

GUMMEN PREPARED FOR DEATH AT DAWN

First to Flinch Will Be First to Die.

MESSAGE IS SENT TO BOYS

"Keep Out of Bad Company," Is "Whitey Lewis" Advice.

NUNS VISIT PRISONERS

Day Spent in Devotion, Spirit of Which Spreads to Whole Chamber, in Which 16 Condemned Men Await End.

OSBURNING, N. Y., April 12.—Harry Horowitz, Louis Rosenberg, Frank Cirofici and Frank Seidenshner have spent their last day on earth. As the "gunmen," whose picturesque aliases were flung across the continent after the murder of the New York gambler, Herman Rosenthal, they die at dawn in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison, convicted of that murder.

To relatives who bade them good-bye today and to their spiritual advisers, the four condemned men again asserted their innocence and as night settled down over the prison and the death-watch stood about their cells, there was nothing to indicate that they would not deny their guilt until the end.

Warden Deputy of Fate.

Which would go first to the chair was a secret that only the warden knew. It would depend, it was said, upon their demeanor. He upon whom the ordeal bore heaviest, whose nerves gave evidence of snapping, would be first despatched, thus to obviate a scene.

Prison gossip has it that "Lefty Louie" (Louis Rosenberg) was the most erratic of the four and that he would march first to the chair. Others thought the first to die would be "Dago Frank" (Frank Cirofici), the Italian of the quartet, who has declared in statements to Governor Glynn that he was innocent of the murder when Rosenthal was killed.

Men Spend Day in Prayer.

During Easter Sunday and the ensuing night they were on their knees in prayer all of the time that they were not talking with relatives. On the walks in front of the prison the curious townspeople passed to and fro, and occasionally parties of dusty automobiles swung down from their cars to survey the building.

Of the scenes in the deathhouse corridors today, the visit of two nuns stood out boldest. As Father Cashin, the Roman Catholic prison chaplain, led the four gunmen in prayer, two Italian Franciscan sisters, who had come from New York to see "Dago Frank," whom they had taught in his boyhood, knelt outside his cell. Raised curtains, showing the cells bare and immaculate after yesterday's cleaning, disclosed the four gunmen also kneeling.

Spirit of Devotion Contagious.

Suddenly the spirit of devotion spread to the whole death chamber and each of the 16 condemned prisoners, among them Hans Schmidt, slayer of Anna A. Muller, joined in the Lord's Prayer.

To the boys of the East Side in New York the Jewish trio of the gunmen sent a final message through Rabbi Jacob Goldstein.

"Whitey Lewis" wrote: "There are many boys who are well brought up and have good parents who do not look out for the company they get into. Bad company is the cause of their fall."

"Lefty Louie" said: "Add what I said the other day about bad company. A fellow who honestly earns \$6 a week is better off than he who gets \$10.00 a week if he does not get it straight. We were supposed to have as many friends as any fellow from the East Side, but when it came to a show down it was only the synagogue that stood by us, outside of our parents. Stick to the synagogue and to your parents. If I had life to live over again I would surely follow this advice."

"Gyp the Blood" said he had nothing to add to what had been said.

Relatives Visit Death Chamber.

Mrs. Rosenberg, "Lefty Louie's" young wife; Mrs. Horowitz, wife of "Gyp the Blood"; Mr. and Mrs. John Cirofici and Paul Cirofici, relatives of "Dago Frank," and Morris and Joseph Seidenshner, brothers of "Whitey Lewis," spent the early part of the afternoon in a last visit to the death chamber.

The women waited aloud as they went out of the prison. On the way to the station they said that the men about to die had never maintained their innocence so strongly as in this last remonstrance.

"I must die some time," "Lefty Louie" told his wife. "If it pleases God that I die now I am ready."

"Whitey Lewis" asked his brothers to tell their mother that she was not the mother of a murderer. "I have never been more than a little wild," he said.

Brothers Knock Photographer Down.

Near the railroad station a photographer who tried to take a picture of the weeping women was set upon by the Seidenshner brothers, Morris and Joe, and knocked down.

