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SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 1910.

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HUNDREDS DIE IN EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY

NINTH INNING OF GREAT LOCAL RAILWAY GAME

"DELIVERY DAY" NEAR AT HAND

Railroads Now in Position to Say What They Will and Will Not Give.

NINTH INNING FINISH FOR THE RAILROADS IN THE FRANCHISE FIGHT.

The final day of "delivery," for the Milwaukee and the North Coast is at hand, as their franchises are due to be passed by the city council within a week. Spokane will get only such concessions as the railroads are inclined to give, and not what the people want, in the matter of a common user clause and a union depot. The Nelson proposition to submit the franchise to a vote of the people, binding alike on the railroads and the city, is dead. Attorneys for the railroads are now getting so bold that they crack the lash over the heads of the councilmen on the floor of the city hall. In order to further muddle the situation the railroads now submit a new franchise draft at almost every council meeting. It is a great "finish," for the railroads. They are demanding every pound of flesh from their friends on the council, and getting it.

Possibly one or two more meetings of the city council will suffice for the consideration of the franchises of the Milwaukee and the North Coast railroads and the city.

CONTRACTORS TAKE FOREIGNERS; REJECT AMERICANS HERE

A married man with children, who has lived in Spokane nine years, and holds a card in Federal union 12,222, this morning applied to the foreman for John T. Heutter on the city reservoir job for work. He was told that no more men were needed. The man found on the job a lot of men who could not speak the English language, some of whom had been in the country but a few months, yet they are on the work in preference to a citizen and a family head. This same man says that he has at times applied for work in the water department and in the street department and been refused an opening. At the time and still a lot of single men are employed, while the married man's request was turned down.

TWO KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

BUTTE, Mont., June 7.—A dispatch from Salmon, Mont., today says that Elmer Rankin and Arthur Malcolm, two farm laborers, were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning yesterday afternoon during a thunderstorm at Salmon. The two men were sitting under a tree on a bench.

LUXURIOUS TRIP TO ALASKA.

SEATTLE, June 7.—The 1061-ton steamer Ramona is now being overhauled in San Francisco at a cost of \$50,000 for the use of Jacob H. Schiff of New York, financier and philanthropist, who will head a party of eastern men of high financial standing on a tour of Alaska this summer.

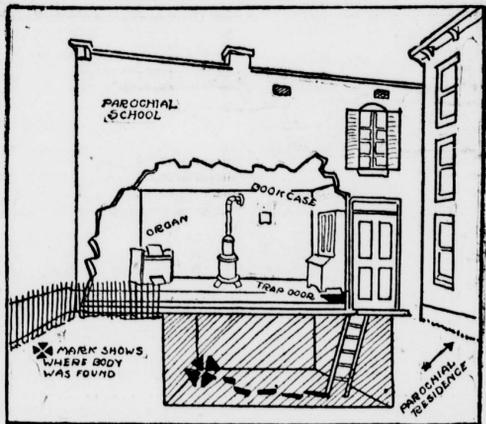
CHILD SLAIN IN LOUISVILLE MYSTERY



ALMA KELLNER, EIGHT, THE VICTIM.

MRS. FRED KELLNER, THE MOTHER.

SCHOOL CELLAR WHERE BONES WERE FOUND



The diagram shows how slain Alma Kellner's body was concealed in a secret cellar under the classroom in St. John's school, Louisville. Entrance was through an unnoticed trap door in the floor. Father Schuhmann, priest at St. John's, says he was even unaware of the cellar's existence until the cellar flooded from a broken water pipe, and a plumbers' investigation revealed the fragments of the child, who had been missing since December 5, when she was thought to have been kidnapped. The police are seeking Jos. Wedding, former janitor of the school, who departed suddenly a month ago.

TAFT'S MESSAGE ON RAILROAD RATES

(By United Press Leased Wire) WASHINGTON, D. C., June 7.—President Taft today sent a special message to congress urging that the railroad bill provision empowering the interstate commerce commission to suspend rates pending investigation become immediately effective. The message outlined the controversy between the railroads and the administration. The message was prepared after Taft had conferred with Representative Mann of Illinois and Senator Crane of Massachusetts. The subject of the conference was the most effective method of securing the desired amendment. Both Crane and Mann declared they believed the most effective method of altering the bill would be to send the measure to the conference, which could insert a clause making the bill immediately effective.

IF YOU'RE AFRAID TO GO HOME IN THE DARK YOU'LL LIKE CARL JOHNSON; HE MAKES LIGHT

Know Carl Johnson? Well, if it wasn't for Carl you would have to walk home in the dark and be the victim of footpads at every corner. Carl is the both that makes light. He says every evening, "Let there be light," slips a switch and zip the town bursts forth like a night lightning, into a flood of beauty. Johnson is the operator at the power station. If he did not pull that switch every street would be dark, and Spokane would look like a graveyard. But he is always on the job, keeping an eye on the machinery and noting how the volts and amperes and kilowatts and other things ordinary mortals have heard about, but know nothing of, are getting along. If things don't look just right the switch is thrown again, and then

THIS TIME T. R. MADE GOOD TALK

'Rome Fell Because Internal Ills Were Incurable.'

