

READ WHAT BOB BRIDGES SAYS ABOUT THE ISSUES IN THE PORT ELECTION

EDITOR STAR: The port commission is grateful for the space and attention which The Star is giving to the very important issue on which the people of King coun-

ty are to vote December 4. The commission holds in trust for the people a \$5,000,000 system of public port utilities embracing six terminal groups, four of which are completed and doing an almost capacity

business. To bring these public terminals into their highest usefulness, to obtain the greatest benefits of water-borne commerce thru the Panama canal and to invite new railroad lines to this port, the commission

feels that it is of the highest public importance to acquire or build a public belt line, putting all carriers on the same footing along the main waterfront.

fits to the community than to expend it for extensions to public warehouses and docks, which the commission has full power to do.

ry from other newspapers that a public belt line "will cost the taxpayers millions and millions."

that city cost less than \$300,000, and 50 miles of public track in New Orleans about \$850,000, discloses what inexcusable falsehoods are now circulated.

tion bears no relation to the fictitious values of the needlessly duplicate tracks of the private corporations discussed on a "watered-stock basis". Very truly yours, ROBERT BRIDGES, President Port Commission.

If You Must Lie to Her--

Let it be the twin sister of truth," says man in letter telling "How to Hold a Wife." Read the letters on page 8. They're mighty interesting.

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ONE CENT ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS

U.S. ASKS FOR RECALL OF CAPT. BOY-ED

POLLS TO OPEN 1 P. M.; WHAT YOU WILL VOTE ON

Polls will be open for Saturday's port and school election from 1 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Two port commissioners are to be elected, and one member of the school board.

Five propositions are on the port ballot, and one on the school ballot. The five port propositions, if they receive an affirmative 60 per cent of the votes cast, will authorize the port commission to transfer from

Several days ago the Seattle Brick & Tile Co., of South Seattle, shipped a carload of brick to the Phoenix Mill Co., at Ballard. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads, both of which handled the car in turn before it reached its destination, assessed a total switching charge of \$25. An immediate protest was filed, and the charge was reduced to \$21, or \$10.50 for the N. P. and \$10.50 for the G. N.

The Northern Pacific, which assessed the overcharge, turned deaf ears to further protests made by the secretary of the Brick Exchange, until Thursday, when it was learned The Star had been informed of the overcharge.

The Northern Pacific then belatedly reduced its share of the charge from \$10.50 to \$3, and explained that a mistake had been made.

various port funds \$200,000, already voted, to be expended in the construction of a public belt line railroad to break up the railroads' switching monopoly on the waterfront and throw open the docks along the waterfront to all industries on an even basis.

Vote for School Bonds Candidates for the school board are Geo. A. Spencer, present member, who is up for re-election; Oscar A. McGill, a Methodist minister, and Dr. Lillian Irwin, a woman physician.

The voters are asked, also, to authorize an issue of \$750,000 in bonds for the erection of new schools. These new accommodations are badly needed.

It is urgently necessary that these bonds be authorized, as Seattle's present school facilities are crowded beyond their capacity. One port commissioner is to be elected from the Central or First commissioner district and one from the North or Third commissioner district.

Candidates are to be voted on by the entire county, and are as follows:

Public Belt Railroad Proposition One—Shall a general plan for a public belt railroad be

JUST PLAIN LIES

THE interests opposing the port's public belt line, and Rensberg and Ewald for port commissioners at Saturday's election have deliberately lied to the voters.

The Star has spiked more than one of their lies.

TODAY THE STAR SPIKES ANOTHER.

The kept newspapers of Seattle have been telling their readers that a belt line isn't necessary, because all the railroad franchises on the water front have a common-user clause, and that any rival railroad, or any new railroad desiring to gain terminal facilities here, may run its cars over the present tracks.

A good argument, is it not?

All that's wrong with it is that it is a DOWN-RIGHT LIE.

James E. Bradford, corporation counsel for the city, and C. J. France, counsel for the port of Seattle, today give out the following statement:

"To the Electors of the Port of Seattle: We understand that in discussing the Belt Line railway, which will be voted upon by the electors of the Port of Seattle on December 4, 1915, the statement has been made that all franchises within the City of Seattle granted by the city to the railroads contain common-user clauses. We have checked over all the franchises granted by the city and find that there are at present 59 such franchises in force. Thirty-three of these contain no common-user clause."

