

# 10 GIRLS LOST IN SCHOOL FIRE

## FIVE BODIES ARE BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION

### PARTIES TO FACE DEMAND FOR JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—In order to secure practical results from the work of the industrial relations commission, both democratic and republican parties will be asked to endorse its recommendations and incorporate their essentials in the party platforms. The following proposed plank will be offered in the committee on resolutions at the convention which will nominate Woodrow Wilson:

That this convention favors:

- 1.—An amendment to the federal constitution specifically protesting against encroachment on the rights of habeas corpus, free speech and peaceful assemblage, and the rights to jury trial, to keep and bear arms; to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures; to speedy and public trial; to freedom from excessive bail; and from cruel and unusual punishments.
- 2.—Action by congress to prohibit courts from declaring legislative acts unconstitutional.
- 3.—Provision that in federal cases, jurors be selected in some impartial manner from a list containing all qualified voters in the district.
- 4.—Congressional regulation or prohibition of private detective agencies.
- 5.—Regulation by congress of militia organizations so as to insure impartiality during industrial disputes.

The above are the commission's recommendations affecting a "denial of justice" to workingmen. They touch matters which are so undisputed that there can be little room for contention about them.

### MERCHANTMEN NOT INCLUDED IN CONCESSION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—Great Britain's contention that the United States should insist all merchantmen as well as passenger-carrying liners should be warned before being torpedoed will be rejected by this government.

It seemed likely today that the government would accept von Bernstorff's concessions as being satisfactory. This is stated as the latest authoritative made statement from the officials. It involved a sudden change of opinion, as the supposition was that the U. S. would demand the same treatment for all her merchantmen.

### BURGLARS TAKE BABY'S PICTURE

Robbers took the picture of a two-year-old baby when they entered Wilfred Emery's home, 6548 South 1 street, Thursday night, along with cuff buttons, two razors and a pint of brandy.

### STATE TO LOSE OVER MILLION IN SALOON LICENSES

OLYMPIA, Sept. 4.—Taxpayers of the state will have to contribute a sum estimated at \$1,200,000 to the operation of their local governments during 1916 in excess of what they did in 1915, due to the loss of revenue derived in the past from liquor licenses, according to fairly authentic figures obtained from the office of State Treasurer Meath.

Saloon and dispensaries of liquor have paid annual state licenses in the amount of 10 per cent of the municipal license. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, the amount derived by the state was \$130,776.67, while for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, the state received \$104,942.24. The falling off in revenues for the last fiscal year is attributed to the fact that many saloons are already selling out.

Their municipal licenses, however, have been forthcoming in the past, so the loss of revenue must be measured by also including the state license. Under normal conditions the state revenues for the fiscal year would have been about \$120,000, which is 10 per cent of the various cities and towns of the state.

In addition to the 10 per cent license received annually by the state, a license of \$25 has been collected by the state treasurer

### Successful Activity

Success hinges on activity. Prosperity comes to us just in proportion to our ability to create something. We should all aim to elevate our position, by carefully studying, without prejudice, the basis of finance. Opportunity appears only to our advantage if we are prepared. By becoming acquainted with the officers and sellers of the Puget Sound State Bank, Tacoma, you will have occasion to observe how beautifully the clouds of mystery fade away and the true idea of banking is revealed. You will be greeted cordially, your inquiries will be answered with care and decision, and the service will be systematic and dependable.

Life is business, and business is labor.

H. N. Tinker, President.

son to add its weight to the commission's work.

"HELL-BORN HERESY"

The republican convention will have the same recommendations placed before it and a committee will wait on the resolutions committee urging a similar endorsement. If the convention should be in charge of men like Barnes, Penrose, Crane, Root and Weeks, the effort would be foredoomed to failure. To their political thought, the industrial relations commission's recommendations are "hell-born heresy."

CHANCE FOR MOOSERS

The progressive party also will be asked to endorse these recommendations and it is already assured that a vigorous group of that party will favor incorporating them in the platform. Indeed, should both the democratic and republican parties decline to adopt the Walsh remedies for special and industrial unrest, the progressive party will unquestionably seize the opportunity afforded by the neglect of the other parties and will appropriate the work of the commission for its own.

### IS HURT FLEES SAFELY

Frightened by the ghost-like spectacle of a huge white sheet approaching him in a darkened bedroom, a daring burglar who had made his way to the second floor of an East side home at 3 o'clock this morning, dove head foremost from a second story window to the lawn below.

Although he fell heavily, and is believed to have sustained painful injuries, the burglar picked himself up and hobbled away in the darkness before pursuers could reach him.

Halvor Selvig was the "ghost." The burglary occurred in the home of E. H. Selvig, a machinist, 919 East 42nd street. The thief, a middle aged man wearing tennis shoes, had entered the house by forcing open a pantry window.

