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WEATHER
Tacoma: Showers tonight and Friday.
Washington: Same.

MEXICO ASKS U. S. TO QUIT

Girl Who Figures In New Disappearance Mystery



Alma Fuller Meyers of East Orange, N. J., who vanished from the ken of her friends just after she bade an acquaintance goodby in New York as she took a train for home. The police of the country are searching for her. No clue as to how or where she went has been found. Her case already is being compared to that of Dorothy Arnold.

Bill Gives U. S. All Remaining Water Power

By Gilson Gardner.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—Government development of water power resources, and the sale of power at cost of production to counties, cities, corporations and individual users, is the solution of the water-power problem proposed in a bill introduced in the house of representatives today by Representative Clyde H. Tavenner of Illinois.

The fight between the conservation and anti-conservation forces on congress over the control of government-owned water resources, resulting in the passage through the senate of the Shields bill, which fails to protect public interests, is responsible for the new Tavenner bill.

Creates Board.

The Tavenner bill creates a "waterpower development board,"

consisting of the secretaries of war, interior and agriculture. It reserves all rights of the United States in or over navigable streams and their tributaries and on the public lands and reservations, including national parks and national forests.

It directs the board to make examinations and surveys for the storage, diversion and development of water for power purposes, and to build the necessary power plants, and proceed to operate them and sell the power to "municipalities, manufacturing companies, corporations, firms or persons, under regulations to be made by the board."

The bill follows closely the lines of the reclamation act, creating in the treasury a special fund to be known as the "water-power development fund" to consist of an initial amount of \$50,000,000, to be raised by a 3 per cent bond issue.

Rates to Be Fixed.

The rates to users of power are to be fixed by the board at such figure as will produce revenue to maintain and operate the plant; pay to the state, county and other local government within whose jurisdiction the plant is located, an amount in lieu of taxes "equivalent to the local current tax rate for such classes of property, but not to exceed 3 per cent of the assessed value"; to pay the interest on the bonds and provide a sinking fund for their redemption in 25 years; and to accumulate a "development fund" which will be used to develop new projects, until eventually all waterpowers owned by the government are in operation.

The bill is designed not only to furnish cheap power to consumers all over the United States, but to provide the government with power for its own uses, such as the construction of nitrate plants which would be necessary in war time to manufacture powder, and which could be used in peace to produce fertilizer.

Your Ability

When you undertake a business venture it is wise to secure the judgment of the

PUGET SOUND STATE BANK

You will get the calm judgment free of men with 25 years' successful experience and they may raise a point in your mind which will prevent an error.

H. N. TINKER, President.

N. Y. LAVISHING VAST FORTUNES ON ITS WOMEN

BY IDAH McGLONE GIBSON

NEW YORK, April 13.—Feminine beauty is the one thing New York worships more than money.

Feminine beauty is the thing New York spends the most for!

A beautiful woman may not only own Broadway, but Fifth avenue as well, with Riverside Drive thrown in for good measure!

That gorgeous woman who neither toils nor spins, getting out of her limousine in front of Sherry's, has made countless men toil and numberless women spin to bring her appearance up to the perfection you are beholding.

Is she worth the price? NEW YORK THINKS SHE IS!

"New York women buy a million dollars worth of powders and creams every year," I was told by a wholesale druggist.

"We have as many as 600 women a day as patrons," said the manager of the largest Turkish bath in the city, where you can spend all the way from \$2.50 to \$50 at each visit.

"I can't tell how many customers we have in our beauty parlors," remarked a Fifth avenue hair dresser, "but we average 50 heads a day for the permanent hair wave."

This permanent wave costs from \$25 to \$50 and instead of being permanent it must be renewed every six months.

The mere keeping of beauties' eye lashes and eyebrows in perfect shape, the beauty expert continued, "costs at least \$50 a year for each woman."

Beauties' shoes have become an enormous drain on the pocketbook of the man-who-must-pay.

One actress, the wife of a popular manager, showed me one side of her closet—or "costume room" as she calls it—lined with shelves on which I counted 200 pairs of shoes and slippers costing from \$12.50 to \$100 a pair.

Until I counted them this delirious bit of femininity did not know how many she had.

300 Pair of Stockings. She also showed me a chest of drawers containing 300 pairs of stockings which cost from \$2.50 to \$250 a pair.

Diamond Jim Brady tells me of a man buying his wife a \$225,000 pearl necklace, but he did not add that the man walked across Fifth avenue from the greatest pearl sellers in the world and paid \$1,200 to have it duplicated in imitation.

Real pearls repose most of the time in a New York safety deposit box while the imitations are on exhibition.

Ordered a Doen! "Does any woman ever wear them?" gayer Miss Enophistocrat from the middle west, looking in at the wonderful things in a lingerie shop window.

