

Old Straw,  
Au Revoir  
'Till 1916

Straw hats, alas.  
Good-night and good-by!  
A long farewell!  
It's Sept. 1 tomorrow and that means just the same to you as the count "ten" does to a prize fighter.  
In short, you are passe. You are de trop.  
The bloke that wears you pulls a faux pas.  
He can't be said to be de rigueur.  
He advertises himself right away as from Hicktown, Hicks county.  
He can't travel a-tall in the same company with Jim Dege, Bill Carruthers, Our Fashion Editor and other swell dressers.  
Everyone who knows at all will feel sorry for him.  
So if you belong to a man who might forget and wear you, why hide yourself. Don't let your carelessness get him in wrong.  
Sorry; but you've had your day.  
So long. Here's your hat—and a felt one!



### CITY SUES PIERCE CO. FOR JUICE

City Attorney Stiles this afternoon started a friendly suit against Pierce county, to test whether the courthouse is entitled to a half rate on its lighting bill.  
This has been a point of difference between county and city commissioners.  
When the county commissioners, over a year ago, granted the city a right-of-way for its transmission line, on a county road, the condition was imposed that the courthouse hereafter should be lighted at half price.  
Judge Stiles insists that this agreement was illegal, and is of no effect.

### MUNI CEMETERY IN PREFERENCE

With two applications in for cemeteries near Tacoma, the council today held up both of them when Mayor Fawcett again broached his plan of a municipal burying ground.  
There was little or no consideration of the mayor's plan, and he merely mentioned it without urging its acceptance.  
The promoters back of the two other cemeteries are Stuart Rice and J. H. Latshaw.

### And We Thought It Dry Summer

The heavy winds and slight rainfall of the last few hours have completely driven off the heavy smoke pall and present indications point to the last of the hot spells for the summer. The dry period for last year was much longer than this, lasting from July 25 until Sept. 5. Mist fell this year on August 14. The dry period started July 28.

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WEATHER:  
For Tacoma and vicinity. Fair tonight and Wednesday.  
For Washington: Same.

# CITY DETECTIVE SHOOTS AT SOCIETY WOMEN

## TACOMA BOYS CHARGED WITH CRIME REIGN

With two young burglars under arrest and the police seeking a third, officers were puzzled to know today what is the cause of the recent outbreak of juvenile crime.

Since the arrest of Albert Ploufee, 16, a week ago, there has been a number of crimes committed by juveniles so daring as to challenge the nerve of experienced outlaws.

While Ploufee faces trial for burglary and his young pal, Bert Ross lies at the point of death in the county hospital, stricken by a bullet from a policeman's revolver, at least a half dozen crimes have been committed. Police are wondering if the melodramatic experience of young Ploufee has fired the other youngsters' blood.

At 2 this morning William Young and Gail Ramsdell were caught while they were going through a store at 11th and Market streets. Officers Thompson and Ellingson caught them while they were at work and brought them to the station. The boys are each 16 years old.

For their first known infraction of the law, they had obtained only 10 cents when captured. Juvenile Officer Jurisch is holding them, and has not yet decided what to do.

Young is a Tacoma boy, while Ramsdell's parents live in the valley between Seattle and Tacoma.

Another burglary that looks like the work of boys is that of the home of H. E. O'Neil, 920 South Third street. It was discovered yesterday by Katherine O'Neil, aged 9, who has been staying with the family of Arthur Gardner while O'Neil has visited the California fairs.

A revolver, clothing, pipe, tobacco and playing cards and perhaps other material were taken. O'Neil will be home tonight.

Last night, too, three juveniles were arrested as members of a gang organized to steal and market auto tires here and in Seattle. They gave their names as Lawrence Lamare, James Canton and Earl Cain.

## PRIVATE DETECTIVE RAISES TECHNICALITY

Demurrers were filed today in the arraignment of W. W. Wingard and T. E. Goney, charged with tampering with witnesses in the Alaska hotel raid case, claiming that the men had been charged with two crimes and that the facts did not constitute a crime.  
The complaint alleges the defendants used persuasion and offered money to get the women out of town so they could not testify. Lorenzo Dow said his client was willing to answer to the charges. Goney pleaded not guilty, while Wingard's arraignment was postponed until next Friday, when trial will be set.

