

# EDITORIAL PAGE THE TACOMA TIMES

## Let's Look Into This Mysterious Scheme Before We Cut City's Light Rates

Is there a colored gentleman in the woodpile down at the city hall this week?

Close scrutiny of the council's latest strenuous move to get new business for the city power plant, by making huge cuts in rates to large downtown customers, might indicate the presence of the proverbial dark-skinned gent.

It looks as if someone were trying to slip

something over, but the movement is so cleverly concealed that as yet the individual behind the scenes, who is pulling the strings, has remained incognito.

Last winter, as the public well remembers, certain industrious young men in the city hall wailed long and loudly over their own assertions that the power plant was a failure.

They shouted from the housetops that Tacoma couldn't take on any more big contracts, without facing the danger of an electricity famine this winter and the winters to come.

Then a little later, the T. R. & P. Co. offered to act as an auxiliary for the city plant.

It offered to stand ready to cut in its power supply on city wires, at any time the city's plant

should fail to do the work—

On the city's promise to allow Stone & Webster to re-enter the power field in Tacoma, and also for the small consideration of a franchise across the \$100,000 Tacoma avenue fill at 27th street.

The council wanted to give Stone & Webster all they asked.

But Mayor Fawcett was the stumbling block. He refused to hand over any more fat plums to the power trust. And the propositions have remained dormant ever since.

Now the council proposes to take over several thousand kilowatts of extra power business, at rates scarcely higher than it costs the city to manufacture juice.

If the threatened shortage comes this winter, with the increased load on the city's wires, Tacoma will be in the hands of the Stone & Webster company. The city will either have to obtain auxiliary juice from the power trust at any consideration, or throw down the bars and permit outsiders to supply the electrical demand here.

It looks as if someone wanted to tie up the city light plant so that we'd have to ask the power trust for favors.

The nigger in the woodpile may be only an imaginary danger, but it would do the city well to step cautiously before getting itself into a position where it has to ask anything of Stone & Webster.

For the power trust is merciless.

And it's been trying to get Tacoma under its thumb for many long winters.

### THE NICE POINT

England has placed large orders for shells with Switzerland. Germany has done the same thing. Neither country alleges violation of Switzerland's neutrality thereby. Germany has an open door to Switzerland; so has England, which makes all the difference in the world. Get the point?

### A REVIEW OF THE WORLD

One-eighth of the world is happy—LIVING MISERABLY POOR.

One-eighth of the world is very unhappy—MISERABLY POOR.

One-fourth of the world is quite crazy—STRUGGLING TO GET RICH.

One-half of the world is absolutely crazy—FIGHTING.

This little problem in social and political economy as it combines with arithmetic comes mighty near to telling the exact truth.

The eighth that is genuinely happy because it lives normally is the minority that will some day save the rest of the world from itself. For it is the wisest part of the world's population, and its sensible example will in time sink into the hearts of those who at present cannot see so far ahead.

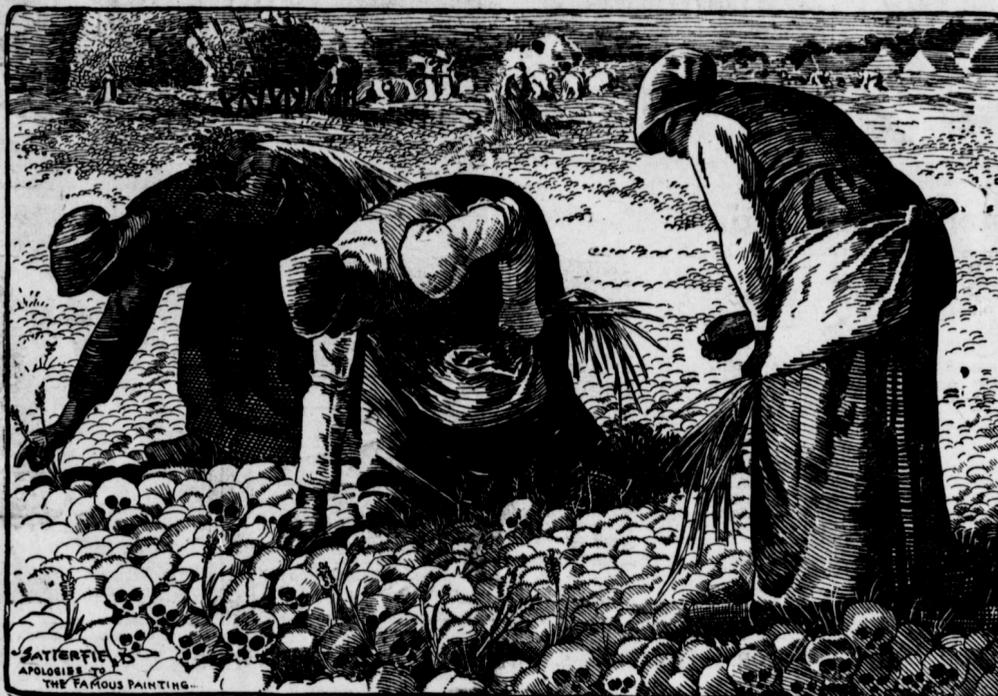
The eighth that is miserably poor and thus miserably unhappy is in that deplorable condition chiefly because it does not make the best of its opportunity to vote right, to save its money, to let booze alone, to take care of its health, and to kick overboard all kinds of overlords whether of title or money.

