THE STAR today sent a complete account of the fight of Seattle business men against the Southern railroads for equal and just passenger rates to the Newspaper Enterprise association, with which this newspaper is affiliated. Thru the association, this article will be relayed to more than 100 other newspapers published thruout the United States. The article is an appeal to tourists, nearly all of whom, when visiting the Pacific coast, would either come or return by way of Seattle if the rates were not $17.50 higher via the Northwest. These tourists are asked to help Seattle win the fight.

9 Days More to Register

Time is getting short. Unless you register by February 10, you will lose your vote in both the primary and the final elections. Do it now.

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ZEPPELIN BOMBS KILL 54

SEATTLE AND NEW YORK HAVE CHAT BY LONG DISTANCE

President Suzzallo of University of Washington, One of Our Best Little Speakers, Tries to Get Tribute to Science to Prosaic Telephone Official 3,000 Miles Away, But the "T. O." Insists on Talking About the Weather

By a Star Reporter

YOU won't believe a word of this, but it's true. It sounds crazy, but it isn't.

We sat in the Metropolitan theatre last night and talked with folks in New York. Yes, sir and ma'am, sat and chatted with them. Those New York people might have been in the same room with us, we could hear them that plain.

What's more, a lady in New York sang to us "Comin' Thru the Rye," and we heard the booming of the surf at Rockaway beach.

It's easy to tell—easy as telling my boy fairy stories.

"Once upon a time a little girl met an old witch, and the old witch said:

"'Hickory, hickory, fiddle and fume!
Come, little girl, for a ride on my broom!'

"The little girl straddled the broom behind the old witch, and away they went. They flew and flew, over mountains and plains, rivers and oceans. By and by the little girl saw, far below, an island in the sea.

"'What island is that?' she asked.

"'Why, dear,' said the old witch, 'it is Japan.'"

But the older a fellow grows, the more skeptical he becomes. That's why it may be hard for you to swallow what I'm telling you about last night.

The Bell Telephone company has inaugurated a commercial telephone service between Seattle and New York, and last night's demonstration was in celebration of the achievement.

There were a couple of receivers attached to each seat.

First off, George W. Peck, who had charge of the installation of the system, gave an interesting lecture, with just enough statistics to amaze us.

Bell's Helper Is There

There are in the United States 9,000,000 telephones, and 21,000,000 miles of wire, and 9,000,000,000 telephone conversations were held last year.

There are 80,000 hello girls.

Then Watson, who helped Alexander Graham Bell invent the telephone, appeared on a moving picture screen—a fine, white-haired old man in a dress suit—and read from a manuscript, and Watson's voice issued from an unseen phonograph. He told us Bell and he worked and worked to perfect the telephone.

Show Moving Pictures

It was uncanny. We saw the old man's lips move. We heard his voice.

When Watson paused, the phonograph paused.

We saw moving pictures of the fleet runners of ancient days, bearing messages; of aborigines sending smoke signals; of the "pony express"; of stage coaches and sailing ships.

Then we saw movies of a busy Seattle business man at the telephone. He wanted to talk with a busy New York business man. We saw the connection made. We saw the New York man take down the receiver. We saw more than 3,000 miles annihilated. Seattle and New York were face to face, talking business!

Then the people in the audience were told to place the receivers to their ears. A young man in New York greeted us genially.

Tells Us About Weather

"Perhaps," said he, "you would like to know what people in New York are talking about. The weather—" He discussed the weather.

He picked up an afternoon newspaper and read European war news.

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How American Diplomacy and German Submarine Warfare Have Progressed

I—GERMANY

May 7—Lusitania was sunk, with the loss of over 1,000 lives, more than 100 American.

August 20—The Arabic was sunk, with the loss of 59 lives, three American.

October 6—Berlin disavowed the sinking of the Arabic and pledged that no liners would be sunk without warning and that lives on board would be safeguarded.

II—AUSTRIA

November 7—The liner Ancona was sunk, with the loss of 200 lives, 27 American.

November 10—Vienna admitted that an Austrian submarine had sunk the Ancona.

December 29—Vienna disavowed the Ancona sinking and pledged the safety of lives at sea.

III—TURKEY

December 30—The Persia was sunk without warning, and more than 200 persons, among them an American consul, lost their lives.

January 10—Germany, which had given her pledge not to sink ships without warning, denied that her submarines were operating in the Mediterranean, where the Persia was sunk.

January 21—Austria, which had given her pledge, denied that her submarines were concerned in the sinking.

January 24—Turkey, it is now reported, will assume the responsibility for sinking the Persia.

STILL STALLS!

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Secretary of State Lansing announced today that the state department had received Austria's denial that an Austrian submarine sunk the liner Persia.