The prisoners were not left alone for

TIER STOCKINGS FASHION'S DECREE

RUFFLE ON RUFFLE, EVEN TO KNEES, SEEN ON BOARD WALK.

Pantalettes in Gorgeous Colors and Gay Vests Worn by Women in Atlantic City Parade.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 12.—(Special.)—Hosiery adorned with lace ruffles and pantalettes were two novelties in feminine attire much in evidence in the Easter boardwalk parade today when inquisitive breezes toyed with what should have covered them. The breezes revealed that more than a score of women were wearing stockings which bore tiers of lace clear to the knees, in two or three instances even higher, and more than a dozen women beneath their slit skirts were seen to be wearing pantalettes, in most cases of colors to contrast attractively with their outer attire.

Gorgeous colored vests were also worn by many of the fair promenaders.

VOLUNTEERS SAVE CITY

Prompt Action at Newport Prevents Destruction of Business Heart.

NEWPORT, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—Prompt action on the part of volunteer firemen, assisted by residents, saved Newport's business section from destruction by fire last night, when a fire was started by a cigarette in the Electric Company's store, owned by A. Welch, of Portland, in the heart of the congested business district.

This was the first fire in the business district since January 1, 1908, when half of Newport was destroyed because of lack of water at that time.

Fred Pearson, engineer, discovered the fire and sounded the alarm. The blaze lasted 12 minutes and did \$200 damage, covered by insurance.

CONTRACT WILL BE LET

State Girls' Industrial School to Be Erected at Salem.

SALEM, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—State Architect Knighton announced today that the contract for the Girls' Industrial School, for which \$50,000 was appropriated by the last Legislature, would be let Tuesday. It will be located on a 40-acre tract near the Feeble Minded Institute. Accommodations will be provided for 40 or 50 inmates. Mr. Knighton says he has drawn the plans so that the building may be enlarged as occasion demands.

Plans will include erecting dining rooms and a kitchen for the Feeble Minded Institute at a cost of about \$15,000 and begin construction at once on the pavilion and auditorium at the fair grounds.

COOS COUNTRY TO EXHIBIT

Chambers of Commerce Will Join in Display at San Francisco.

MARSHFIELD, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—At a joint meeting of the Marshfield and North Bend Chambers of Commerce it was agreed Coos County shall have a building at the San Francisco Exposition. A general meeting of commercial clubs was called for April 20 at Coquille.

Mayor L. J. Simpson heads the committee appointed to have competitive plans drawn by Coos County architects to be completed within 30 days. The building will be built of Coos County timber with Coos County labor, and Mr. Simpson says the mills in the county will donate all the rough and finished lumber for the structure.

MOVIES USED IN SCHOOLS

Filmed Classics Are Discussed by Students at McMinnville.

McMINNVILLE, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—While the moving picture is being condemned in some places, in McMinnville it is being used as a factor in the work of the schools. Films portraying the classics being studied in the high school and grammar grades are shown and a discussion follows of the accuracy and effectiveness with which the production has been interpreted.

"Evangeline," "The Lady of the Lake," "The Tale of Two Cities," "Silas Marner," "David Copperfield" and other classics have been discussed.

MRS. WILSON IMPROVING

President Goes to Washington, but May Return for Week-End.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va., April 12.—President Wilson left here at 11:12 o'clock tonight. Should official business permit, he will return next Friday and spend the week-end with Mrs. Wilson, who remained with her daughters, Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre and Miss Margaret Wilson.

Mrs. Wilson has improved in health since she has been here and another week in the good air is expected to bring back her strength.

LOOP IS LOOPED 8 TIMES

Lincoln Beachey's American Record Broken at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, April 12.—Delloyd Thompson "looped the loop" eight times here today, breaking Lincoln Beachey's previous American record of seven loops. Beachey's record was made at San Francisco.

Thompson was less than 2000 feet above the ground when he started his downward flight and made his last loop when within 500 feet of the earth.

Queen Eleanor to Sail May 21.

NEW YORK, April 12.—A cablegram from Sofia, Bulgaria, received today by William Casper, representative of Queen Eleanor, now in this city, says definitely that the Queen will sail for New York on May 21.

CANAL TREATY NOT CONSTRUED—BRYAN

Secretary Puts Tolls Plea on New Basis.

