

# TIMES EDITORIALS

## Park for Fern Hill? Why Not?

The Times is mighty glad to observe that a south end woman has begun an agitation for the acquirement of a public park in the Fern Hill section.

There ought to be set aside in that district, before it becomes too thickly settled, sufficient land for a first class small park and playground. Ten acres, we would say, should be the minimum size tract to be considered.

The great south end of the city no doubt is destined to be the most populous residence district of the Tacoma of the future. It lies a long ways from Point Defiance and is entitled to parks of its own.

While we do not profess to be familiar with the plans proposed by the south end woman who took the question up yesterday with park officials and know nothing of the tract which she would have acquired, we are with her on her general idea.

The south end should have its park. It should have several of them.

Between peach cobbler and loganberry pie we really can't see any reason for this country to get embroiled in any of that European peevishness.

Henry James renouncing his American citizenship reminds us that the dividing line between a genius and a plain ass is hard to see.

The man who marries to escape living in a boarding house ought to take thought that the majority of landladies were married once.

No change in style of men's trousers, decrees the International Cutters' association, and we were hoping they'd declare for uncreased trousers, in these trying times.

The alliance between our college professors and the Japanese is to be more closely cemented; the University of Chicago is sending a baseball team across.

Ex-Mayor Donn Roberts of Terre Haute has been put at work at the wash tubs in Leavenworth—Terre Haute beat him to it at washing its dirty lines.

From the manner in which the Germans are scratching the Russians they do not much fear catching Tartars.

Bishop Moreland says that a nagged married man who does not seek divorce is a true hero—but we'll dare any one of them to wear a hero medal.

Standard Oil labor trouble in New Jersey ended. Laborers not shot returned to work.

## TRICKS OF THE TRADE--NO. 1



### PITY THE POOR ICEMAN!

Come, all of you who have been wont to envy the iceman who hasn't anything else to do but ride around in these hot days in a nice cool ice wagon, stopping every now and then to escort a 90-pound chunk of frozen water to the refrigerator and clip off a 100-pound coupon.

Easy life, eh?

Say not so until you have followed Mr. Iceman around for a day or two. Or, if you haven't the time to do that, just read this:

When I first began delivering ice, several years ago, I nearly died—why, gee! they must 'a' thought I was blind, coming to the door with next to nothin' on. I used to go home and tell my wife that women didn't have no self-respect, but, by golly, I've got so used to it I don't see 'em.

The above is an extract from a letter to the newspaper from an iceman who does not approve of the summer fashions he has seen at the kitchen door.

Maybe here is where some husky suffragets might step into a new job—and we'd have the icewoman!

### WORSE THAN NONE.

In Colorado a man deliberately shot to death the husband of his paramour, most wantonly, that he might continue his licentious wickedness unhampered. He was sentenced to death, and, in order to legitimize their child, the courts and officers of the law permitted the convicted felon to marry the widow of his victim.

Ugh! it's enough to make one's flesh creep. The alternative of being born to the name of a hanged, cold-blooded assassin, or to none at all! Those court officials must surely have been possessed of the wisdom of Solomon to have undertaken the task of determining which was the better, or worse, of the two.

Nice prospects that infant has in this snobbish old world, if it is so unfortunate as to arrive, isn't it?

### HOW FISH LIVE IN WATER.

Editor The Times—Will you please explain to me why a fish does not drown in water the same as a human being?—Willie Henderson.

It seems that nature decided that fishes should live in water and human beings should live on land, and therefore fishes are provided with gills, and human beings are provided with lungs through which to breathe. Now the great difference between gills and lungs is that gills can breathe the oxygen found in water and they cannot breathe the oxygen which is found in air. WITHOUT OXYGEN NEITHER MAN NOR BEAST NOR FISH CAN LIVE. So the fish with his gills formed by nature to take from water the life-giving gas, oxygen, can live under water. Creatures who breathe through lungs—human beings and the lower animals can live only on land where their lungs get plenty of the oxygen which is one of the many gases that make up air.

### TWO THINGS APPEAR.

Roosevelt's western tour proved two things: That while the sentiment of the thinking public is for peace at any price save honor, yet beneath the surface there flows a strong current of red blooded Americanism which, should a crisis in our foreign affairs unhappily arrive, will respond, with overwhelming unanimity, to the call of the country.

And the other thing is that Theodore Roosevelt is still strong in the hearts of the masses of America.

Regardless of personal inclinations or beliefs these two facts must be reckoned with.

We guess some of those trouble-hunting foreign nations won't be so cocky after this.

Uncle Sam's marines landed in Haiti and the eagle lost nary a feather.

Neither did the public back home throw a single fit. We will show 'em that we are not so blamed peaceable after all.

## CYNTHIA GREY'S LETTERS

### ON VACATION

Cynthia Grey is taking a vacation this week.

Hence we will have to ask her many correspondents to wait patiently for answers to their letters. They will come in due time, but many of them a week later than expected.

Her mail has been so heavy of late that we are behind a few days in printing the replies that she had prepared for publication, so her vacation will give us a chance to catch up.

If you have questions, send them in as usual, and she will take them up in order when she returns.—Editor.

Q.—We are two mischievous girls of 16 and 18. The other day we played a joke on a newly married girl friend of ours. We went to see her and as she was not at home, we decided to "stack" her house.