The administration today expected to know by Friday or Saturday whether Germany has seen fit to agree in full to the American demands in the Lusitania case, or whether her forthcoming reply will seek new delay.

ALL TRAINS DELAYED BY SNOW

Snowslides in the Cascades today stalled all transcontinental trains to and from Seattle, and it will be several hours at least before they will be moving again.

A westbound Great Northern train is delayed at Leavenworth, while Northern Pacific trains are being held at Easton.

The Milwaukee trains are also blocked, but no serious delays are apprehended.

Snow has been falling here and in the mountains for the past 36 hours continuously.

More than eight inches of continuous snow-fall had been noted at the weather office by noon Tuesday. Weather Dopester Salisbury said that there were no indications of a drop in temperature and that the snow probably would fall all day.

With a record of 31 continuous days of snow on the ground, the novelty of seeing the edges of Lake Washington frozen up appeared today.

In the Lake Forest district, at the northern end of the lake, the freeze covers sufficient ground for some skating, tho skaters are warned to keep off for the present.

SUES FOR DIVORCE

Asking a share of $25,000 worth of property in Vancouver, B. C., and elsewhere, Mrs. Gertrude McKnight started action Tuesday to divorce Solomon B. McKnight. She alleges cruelty.

WEAKENS IN COURT

Just as Judge Mackintosh was instructing his clerk to call a jury to try Mike Garasch for first-degree forgery Tuesday, Garasch arose and announced he wanted to plead guilty.

Garasch "raised" a $20 check to $70, he admitted.

He was sentenced to the Monroe reformatory.

MITCHELL IS FREED

"Not guilty" was the verdict of a jury in Judge Frater's court Tuesday in the case of Frank Mithcell, accused of selling opium.

Maine coast lobster fishermen have discovered that the lobster enters the trap thru the sense of sight and not thru smelling the bait, and are now baiting the traps with fresh fish sealed in glass jars.

BRIBE MAN TO GET HIM TO LEAVE JAIL

NORRISTOWN, Pa. Feb. 1.—A dinner of stewed lamb was the bribe that finally induced Giuseppe Zepra of Ambler to leave the county jail here and go home, after he had already been freed.

The day after Zepra was turned out a free man Warden Roberts found him sobbing on the steps of the jail. He said he'd been treated so kindly and the weather was so bad he preferred to stay in jail.

DRY LAW CRIME LESS

TACOMA, Feb. 1.—Strict enforcement of the state prohibition law for the first month of its operation has resulted in the reduction of crime to the extent of one-third in this county.

During January there were only 29 arrests for drunkeness. In 1915 there were 160 in January.

PHELPS TO SPEAK

County Auditor Byron Phelps will give an address on "County Government" at the regular meeting of the naturalization classes at the Y. M. C. A. at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

MEXICAN REB SHOT

JUAREZ, Feb. 1.—Gen. Tomas Ornelas, former commandant at this place, was taken from a Mexican Central passenger train at Laguna, north of Chihuahua by a force of Villa soldiers and shot.

WATER SHUT-OFF NOTICE

Water will be shut off on W. Spokane st., from Alki ave. to 35th S. W.; on 35th S. W., from W. Spokane st. to Manning st., and in the district between Manning st. and W. Charleston st., from 37th S. W. to 40th S. W., on Thursday, February 3, from midnight to 6 p. m.

Madison Slaughter, Chico, Cal., minister, charged by 15-year-old girl with being her betrayer, denies charge, saying liquor interests are behind it. Girl's parents also deny it.

PRIZE CREW ON BRITISH LINER IN U.S. PORT

NORFOLK, Feb. 1.—Manned by a German prize crew, which captured her off the Canaries, beyond the West African coast, the African liner Appam poked her nose thru a light fog into Hampton Roads today.

Given up for lost, either thru foundering or torpedoing, en route from Africa to Liverpool, the ship brought in nearly 300 passengers and crew, in addition to 300 British prisoners put aboard from the German raiding merchantman which captured her.

A Romantic Story

Her capture, her flight past British patrols and her sudden appearance here formed a chapter on naval history unparalleled since the days when freebooters and pirates rode the Spanish main.

The prize crew added to their exploit by capturing two vessels en route here.

Customs Collector Hamilton found the Germans had armed the Appam as a commerce raider.

Among the passengers were reported to be Sir E. M. Merlweather, governor of British Sierra Leone, and his wife.

NORFOLK, Feb. 1.—A message thrown from a porthole of the liner Appam this afternoon to a United Press staff correspondent revealed that the name of her German captor was the Moewe. The message said the Moewe started her remarkable raiding career from the Kiel canal, passing thru the British blockade.

In addition to capture of the Appam, seven victims were bagged by the vessel after she crept out onto the ocean.