2 PLATFORM PLANKS FOUND

Opposition to Subsidy Held to Dwarf Exemption.

"HIDDEN MEANING" FOUND

"Contradicted" Declaration at Baltimore Declared to Have Concealed Policy Repugnant to Democratic Principles.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Secretary Bryan in a statement made public today reviews at length the Panama tolls question and in the course of the statement declares that the repeal of the tolls exemption in the Panama Canal act "cannot be construed to be a construction of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty," but is "simply a refusal on the part of the United States to raise that question in that way."

Mr. Bryan discusses various features of the subject—the limiting of debate in the House of Representatives, the Baltimore platform and the effect of repeal on the treaty.

Britain's Course Defended.

Asserting that the opponents of the repeal have seized upon the charge that the President is "surrendering to England," Mr. Bryan declares that the opposition to the repeal has attempted to appeal "to prejudice rather than to reason."

"What has Great Britain done," he asked, "to justify the accusation that she is trying to dictate to this country? She has simply called attention to the terms of the treaty and asked for arbitration of the question of construction, in case this Government differs from the British government in the construction to be placed on the language. The very men who are so insistent upon construing the treaty to permit free tolls delayed for months the ratification of the treaty with Great Britain because of their opposition to any arbitration on the subject. In other words, they construed the treaty to permit discrimination and then objected to allowing any international court to express an opinion on the subject. If, as a matter of fact, the treaty grants the rights which Great Britain claims, is it a surrender to Great Britain for our Nation to repeal a law that raised that question?"

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"The repeal of the law cannot be construed to be a construction of the

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SCIENTISTS GO TO SIBERIA

Knowledge of Little Known Northern Tribes Is Sought.

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.—The University of Pennsylvania Museum today dispatched an expedition to the northern part of Siberia, which lies between the Yenesei and Lena rivers, to collect ethnological specimens and data among the tribes there, of whom little is known.

LODGE OBSERVES EASTER

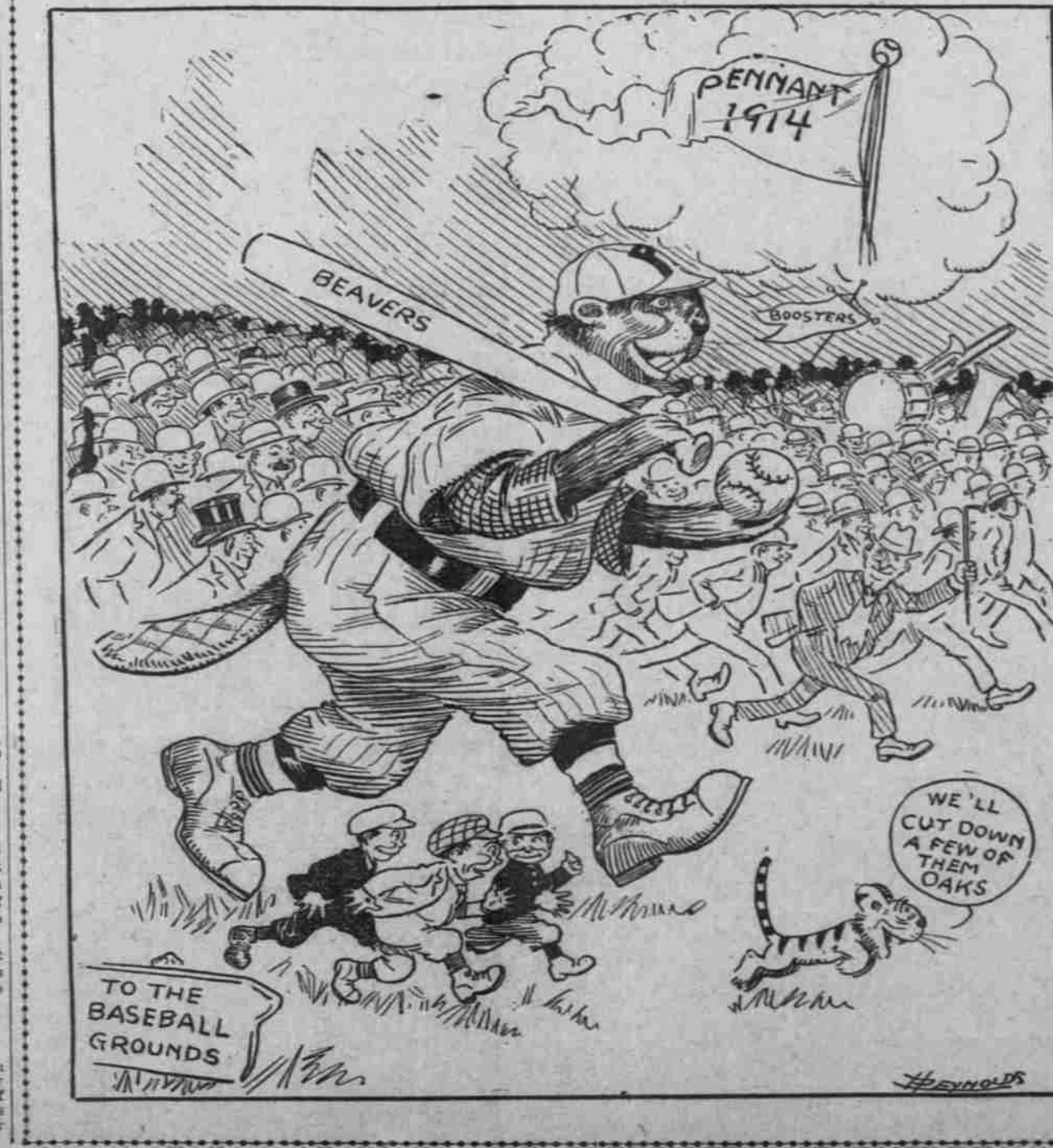
Knights Templars of Valley Unite in Services at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—Knights Templars from various portions of the valley observed the Easter festival here today. Special services were held at the First Presbyterian Church at 1:30 P. M., conducted by Rev. Dr. Carnahan, the pastor. The theme of his address was "Temple Building." From 12 to 2 o'clock the visiting knights were the guests of Malta Commandery at a lunch served in Masonic Hall, to which the ladies were also invited.