The fourth that is only "quite crazy," but still loony, as its greed for money proves, is that way because it isn't philosophical, or moral, or really and truly Christian.

The half that is wholly crazy is proven crazy by the fact that it obeys the will of kings, and fights at the word of kings, for kings—since common people never benefit by war.

Think over it, if you please.

### "THE GLEANERS"



SATERFIELD'S APOLLO 15 THE FAMOUS PAINTING

## Confessions of a Wife

Copyright, 1914, by Newspaper Enterprise Association. When Mollie and I arrived at the hospital we found Jim Edis there. Jim blushed and seemed ashamed of showing so much feeling. "The hospital is on my way to the office and so I just dropped in," he said. Dear Aunt Mary had come out of the anesthetic but as she was suffering great pain the nurse had given her some morphine. She hardly knew us, but she seemed quite comfortable. Mollie hurried away and Jim waited with me until the doctor came in. "Please don't let her suffer, doctor," I begged. "Indeed we will not," he answered. "Can nothing be done, doctor?" asked Jim. "Nothing," was the grave answer. Jim swore under his breath. "I suppose we cannot complain when our friends die," he said. "That is the great love of nature—we're born, live a while and then we die, but it seems to me that no terrible disease should

fasten itself on a dear woman like Aunt Mary—her taking off should be painless at least." The doctor said nothing, simply because there was nothing to say. Sometimes wonder why we poor creatures have any hope at all. We have not yet reached the plane of intelligence where we are above the ravages of disease and the sport of fate. "Here Margie Waverly! You must not get despondent, that would never do. Only cowards lay down their arms and surrender. Life holds something for you still. I don't know what the Waverly family, especially Dick, would do without you," said Jim when I said something like the foregoing, as we were riding down town in his machine. I wanted to stop at the bookshop and see Mary. "You need not flatter me, Jim. I don't really want that kind of comfort." "I'm not flattering you," he protested earnestly. "I wish sometimes you could hear Dick talk about you. He thinks you are perfect. He says, 'I tell you what, Jim, there never was a woman like Margie.'"

## MORE TALL CORN

Fred Stark of Bismarck has reason to believe he is the champion corn grower of Tacoma. On a city lot at East 65th and A streets he has raised corn standing 9 feet 8 inches high, with ears a foot long. Fred's an eighth-grader at Sheridan school. If there's anybody in town with bigger corn, he'd like to know it.

However, since a Times story about J. W. Vail's nine-foot corn at Spanaway started the discussion, there have been other claimants to honors. Pat Farsell, of the Milwaukee car shops, so far seems to have about the best of the argument among the grown-ups. On his little tide-flats ranch he is reported by a friend to have corn standing 12 feet high.

### LEGAL NOTICES.

Commissioner of Public Works, City of Tacoma, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M. on the 30th day of August, 1915, for furnishing labor and material for paving the alley between 4th and 5th Streets from South 7th Street to South 8th Street with concrete pavement. Local Improvement District No. 4932 according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Amount of bond required will be the same as contract price. Proposals must be made on printed form furnished by said Commissioner and accompanied by certified check for five per cent. of the amount of proposal, made payable to the order of the City of Tacoma.

Work to be commenced within 10 days after signing contract, but if said work be not completed within 30 days after signing of contract, said contract shall become void as per specifications.

The successful bidder shall agree to accept, at par, in payment of said supplies and work, any and all of the bonds issued in pursuance of Ordinance No. 5185 and shall have no claim whatever on account thereof against the City of Tacoma except solely upon such bonds and only from the special assessment made and special fund by said Ordinance created.

The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any and all of the bids.

OWEN WOODS, Commissioner of Public Works. AUG. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 1915.

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SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, City of Tacoma, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M. on the 30th day of August, 1915, for furnishing labor and material for constructing cement concrete sidewalks on South 19th Street from "L" Street to Alsworth Avenue, and on other streets in Local Improvement District No. 595 according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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## MORE LABOR WAR

### DUE IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Rulings just made by Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, in regard to the labor situation in South Wales probably will lead to fresh disputes among labor leaders, it is said. Runciman says the high wage scale is applicable only so long as the present stringent conditions exist and that they will be lowered when conditions are normal.

