

John Bull, Too, Denies U. S. Claim

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 4.—"The freedom of the seas," for which President Wilson informed Germany a week ago the United States would stand, "without compromise and at any cost," is flatly denied in Great Britain's latest answer to America's protest at interference with her shipping.

Not only does Great Britain insist on the right to blockade all Germany and to prevent American cargoes destined for civilians from being landed, but it takes the stand that it has the right to blockade such neutral ports as Rotterdam and Copenhagen.

This right is claimed on the theory that when shipments are allowed to these ports, they are immediately transhipped to Germany. Thus, in reality, the British argue, they are German ports.

SOUNDS LIKE NIC NIMBLE'S ADVENTURES

PETROGRAD, Aug. 4.—A hydro-aeroplane attacked a German gunboat, forced it to retire; then attacked two Zeppelins and a German hydro-aeroplane and forced them to run for it, the war office claims.

ONLY 100 APPLY FOR \$10,000 JOB

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—James W. Pankhurst, worth just oodles of money, advertised for a new member of the family, the new member to get \$10,000 providing everything was satisfactory. Only 100 applicants appeared the first day. Pankhurst is 75 years old and wanted a girl to take care of him and his wife while they lived.

HOLD LINDSEY FOR COURT CONTEMPT

DENVER, Aug. 4.—Because he refused to reveal on the stand what he claimed was a confidential conversation with Mrs. Bertha Wright, charged with the murder of her husband, Judge Ben Lindsey was found guilty of contempt.

At the time of the verdict Judge Lindsey was delivering a Chautauqua address. He appealed from the judgment.

Stageland's Prettiest Summer Bride



Two poses of Miss Elsie Ferguson who declares determination to sail matrimonial seas again.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Elsie Ferguson, the famed star in "The Outcast," is going to be Stageland's prettiest summer bride!

Mrs. Amelia Ferguson, the star's mother, announced the engagement of Elsie to Thomas Benedict Clarke, vice president of the Harriman bank and New York club man.

Every one is interested in this, Miss Ferguson's second love affair. The announcement came as a great surprise to her friends. In 1908 Miss Ferguson became

the wife of Frederick Chamberlain Hoyt. She obtained a divorce from him in New Jersey in 1914.

At that time Miss Ferguson said: "MARRIAGE WITH MOST MEN IS ONLY FOR THE DARING SOUL—she who is content with the glamour while it lasts; who knows the awakening will come and is willing to endure the loneliness and heartaches that are bound to follow."

Evidently, one short year and Thomas Benedict Clarke have

persuaded Miss Ferguson to reverse her ideas on matrimony and men.

Or, T. B. C. isn't one of the "most men."

Now about the bride-to-be: Her eyes are as blue as cigarette smoke, her hair is a beautiful auburn shade and a certain contralto note in her gentle voice gives warning of intensity and passion.

Miss Ferguson will not give up her stage career when she becomes Mrs. Clarke.

SEPT. 30 IS OUR BIG DAY AT FAIR

September 30—that's the big day for Tacoma at the San Francisco fair. All Tacomans are asked to make as large a showing as possible. The trustees of the Commercial club last night decided upon this day for "Tacoma day."

Seize American Vessel As Prize

BERLIN, Aug. 4.—With one lone German officer aboard as a "prize crew," the American bark Pass of Belmaha arrived at Cuxhaven. The officer had been put aboard by a submarine which

spared the vessel the usual torpedoing.

Presumably this was due to the fact that the Germans wanted the cargo of cotton which she carried, for use in making munitions. The ship was bound for Archangel.

The Pass of Belmaha is well known in Tacoma. She has made this port several times as a grain ship.

COFFEE-AND FOR MAN WHO 'FLOPS'

By A. J. Eldred

When a workingman who has just enough money to buy himself a 10-cent "flop" in a flop-house has to go hunting work without breakfast, he faces a whole pack of moral troubles that most of us know nothing about.

You have this on the solemn assurance of J. H. Nichols, who as keeper of such a flop-house has seen them leave his place on cold, foggy mornings, without anything inside to fortify good intentions.

So beginning Aug. 10, and all through the winter, he will serve to every man at his house, 12th and A sts., who cannot afford a breakfast a light meal of coffee and doughnuts or cake.

Place to Shine Shoes, Too.

Also, he will establish a reading-room, a big free bath-room, a place to shine shoes.

In short, he's going to try out

DEBATE PROPRIETY OF BIG MOVIE FILM

"The Birth of a Nation," a stupendous motion picture film which purports to delineate American history from the opening of the Civil war until after the assassination of President Lincoln, including the operation of the famous Klu Klux Klan, received the honor of more than an hour's attention at today's session of the city council.

Six negro residents of Tacoma, with two attorneys, were arrayed against a dozen or more motion picture house managers, in an attempt to prevent the film from being exhibited here.

As a result of the arguments, the city council voted to put over for a week all consideration of the amended censorship ordinance introduced last week by Commissioner Mills, which would prevent any film from being exhibited here that would tend to arouse race feeling or race hatred.

Col. A. E. Joab made an impassioned plea for the colored race, declaring that the play made the negroes appear as fiends and brutes. Evan S. Stalcup also demanded that the film be restricted from Tacoma, asserting that a race riot might ensue if it were shown here.

