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(Capitalist and Political Student.)
I think we should re-elect Woodrow Wilson because we have never had to cross a wider, deeper, more dangerous stream than the one over which he is now navigating us; and we have never had a better horse for such an undertaking.

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WEATHER
Tacoma: Fair tonight and Friday.
Washington: Same, warmer northeast portion.

CUNARD LINER MINED

Prosperity Wave Strikes Tacoma

Business Men In All Lines Join In Report That Trade Is Better Than For Years Past

By Mabel Abbott

Once upon a time a little girl at in a rowboat high and dry on the beach and looked disconsolately at the waves that pushed upward and slid backward, far down a long slope of sand.

The little girl knew about tides—that is, people had explained them to her, and she had seen the waves slapping the very top of the beach, and the rowboat joyously afloat on them. But that seemed to her a very long time ago.

Grown-up people told her the tide would come back and float the boat again by and by. But meanwhile, she couldn't get it down to the water, and there was no fun in sitting in a boat on the dry sand, and the water didn't seem to be getting a single bit nearer, though she had watched and watched until her eyes ached; and she didn't believe it was going to come back again anyway, so there!

And the little girl curled up in the boat and went to sleep.

And the tide came in.

Slowly and quietly it crept up and up and up—nearer and nearer the boat—all around it—under it—beyond it—

And the little girl woke up and found herself already afloat on the tide she thought was never going to come back.

I've been going up and down the streets of Tacoma yesterday and today, asking Tacoma business men one question, "How's business?"

I feel like the little girl in the boat.

A tide has crept up around us so slowly and so quietly we have not realized it.

It is the tide of prosperity.

This is no "boom" story. Heaven preserve Tacoma from another boom, with its inevitable collapse.

It is a story of a normal and wholesome thing, told by level-headed, conservative men, who know what they are talking about.

—And after this preamble, I'll let them tell it.

"How's business? Twenty-five per cent ahead of last year. September was the biggest month we have ever had," said Charles Drury, the tailor, the first man of whom I asked my question.

"And things look bright for the future. I think you'll hear the same story everywhere you go. Business has never been better than it is right now."

Prosperity Here.

"How's business? Well, here's a thing to consider," said George O. Gove, of the big architectural firm of Heath & Gove.

"We have more city work than we had last year, and it is nearly all remodeling and alterations to

What Every Small Boy Knows



Alaunia Goes Down In British Channel; No Loss of Life Among Passengers Reported

(United Press Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The Cunard line steamer Alaunia struck a mine early today in the English channel and sank, the Cunard offices announced here this afternoon.

There were no passengers aboard, all of them having been landed. A majority of the crew were saved.

The Alaunia displaced 13,450 tons. She was 520 feet long and built in 1913.

The cablegram to the New York Cunard office follows:

"Alaunia struck a mine in the English channel this morning and sunk during the forenoon. Denison and majority of the crew saved. Some missing."

The liner left New York for Falmouth and London with 200 passengers aboard. Officials here said all her passengers had been landed at Falmouth and she was proceeding on her way to London when she struck the mine.

The Alaunia was armed for defense against submarines, but she carried no war munitions.

REPORT SUB U-53 IS SUNK

(United Press Leased Wire.)
NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 19.—A German submarine, possibly the U-53, has been sunk off Nantucket, according to a message to a British cruiser, the British steamer North Pacific reports receiving. The North Pacific is taking on bunker coal here today.

The message read:

"German submarine sunk east Nantucket."

Officers of the North Pacific said the cruiser was lying off this coast.

A London cable to the United Press a few days ago said a sudden reduction in insurance rates on trans-Atlantic shipping by Lloyd's had aroused speculation as to whether the U-53 had been sunk, captured or had returned to a German port.

CUTTER REACHES CLYDE LINER

(United Press Leased Wire.)
PORTSMOUTH, Va., Oct. 19.—The coast guard cutter Pamlico wirelessly this afternoon that she had reached the helpless Clyde liner Araphoe off Cape Lookout.

It is assumed she will be able to take off passengers safely and other boats are heading to the rescue.

The vessel lost her rudder in a storm this forenoon, and flashed "S. O. S." calls ashore.

REPORT DISCREDITED
(United Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 19.—Reports that a German submarine, presumably the U-53, has been sunk off Nantucket, were generally discredited by navy officials this afternoon and also discredited by British embassy officials.

Just see what Tom Duff is doing today, on page seven!