"It would be foolish indeed to pay heed to the unwise persons who desire disarmament to be begun by the very people, who of all others, should not be left helpless before any possible foe. "For nearly eight years I was the head of a great nation and charged with the conduct of the foreign policy; and during those years I took no action with reference to any other people on the face of the earth than I would have felt justified in taking as an individual with other individuals." —Roosevelt.

OXFORD, England, June 7.—Before a large gathering at Magdalen college, Oxford university, former President Theodore Roosevelt, lectured today on "Biological Analogies in History." The audience was enthusiastic and the applause was hearty and frequent. After Roosevelt was presented to the audience he was given an ovation and another burst of applause testified the approval of his hearers when

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SEATTLE.—While funeral services over the remains of Otto Ristman were being conducted in the Swedish cemetery, horses attached to the hearse and a hack, while eating grass, stirred up a wasp nest. They were attacked by the little insects and ran away.

Cannibal Chief—Have you any preference as to how you shall be cooked? Captive (formerly an actor)—Yes; I would prefer to be roasted. I am sorter used to that.

DILLON, Mont.—While swinging his arm from the limb of a tree, Frank Harkness, age 12, struck the point of sheep shears hung on a nail in the tree. The blades of hard steel pierced the boy's heart and instantly killed him.

There's no philosophy yet found that will overcome curiosity.

CHICAGO—Figures show that 4000 persons are drowned each year. A movement is on foot to train every child in Chicago schools to swim.

CARSON CITY, Nev.—Mrs. Helen Gladys Aoki, who married a Jap a year ago, has filed a suit for divorce here, alleging desertion.

WASHINGTON.—Brewers meeting here for annual convention will draw up a protest against "unwise

PUBLICITY THE ONLY WEAPON

Remarkable Report on Official Injustice by Central Labor Council

One of the most remarkable documents ever approved by a public body in Spokane was the report of the general committee of fifteen of the Central Trades Council on the effort to have the judges of the superior court call a grand jury. The report was read by the committee at the meeting of the trades council last night and unanimously adopted. It tells of shocking conditions in the county and city governments in Spokane and the refusal of the judges to call a grand jury to inquire into these conditions. The committee finds that all efforts to get the officials of Spokane city and county to clean up these conditions have now failed, and that the only recourse for an outraged citizenship is publicity. Here follows the report:

SPOKANE, Wash., June 6, 1910.—To the Officers and Delegates of the Central Labor Union: Brothers and Sisters: Your general committee of fifteen begs leave to report in the matrons and grand jury matters as follows:

The city council at its last regular session passed an ordinance providing for three matrons at the city jail, eight hour shifts, at \$75 per month. The ordinance will go into effect June 30th, and the chief of police has already appointed the matrons. The Central Labor Council is to be congratulated on its work in this line, and many unfortunate women will receive benefits therefrom. There is as much, if not more, need for matrons in the county jail.

In the matter of the grand jury: The invitation of the five district judges, members of your committee met them at the court house Wednesday evening, May 25, and laid before them many violations of law on the part of city and county officials, and many other conditions in public affairs which were a disgrace to the citizenship and which needed an investigation on the part of a grand jury, so that they could be remedied. Many cases of gross immorality of members of the city police department, as well as immoral conditions in the county jail; many cases of where prostitutes and lodging house keepers were preyed on by members of the police department; the Elliott case, with special reference to the fact that Mr. Elliott was put in the city jail and then railroaded to the county jail for no

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taxes" on beer, on the ground that they increase the price of beer and drive men to stronger drink.

Books they might have written: "Through One Administration"—Taft.

"The Conquest of England"—Roosevelt.

"Gulliver's Travels"—Dr. Cook. "If I Were King"—J. Pierpont Morgan.—Life.

CHILD IS RUN DOWN BY TRAIN

Fatality on Great Northern at Intersection of Crescent Street.

Run down by a Great Northern train, as he was on his way back to school after luncheon, a little boy, age about 9 years, was almost instantly killed, shortly before 1 o'clock today, at the intersection of Crescent street with the Great Northern tracks. The name of the little fellow could not be learned at the time, as no other children in the vicinity were able to recall it. He gasped for breath but a few times as he lay beside the tracks, near the rushing wheels, then died. At press time for this publication the Great Northern agents were still investigating the case, not having identified the lad. It is stated that he seemed to fear he would be tardy at school and tried to dash across the track just ahead of the engine.

