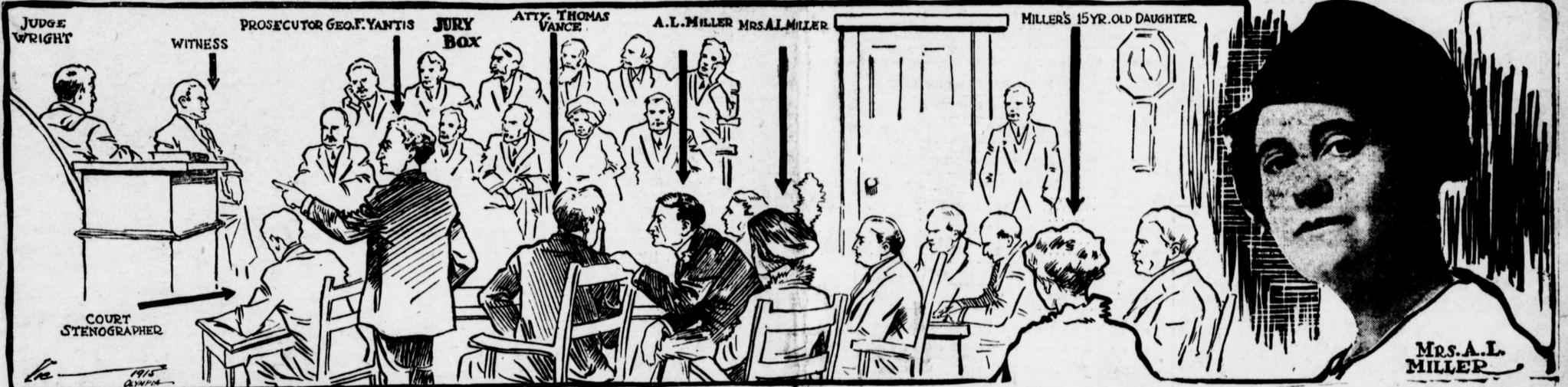
TACOMA, WASH., FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1915.

HOME EDITION

WEATHER
Tacoma and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Saturday, probably showers.
Washington: Same.

Oh where is our white pussy cat?
For days she's not been seen.
Alack! she's wrapping round the throat
Some summer girl, I ween.

COURTROOM SCENE WHERE OLYMPIA MURDER TRIAL IS ON, AND WOMAN IN THE CASE



Mrs. A. L. MILLER

BRYAN PLEADS HIS GOSPEL OF PEACE

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10.—William Jennings Bryan made an idealistic plea for a new system of diplomacy today, as he issued a statement asking vindication for his resignation from President Wilson's cabinet.

He said the old system of diplomacy was based on force; that it had had a thorough trial for 1900 years and that the present European war was its final fruitage.

He urged the new diplomacy based on investigation, persuasion and love. Therefore, he said he could not sign a note which might plunge the nation into war—a note based on the old diplomacy of force.

"Some nation," he concluded, "must lead the world out of the black night of war into the light of day. Why not make that honor ours?"

WILSON NOTE IN BERLIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—The United States, in a note read today by the German foreign office at Berlin, formally demanded of the Kaiser full assurances that German submarine warfare should be so carried on as not to endanger the life of any American citizen or other neutral, while traveling on the high seas under the rules of international law.

Friendly in tone, the note repeats the statements made in the first note; assures Germany firmly that the Lusitania was not an armed vessel, but a peaceful merchantman; expresses confidence that Germany will make good so far as possible the property loss; and demands that in the future her submarine warfare be carried on with a full regard for American rights.

Tenders Good Offices.
The possibility that the United States may become the mediator which finally shall aid in ending the great European struggle is indicated by the expressed willingness of this country to carry any message from one nation to the other which might in any way "mitigate the errors of the present distressing conflict."

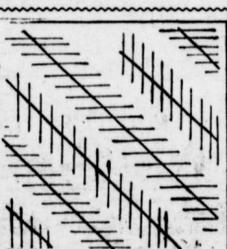
In addition to the terms of international law under which the United States claims its citizens have a right to expect safety on the high seas, there were "principles of humanity which throw into the background any special circumstances."

Something More Sacred.
"The government of the United States, it is continued, 'is contending for something greater than mere rights of property or privileges of commerce. It is contending for nothing less sacred than the rights of humanity.'"

