

ENTER WARSAW; MENACE SLAY RETREAT

BUT how is the sculptor to carve one of these heroes in the act of squirting chlorine gas at the enemy?

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WEATHER:

Tacoma and vicinity: Fair to night and Friday.
Washington: Same.

YOGI MAY GET LIGHT PENALTY

MAY TRY ISONA AND DEBIT AGAIN

SEATTLE, Aug. 5.—Just before adjournment yesterday, Justice Brinker made a remark which leads to the belief that Yogi Ralph De Bit and Mrs. Dorothy Gerber (Isona De Bit in the Yogi cult) will have to be retried on a less serious charge, if the state hopes for a conviction. "There has been plenty of evidence of improprieties," said the court, "but I doubt if the present statutory crime charged has been established."

The case is under advisement. As a result, the Yogi may be forced to what he considers the ignominy of a trial in an uncultured police court. At every point so far the Yogi has told a story which has had court and spectators astounded at his shrewdness and resourcefulness. Whenever cornered, he has answered with great dignity.

FLOODS SWEEP CULVERTS AWAY

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 5.—With a company of militia aiding, Erie today began the clearing of debris from its streets, and the relief of the dead and suffering. It was estimated that more than \$3,000,000 damage had been done, and 35 lives lost. Twenty-seven are known dead. So terrific was the force of the flood that great concrete culverts were carried for blocks down

stream. **WEATHER CLEARS** NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Clearing weather on the Atlantic coast, together with a partial restoration of communication today produced reports indicating that nearly 100 lives had been lost in the disastrous storm of Tuesday night. Nine lives were lost in New York. Along the New Jersey coast the property damage amounts to thousands of dollars.

HER FIRST DOLLAR GOES FOR CRIPPLE

"Editor Times: "Enclosed please find one dollar, to be used in the fund for obtaining a newspaper stand for Larry Sullivan. "This dollar is the first I have ever earned and I could think of no better way to make use of it than to donate it to this fund. "MISS VERA JEDLICK, "3019 No. 21st St., City."

Another dollar for Larry. The above note, pinned to an immense bouquet of Shasta daisies, was left at The Times office at noon today by a girl of 12 years. The dollar went into the steadily growing fund for the little crippled boy, and the flowers were taken to Larry's ward at the county hospital.

SMILE WITH EACH TICKET

Five women ticket agents, representing the largest cities in the Northwest, arrived in Tacoma today in the company of William McMurray, general passenger agent for the O.-W. & R. N., on

a tour over the company's lines. The trustees and wives of the Commercial club entertained the visitors at a luncheon. A smile with every ticket is the women's slogan.

WIN ALSO IN WEST PORTLAND DIVORCEE ATTACKED

PARIS, Aug. 5.—The war of force today admitted the loss of a line of trenches to the Germans near Linkeop in the Vosges. Swarming up the slopes in a determined charge, regardless of a hail of fire from machine guns, the forces of the enemy overwhelmed the French and forced their retreat at certain points. All along the line heavy artillery engagements are reported.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—Mrs. Elizabeth Strief, who was found unconscious today on the riverbank, reported that she had been beaten by a man who tried to steal her divorce papers. She was taken to a hospital in a serious condition. Claims the man tried to drown her, but she, being big and strong, was able to fight him off.

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THE PAYMENT OF MONEY, OF INTEREST TO EVERYONE
A few days ago the Puget Sound State Bank had a little advertisement in the Tacoma Times calling special attention to the facilities offered through its Collection Department. Such ready response was given to this announcement that the Bank not only wants to express its appreciation, but again desires to call attention to the fact that it is much more convenient to the payer of a note, or the holder of a note to have same placed in the Puget Sound State Bank, than to have the note lying around the house, and then when the man goes to pay, the holder is away from home. The charge made by the Bank is so small that it does not count.

American Bride In War Center For Honeymoon



CONSTANCE GARDNER Into battle-ringed Berlin, Mrs. Grafton W. Minot, former Miss Constance Gardner, daughter of Congressman A. P. Gardner of Massachusetts, has gone for her honeymoon. The bridegroom is connected with the American embassy in Berlin.

