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WEATHER

Tacoma and vicinity: Fair to night and Tuesday.
Washington: Same.

CAR STRIKE! CHICAGO RIDES IN JITS

The Lesson of the Referendum

HOW PIERCE COUNTY LEGISLATORS VOTED ON BILLS THAT WERE LATER REFERRED

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO REFERENDUM	HOUSE											SENATE											
	Barlow	Croft	Davis	Gilley	Hawthorne	Healy	Kelly	McQueen	Schubert	Young	White	Metzger	Jones	Patridge	Davis	White	Metzger	Jones	Patridge	Davis	White	Metzger	
No. 3. Emasculating initiative and referendum laws	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 4. Emasculating recall law	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 5. Restoring caucus-primary-convention system	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 6. Anti-picketing	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 7. Certificate of necessity	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 8. Crippling Seattle port commission	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
No. 9. Budget bill	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

When The Times took the Pierce county delegation in the last legislature to task for the way it voted on important measures, there were a few readers—but not many—who said we were too sweeping and too harsh in our condemnation.

What we charged was that the delegation was rankly misrepresentative. We said that the Pierce county members voted against bills that the people wanted, and voted for bills which the people distinctly did not want.

Since then seven of the bad bills have been under the people's scrutiny.

On every one of the seven the referendum has been invoked. One petition carries the enormous total of 52,000 names. All are signed sufficiently heavy to insure, by a large margin, their being put to popular vote.

In other words, the people of this state emphatically have expressed the determination that the laws shall not go into effect until after every voter in Washington has had a chance to veto them in November, 1916.

Yet study the roll calls, printed above, by which the Pierce county delegation expressed itself on these seven! They have been tabulated for the first time.

Nine of the 15 members voted for every one of these bad laws which the people did not want! Two others voted for all except one, and were absent when that one was up for consideration! The other three voted "no" on not more than three of the seven!

Pierce county now has a fine chance, while there is no campaign or even a legislative session in progress, to size up its legislative delegation. It appears to us that a complete new bunch would be highly desirable.

GRILLS 'EM TO A TURN

"If I had to go through that examination, I couldn't become a citizen of the United States myself." With these words, Governor Teas, prominent member of the Pierce county bar, today expressed his opinion of the grilling which 26 men who wanted to become citizens of this country were compelled to go through.

Not only did U. S. Inspector Tyler put the applicants through a course of sprouts that might have floored many a citizen, but in the opinion of court room observers, he treated them as if they were undergoing cross-examination in a criminal case instead of trying for the privilege of participating in American government.

Compliments Carpenter. One resident of Vashon island, Nels Skarpe, became confused at the rapid-fire of questions, and was unable to straighten himself out. He said he had studied carefully, and had read the constitution at least two dozen times.

There are 26 in the class to be examined. Of these, nine are Norwegians, two Swedes, one Dane and two Finlanders. Russia, Austria, France, Canada and England furnished the other applicants.

Mons Johannesen, a Tacoma carpenter, was complimented by Judge Card for passing an especially good examination.

WRITING NOTE TO ALLIES!

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 14.—While President Wilson was awaiting the German reply to his rejoinder, the state department today was completing the preparation of data for the proposed note to the allies protesting the interference with American commerce through orders of the British orders-in-council.

The state department records show that not only have American cargoes been detained, although destined to neutral ports, but that when they were released the owners suffered losses for which there is no chance of compensation.

America will stand as firmly for her rights in this question of commerce as she has in regard to German submarine warfare.

But the note will not be sent until Germany's next note is received and the submarine question is adjusted.

Hurrah! Hurrah for Red, White and Blue!

Hang out the flag today! Unfurl the Star Spangled Banner and let her wave over your home. Make it known to everybody who passes your residence this day that you are a loyal, patriotic American citizen. This is Flag Day!

Oh, thus be fit ever when freemen shall stand
Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation;
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land
Praise the pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause is just, and
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust!"
And the star spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!