The way to defeat the purpose of these interests that are lying to you in their efforts to gain control of the port commission, is to vote for C. E. Rensberg and C. A. Ewald, and for all five of the propositions submitted on the port ballot.

4 STEAMSHIP MEN FACE PRISON TERM

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The possibility of two years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine stare four Hamburg-American officials in the face today as a result of their conviction on charges of customs violations.

Sentence, however, was deferred by Judge Howe until tomorrow, when he will entertain a motion for a new trial.

The convicted men are Dr. Karl Benz, managing director of the line, General Superintendent George Kotter, General Purchasing Agent Hochmeister and Joseph Poppinghaus, a second officer of the line.



KARL BUENZ

REICHSTAG TO DISCUSS PEACE TERMS

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The German reichstag today set December 9 for discussion of peace terms, in accordance with socialist demands, according to a Swiss dispatch today.

The socialists have arranged that the chancellor discuss the basis on which Germany would harken to peace negotiations. Berlin papers have inclined toward such discussion, though some suggest that even the mention of peace suggests to Germany's enemies a weakness on Germany's part.

RUSSIANS IN RUMANIA

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Salonika dispatches today reported the report that the Russians have entered Rumania, but Petrograd did not confirm the story. One Salonika message said it was rumored that a small Russian force had actually crossed Rumania and arrived at the Bulgar border.

MONASTIR CAPTURED

SALONIKA, Dec. 3.—Monastir has been captured, reports from two sources declared today.

Dispatches from Florina, Greece, said the Teutons had entered the town Thursday. Athens messages said positively the Bulgarians occupied it.

Confirmation is lacking, however. The fact that communication with Monastir has been cut since Thursday morning tends to indicate that the reports are truthful.

MESSANGER HELD UP

Harvey Donaldson, a Western Union messenger boy, was as white as chalk and his hair was still bristling with fright, when he reported to the police early Friday morning that he had been held up by a lone highwayman at 1 a. m., as he was passing thru Volunteer park. Asked how much he had, the boy told the thug 25 cents. "Then beat it," growled the highwayman. And Mercury never made any better time than did Harvey for many minutes thereafter.

MEMBER OF KING COUNTY BENCH INDORSES OSCAR H. MCGILL FOR PLACE ON SCHOOL BOARD

MR. O. H. MCGILL: I notice in your daily press that you are named as a candidate for the office of school director.

I want to express the hope that you will run and be elected. This desire is not based upon any objection to other candidates. As far as I know them, they are fully worthy of confidence and trust.

I have known you for many years, and have been impressed with your broad sympathies, tolerance and kindness, as well as your intelligence, energy and general ability.

You are a man of mature years and large experience, and capable of meeting the problems of finance and business that confront a school board.

HENRY AND HIS PEACE SHIP WILL SAIL SATURDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—With her first and second-class cabins all reserved for the Ford peace party, the Scandinavian-American steamship Oscar II, is scheduled to sail tomorrow afternoon. She is due to arrive at Christiania on Dec. 14 or 15.

Besides the Ford party, there will be on board 450 passengers bound for Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

Steamship officials said today there was little chance of the liner's being diverted from her course to Kierwall by a British warship, but that she probably would be stopped and examined off the Scotland coast, as has been customary recently.

Europe is at least curious as to the Ford peace ship and congress plans. "This was shown today by continued inquiries at the state department as to whether the expedition has, in any way, the sanction of the United States.

REV. AKED IS PEEVED

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The Rev. Charles F. Aked's dignity and feelings were badly ruffled today. In fact, the San Francisco divine was so upset when a frock-coated doorman refused him admittance to the Ford peace headquarters that he told a reporter he would cancel his passage and not sail with the Ford peace ship.

This announcement followed a wordy bout with the doorman. "You can't come in here," the frock-coated person firmly told the minister.

"But I am Rev. Chas. F. Aked," the pastor said. "I want to see Mr. Ford and convince myself that everything is all right concerning my arrangements."

The doorman did not seem at all impressed. Apparently he had never heard that Aked was known as Rockefeller's pastor.

Turning away, he commented: "The peace voyage is a matter of little moment to me." The minister, Lochner afterward growled Aked, poured oil on the troubled waters, admitted him for a conference and apologized profusely for the doorman's conduct.