Loganberry Juice to Be Sold.

SALEM, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—Believing that the industry will become a large one, the Salem Fruit Union has decided to install a plant for the manufacture of loganberry juice. An investigation of conditions, the possibility of marketing the product and the probable price has been made. The machinery will be installed in time to operate the plant this year.

WE'LL ALL BE THERE—TOMORROW.



GREAT POSSIBILITY FOR TRADE NOTED

Late Entry to Alaska Is Noted.

SKAGWAY CLIMATE PRAISED

Visit Paid to Great Agricultural District.

CALL OF FAR NORTH FELT

Addison Bennett Describes Trip to New Territory Being Invaded Now by Portland Merchants and Waxers Enthusiastic.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, April 6.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The old way of spelling the name was Skagway, and it was so spelled until one of our Postmasters-General changed it. The word is taken from a river which flows into Lynn Canal between this place and Dyes. The name means "the valley of death" in the Indian dialect. There is a tradition among the red men that at one time a pestilence broke out in a tribe living along the river and wiped out the entire tribe, hence the name.

Skagway is the famous jumping-off place for those going through the interior to the mining regions along the Yukon and in other sections of Upper Alaska, and portions of Yukon Territory, a British possession. As you leave Skagway to go through the White Pass to strike the head waters of the Yukon River, you come to the British line at the top of the pass, or a short distance beyond, about 20 miles from here.

Fare Is 18 Cents Per Mile.

It was the climbing of this pass, either from Skagway or Dyes, that broke the spirits of so many who tried the climb during the exciting days of 1898, 1899 and 1900. Now there is a railway leading over the pass, the altitude of which is over 2000 feet. This road leads on to White Horse, a distance of a little over 110 miles. This is a narrow gauge road. At present a train leaves here three times a week, the trip taking from 2:30 A. M. until 5:30 P. M. The fare for the trip is \$20, the local fares, a little over 18 cents a mile. But, under the circumstances, this fare is by no means excessive.