The note gives Germany a way to withdraw from its position without embarrassment by the assumption of responsibility by the United States that the Lusitania was unarmed. The United States goes so far as to "officially inform" Germany that this is so.

Diplomats say that this gives Germany an opportunity to say that her understanding was different, but that she will take the word of the United States. A disavowal and assurance of no further offenses might then easily be made without a loss of dignity.

TODAY'S OPTICAL ILLUSION DO YOU SEE IT?



The long, heavy lines seem to be running in all directions. Do they not? But they are parallel to each other—everyone of them. Tilt the paper to a horizontal position level with the eyes and gaze along the length of the black lines.

Now turn to page 5 and read first installment of Madame Schumann-Heink's advice to June brides.

GREAT ROSES SHOWN

With a scent more delicate than the rarest perfume, and a soft blending of colors more beautiful than any artist could conceive, the fifth annual Tacoma Rose show, which opened its doors today, caused exclamations of surprise and admiration from the visitors who attended.

Gilde pavilion has been completely buried under an array of rose buds and greenery. Roses are everywhere, set off by a background of interwoven evergreen. In the center of the huge pavilion is the park board's exhibit, 45x72 feet, containing some of the most exquisite buds ever put on exhibition in Tacoma, and the entire floor space is occupied by row upon row of exhibits, all blended carefully in a wonderful color scheme.

Open Till 10 Tonight.
Judging of the exhibits began at 10 o'clock this morning and is practically finished when the doors were opened at 2 o'clock. The rose show will continue until 10 o'clock tonight, and will be open from 10 a. m. tomorrow until 10 p. m. An orchestral program will be furnished by Prof. S. W. Driscoll's musicians both evenings, and there will be a program tomorrow night, featured by the giving out of cups to all the prize winners.

Basket Display Planned.
Exhibitors are urged to take advantage of the special Saturday exhibits of baskets of roses, open tomorrow. Beautiful special prizes are offered.

The first exhibit is for the best basket of roses, with a cup to be given by the Tacoma Art League. The second is for the best basket of flowers, any kind not roses, with a cup given by Rhodes Bros. Exhibits may be entered up to 10 a. m. tomorrow.

NO WAR

The calmness, courtesy and friendliness of President Wilson's note creates a strong suspicion that Bryan really resigned because somebody was willing that he should.

The note simply reiterates what Wilson said May 15 in a still more friendly spirit, and gives Germany another chance to wage her submarine warfare decently and humanely without any objection from Uncle Sam.

It is a tubful of water on war sentiment, and to consider it provocative of war requires an unlimited stretching of the imagination.

Once more the president has shown that he is a cool, courageous, wise executive. Mr. Bryan will find himself pretty lonely out in the cold, cold world working up a career based on any alleged war-promoting spirit in this latest note to Germany.

OFFICIALS CERTAIN WAR WON'T RESULT

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Whether the latest note of the United States was sufficient to cause a break between Wilson and Bryan, it is not sufficient to cause a break between the United States and Germany.

This is the unanimous expression of German officials here, who, although the note officially has not been read by the German foreign office at Berlin, due to errors in cable transmission, have had an opportunity to become acquainted with its contents through the press.

Upon the principles stated by President Wilson, they say that peace may surely be preserved without a loss of dignity to either the United States or Germany.

In most official circles, the note is interpreted as "an iron hand in a velvet glove." As officials see the note, it is couched in so friendly terms that Germany may easily recognize the principle of safe-guarding American rights at sea. The note goes no further than this, it is held, since President Wilson does not insist that submarine warfare be stopped—simply that Americans aboard peaceful ships shall not be

molested. In German circles, there is an unconcealed hope that the imperial government will accept the terms of the United States.

The president and his advisers assume that Germany's reply will be friendly in tone, and they discount all rumors of war.

Until the German reply is received—which probably will not be sooner than 10 days—no further diplomatic steps will be taken.

It is thought that Meyer Gerhardt, the personal envoy of von Bernstorff, will be in Berlin Sunday or Monday, and will at once give a personal explanation of American sentiment. Not until his information as well as the American note is received, will the imperial government begin consideration of its answer.