MAYOR AFTER DRAKE

Declaring that the payroll of the light and water department for July amounted to only a few dollars less than \$25,000, and that the sum was exorbitantly high, Mayor Fawcett today indicated that he would demand an investigation of expenditures in Drake's department. Fawcett expressed a belief that the payroll was larger than it ever had been before in July. "The water and light department is sustaining, and for that reason there is a far greater tendency in it towards extravagance," said the mayor. "I believe that thousands of dollars are being squandered in that department each year through extravagance and an overabundance of employes. "I'm going to make a private investigation, and then I probably will ask the council to investigate."

STUDY WATER SUPPLY

On the heels of a series of reports that city water had caused a serious blight on flowers, plants and grass in various parts of the city, and that one woman became ill from drinking the water, Health Officer H. A. Wall, with Water Superintendent Paul Savidge and City Plumbing Inspector August Taylor, today began a systematic examination of the Green river watershed. The trip was planned hastily yesterday afternoon. The health officer, with his two companions, donned old clothing and took a train for Nargon near Lester. Today they began a systematic investigation of sanitary conditions. The trio were reported at noon as having walked 20 miles since dawn. Special investigation was to have been made at Page's mill. One Case of illness. Assistant Water Supt. Kunigk today reported that a chemical test had failed to show any chemical or poison on the plants or leaves affected by the blight. Following an article in The Times Tuesday, telling of a blight of flowers, shrubs and grass near South 11th street and Ainsworth ave., two similar reports were received today from other parts of the city. In one instance a woman who drank copiously of city water Saturday night, when the blight was supposed to have occurred, became seriously ill. Women Phone In. The blight has caused leaves and flowers to turn brown. In some instances it has eaten away the substance of leaves and petals, leaving only the veins. The water department unofficially announced that it was positively certain that no contamination of water had caused the blight on 11th street. But an hour after this announcement Mrs. J. G. Triska, 303 South 25th street, phoned The Times that a similar blight ruined her dahlias Saturday night immediately after she had sprinkled—after 6 o'clock in the evening. Mrs. Triska also drank water several times during the evening, and became ill. Mrs. Andrew Nelson, 504 South 17th street, reported that plants and flowers in her next door neighbor's yard had been ruined.

PARROT ASKS PUBLIC HELP

OLYMPIA, Aug. 5.—A public appeal for funds to carry his case to the supreme court was begun today by Joe Parrott, the young Austrian convicted of the murder of Fred Weiss, an Olympia tailor. Parrott declares he is without funds, but that he is sure that if he can get before the supreme court, he will be able to show that body that his conviction was obtained on circumstantial evidence not strong enough to warrant a "guilty" verdict in a murder trial.

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Leader of the Seattle Yogas



Yogi Ralph De Bit, former \$80-a-month forest ranger, who now is head of the Christian Yoga colony at Seattle, and whose experience in "shielding" and "hurlbarking," as he termed it, the wife of Dr. Rudolph Gerber, resulted in his arrest, with Mrs. Gerber, on a charge of improper conduct.

Dope Law O. K., Says Williams

With five months of enforcement to back his statement, U. S. Internal Revenue Collector Williams today made public the opinion that the federal anti-dope law had fulfilled all the claims for it, without any of the serious results foretold. Under this law, said Williams, there have been a vast number of cures of dope-fiends. Contrary to lay, and some medical, opinions, the shutting off of dope from these men would lead to their becoming desperate. A wave of robberies, hold-ups and burglaries by the crazed dope-fiends was predicted. However, said Williams, these predictions have not been borne out. Instead, under the clause of the law, with which a great part of the public has not been familiar, many physicians have fed the dope-fiends with decreasing amounts of the narcotics until many cures have been effected. "There is some smuggling—of course, there is smuggling in the opium trade also, but these facts do not affect the broad truth that both laws have been highly beneficial."

CITY MAN ILL Auto Not Worth Oil Stock, Says

Sanitary Inspector H. T. Chestnut of the city health department was seriously ill today at the county hospital with pneumonia. He has been ill three days. It was reported this noon that he had a temperature of 104. Chestnut is one of the oldest employees in the health office. He inaugurated the patrol system on the Green river watershed. Lydia Druce, of Puyallup, objected strenuously before the equalization board today to having to pay \$150 taxes on an automobile which her son exchanged for 1,000 shares of oil stock, which has decreased in value until it is worth nothing. The board denied the reduction.