"I don't know," I answered, "let's go in and see."

"What is the price of this night dress?" we asked.

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What's Doing

Thursday

Lecture by Dr. W. S. Beekman, on "The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky," Y. M. C. A. auditorium; 8 p. m.; admission free.

Concert by University of Michigan Glee club; Tacoma theater; 8:20 p. m.

CHEER UP; BANKS ARE PROSPEROUS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—Figures just compiled by the comptroller of the currency for March 31 show the greatest financial strength and prosperity ever felt in the United States. Banks have increased their resources 20 per cent in a year.

It's the fascination of the big, wild open country. It made the girl love the man she had reason to hate. Next week's novel, "North of Fifty-Three."

Woods' Barrel Opened

Although Owen Woods declared after the primaries that he had no money to spend in the campaign and that he would continue his race for re-election in the same quiet manner that marked his pre-primary run, the commissioner has blossomed suddenly out with an elaborate political system.

He has retained headquarters at the California building. Frank Wilson, who handled the campaign for County Commissioner Slayden, and who is said to be slated as campaign manager for E. J. Neeley, is manager of Woods' campaign.

T. G. Wilson, a former newspaper man, is publicity manager for Woods. Money is being spent freely.

Louis Bean, manager of the T. R. & P. Co., which will ask for several street railway franchises during the coming term of municipal commissions, has held several private conferences recently in Woods' office at the city hall.

Begins Speaking.

Woods made his first speech of the campaign yesterday when he addressed the Commercial club members' council.

The commissioner spoke at the Milwaukee shops at noon today, and will speak tomorrow noon at the Northern Pacific shops.

Fremont Campbell, a well known attorney and intimate friend of Woods, will also speak. It was announced at Woods' headquarters that the commissioner would attend Stoeve's meeting at Valhalla hall tonight to make an address.

Manhunt On Near Midland

A posse of three deputy sheriffs and indignant farmers living near Midland accompanied by the bloodhound Torger are beating the woods on the outskirts of Tacoma today for an unknown fiend who attacked a woman living near the Midland school.

A report of the attack was telephoned to the sheriff's office. The name of the woman attacked was not given as the informer hung up before any details could be obtained.

It was learned the woman took a shot at the man as he disappeared into the woods without his hat.

Word from the deputies late today said that Torger had the scent and that the race was a hot one.

The man has about a half hour start. John Hopkins, Frank Longmire and G. W. Chilberg are leading the hunt.

Says Daddy Hurlled Mamma From Train



Petite baby, center of family quarrel, and her mother.

CHICAGO, April 13.—Little Dorothy DeLong, baby show prize winner, doesn't know what to think of her "daddy."

A few months ago she was his "baby girl"; a few days ago, she says, according to the police, she saw him hurl her "pretty mamma" from a moving train. Dorothy, who was clinging to her mother's hand, fell from the train steps.

Dorothy, aged 4, and her mother, are in an Oak Park hospital. The police are looking for her "daddy."

The act that horrified the "Beauty Baby" is said to have

been the result of a "misunderstanding" between her father, Raymond DeLong, a young telegraph operator of Elmhurst, Ill., and his wife, which caused them to separate. They met by chance on a Northwestern train at Oak Park, Ill.

DeLong boarded the train; Mrs. DeLong, holding Dorothy's hand, tried to follow. Trainmen told the police he flung her from the moving train.

DRUG STORE A HEAVY BUYER OF ALCOHOLICS

Records from the county auditor's office show that the Gill Drug Co. has taken out permits for more liquor than all of the Broadway drug stores put together.

Members of the prosecuting attorney's office said today that an investigation would be made of the disposal of this liquor and if anything was found that would lead to show a violation of the prohibition law, prosecution would be started.

Permits taken out by George Gill, proprietor of two stores, one in South Tacoma and the other at 5th and Oakes streets, since the first of the year, are as follows: Jan. 10, five gallons of alcohol; Feb. 3, alcohol; March 10, six cases of whiskey, four cases of wine, six cases of beer and one barrel of whiskey; one half barrel of alcohol, one barrel of whiskey, one barrel of brandy, six cases of whiskey and 2 of gin.

On March 31, the records show that Gill took out permits for

two barrels of whiskey, 10 cases of whiskey, four cases of wine and one half barrel of brandy, two barrels of whiskey, 10 cases of whiskey, two cases of gin and six cases of beer.

Permits were taken out on the day the liquor consigned to the company was confiscated at the Eureka dock for the following amount: 15 drums of whiskey, two barrels of whiskey, one half barrel of gin and one half barrel of brandy.

Gill claims his prescription business is a whopper and that he has adhered strictly to the law.

But the Virges Drug Co., which physicians claim does the largest prescription business in the city, has taken out permits for only a small percentage of the liquor ordered by Gill.