The civilians in the crew probably will be permitted to depart, but the vessel probably will be interned as a man of war.

Attacked Near Canaries

While the prize crew refused to tell the name or the nature of the armed vessel that captured the Appam, passengers said it was an armed merchantman.

They said the merchantman attacked the Appam Jan. 15, off the Canary islands.

The attacking ship disappeared, after putting a prize crew in charge, under the direction of Lieut. Oscar Berg.

Both the Appam and the attacking ship lowered life boats. Some of the Appam crew sought to escape, while the stranger sent a prize crew aboard.

Bloody Fighting on Deck

The Appam's boat was crushed between the two vessels. Presumably it was this wreck which gave rise to the Liverpool report that the ship had been abandoned and sunk at sea.

Bloody fighting resulted on the decks of the Appam, as the prize crew scrambled aboard.

Several persons were injured and two died later. Others are expected to die.

Commander Harrison surrendered to the Teutons, who at once took charge of the vessel and headed her for America.

Put Prisoners Aboard

Berg explained that he and his picked prize crew of 22 headed into Norfolk because they were "sure of decent treatment here."

BRITISH WILL ASK RELEASE OF LINER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The British embassy is expected to request release of the African liner Appam, brought into Hampton Roads by a German prize crew, while the German embassy probably will seek to have her held.

WIFE'S SCORN FOR HIS OLD HOME TOWN THE REAL REASON "BAT" NELSON SEEKS DIVORCE

Battling Nelson and Fay King, photographed the day they were married, in Hegewisch, Ill.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Oscar Battling Nelson, America's wealthiest ex-lightweight champion, is married, but he hasn't any wife.

So Oscar is asking a court to annul his marriage to Fay King, Denver and Kansas City cartoonist, or, at least, to grant him a divorce.

Hegewisch, Ill., turned out with a brass band to welcome "Bat" and his blushing bride, one happy day in 1913.

They went down from Chicago on a special train.

And Fay King, of Denver, took one look at Hegewisch, said "Is this town contagious?" and beat it back to the shadow of the Rockies.

"We're pals, Bat, but husband and wife?—Nev-ver—not after seeing Hegewisch!"

Bat offered to take his wife around the world on a honeymoon tour.

Fay King decided Denver and Kansas City looked better to her than Paris and the Himalayas.

Last week Bat wired:

"Will you come back to me?"

Fay replied:

"Not a chance in the world!"

Wherefore the suit.

In it Bat alleges that Fay King once tried to hit him with a portable fire escape, and another time went after him with a pair of shears.

NORTHWEST GETS 2 1-2 PER CENT OF TOURISTS

O. O. Calderhead, rate expert for the public service commission at Olympia, disclosed facts Tuesday that bid fair to redouble the earnestness of the campaign being waged by Seattle business men against the Southern and Union Pacific railroads and the O-W. R. & N., for just tourist rates.

It was earlier announced that the southern railroads' round-trip fare from Chicago to San Francisco, $17.50 less than that permitted between the same terminals by way of Seattle, was the cause of a loss to the Northwest of 90 per cent of the tourist travel to the Pacific Coast.

Calderhead declared Tuesday that careful investigation shows the Northwest gets but 2½ per cent of tourist travel because of the discriminatory rates.

Data Is Authentic

The commission's data, from which he makes his estimate, was taken mostly from railroad terminals at San Francisco, where tourists must register before making the return trip and have their tickets O. K.d.

Until Calderhead completes his investigation, exact figures on the number of tourists to the coast for the past year will not be available.

Commission Has Authority

Chairman C. A. Reynolds, of the commission, said Tuesday he has found that in 1910 the interstate commerce act was amended, giving the interstate commerce commission power to establish thru routes from Chicago to the coast and return.

"They never have established a route from Chicago to San Francisco and return," he said. "We will ask them to establish a thru route, via the Northwest to San Francisco and return, in one of the intervention suits now being prepared.

"When the tourist comes West, he wants to see the coast. He doesn't want to see part of it, but all of it. That's the point we're going to make.

May Divide Receipts

"The interstate commerce commission also has power to fix the division of money derived from the tourist, and allot it as it seems just to the different railroads participating in carrying him between points.

"The Southern Pacific and its allied lines have refused to divide with the other railroads, which accounts for the differential now existing.

"In another of our intervention complaints, we will ask the commission to designate the division of money when the tourist elects to travel via the Northwest."

TRIES TO DIE IN BAY

Believed to have been temporarily insane, Frank Swanson, a roomer at the Puget Sound hotel, leaped off Pier 7 into Puget sound Tuesday noon.

A. Dieffenbach, 1403 Seventh ave. W., and W. J. Mattock, Hotel Barker, rescued him in a row boat.

When Dr. E. H. Smith and police officers arrived, they had him over a barrel and the water was running out of his lungs.