At White Horse the road connects with steamers on the Yukon River taking passengers on as far as Fort Gibbon, at the mouth of the Tanana River; from there another line runs up the Tanana to Fairbanks, which lies nearly in the center of Alaska Territory. White Horse is on the Yukon River. This river rises within 20 miles of the sea, or the head of Lynn Canal, which

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TRAIN SWAIN SNAPS UP MARRIAGE DARE

GAMELY PAYS PREACHER.

Passengers Crane Necks to See Trainman Kiss Nonchalant Bride First, but Bridegroom Wins.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 12.—(Special.)—"I dare you young sweethearts to get married on this train. And, say, if you'll take that dare I'll provide the preacher, too."

Conductor John Roberts, of Northern Pacific train No. 314, en route from Lewiston to Spokane, today issued this challenge to N. E. Heath, a prosperous young farmer of Lenore, Idaho, and Mildred Kittrell, a belle of Illo, Idaho.

"You're on," said Heath. "That is, I'm game, but it's up to Mildred, here. She has the last say."

"Well, no dare like that will get by me," responded Mildred. "Go and get your preacher."

The conductor started a search of his train and in a few minutes returned with the Rev. F. D. Muse, pastor of the Christian Church at Lewiston. In a few minutes arrangements were completed and the ceremony was performed on the rear platform of the day coach just as the train was crossing the Clearwater bridge. The conductor and Miss Effie Kittrell, sister of the bride, attended the couple, while every passenger climbed on the seats to get a better view of the ceremony.

The couple had secured a license at Lewiston, intending to wed at Kendrick, but the conductor's dare upset their plans.

SHIPS WILL TEST CANAL

Use by Navy in July Predicted by Assistant Secretary Roosevelt.

SAN DIEGO, April 12.—United States warships of the Atlantic fleet will steam through the Panama Canal early in July, speed up the Pacific Coast to San Diego and return to Hampton Roads by the same route, according to Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, who inspected the harbor today and made preliminary arrangements for the reception of the ships on the coming visit.

The purpose of this early jaunt through the canal, said Mr. Roosevelt, was to prove to the world that the big waterway is even now in readiness to accommodate shipping.

IDAHO BULL MOOSE MEET

J. P. Vollmer Expected to Announce Candidacy for Governor.

LEWISTON, Idaho, April 12.—(Special.)—The progressives of the northern part of the state will hold their first important meeting here tomorrow, when J. P. Gipson, state chairman of the Progressive party, will be the principal speaker. Every precinct in this county will be represented. J. P. Vollmer, Idaho's heaviest individual taxpayer, will definitely announce his position in reference to the gubernatorial nomination. County candidates in many cases will be definitely decided upon.

After Mr. Gipson's conference here he will visit the eight counties of the northern part of the state to perfect the Progressive organization.

KING ALFONSO PLAYS POLO

Winston Churchill One of Opponents of Spanish Ruler in Game.

MADRID, April 12.—(Special.)—King Alfonso and Winston Churchill, First Lord of the British Admiralty, shared a polo game today with some members of the British International Polo cup team at the royal grounds at Casa de Campo.

A team composed of King Alfonso, the Duke of Alba, Marquis of Santo Domingo and Captain Lockett, of the International team, defeated one composed of Winston Churchill, Lord Warrborne, Major Llanowra and Sir Philip Sassoon, 7 to 4.

HOPS SCENT NEW RECORD

Salem Growers Busy Training Vines and Cultivation in Sight.

SALEM, Or., April 12.—(Special.)—Hops growers say the vines are in excellent condition and that, if the weather continues favorable, the yield this year will surpass that of all previous years, with the possible exception of 1906, when 160,000 bales were grown in the Willamette Valley.

Workers are busy in all directions training vines and cultivation will soon follow. Several bales of hops were made last year's crop are still held in this vicinity for better prices, but it is probable that they will be sold in time to prevent them influencing the price for this year's crop.

BANK ROBBER BREAKS JAIL

Rope Made From Mattress Used in Effecting Escape.

ALTOONA, Pa., April 12.—Using a rope made from his mattress, Frank C. Hohl, the auto robber, who confessed to holding up the cashier and paying-teller of the Union Bank here and escaping with \$2000, fled from the Holidayburg jail early today.