"On the whole the permits obtained by Tacoma druggists have been for very small amounts," said Prosecutor Remann today.

"We have checked up on them and they are not buying much."

IT HAS THE PUNCH

Hazel Weir never saw Bill Wagstaff until he kidnaped her and took her to his home, against her will, way up North.

From this unromantic beginning, Bertrand W. Sinclair weaves a love affair that fascinates from start to finish. It's a love affair that isn't mushy. It's not that kind of a story. It's next week's novel-a-week in The Times, and it's a novel that has the PUNCH.

If you miss it, you're denying yourself a real treat. BEGIN ON MONDAY and finish it Saturday night. The name of the novel is "North of Fifty-three."

CARRANZA ASKS ARMY WITHDRAW

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—Carranza has asked the withdrawal of U. S. troops from Mexico.

The receipt of his note, suggesting that the time has come for the Americans to return to their own borders, was announced today by Elisco Arredondo, Carranzant's representative in Washington.

The note has not yet been given to Secretary Lansing, but probably will be delivered late this afternoon.

Although it is inadvisable for U. S. troops to withdraw from Mexico now, a break between the United States and the de facto government is inevitable if Carranza's request is not granted, according to the opinion of high military authorities.

Many officers believe the troops will be withdrawn.

The embassy declared that it was not an ultimatum or a demand that the Americans withdraw from the Villa chase.

Rather, it was a request, asking for negotiations looking toward the withdrawal, and the message is believed to be a refusal to complete a second agreement for further operations.

Foreign Minister Aguilar's note was delivered to Arredondo at 10 o'clock this morning. It is still being translated. Arredondo refused to discuss the communication.

Carranza, it is said, now considers the object of the U. S. expedition accomplished, and the message is believed to be a refusal to complete a second agreement for further operations.

It reminds the administration that the expedition has not a legal standing now.

The discussion of Mexico is asked on the ground that Villa's band has been dispersed, and that the Carranzistas believe themselves able to complete the task of his extermination.

Officials frankly admitted the possibility of a misunderstanding having existed in the negotiations with Carranza. They agreed the situation is most serious.

SAN ANTONIO, April 13.—Carranzista soldiers and Mexican citizens fired on American troops there, Consul Letcher reported today, giving as his authority Gen. Gutierrez. There were no casualties.

Gen. Gutierrez adopted a complaining attitude. He said he had no idea the American troops had marched so far south, and marveled at their marching powers. This was taken to mean that Carranzistas hadn't intended to permit the Americans to march so far into the interior.

A force of about 140 men comprised the force at Parral. They continued their march southward, not heeding the fire of the Mexicans.

Gen. Funston said he would not consider the invasion a success until Villa had been captured. He flatly denounced the Carranzistas for their failure to co-operate with the American troops. He pointed out that de facto troops had twice permitted Villa to slip through the lines.

U. S. to Hand Bernstorff Passports?

NEW YORK, April 13.—Rumors that Ambassador von Bernstorff would be handed his passports within a fortnight caused a drop in the stock markets today. Though the story is unconfirmed

and without basis except the word of a Washington broker, it gained general circulation. Leading stocks dropped from one to three points.

HOUSE LEADER HAS HAD PLENTY

OLYMPIA, April 13.—L. D. McArdle, for years one of the leaders in the state legislature, announced yesterday that he would be a candidate again for state representative from Jefferson county.

÷Talk o' the Times÷

Greetings, have you noticed that Pettit isn't petit and that Gronen isn't groaning? Also Shoemaker isn't doing that.

Henry Prince says he favors raising the Seattle boat fare to \$1 a round trip in the interest of the Buy-at-Home idea. Why not German sub the Indian and Tacoma and be done with it?

REVISED VERSION "Fill up the seed-goblets and quaff, boys, quaff."

Freddie Film's trying to find out the best way to hold a wife. Why not by the neck?

PREPAREDNESS NOTE Johnnie Mead's expecting something.

The man who painted the, as it is called, picture entitled, "The Nude Descending a Stairway," says he intended to show neither man nor woman. Our respect for the picture increases. The artist succeeded in carrying out his intention.

South Enders will remember that Owen Woods excused his vote for that ordinance giving the T. R. & P. Co. everything in sight by saying that anyway it would result in getting the South Tacoma car rerouted at once. That was last fall. And not a tap of work on the rerouting has been done yet.

My, my, when they feel that backward-slipping sensation, they certainly squeal, don't they?

Evening edition of the Snoozenledger last night, on page one, carried an editorial advertisement in which it attacked one of its rivals, presumably The Times.

It said that while this rival "may attract thoughtless, sensation-seeking readers" that one copy of the Snoozenledger was worth five copies of us.

My, my, how dark the world must look over at 11th and A!

And there was a time when Snoozenledger didn't admit that we existed!