After pulling everything we found in front of the back door, we went inside and moved a few things around. One thing we did was to pull the sewing machine (which was not here) into the middle of the floor. It had a cover on it, so we put a chair on it, being careful not to scratch it.

Thinking it a nice big joke, we hid around the house to hear what they would say.

We were on our way over to confess, when we met both Mrs. S. and her husband. Mrs. S. told us quietly that the machine was scratched, but Mr. S. actually raved. He swore and almost danced an "Irish Jig"—he's Irish by the way. We cannot understand how we could have scratched the machine as the chair was placed on it in such a way as not to scratch it. If it was scratched, it was done when he took the chair off.

Miss Grey, we never heard a man swear so terribly in all our lives. It was awful! All we could say was that we were sorry. Now do you think he was a gentleman and don't you think he should apologize for it?

We just played the joke in an innocent way and that they would take it in the spirit it was meant. Please print this and tell us what you think soon as we are

## If Lingerie Makes the Woman---Well, Look Here!



Lingerie makes or mars the gown and the woman whose ambition is to be well gowned will plan her attire from inwards outwards.

A filmy little garment which the new semi-fitted gowns have made popular is the envelope suit. Italian silk or nainsook, or sheer lawn may be used to make the "envelope." It's trimmed with fine Valenciennes lace.

anxious for your opinion.

R. AND T.  
A.—It is to be hoped that you girls have come out of this fracas wiser for your experience. Seldom such jokes are taken in the spirit intended by the jokers. Nine times out of ten, hard feelings are the result. You must make allowance for the fact that men, as a rule, are more demonstrative when they "get their Irish up" than women. If an apology is in order, I think it should come from you girls.

Q.—Recently I read an article where a man had two wives and maintained two homes; but the first and legal wife finally objected to her husband's second wife after she had two children by him.

But what would you say

about a strong, healthy woman having two husbands? The first husband is crippled and in poor health and not able to work and support the household. The second husband is willing to furnish a home and assist in the support. The first husband does not object to the second nor the second to the first. They live together as one family. Your opinion will be appreciated and any one else's who cares to answer.

A.—As I have said many times

before in these columns, I say again that I believe our marriage laws are instituted for the good of every one concerned and should be strictly obeyed by each and every one of us. The woman above mentioned is practicing bigamy, and under the law of this state it is not tolerated. Were I a strong, healthy woman with the support of a crippled husband on my hands, I would much prefer to support him with money made in an honest, respectable manner, even though I had to stand over a wash tub to do it.

## Personal and Social

The Oracles' council, R. N. A., will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. H. Z. Ramsdell, 5607 South Clement st. Matters of importance to be discussed.

First M. E. foreign missionary society met this afternoon with Mrs. W. P. Bonney to hear an address by Miss Ashville, from the India field.

New officers of the Michigan association: C. Milford Coyle, president; Mrs. Agnes Durkee, vice president; C. N. Young, secretary and treasurer.

A young woman who would not give her name, but whom we will designate as Miss X. Y. Z., today brought \$2 in silver to The Times office for aLrry's fund.

### What Dyspeptics Should Eat

"Indigestion and practically all forms of stomach trouble are, nine times out of ten, due to acidity; therefore stomach sufferers should, whenever possible, avoid eating food that is acid in its nature, or which by chemical action in the stomach develops acidity. Those sufferers who have been obliged to exclude from their diet all starchy, sweet or fatty food, and are trying to keep up a miserable existence on gluten products, should try a meal of any food or foods in moderate amount, taking immediately afterwards a teaspoonful of bisurated magnesia in a little hot or cold water. This will neutralize any acid which may be present, and instead of the usual feeling of uneasiness and fullness, you will find that your food agrees with you perfectly. Bisurated magnesia is doubtless the best food corrective and anti-acid known. It has direct action on the stomach, but by neutralizing the acidity of the food contents, and thus removing the source of the acid irritation which inflames the delicate stomach lining, it does more than could possibly be done by any drug or medicine. Do not dose an inflamed and irritated stomach with drugs but get rid of the acid—the cause of all the trouble. Get a little bisurated magnesia from your druggist, eat what you want at your next meal, take some of the bisurated magnesia as directed above, and note remarkable results.

Bisurated Magnesia, No. 25 E. 26th St., N. Y. C. Advertisement.

### The Use of Soap Spoils the Hair

Soap should be used very sparingly, if at all, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it. The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mulsified coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than soap or anything else you can use.

One or two teaspoonfuls will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get mulsified coconut oil at any pharmacy, it's very cheap, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months. Advertisement.

## Dame Fashion Follows All Flags to the War



THE ROMAN MATRON

LATEST DESIGNS IN EUROPEAN WAR HATS

THE MILITARY GIRL AS SEEN IN LONDON. NOTE TROUSER EFFECT ON SKIRT.

When Dame Fashion and the gods of war join forces strange things happen. The "bean stalk" lady wears Roman stripes, the shy little lass wears a skirt that's almost a trouserette, the militant wears a gracefully draped cape—everybody wears anything just because it's fashionable, and the war gods command it.



MRS. T. F. PORTER, JR.

Mrs. Thomas F. Porter, a recent bride of St. Charles, La., studied law during her courtship by young Lawyer Porter. Now she practices before the supreme court of Louisiana, the only woman who has that privilege.

Dancing at American Lake pavilion Tuesday and Saturday nights. "Adv."