He crept upstairs and began rummaging through the room where Halvor Selvig, a tallyman at the St. Paul mill, and uncle of E. H. Selvig, was asleep.

Selvig was awakened by the burglar's actions. He sat up in bed.

"Get back under the covers and pull a quilt over your head or I'll kill you," whispered the burglar, flashing his electric torch on Selvig.

The man in bed dropped back. The burglar darted into the hall, apparently to determine whether his whispered demand had awakened others in the house, and Selvig quickly rose from bed, holding a sheet before him.

When the burglar returned, Selvig nervily strode towards him, still enshrouded in the sheet.

The thief, with a gasp of dismay, fled to an open window and dove head first to the lawn, 15 feet below.

So far as could be determined, the thief had stolen nothing from the house. Police officers believe that the thief is the same tennis-shod burglar who has been entering homes on an average of one each night for the past two weeks.

### Citizens Rap at "Trio"

The Central Improvement League of Tacoma, embodying all civic leagues of the city, probably will demand that the city council rescind its discriminatory action of last week, when it granted electric current prices to big downtown users said to be lower than the cost of manufacture.

Prominent improvement league members have already taken up a big protest.

The following resolution, first in the fight against the light rate cut, was passed last night by the Arlington Park Improvement club:

"Resolved, that the Arlington Park Improvement club does unqualifiedly denounce the discriminatory action of the majority of the city council in the matter of providing electric current to owners of large buildings, at figures representing a loss in the production thereof, so out of proportion, to make up for such loss;

"Resolved, that the united action of all lovers of justice in an effort to compel a righting of this shameful wrong of favoring one class to the detriment of another, is hereby earnestly urged;

"Resolved, that the president of our Central Improvement league is hereby requested to call a meeting of the league at some early date, to take action in the premises.

Opponents of the new light rate to big users today pointed out that no citizen in Tacoma had ever petitioned for the cut rates, not even the merchants and downtown property owners affected.

### 3,991 PERSONS AT PARK DAILY

An average of 3,991 persons have visited Point Defiance park each day this summer, according to figures announced today by the Metropolitan park board.

It is estimated that 553,561 persons visit the park annually, and each person spends an average of 4 cents.

### REPUTED NOBLE SLASHES JUDGE

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 4.—For an unknown reason "Baron" Alfred BarotEAU, a reputed nobleman, crept up behind former police Judge Robert B. Tappan, of Alameda, and slashed his throat with a razor. Tappan is said to have a slight chance of recovery.

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## 'GHOST' SCARES BURGLAR; DIVES

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THEOPHILUS E. FITZ.

"Take the fight out of the life and drum, and you will get universal world peace.

"Cease to stir the barbaric war impulse through music and it will in time become atrophied.

"Peace-loving women are always sopranos; militant suffragists are contraltos.

"Tenors should mate with sopranos and basses with contraltos to insure happy marriages."

These are some of the epigrams of T. E. Fitz, musician-lecturer, one of the leaders at the Disciples of Christ convention when in session at Los Angeles.

### PARK IS BARELY SAVED

Fire at Point Defiance last night probably would have destroyed a large part of the park property and most of the heavily timbered forest extending over the point, west of the park, but for the new fire apparatus recently installed.

The blaze was discovered shortly after dark. It started near the park blacksmith shop, and close to the deer enclosure of the zoo. The fire spread rapidly through dry grass to the nearby forest, which forms the most beautiful feature of the big natural park.

Park Supt. Hill was notified of the blaze by zoo keepers, who had been aroused by cries of the frightened animals.

Pressing into service all the park employees, and several visitors at the park, Supt. Hill got into service the new hose reel and 500 feet of hose, bought in July for fire protection.

After a fight of more than an hour, the progress of the blaze was stopped, and the danger was over.

"If that forest should catch fire, nothing would ever stop it," said Secretary Gower of the park board today. "And it could not be replaced, even by nature, in less than 400 years. We saved the cost of all our fire apparatus, many times over, last night."

### Petrograd Road Open to Teutons

PETROGRAD, Sept. 4.—The war office virtually admitted today that the fate of Riga was sealed, and the Germans had opened the road to Petrograd.

With both Slavs and Teutons reinforced, a decisive battle is now in progress which will decide whether Riga shall continue a menace to the German rear, or shall be captured and used as a German base for further operations against Russia.

The official statement admitted that the Russians had been driven across the Dvina, the river which forms a natural fortification to Riga. But it was added that the Russian position was still strong, and susceptible of a protracted defense.

The only obstacle in the way of a 200-mile march to Petrograd by the Germans is the menace which the large garrison at Riga is to their rear.

### PAYS HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS TO BATTLE KAISER

England is either too poor to pay transportation of recruits from Canada to the European battleground, or else she is not in need of soldiers.