## Waits for Spirits to Start Something

County Detective Fred Shaw spent a quiet day today awaiting the movements of the spirits. Fred admits he is growing restless and curious over the clairvoyant method of detecting, avowing his intention of paying Mrs. Minnie S. Perkins a visit for information concerning other mysterious problems facing him.  
Shaw expects Mrs. Elizabeth Muir, 49 St. Helens avenue, to get further "dope" on the rest of her missing household goods today, which were stolen from a warehouse on lower Broadway and located Saturday by descriptions given by the medium.

## Here She Is! The First Woman Candidate for Vice President

BY HONOR FANNING.  
CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—A woman for vice president of the United States!

That is the latest writing on the national political slate and it was Mrs. Kathryn Rutherford, acting under orders from "Big Boss" Cupid, who wrote it there when she announced herself as a candidate for the vice presidency. She is the first woman to run for that office.

Mrs. Rutherford, long known in Chicago as "the girls' best friend," is running for the vice presidency on the republican ticket, but she needn't worry about the republican vote.

Because she already has a rose colored, sachet-scented cinch on the "spooners' vote," the vote of the girl with a bean, and the vote of the nice young man with a girl.

The first of several good, strong planks in Mrs. Rutherford's vice presidential platform is the "spooners' plank." What breed of politics is a "spooners' plank?" Well, let the candidate tell you herself what it means.

"The young girls of this country need a friend at the White House," says Mrs. Rutherford, "and because I want to be that friend I'm running for vice president with a good chance of getting to Washington."

"Now I've discovered that there's something the matter with the American home. It's this—the girls aren't getting married. Why aren't they getting married? Well, they have no beaux, and they have no beaux because many of them have no place other than a hall bedroom, or a street corner in which to entertain their men friends."

"Now should I be elected vice president I'll use my political and my personal influence to have community hotels started in every state capital in the country and a national community house in Washington."

"They will be established by the city or state, but afterward they must be self-supporting. These hotels will be exclusively for women who have no homes of their own. We'll have parlors and 'cozy covered' on every floor and there will be every opportunity for romance."

"My platform may not be politically very strong—I'm not worrying about that. I'm a humanitarian, not a politician, and I think we need a little more humanity and a little less politics at Washington."

"That's why I'm willing to give my time, and my money to this campaign. I want to help the country, not by working for tariff laws or suffrage laws, but by giving the little Love God a chance to build American homes on foundations of honest love."

Mrs. Rutherford, who is widely known throughout the country as a suffrage orator, is still in her early forties. She is the widow of the late Dr. John Rutherford of Chicago.

She has been actively interested in republican politics for several years and she now holds a municipal appointment under Chicago's republican administration. Her official title is housekeeper for the municipal tuberculosis sanatorium.

## PREPARING FOR ROUGH WEATHER

PENSACOLA, Fla., Aug. 31.—Members of the coast guard along the gulf have been ordered to report at their stations today for storm season service. The complete guard will go on duty tomorrow and remain through the rough weather until early spring.



Miss Kathryn Rutherford. She wants to be next vice president! Mrs. Kathryn Rutherford, who is running for the office of vice president of the United States because she thinks Cupid needs a friend in Washington.

## GERMANS KEEP STEADILY ON

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—Actual evacuation of the fortress of Grodno by the Russians may now be underway. Aviators today reported that all military supplies were being withdrawn by Slavs and every indication is that the Russian commanders are preparing to retreat toward the Lida railway.  
With the occupation of Grodno the Germans will be in possession of the last great Russian fortress guarding Warsaw and the Petrograd railway.  
One Teuton force is advancing from the southwest within a few miles of the outer defenses of the fortress, while other detachments are rapidly closing in. German troops are pressing in on the fortress from all sides.

## Ah, Alluring Punch Bowl Wasn't It Simply Grand?

"The haunts of Pierrot and Columbine."  
"Well known society women—alluring bowl of punch."  
"Eukalafite band of society youths tinkling."  
We quote, folks, from an authoritative publication on Tacoma's society.  
And we claim, b'gosh, that said quotations fully bear out our own little yarn of yesterday which said that last night's Starland would be the finest turning-out of sport-shirters and wrist-watchers the old town has ever seen.  
Some show, boys, some show!  
And do you know that it had such a stimulating effect that a number of the society girls of our very best and foremost families actually worked—sold flowers in the foyer!  
But easily the most charming feature was the band of eukalafite youths.  
Honest, girls, they were simply too romantic for words!  
If you didn't go, don't say we didn't tell you to.  
PARIS, Aug. 31.—France is preparing for another winter campaign, resulting from the return of War Minister Millerand from a conference in the Vosges and Alsace with the staff.