STAND-PATS PROPOSE 500-YEAR FRANCHISES

By Gilson Gardner ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 5.—As Elford Root is the most talked of candidate for president on the republican ticket, I decided to run up to Albany to see him in his most up-to-date role of constituency-maker for the Empire state. I dropped in on the committee on public utilities, of which William Barnes, Jr., Root's first lieutenant—the only court-adjudicated corrupt bi-partisan boss in the country—is chairman. As it happened, Barnes was speaking, and this is what I heard: "500-Year Franchises! "This provision looks all right to me. It would permit the legislature to grant franchises to public service corporations for a certain number of years, say 500 years, or for an indefinite period." There were nine members of the committee sitting around the committee table. "As for me," replied the member on Barnes' right, "I don't see any objection to giving power to the legislature to grant perpetual franchises. Why such a fuss?" "That is to protect the present franchise holders," he explained. Then they adjourned. "But it doesn't do it," one member objected. "It doesn't take into consideration good will value of the franchise. I know a decision of the appellate court" (business of telling about the decision.) "Well," said Barnes, "if nobody has any objection, we will let that stand." A pause. Barnes: "Anybody want to make a motion to adjourn? I don't think there is much more we can do today." So everybody stood up and drifted from the room. The committee meetings are quite informal. No records are made. The chairman interlards with a lead pencil a typewritten copy of the proposed amendment, and the committee takes it for granted. Apparently I was the only representative of the public present. The experience was to me a valued sidelight on the business of making a state constitution. Perpetual or 500-year franchises and nobody objecting! Is it any wonder the special interests approve the administration of Mr. Barnes and the valued work of Mr. Root in presiding over the convention?

RUSSIA FACES DISASTER ON VASTER SCALE

BERLIN, Aug. 5.—Warsaw has fallen. The official announcement of the entrance of the Bavarian troops into the Polish capital under Prince Leopold, after a series of bloody assaults on the last afternoon, came this afternoon. Immediately the German capital was cast into such a celebration as it has not seen since the opening of the war. The Russian garrison retired successfully over three bridges across the Vistula.

The Russian center is retiring safely, so far, to the eastward. That the German victory was not as richly rewarded as was thought likely was shown by the official announcement that only 17 machine guns and 5,000 men and officers were captured. However, the retreating Russian armies still have the armies of von Mackenzen and von Hindenberg, as well as the cavalry and artillery of von Buelow, to deal with before they establish themselves in new positions. The troops of Prince Leopold entered the city over the Kolish and Rado roads. **Envelopment Move Success.** Other dispatches to the war office indicated that the German armies which have been operating to the flank and rear of the Polish capital have had successes no less important if less spectacular. The evacuation of Riga is expected momentarily, and the two armies of von Hindenberg and von Mackenzen are further along than ever before toward a complete junction to the rear of Warsaw.

If this is successful, the entire German campaign to envelop the Slav arms will have triumphed. **EXPECT PEACE NOW** BERLIN, Aug. 5.—With the fall of Warsaw considered only a few hours away, no attempt is made today in official circles to conceal the belief that the war will end before winter. The Kaiser is expected to reach Berlin Saturday. In a conference with his ministers next week he will discuss the moves to be taken after Warsaw is captured. The program for the fall will be decided on before the Reichstag reassembles Aug. 17, and then will come the program which, officials believe, will bring early peace.

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TODAY'S TENNIS

Mrs. Hyde and Miss E. Jackson defeated Miss Skewis and Miss Vaeth this morning in the fastest game of the day at the Northwest Tennis tournament being staged on the Tacoma Lawn Tennis club courts. The score was 7-5, 6-3, and the two games were sharply contested. This places Mrs. Hyde and Miss Jackson in the lead of the semi-finals for women's doubles honors. Other results of this morning's play follow: Mrs. Northrup and Marcus defeated Miss Fording and Pringle, 6-4, 6-3. Boves defeated Lawrence Brown in the men's singles, 6-3, 6-4. Mrs. Hills and Miss Conner of Seattle upset the tennis fans' predictions by defeating Miss Frazier and Miss Atkinson of Tacoma, 6-1, 6-4. Miss McDonald and Johns won from Miss Lowell and Van Kura by default. Fast play was anticipated this afternoon, when several fast singles sets will be played, including a championship contest between Joe Tyler, the Spokane champion, and Fulton.

OPTICIAN BROUGHT HERE FOR TREAT

W. B. Proctor, the alleged "huno" optician who is said to have obtained \$300 from a Tacoma housewife, was returned from Bellingham today and will be arraigned by Deputy Prosecutor Selden.

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