At the city hospital, it was said he would recover.

REGISTER CO. GUILTY

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 1.—With the consent of the National Cash Register company, the federal district court today entered a decree finding the company and its officers violated the anti-trust act by combining to restrain and trying to monopolize interstate trade and commerce in cash registers.

HOTEL THREATENED

TACOMA, Feb. 1.—Signed "Yoirs for the Kaiser," a letter has been received here threatening to blow up a local hotel unless it ejected T. H. Clendenning of Vancouver, B. C., according to the latter.

CONTROL ATHLETICS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Because the boys did not get enough study points to be eligible to the athletic board, studious Jamaica high school girls now control that organization.

LEAVE WAKE OF DEATH ACROSS BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 1.—In the most disastrous air raid against England to date, German Zeppelins last night killed 54 persons and injured 67 in attacks against Staffordshire, Lincolnshire and Leicestershire.

Official announcement of this toll today indicated that the figures may run even higher, as reports from all the bombarded cities are not complete.

That the raids were not more terrible was due to the fact that the attackers were hampered by a mist.

Last night's raids against the counties 100 miles north and northeast of London were the 18th since the war started.

The next greatest attack was Oct. 13, 1915, against London, when 50 persons were killed and 115 injured.

AIRCRAFT ATTACKS SALONIKA

BERLIN, (By Wireless to Sayville), Feb. 1.—"A German airship attacked allied ships and supply depots at Salonika with excellent success," said today's official statement.

WILSON DIDN'T SEE IT

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Edward Johnson, prominent Chicago insurance man, leaped or fell to his death from the tenth story of the hotel in which President Wilson was stopping and crashed thru the glass canopy over the entrance an hour after the president had passed under it.

Singerman's Reorganization Sale

Offers an unusual opportunity to save money on Men's Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, etc. In some instances the reductions are as much as one-half.

It will pay you to look up the big ad on page 2, which tells all about it.

TIDES AT SEATTLE

High	Low
1:39 p. m., 12.9 ft.	9:14 p. m., —0.3 ft.
4:15 a. m., 13.8 ft.	9:10 a. m., 10.2 ft.

Rain tonight and Wednesday; not so cold.

WALKS IN HIS SLEEP IN HOTEL

N. Thompson, 40, who arrived here from Oregon two days ago, walked in his sleep Monday night at the New Cecil hotel.

He walked, according to reports, from his room on the fourth floor, thru the halls, down four flights of stairs, into the office, where Clerk J. Greshan was on duty. It was 2:30 a. m.

Thompson does not wear pajamas, and was clad lightly in an Oregon night shirt, designed with slits up each side.

Clerk Greshan was abashed and was about to wake the guest up, when Thompson turned and walked back to his room.

He did not awaken until he reached his bed.

He remembers nothing of the occurrence. The clerk tells the story.

NAVY RIFLES LOST IN SOUND

Wash from the S. S. Kennedy caused four heavy eight-inch navy rifles to break their lashings to the barge that was carrying them to Seattle from the Puget sound navy yard at Bremerton, and they were lost in 50 feet of water off Manette point Tuesday morning.

They are valued at $95,000 and were on their way to Washington to be rebuilt. One weighed 4,000 pounds. It is believed they can be recovered.

THIS COP GOOD SHOT

CHICKASAW, Okla., Feb. 1.—Patrolman J. Lee Tuck was in an automobile chasing a mad dog. Steering with one hand, he drew his revolver, took careful aim and fired. The bullet penetrated his own leg.

Governor Lister will attend ceremonies of laying cornerstone for state school for blind Thursday at Vancouver, Wash.

LOOK FOR H. C. SEGUR AND G. C. BANCROFT

Where are Howard C. Segur and Geo. C. Bancroft?

The Charity Organization society is looking for them to bring them some good news. Information obtained by the society, which has its offices in the Central building, will prove valuable to Segur and Bancroft, who, it is believed, are still in Seattle.

PAID WORKERS TO REGISTER SILK STOCKINGS! HOW ABOUT BALLARD?

There are paid workers busier than bugs in a rug trying to get out the silk stocking voters to register. But there are no paid workers urging the mill employes in Ballard, for instance, to go out and register.

There are no automobiles sent for Green Lake and Rainier valley voters to come to the Prefontaine building to register. If the free, independent voter is to cast a ballot at the polls at the coming city election, he must make his own effort to get to the Prefontaine building, and he has but little time to do it in. Only nine more days are left. The registration from Ballard is just half what it should be. Wake up, citizens; get busy. Don't let mere money get an advantage in the election which it is not entitled to have.

The registration office will remain open this week every night until 7 o'clock, and Wednesday and Saturday until 9.

DO IT NOW.