

THOUSANDS DO

The Seattle Star

NIGHT EDITION

ARE YOU ONE OF THE THOUSANDS OF SEATTLE FOLKS WHO LAUGH EACH DAY AT MUTT AND HIS LITTLE SIDEKICK, JEFF? THIS PUNNY COUPLE, FROM THE CREATIVE PEN OF HUD FISHER, SPORT EACH DAY IN A MERRY FARCE ON THE SPORT PAGE OF THE STAR. GIVE THEM THE ONCE-OVER TODAY AND YOU WILL BECOME A REGULAR PATRON.

THE ONLY PAPER IN SEATTLE THAT DARES TO PRINT THE NEWS
VOLUME 19. SEATTLE, WASH., MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1916. ONE CENT

ALTHO THE WEATHER MAY BE FAIR ENOUGH TOMORROW, MANY INDEPENDENT VOTERS ARE GOING TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE BALLOT COUNTING. GEORGE SAYS: "FAIR TONIGHT AND TUESDAY."

HUMPHREY BRANDED AS UNFIT

Humphrey is unfit--unfit to be senator of this state, unfit to be again intrusted with public affairs.

If he could be forgiven for every other act in his career of misrepresenting the state and serving the bosses--if all the rest of his miserable record could be forgotten--even then this one fraudulent deception, which developed today, would **STAMP HIM AS UNFIT.**

Herewith are photographic copies of documents proving this fraudulent deception. These so-called speeches by "Honorable" Austin and "Honorable" Green, boosting "Honorable" Humphrey, are A FRAUD and A DECEPTION. They were never delivered in Congress. Therein they are fraudulent. They were sent out purporting to be speeches delivered by these congressmen in the halls of congress. Therein they are a deception. They were printed, the envelopes were addressed, and they were sent thru the mails at the people's expense, and therein they were graft upon the people.

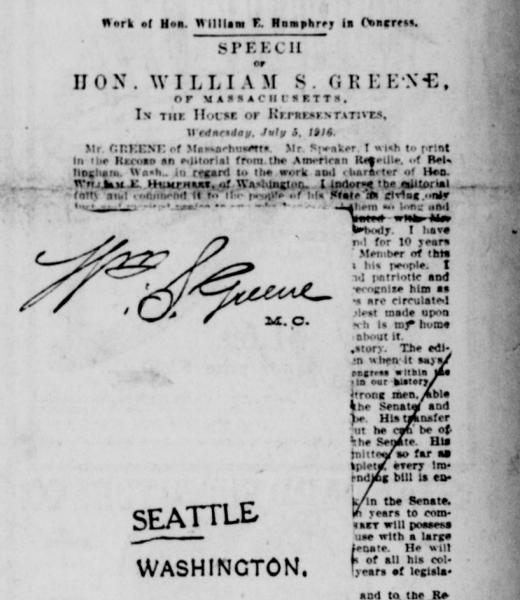
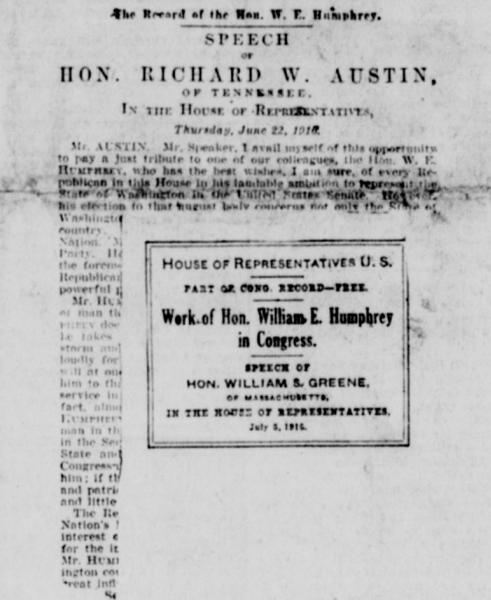
These alleged speeches of these shyster congressmen were sneaked into the government printing office and were injected into the record, printed at government expense under the franking privilege. **AND EVERY DOLLAR THESE FAKE SPEECHES COST THE GOVERNMENT WAS A DOLLAR OF GRAFT.**

This is the year Nineteen Hundred and Sixteen. Ten years ago it was not unusual for congressmen to practice such miserable deception as is here revealed. Ten years ago Seattle didn't blink when its congressman boldly voted for a mileage grab which would have paid him more than a bill thousand dollars as traveling expense for a trip he had never taken. But these ten years have been years of political progress and enlightenment. Yet, here we find Humphrey no further progressed, no further enlightened, than he was in Nineteen Hundred and Five, when he was placed in the "mileage roll of dishonor" by a national magazine because he voted for a mileage grab bill.

"Humphrey Attuned to Western Washington" spouts his local organ today. That's an insult. Western Washington is not attuned to fraud and deception.

Seattle, Nor Western Washington, Nor the State of Washington Wants a Senator of Such Caliber. **HUMPHREY IS UNFIT.**

Two fake speeches, sloppy with praise of Humphrey, which were printed at the government's expense and distributed at the government's expense in a fraudulent attempt to deceive the voters of this state.



The photographic reproduction above shows the first pages of the two fake speeches, also a government envelope which carried one of these "speeches" to a Seattle citizen. These fakes purport to be speeches of "Honorable" congressmen delivered in the house of representatives in praise of Humphrey. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THEY WERE NEVER DELIVERED IN CONGRESS. Instead, they were sneaked into the records under the franking privilege. The franking privilege, which congressmen and senators enjoy, is all right if it is honestly used. It gives them the right to send matter pertaining to government affairs thru the mails free--that is, without carrying the stamps. Unprincipled congressmen and senators have abused this privilege. They have been known to send their private matter thru the mails at government expense. That is plain graft on the people. Congressmen also have the privilege of having what they designate as government matter printed free of charge in the government printing office. Shyster congressmen have, of course, abused this privilege time after time. But these two fake speeches represent about the rawest and crudest misuse and

abuse of the franking privilege that has ever been revealed in this state. Here a couple of Humphrey's friends in congress put their names over two sloppy articles praising Humphrey, then had them printed at the government's expense, then put in government envelopes at government expense, then distributed thru the mail free under the franking privilege. There are more than 300,000 voters in this state. It would cost, to send these things to the voters as regular letters, nearly \$7,000 in postage alone. It is impossible to determine how many thousands were sent into this state. However, the distribution was broadcast. On the day that Humphrey reached Spokane, that town was flooded with these speeches, coming thru the mails to citizens. In the old days this deception often got by, it would fool the voters, but repeated exposure of it by magazines and newspapers has practically stopped its use. The thinking citizen who knows how the fake is worked and who receives such a document as one of these alleged speeches, cannot help but resent the deception attempted upon him. In the year of 1916, only congressmen of the Humphrey-Greene-Austin caliber, the lowest type of congressmen, resort to this sort of shyster business.