## POLICE CAR IN WIERD PURSUIT OF MRS. YOCOM

Shots flew thick and fast last night before police officers caught Mrs. Minnie Yocom, wife of Dr. James Yocom, prominent Tacoma surgeon, and Mrs. T. D. McKee, after the two society women had shown the speed officers what real speed is. But at the rate both were traveling, his efforts were vain.  
The women finally were captured on the tidelands.  
There they said they thought they were being pursued by hoodlums.  
The story is scouted by the officers, who argue that the deserted affidavits would be the last place women would drive who were frightened by men they thought hoodlums.  
Mrs. Yocom was not booked, but Mrs. McKee put up \$20 bail.

## 'Ray For Mrs. Rust Killed In Cave Of Ice

Mrs. Helen M. Rust today sent the Larry Sullivan fund the sum of \$10. Her check was received by Secretary to the Mayor Rockhill.  
Latest reports from Larry are that he is improving in an encouraging manner, and will be released in a week or so.  
Mrs. Rust's contribution is one of the largest received.

## END WAR? NO, NOT ENGLAND

LONDON, Aug. 31.—Despite the latest alleged German "peace feelers" the United Press is able to state on highest authority today that the peace situation as far as England is concerned has undergone no recent change. A few socialist leaders favor ending the war, but neither in official circles nor in the mass of the public is there an inclination to accept peace now, honorable or otherwise.  
England is determined that the strength of the new British army shall be felt, and that the Germans must be driven from France and Belgium.

## RUSSIANS FEAR FOR PETROGRAD

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—Press dispatches state that Vienna is being evacuated and Petrograd is making feverish preparation for defense.  
The Russians fear that the capture of Riga by the Germans is certain and take the immense Teutonic army operating in Courland as an indication of gigantic operations on Petrograd.  
Munition manufacturers are being urged to full speed.

## WOMEN OF JOY PARTY JAILED

Mrs. Bertha Morris and Miss M. Rucker, joy-riders who have lain in jail since the J. W. Fair, child auto party of a few nights ago were found guilty on a charge of drunk and disorderly yesterday afternoon by Judge DeWitt Evans, and given 10 days suspended sentence.  
Already they had been held in jail longer than the men in the party.

## END OF WAR IS FORESEEN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 31.—Concessions made by Great Britain regarding American shipping increased the hope for peace in Europe among the officials at the capital today.  
This relief of American shippers coming as a sequel to the Kaiser's submarine policy is deemed significant. It is pointed out that the belligerents are willing to listen to representations and even accede to them to some extent.

## SOME SLAMS AND SOME BOOSTS—BUT WE LIKE THIS LETTER FROM JOE SMITH ANYHOW

Editor The Times:  
The Tacoma Ledger is so outspokenly and arrogantly the champion of special privilege that I cannot read it with patience. I read the Seattle P.-I., but that would frequently mislead me, too, if The Tacoma Times did not show me where the Associated Press colors, censors and edits the

news in the defense of monopoly and special privilege.  
"I appreciate particularly Gilson Gardner, Herbert Quick, and special articles on the Colorado strike, the Mexican situation and the Frank case."  
"Fred Bolt is entertaining, but would be more satisfactory if he delved deeper into his stories."

"I read your classified columns and find it profitable.  
"Your market reports show that your sources of information are inaccurate. You should have a man who can see that the prices are kept high in the city, but that farmers receive so little that finally they quit and drift to the city.  
"A live market reporter could

show this up.  
"It seems to me that you could profit by having your local writer sign their articles, as well as Gardner or Quick. It would give them an individuality.  
"I read Cynthia Grey and think it is excellent.  
"I do not read Confessions of a Wife.

"Advertisements I find are frequently exaggerated.  
"I do not read the movie department.  
"My chief reason for reading The Times is to keep the reactionary dailies from betraying me on public matters."  
From a great batch of letters

received this morning in the "Best Letter Criticizing The Times" contest, we selected this one at random, today. It's from Joe Smith, of Longbranch, Wash., and it's just one of the dozens that have come every day since the contest started.  
Joe makes a hit with us. He points out with emphasis the fact

that The Times is showing up the reactionary press and that we are giving our best endeavor to pushing forward progressive ideas.  
And on the other hand he slips us some criticism that we hardly expected to receive. But it is only by criticism that any of us are able to see our faults

and correct them.  
This is the last day of the contest. At 6 o'clock tonight we will close up the box containing the letters. Unless, however, letters postmarked earlier, should appear in the morning mail.  
There's \$10 prize for the best letter.  
And there's still time to get in