THEY ARE SHY IN GIVING AGES

In the six last couples to whom marriage licenses have been issued the parties have declined to give their ages, simply announcing that they were of legal age to marry. The growth of this desire to secret the ages of the couples has been pronounced in the last year, until the clerks at marriage license window have grown to wonder at the cause for the effort at secrecy.

PSYCHE AT THE WELL

WAUKESHA, Wis., June 7.—Has anybody here seen Psyche? If they have, it is altogether probable that she wasn't recognized. For Psyche—the same what leans over the well looking for suckers—has changed her garb. Psyche is just now the central figure in a spirited racket here, and will probably be banished from the town on a charge of indecent exposure. If she should ever come back here without a full set of female clothes on, including hat and corset, she will be incarcerated in the town jail. The famous painting, "Psyche at the Well," was reproduced and has been used in the advertising of a local canned water firm here. The famous picture of the unadorned lady has been the principal adornment of a billboard near the "store part" of the town, but the other night one of the aldermen got up in the meeting and said "that Fishie picture" ought to be banished because it was conducive to immorality.

He also thought the picture hindered the fight against the white slave traffic, and said an ordinance should be passed prohibiting the use of the picture unless properly peticotted.

(By United Press Leased Wire) NEW YORK, June 7.—Forty churches of Brooklyn have joined for common protestation against the Jeffries-Johnson fight. They have requested every member of the congregation to mail a post card or letter to Governor Gillett or some other state official in California voicing their anti-fight sentiments.

ALL ITALY GRIEF STRICKEN TODAY

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

NAPLES, June 7.—Two hundred persons are reported killed and a property loss of more than \$2,000,000 inflicted by an earthquake in the provinces of Campania, Basilicata and Calabria today. Ten bodies have been recovered at San Sossa. Eleven persons are known to have been killed at Castel Baronia. Scores of killed are reported from other cities. Hundreds of wounded refugees are camping in the open country, having abandoned their homes through fear of recurrent shocks. King Emmanuel left Rome today for the scene of the disaster. The Italian Red Cross already has taken action, and is forwarding supplies of food and clothing and sending detachments of doctors and nurses. The government sent \$10,000 to be used for urgent relief and to provide shelter for the homeless and injured. The great cathedral at Foggia sustained serious damage and other buildings were shaken.

(By United Press Leased Wire) NAPLES, Italy, June 7.—A heavy earthquake in which scores of persons are reported killed and thousands of dollars damage done to property occurred today in the province of Campania.

\$100,000 FOR RELIEF. ROME, June 7.—The Italian parliament today voted \$100,000 for relief of sufferers from the earthquake in southern Italy. The money will be placed at the disposal of government agents in the stricken region for the purchase of supplies of clothing, medicines and of lumber for temporary shelter for the homeless. Casualties were reported at Valletta and many of the towns in the mountains of Campania. The government is sending troops to the stricken region.

A BETTER JUVENILE COURT IS NEEDED

Probation Officer Harmon has resigned his place to take up another line of work, and the appointment to the vacancy rests with Juvenile Judge J. D. Hinkle. It can be shown that in the matter of the relentless pursuit, apprehension and sweating of youthful offenders the probation office of Spokane county is quite a success. But in the matter of the reformation of youthful offenders the results attained are problematical. There should be a change in the policy of dealing with the juveniles, and Judge Hinkle will confer a lasting favor on the youth of Spokane county if he will appoint some one to the post who will take up the work in the spirit in which the first juvenile court was established by Judge Lindsay of Denver. In Spokane county the effort seems to be to convict every young offender on his own testimony, make him admit that he is a criminal and then show leniency afterward. Judge Lindsay's plan is to talk to the boys and girls, preserve their self respect and give them another chance. As carried on in Spokane county, it can be shown by the testimony of youthful offenders that have passed through the juvenile court process of reformation that the work is tinged with the methods that control the police department of the city of Spokane and other officers here charged with the enforcement of the law.

DIAZ WILL NOW TAKE CHARGE OF THE WAR

(By United Press Leased Wire.) MEICO CITY, June 7.—President Porfirio Diaz personally will direct the military campaign against the rebellious Maya Indians of Yucatan. The decision of the president to take active part in suppressing the revolt leads to the belief that the government faces a crisis in the province of Yucatan. Reports reaching the government officials here indicate that a well planned revolution by Indians and insurgent Mexicans has broken out to gain freedom for Yucatan. The uprising is considered the most serious that has occurred since 1840, when Yucatan nearly won her liberty.



THE OLDEST CARESS IN THE WORLD.

It may be said without fear of contradiction that there is no custom so universal, and so common to all peoples of the earth, as that of kissing. The kiss is also one of the oldest, if not the oldest, custom in the world. Its origin dates back to a period before history was written, and the kiss appears and reappears in various countries and various ages, in one guise or another, either as a demonstration of love, mark of affection, or sign of reverence or veneration. What is a kiss? Scholars disagree. Various definitions have been given and set down in black and white, but none of these seem to grasp the real

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