FLASHES

(United Press Leased Wire.)
ORANGE, N. J.—Calling to cheer up a dying friend with a game of pinocle, 80-year-old John Hawkes drew the first good hand he has held for years and fell out of his chair, dead.

NEW YORK.—The zoo's tahr, or tree-climbing goat that wears a mustache, has become so numerous that four of him are to be deported. This bird, or beast, is so ambidextrous with its horns that it hangs itself out to dry whenever it takes a bath.

CHICAGO.—"He keeps calling up my wife, who is pretty, and trying to make a date with her," Frank Radke, masseur, said, when he advertised in the papers for a certain saloon-keeper to meet him.

CHICAGO.—He loved her beautifully groomed fingernails, so Samuel Feldman, Russian student in the University of Chicago, and Miss Margaret Follender, co-ed, eloped to New York.

JOLIET, Ill.—Unless Lloyd McKibben, 17, attends Sunday school every Sunday for a year, he will be fined \$100 and given 90 days in jail on a larceny charge.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Charles Peterson and John Cunha are business partners and their wives were divorced from them today in the same court within an hour of each other.

SAN FRANCISCO.—When Morris Goldwater saw a sick man on the street he sent for an ambulance. Before the ambulance arrived, however, Goldwater's father dropped dead and the wagon took away his body.

SERENE NOW IN ATHENS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
ATHENS, Oct. 18.—(Delayed)—Greek troops are in complete control of the situation here today, anti-ally mobs are being dispersed, and for the time being the possibilities of a serious clash between civilians and French marines seem to have been averted.

The anti-ally leaders, however, are continuing their attempts to organize demonstrations, and the crisis is by no means past.

It is understood that King Constantine, following conferences with the British and French ministers, sent personal appeals to the most prominent of his supporters, urging them not to stir up the Athens crowds to acts of violence.

The collapse of reports that a United States fleet was approaching Piraeus to intervene disheartened the civilians and has helped restore order.

Newspaper extras were circulated about the city by the anti-ally leaders, reporting that American warships would arrive within a few hours to see that Greek neutrality was not violated by the allies.

WILSON LEAGUE TO GIVE A LUNCHEON

The Women's Woodrow Wilson Independent League met at headquarters, 934 Fidelity building, Wednesday. Mrs. Charles Morrison Johnson and Mrs. J. Q. Mason were the speakers. The league is planning a luncheon, to which men will be invited, for Friday, Oct. 27. Place to be announced later.

TODAY'S CLEARINGS
Clearings \$ 473,658.59
Balances 72,470.60
Transactions 1,288,088.71

Centennial of Trousers, Men

(By United Press.)
CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Stand up straight men, swing your legs about—first one, then the other; look at 'em and then glorify the memory of the man who invented trousers, pantaloons or just plain pants. It happened just 100 years ago.

A chap whose name is long since dust grew tired of breeches with their cumbersome snugness and evolved the forerunner of the present style of trousers.

MARK TIME IN STRIKE

Although refusing to make public the results of Wednesday night's special union meeting, members of the longshoremen's local in Tacoma intimated Thursday that there had been no change in the strike situation.

The Tacoma strike committee is still in Seattle, where a decision will be reached within a few hours, it is intimated, as to whether the men will return to work on a compromise agreement, or shall call out a nation-wide strike of cargo handlers.

Efforts are being made by longshoremen and employers to keep the entire matter a secret.

Wilson 37, Hughes 16, Benson 2

A straw vote of the entire staff and patients at the Mountain View sanatorium taken Wednesday, resulted as follows:
Wilson, 47; Hughes, 16; Benson, 2.

CROWDS ACCLAIM WILSON

(United Press Leased Wire.)
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Oct. 19.—Enormous crowds, including many workmen and school children, accorded President Wilson an enthusiastic reception as he passed through northern Indiana today.

Here at South Bend, 8,000 people lined the streets when his train pulled in.

School children waved flags and screamed their delight. Employees of local automobile works lined the tracks, stood on roofs, cornices and leaned from balconies extending a hearty welcome.

Responding to persistent demands for a speech, the president made his second short brief utterance of the trip.

"I have forgotten how to make campaign speeches," said he.

"The record is made up and all you have to do now is to say what you think. If I made a speech I would have to tell you what I think of myself, and that I cannot do."

NABS BEER ON WHARF

County Detective Shaw Thursday morning seized two barrels of Blue Ribbon beer consigned to the Purity Drug Co., 14th and Pacific, which was raided last Friday.

The seizure was made at the Bureka dock. The booze arrived on a steamer from California.