Frank S. Fenwick, a Tacoma printer and native of England, who has been attending the Mercantile school in San Francisco, has found that he must pay his own fare to Europe if he wants to fight for his country. And he is going to pay.

The British consul at San Francisco refused to do anything for Fenwick when he offered to enlist. So did Vancouver, B. C., men.

Fenwick arrived in Tacoma last night on his way to England. He's decided to fight whether his country wants him or not. He formerly was with The Times.

### HERE'S THE LATEST SPARK STARTS BLAZE

How Milady Will Look Wearing All the Fall Freaks of Fashion



Milady, look at the picture above—that's how you will look when adorned with all the new fall freaks of fashion!

Now what do you think of yourself?

According to fashion experts who have just returned from Paris, you will wear a high crown hat. Then you must have a Joffre cape, a cape named after France's military genius. This will be topped off with a huge fur collar that will hide your face up as far as your nose. Then if you want to be in the best of form you must buy a hand painted pigeon to be worn on your wrist.

You must have a short, very short, and voluminous skirt of light material. This will reach only a little bit, yes, a very little bit below your knees, for one must show all of the new fancy high top boots, not forgetting the dainty watch which is worn on or somewhere near Milady's ankle—instead of her wrist.

Yes, and don't forget that to be really in style you must wear pantalinettes under your wide, short skirt, with cute little fur cuffs that peek out a trifle below the knee.

And—well, that's about all—are you satisfied with yourself?

### Flirt! Why Tacoma Men Are Worst On Coast; She Knows

Editor The Times:

Yes, men in Tacoma flirt. And it is the fault of both men and women, boys and girls—that is if you call it a FAULT.

The girls here would be very, very sorry if the boys quit flirting. I know because I AM A YOUNG GIRL AND I JUST LOVE TO FLIRT, sometimes when I see a nice young man to flirt with. And I am not the only young girl who likes to flirt. Everyone of the girls I know, and I have lived in Tacoma 11 years, just loves to flirt (including me.)

There's a lot of fun in flirting if it is not carried too far, but just far enough. I like to run away and laugh and start all over again. But this doesn't leave the boys out. Tacoma has more men-flirters than I have even seen on the coast. So it's six one way and a half dozen with the other when it comes to flirting.

A TIMES BOOSTER.

### HOPE OF PEACE NOT GONE YET

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—Despite the rumors published by the president's political enemies, he is closely observing the general situation with a view to bringing about peace, and he probably will take definite action in the late fall or early winter.

It is thought very likely the Christmas season might offer him the opportunity he seeks.

This intimation came to the United Press today from an official high in the favor and confidence of President Wilson.

The recent appeal of the pope is not expected to have tangible results, but if the war should stretch into the winter season, with a lull in fighting becoming thereby necessary, the president feels the time will be ripe.

No answer will be sent the pope's appeal, since none is thought necessary.

### SPARK STARTS BLAZE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—The bodies of five children, four burned beyond recognition, were recovered early today from the ruins of the St. Francis Girls' directory, which was destroyed by fire a few hours earlier.

When the fire was brought under control at 3 a. m., after having burned an hour, it was announced that only one child, Katie O'Brien, 5, had perished. Daylight, however, revealed the full extent of the tragedy and Fire Chief Murphy announced that four more corpses had been recovered.

Five More Missing.

The work of accounting for all the little ones who were in the directory when it caught fire is progressing slowly, because of the fact that persons in autos, attracted to the scene by the glare of the flames, took many of the children away when they were marched to safety by the sisters in charge.

Sparks from the chimney, or a short circuit in the electric wiring caused the fire, Rev. Mother Margaret, the mother superior, believes.

Ten children are missing, she said.

### MAY OPEN DOORS TO CITIZENS

When the county commissioners continue their budget meetings at the beginning of next week, the first test of the possible extent of "meetings" which were intimated by one of the commissioners following a Times editorial, will be made. Probably the campaign, started by the Times to demand an entrance to these meetings, will be made unnecessary.

It is stated that several large cuts have been made in many of the budgets.

But rumors current at the courthouse today were that it would be necessary to resort to interest-bearing bonds to tide the county through the remaining four months.

A former employe of the courthouse today scoffed at the statements made by several of the departments that there would be a large cut in this year's budget, saying that last year's budget had been practically exhausted, and that it was considerably larger than the one for 1916.

### THREADS THROUGH DANGERS

ATHENS, Sept. 4.—Several men from a British submarine today succeeded in blowing up a span of the important Geta railway bridge, 26 miles southeast of Constantinople. It was one of the bravest feats of the war.

The submarine threaded its way many miles through the thickly-planted Turkish minefields, and reached its destination. Its crew landed without having been detected, and planted the dynamite under the bridge.

Then they hurried back to their ship, and the vessel returned to its base.

### BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings	\$291,448.97
Balances	\$2,979.45
Balances	\$23,425.77