Several movie men, with their attorneys, argued that Tacoma would be the only city in the

United States to refuse permission to show the film.

At the end of the arguments, Commissioner Woods exclaimed: "Well, let's pass the ordinance and keep the film out of the city. Tacoma has a reputation for being a freak town in everything—let's not deviate from the beaten path."

WANTS CITS TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor today demanded of President Wilson that he order a citizens' investigation of the Eastland disaster, in lieu of the one being conducted by the inspectors' division of the department of commerce, as directed by Secretary Redfield.

Gompers declared it was the fault of the inspection service, presumably, that the disaster occurred, and that clearly it was a travesty of justice to have this department investigate charges of its own bungling.

MAY LEGALIZE FRUIT GROWERS ORGANIZATION

The state wide fruit growers' co-operative association, designed to do for the fruit growers of the whole state what the Puyallup association has done for that district, may be legalized as a result of the visit to the Northwest of the federal trade commission.

After this state wide association was formed, to finance, harvest and sell the fruit crop of the state, it was found that it ran into several sections of the Sherman anti-trust act.

Since this, W. H. Paulhamus, its head, has been making efforts to have its program o. k'd.

Today the word was given out in Seattle by Will H. Parry, a Seattle man who was named on the commission, that this association would be given friendly attention, and that if the facts gained at a hearing justified it, legislation would be recommended to congress to make such associations legal.

This meeting will be in Spokane.

Hearings also will be held in Tacoma Aug. 11 on the question of allowing a Douglas fir trust to sell exclusively to foreign markets.

City to Abate Boy Nuisance

A dozen firms at the Municipal dock today addressed a remonstrance to the city council regarding a drove of young boys who harass travelers at the dock for permission to carry grips and suit cases.

Mayor Fawcett, who issues permits to all the boys, announced that he would expect the dock policemen hereafter to take permits away from any boy who acts improperly.

GOV. MAYTORENA PUTS BLAME OF CARRANZA WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 4.—Gov. Maytorena of Sonora notified the railroad officials Saturday night that he was withdrawing from the Yaqui valley, Gen. Funston today reported to the war department.

Maytorena declared that if Admiral Howard sent a force ashore to police the district following his withdrawal, "responsibility for this invasion of Mexico" must lie with Carranza for creating the conditions necessitating the retreat of the Villistas.

Biograph presents the season's supreme Photoplay Triumph in an adaptation of Ouida's celebrated novel "UNDER TWO FLAGS"

A colorful picture, remarkable for the beauty of its settings, for the wealth of atmosphere attained and for artistic detail. There is more real photoplay material in this picture than one generally finds in a five-reel offering. The sandstorm in the desert is in itself enough to distinguish the production as something out of the ordinary.

TODAY AND TOMORROW ONLY

OTHER FILMS COME EARLY

MELBOURNE
3c—ALL SEATS—5c

DYING! PICTURE WITH LITTLE STORY

When this picture, taken in France, reached England it was recognized as that of William Cox of Eccleshill. The next day he was on the list of killed, so it is assumed he was near death when the picture was taken.

WOMAN WINS \$15,249 SUIT

A decree, entitling Anna C. McCormick to recover \$15,249.55 was issued yesterday by Judge Cushman in the federal district court in the case against A. R. Titlow, receiver for the United States National bank of Centralia.

SUBMARINED

LONDON, Aug. 4.—The Belgian steamer Koophandle was submerged and sunk today. Its crew was rescued and landed.

THE GOV. SURE LIKES MOUNTAIN

Ex-Governor John M. Slaton of Georgia returned yesterday from an all-night stay at Mt. Tacoma, bursting with enthusiasm for the mountain and the national park. The former governor and his wife left for Seattle at 5:45.

LOOKS AS IF OLD VIRGINIA'S DRY

RICHMOND, Aug. 4.—Returns today from the state-wide primary for the general assembly, which holds the balance in the machinery for the statewide prohibition move, seemed to favor the dry. Southern Maryland also voted to do away with the sale of intoxicants.

USE HEBREWS TO SHIELD RUSSIANS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 4.—Despite the war in Europe the condition of the Jews has been improved. It was declared at a session of B'Nai B'Rith here yesterday. One speaker said, however, that the Russian soldiers were using the Jews for shields on the firing line.

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

ISABEL ANGELES

Miss Isabel Angeles, daughter of Gen. Felipe Angeles, Villa's chief of artillery, who is spending the summer in Massachusetts.

RETREATING SUCCESSFULLY

PETROGRAD, Aug. 4.—If the Russians along the Narw front hold their lines two days more it is believed the main armies will reach the new positions assigned to them and the retreat will be a complete success.

The drive of Gen. von Gallwitz against the railroad from Warsaw to Petrograd has been checked, though with heavy losses by both sides.

SUB SINKS TRANSPORT

BERLIN, Aug. 4.—German sub in the Dardanelles succeeded in sinking a British transport with all on board.

There are SOME PEOPLE who haven't got the money to BUY.

There are LOTS OF PEOPLE who haven't got what they want.

There are LOTS OF PEOPLE who want to get rid of what they have got.

There are LOTS AND LOTS of people who want Something they haven't got.

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