At the time of the robbery Hohl shot a depositor and then terrorized a crowd by firing a fusillade of shots before disappearing. Hohl, it is said, confessed to prevent his wife, who is in delicate health, from being tried as an accomplice.

BUNNY AND FASHION PARADE BEAT RAIN

Easter Bonnets and Gowns Brilliant.

STREETS ARE RIOT OF COLOR

Noisy Pinky-Yellow and Dark Blue Appear Prevalent.

SKIRTS REEFED AT BOTTOM

Short Jackets Give Suggestion That June Bug Was Their Model. Some Few "Creations" Draw Stares—Drizzle Ends March.

Neither the feminine half of Portland, with its new gowns and Easter hats, nor yet the ubiquitous lop-eared bunny, which is fabled to hide colored eggs about among the rose bushes for the benefit of children, were obliged to issue rain checks on their performances yesterday, although they escaped the drizzle by the narrow margin of only a few hours.

"The rains descended and the floods came" early in the afternoon, but when they did make their appearance, the Easter bonnet had already flamed in its triumphant march through the streets and was back in its dry, cozy hat box; and, if there were any colored Easter eggs hidden under the rose bushes on Portland lawns, there had been ample time for the latest of children to ferret them out.

"New Disturbance" Gets Blame.

"A new disturbance in British Columbia is responsible for rains on the West Coast," was the announcement of Forecaster Edward Alden Beak. There was, during the hour and a half that followed the morning Easter services in the churches of the city, "a new disturbance" on the streets of Portland that seemed really sufficient to invite all the rain that came.

Thousands of new hats tempted a downpour, and the congregations began to throng out of the churches. Within the churches before the opening of the services there had been the calm, cool quietness that comes of great banks of dark greenery and the solemn, waxen blossoms of the Easter lilies.

Churches Blame of Color.

But when the services were ready to open and the congregations had filled the auditoriums there was a blaze of color that gloriously outshouted the lily decorations. Every church was a flower garden, rioting in blooms of bonnets in all manner of exotic shapes and shades.

And all these flower gardens were ushered into the streets when the services closed. Up and down Morrison and Washington streets moved the gay parade, and periodically a street-car would swoop through and rake up a big bundle of the moving color to carry away and scatter about through the residence sections.

It was by no means all hats, nor did the hats have a monopoly on the color. All along the ankle-high line of the parade there was a merry twinkle, twinkle of bright colored silk, reminding one that it was not at all necessary to keep one's eyes on the clouds to enjoy color.

"Nasty Shade" Prevalent.

Prevalent among the suits on the street yesterday, speaking entirely from an uninitiated and masculine standpoint) appeared to be the dark blue and that particularly noisy shade of pinky-yellow that they call—what is it?—tango.

Skirts were not cut for marathoning. They were waisted in at the bottom so as to give the feet a very distinct "you-let-me-by-and-then-I'll-let-you-by" action in walking.

About the hips the dressmakers had become "plumb prodigal" in their utilization of material. Not only was there plenty of fluffery draping the skirt, but it seemed that they had said at the last moment, "Oh well, let's put on a plenty while we're at it," and hence a double or triple set of ruffles going around and around.

The ruffles are set on after the fashion of a collapsible drinking cup upside down.

Jackets Suggest June Bug.

Then there were the abbreviated jackets, for which that popular insect, the Junebug, appears to have been the prime inspiration. Very bright and snappy and giving to the "general ensemble" of the wearer a sort of "jointed-in-the-middle" effect, that makes the layman imagine that she would double up like a jackknife if she were slapped smartly on the shoulder.

Most of the gowns were conservative enough not to start a riot, but occasionally an ultra-slit skirt or something else would float by in the pedestrian stream which would cause all manner of counter and cross currents by reason of the scores of men that turned to take a second look and decide if it were really true, and women who whirled to get in a few well-directed hammer strokes before the creation could get out of range.

And so the parade flamed and flowed and toddled by for more than an hour. Then the rain came.

By 3 o'clock in the afternoon it was the old umbrella and the good serviceable bonnet that had defied the trick-

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