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of the City of Tacoma, a Roll has been placed in my hands for the collection of the 3rd annual installment of the assessment levied for laying a sanitary sewer of eight (8) inch pipe, together with all necessary tees, wyes, risers, manholes and connections with present sewers, on the following line:

On the street lying east of Block 2, Donahue's First Addition, from the south line of said addition to North Grant Avenue, thence westerly to the alley in said addition, thence south along said alley 110 feet, thence west across Lot 4, Block 1, Donahue's First Addition, to State Street; thence to a connection with the present sewer at North 8th and State Streets; also on State Street from a point 219 feet south of the south line of North 8th Street to a connection with the present sewer on North 8th and State Streets.

Said installment may be paid on or before September 17, 1915, but if not paid on or before said date, added interest, penalty and costs will attach.

CHAS. D. ATKINS, City Treasurer. AUG. 17, 24, 31, 1915.

LOCAL Improvement District No. 593.—Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of Ordinance No. 5092 of the City of Tacoma, a roll has been placed in my hands for the collection of the 3rd annual installment of the assessment levied for constructing six (6) inch cast iron water mains, gates, tees, crosses, hydrants, specials and connections with the present mains on South 26th Street from Asotin to Wilkeson.

Said installment may be paid on or before September 9th, 1915, but if not paid on or before said date, added interest, penalty and costs will attach.

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## Trains For Big Movie

### Stunt Like a Fighter

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24.—Does this girl look as if she could make a 30-foot dive off a cliff into a lake?

She can and will do it in the next new picture called "Pennington's Choice," in which Francis X. Bushman will star.

She has a splendid physique, and the talents required for success in the films. In preparing for the big act in "Pennington's Choice," Miss Wolcott is going through a regular course of swimming and diving each day.

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## Personal and Social

and Anderson: Last episode of "The Black Box," "Broken Hearts and Pledges," Liko comedy; first episode of "The Broken Coin," with Grace Cunard and Francis Ford; "The Nightmare of a Movie Fan," Victor comedy.

The young ladies of St. Patrick's parish are planning a summer promenade for Friday evening at Waukato Heights, to which they have invited all members of the parish.

Dr. and Mrs. Burton E. Lemley left today for a three weeks' trip to San Francisco, where Dr. Lemley will attend the Panama-Pacific Dental congress. They motored from here to Flavel, Ore., from where they will take a steamer for California.

Tabitha society of the First Swedish Lutheran will give annual outing this evening at Mauzanita beach. Verona leaves municipal dock at 8 p. m.

Notes of thanks are being sent out by the board of managers of the Children's Industrial home to those who aided in the country fair.

Members of Mt. Tacoma camp, No. 798 of the W. O. W., celebrated the occasion of moving into new quarters at the Eagles' hall last night by a series of brief addresses, music and a special four-round boxing contest by the Meredith twins. Refreshments were served. W. L. Carns and Asco Stowell presided. Regular meetings will be held in this hall on the first and fourth Mondays.

The Puget Sound Homesteaders will hold a card and dancing party at Eagles' hall, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

DOESN'T SAY HOW MUCH IT TOOK OUT According to information received today at the local offices of the Union Pacific railroad from J. D. Farrell, president of the U. P. system, the company expended in Oregon, Washington and Idaho for wages, taxes, construction and other purposes incident to the conduct of its business, \$15,573,355.92. This is the equivalent of \$50,893.30 for each working day in the year.

PANTAGES UNEQUALLED VAUDEVILLE SPARKLING MUSICAL COMEDY "STARS OF THE MOVIES" 5—OTHER BIG ACTS—5

AT THE LYCEUM. Today's bill at the Lyceum, 8th

LIBERTY THEATER. "Lady Audley's Secret," today's bill at the Liberty, is the Wm. Fox photo-dramatic success in which Theda Bara scores such a tremendous personal triumph. When presented on the legitimate stage it was the marked success of the season on Broadway and in London.

OLGA PETROVA AT APOLLO. Mme. Olga Petrova, the world's greatest emotional actress, returned to the Apollo yesterday in a new play, "The Vampire." This film is an entirely new subject and is not to be confused with Kipling's "A Fool There Was," which is sometimes known by the same name. In this film Mme. Petrova excels all of her former successes, that last of which was "The Heart of a Painted Woman," which was shown at the Apollo last May.

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time tonight. "Niobe" is a statue come to life in an old man's dream and Niobe insists on throwing her arms around his neck and kissing him by way of expressing her gratitude for her release from eternal life in marble.

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