RIPPING BRASS BUTTONS OFF WAR CARTOONIST MINOR 'IS TOO LATE FOR HIS BATH

Here is another cartoon received in today's mail from Robert Minor, famous cartoonist, who is in the war zone, drawing life sketches for this paper.



"I had hoped," writes Robert Minor, "to take a bath here, but a German 'obus' (shell) got there before me!"

DRY LAW RULING REPORT DENIED

The persistent report that came from Olympia late Thursday afternoon to the effect that the supreme court had decided against the prohibition law was later emphatically denied.

A dispatch from Portland to The Star stated that the Portland Journal printed an article from Olympia, without qualification, saying that the supreme court had decided against the dry law and added that the decision had been held up a few days at the request of the governor.

The Star, before printing the Journal article, endeavored Thursday afternoon to get information from Olympia. The governor could not be reached at the time.

One member of the supreme court said the report was unfounded.

The Star, in a late afternoon edition, printed the article, crediting it to the Portland paper, and in connection with it published the denial of the supreme justice.

Later Gov. Lister was reached. The governor branded the report as false, and pointed out that even if the court had reached a decision, there was no way in which he would be aware of it.

"I've been getting messages and telephone calls from Portland and many places in Washington," the governor said to The Star Thursday night, over long distance telephone.

"I can't imagine where the report should have originated, and how the Portland paper happened to be so certain of its statement."

"According to the information received by the Oregon Journal," the editors of that paper said today, "and which is believed to be absolutely authentic, the court reached a conclusion last week, a majority of justices holding that the law is invalid."

"Chief Justice Morris of the Washington supreme court is quoted in a published dispatch as saying that the decision in the prohibition case has not been written."

It is significant that the chief justice did not deny the court had reached an agreement as to what the decision will be.

"Such denials do not controvert the article published in the Journal."

U. S. SOLDIERS ARE WANTED BY ALLIES

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Allegations that Canadian recruiting officers were inducing soldiers in the U. S. army, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., to desert and join the British colors, were contained in a telegram sent to Sen. George Chamberlain, at Washington by the American Neutrality League of Oregon today.

GERMAN ATTACHE MUST GO

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Secretary of State Lansing formally announced today he had advised German Ambassador Von Bernstorff that Naval Attache Boy-Ed and Military Attache Von Papen are persons non grata with this government.

Lansing asked that Germany withdraw them from service here "because of their objectionable activities in connection with naval and military matters."

BRYAN TO MEET 'EM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Former Secretary of State Bryan will go to Europe in three weeks to join the Ford party, according to Rep. Bailey of Pennsylvania, who met Bryan here today between trains as Bryan was en route to New York.

FORD HAS PASSPORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Passports for Henry Ford, Judge and Mrs. Ben Lindsey and a number of other prospective passengers aboard the Ford peace ship were issued today by the state department.

Only 17 shopping days until CHRISTMAS

Weather Forecast Rain tonight and Friday

TIDES AT SEATTLE

Whew! Signor Has Blood in His Eye! Hears About Newspaper Attack on Name

Signor Cagliostro paid his respects to Mayor Gill today. The meeting occurred in the mayor's office, his honor's secretary, Jimmy Crehan, doing the honors.

"Thank you, signor," said the mayor. "Being a man of small erudition, I—"

prints, I have followed your notable career in meteorology with interest. With that avid curiosity, which is characteristic of little minds in their attitude toward great minds, I have informed myself, so far as I was able, never having seen you in the flesh before today, concerning your habits, your mode of life, even your idiosyncrasies.

"Yes, yes! Go on!" said Signor Cagliostro. "I have an afternoon newspaper, The Star. Not infrequently the P.-I. feels called upon to speak harshly to The Star. And quite recently, at the conclusion of an editorial which was entirely condemnatory of The Star, the writer denounced it as 'the Cagliostro of journalism.'"

"I am not sure," said the mayor. "But I think it is Bone." "Bone?" mused the scientist. "Bone? Who shall say that nomenclature is without significance? * * * But a truce to such petty annoyances."

heel. "Pouf!" he said. "Like that—pouf!"

When he had tired of toying with Austin, the signor, with an adroit twist of the wrist, disarmed his opponent, sending his weapon flying.

"Signor Cagliostro," said Austin, "is a splendid type of physical manhood, and he is in perfect condition. He has a knockout punch in either mitt. With the folks, I was a baby in his hands. He has a wrist of steel."