WOMAN IN CASE ON STAND TODAY IN MURDER TRIAL

OLYMPIA, June 11.—Before a gaping, curious court room, beautiful Mrs. Clara E. Miller today took the stand, and laid bare the inmost confidences of her heart to save her husband, A. L. Miller, from conviction for the murder of William Chatten, his employer and his alleged betrayer.

With a voice that shook, Mrs. Miller told of Chatten's blandishments, of her husband's suspicions, and the destruction of harmony and love in their home, and of Chatten's proposal that she get a divorce so as to be free to marry him.

But there was no testimony that she had ever yielded to his pleas.

In Stocking Feet
She had testified but a short time when the state interrupted, and the rest of the forenoon's session was taken up with legal arguments.

Previous to Mrs. Miller's taking the stand, Jack Monroe, a resident of Union City, testified that he had seen the dead man come from the Miller yard at midnight, in the month of January, and cross the road to a hotel, in his stocking feet.

Also, Baker, Chatten's private stenographer, said that in the dead man's dying statement, he admitted having entered the Miller home the night of his death. For Years and Half.

Mrs. Miller was asked by Attorney Thomas Vance if Chatten had shown her marked attentions. She answered yes, since September, 1913.

"Did he talk to you about your relations with your husband?" "Many times," she replied. "And was there an undefined feeling of estrangement between yourself and your husband?" "Nothing definite, but yes, an

undefined feeling." "And did Chatten talk to you about a divorce from your husband?"

It was here that the state protested that what Chatten had proposed to her was immaterial unless it had been communicated to her husband and had had an effect on his mind which led up to the shooting. The defense answered that the state of mind of wife, deceased, and defendant, all might be taken into consideration.

To Continue Testimony
For the rest of the day, Mrs. Miller is expected to testify as to her feelings toward Chatten, no less than as to her actions.

She had been pleading loyalty to her husband and love for her children—and a feeling that she was beginning "to care" for her husband's friend, employer, and patron, the man who was killed.

She must make this admission to a gaping court room, packed to the doors, drawn by morbid curiosity.

But it will be no sordid story. While Chatten was pleading with her to leave her husband, while her husband was growing morose and disheartened by the uncountable shadow which had fallen on a home that had been happy for 15 years, Mrs. Miller was undergoing the greatest struggle of all. There was no one in all the world in whom she could confide. "A battle—cruel, unrelenting, persistent—raged in her heart."

Must Admit Struggle.
This struggle she must describe to the jury. She must admit that it went on. She must admit that she was tempted to leave with Chatten but had not quite yielded. From her lips must fall the words to convince the 11 men and one woman on the jury that A. L. Miller, her husband, haunted by the fear of ruin to his name, had sought for that tear.

Unprecedented Plea.
The state rested its case yesterday afternoon. No attempt was made to show any motive for the crime, the state contending itself merely in the proof, through physicians, mill employes, and deputy sheriff, that Chatten was killed—and by A. L. Miller.

Attorney Thomas Vance, conducting the defense, has mapped out almost an unprecedented course in murder cases.

He is going farther with the "unwritten law" than has ever been attempted in this state. He is not making a plea of temporary insanity for his client. As though that sort of plea, which has been used in many other murder cases under like circumstances as the Miller case, were but a subterfuge, Vance is making a frank, blunt, direct appeal for the unwritten law.

TOMORROW IS THE DAY TO BUY SHOES

There is going to be a fine chance for Tacoma folks to exercise their Buy-at-Home habit tomorrow. It is Buy-Shoes Day.

Five of the biggest and best shoe dealers in the city have united to make it an occasion when every member of the family can be outfitted in footwear at the minimum of cost and the maximum of satisfaction BY TACOMA HOUSES. It's fine business, remember, to keep Tacoma money in Tacoma.

These five dealers are: The Walk-Over Shoe Shop, the McDonald Shoe Co., the C. & G. Shoe Shop, the Men's Shoe Store and Turrell Bros.

There is no organization of Tacoma shoe men, but friendly feeling and good-natured rivalry exist between them.

They are united tomorrow to the extent that they all are going to help make Buy-Shoes Day a day whose repetition will be awaited, and they are rivals to the extent that each is making a fine, strong bid for YOUR trade.

Read what they have to say on Page Seven.

A Married Man's Troubles---and Joys