Officers have had knowledge that the beer was on its way since the arrest of G. C. Bratt, manager of the Purity store.

REMANN WILL SHELVE SHAW

A breach between the police and Prosecutor Remann's office, which threatened serious trouble this week, has been temporarily healed.

Remann was asked to visit police headquarters Wednesday afternoon, and at the end of nearly two hours' discussion with Commissioner Pettit and Chief Smith it was announced that harmony would reign once more.

The prosecuting attorney pleaded

Drives Auto On R.R. Track

George More, age 64, steered his automobile into the wrong tunnel while taking the water-front road to Old Tacoma Wednesday night. He got stuck in the middle of the Northern Pacific's long underground line, and would have been hurt had not an engineer on a passenger train seen his machine in time to stop the train.

"That's the roughest road I ever drove over," complained George, as the police took him on a charge of driving an automobile intoxicated.

Talk o' the Times

Greetings, men, what anniversary is it of your particular pair?

An E street boarding house advertiser: "Our Table is Unapproachable." But you know what the landlady means.

However, it does bother us to enter a Pacific av. bookstore and to observe one table bearing the sign, "Best Sellers," and the next, "Books Worth Reading."

Paris has found a fish that feeds on mosquitos.

Funny how some folks spot those things.

We fished all sumer out at Lake Stellacoom, and we never found a fish that would bite at anything.

Hughes has registered this year, anyhow.

QUELQUE MULE
(From the Altus, Okla., Times.)
Strayed or stolen, from my place at Duke two weeks ago a mouse colored mule, seal fat, walks on toe of one hind foot, has shoe on crippled foot with a piece of steel welded on, coming up over front of hoof, new shoes in front, warts on outside of left ear. Liberal reward for mule.

REMANN WILL SHELVE SHAW

Under threats of the police executives that they would expose some of the recent acts of Detective Shaw, Remann promised that he would give orders for Shaw to keep completely out of all police raids on liquor, or other cases, unless invited to take part.

The trouble started early this week, when Shaw seized five barrels of whisky at a Tacoma dock, while the police were watching the booze in the hope of catching the owner.

Remann advised Pettit and Smith that he would not only refuse to permit his men to ever interfere again with police work, but that he would co-operate with the police in all booze cases.

"I will show my good faith with the police by filing a state charge against every bootlegger or other person caught by the police for handling booze illegally," Remann is said to have declared.

As a test of Remann's good faith, the police staged a raid less than a half hour after the interview.

Detectives Wiley and Garberg arrested Harry Bell, proprietor of Bell's drug store, Sixth avenue and Anderson streets, charging him with having sold liquor illegally.

While Bell was at police headquarters, arranging bail, the prosecutor's men, in conjunction with the police, raided the drug store, seizing a quantity of whisky and other liquors. When Bell was released on \$100 bail by the police he was re-arrested by the county officials, and not released until he had deposited \$500 additional on a state charge.

A check on the amount of liquor in the pharmacy Thursday morning by the police showed that Bell had sold a much larger quantity of booze on prescription than he had ever purchased through legal channels, according to Commissioner Pettit.

REMANN WILL SHELVE SHAW

Even Paderowski couldn't play the scales on a triangle.

YOU CAN TELL WHEN A WOMAN IS INTERESTED IN SOME MAN BY THE WAY SHE CAN PRETEND THAT SHE ISN'T.

HOW BYRON SIZED 'EM UP
(From a Letter to John Murray.)
"The French courage proceeds from vanity, the German from phlegm, the Turkish from fanaticism and opium, the Spanish from pride, the English from coolness, the Dutch from obstinacy, the Russian from insensibility, but the Italian from anger."

Let us suggest to the allied fleet that they can easily distinguish a German sub from an American. The German is able to submerge.

HERE'S A FACT TO POSTCARD TO YOUR FRIENDS BACK EAST
Practically every business house in Tacoma reports business the brightest in years—and collections fine.

"Hard Cider" Harper

Who do you think he is?
You couldn't guess unless you have read "The Idyll of Twin Fires," and paid \$1.50 for the book.

You can find out next week in The Times for six cents. One cent a day—that's what The Times costs. The new novel-a-week begins Monday, ends Saturday.

IT'S A REAL STORY OF REAL PEOPLE.

100 MINERS ENTOMBED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
FAIRMONT, W. Va., Oct. 19.—More than 100 miners employed by the Jamison camp at Barrackville, three miles from here, were entombed early this afternoon by an explosion of damp.