14,000 CARMEN QUIT; COMPANY IMPORTS HELP

CHICAGO, June 14.—Chicago is today in the grip of the worst transportation tie-up in its history. At midnight 14,000 motormen, conductors and other employees of the elevated and surface lines went on strike. Hundreds of thousands of business men, shop girls and other workers walked, or rode in automobiles, jitney buses or horse-drawn vehicles today.

Nearly 1,000 policemen are on duty about the car barns. At 10 o'clock this morning the elevated line officials began operation of five-car trains on a fifteen minute schedule from the north and south sides. The first few trains went unmolested. Surface cars had not resumed operation at a late hour.

CHIEF OF POLICE LOOMIS TO QUIT?

Acting under special orders from Commissioner Mills, Chief of Police A. P. Loomis today appeared for duty at police headquarters for the first time in five days.

Loomis has been absent from the central station on an average of three days in each week for the last two months.

The police chief has been too ill for duty recently, and has spent most of his time on the new ranch that he purchased near Day Island.

"I have ordered the chief to stick on the job," said Commissioner Mills today. "I'm sorry if he is sick, but he is the chief of police and he must attend to his duties. I have given orders that he stay on the job until at least after the Speedway races. We need a complete police department during the next month, and cannot afford to have the chief absent."

U. S. MAY CHANGE ALL SILVER COIN STYLES

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 14.—Next year may see the discontinuance of all the present styles of silver coins of the United States.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo now has under consideration the question of whether the engraving on the silver shall be changed.

An almost forgotten law permits this to be done. The law provides that the devices adopted for the various coins shall not be changed oftener than once in 25 years.

The engravings for the present issues of silver—dollar, half-dollar, quarter-dollar and dime—were adopted in 1891, so that, if the officials decide to adopt new designs they may do so in 1916.

What Prohibition Did. Prohibition is doing wonderful things for Russia, according to the statement of John H. Snodgrass, U. S. consul general at Moscow. Statistical data shows that drinking has almost entirely ceased in Russia. It is added: "It is observed in the manufacturing concerns that labor has become much more productive than before. Formerly at the Moscow mills many workmen did not appear on Monday, and a number of those who did were unfit for duty in consequence of their Sunday excesses. This is no longer the case, but the quality and quantity of labor performed have improved."

WAR PARTY IN GREECE WINNING

ATHENS, June 14.—Latest election returns indicate that Greece has voted by a big majority for war.

At least 200 of the war ministers' followers have been elected. All over the country, the ticket is pledged to support Premier Venizelos has been successful.

Venizelos was deposed because his desire for warfare clashed with the ideas of King Constantine, a German prince.

His war program calls for a formidable army and navy, and entrance into the war on the side of the allies.

Battle Tide Turns. BERLIN, June 14.—Renewing his attacks on the Russians around Lemberg, Gen. von Mackensen today captured 16,000 Russians in a series of attacks, the war office announced today.

This is but another confirmation that the Russian's temporary check of the Gallian invasion has been forced to give ground.

Again Attack Mill. PARIS, June 14.—Germans have renewed a powerful assault by both artillery and infantry against Souchez and the historical sugar mill on the hill. The war office admits the French trenches have been wrecked, but says that the results of the fighting are as yet in doubt.

In the eastern ridge of the Lorette hills, the French captured a part of the German trenches.

Cadorna Progresses. ROME, June 14.—With the partial destruction of the Austrian fortress of Malborget in the Carnic Alps and continued heavy fighting about Goritz reported by the war office, General Cadorna reported steady progress in his invasion of Austria.

U. OF ORE. TO BAN INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTS AFTER '16

EUGENE, June 14.—The faculty of the University of Oregon has adopted a resolution declaring its intention to permit no participation in intercollegiate athletics after next year.

HITS A MINE

LONDON, June 14.—The British steamer Arndale, 2,500 tons, struck a mine in the White Sea, off the north coast of Russia, and was sunk. The fate of the crew is not known.

WILSON GIVES FLAG DAY TALK

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 14.—America's heart will yet interpret the heart of the world," said President Wilson today in an address delivered in connection with the celebration of Flag day.

The president spoke to an audience of 45,000 persons from the south front of the treasury building at noon. The scene was inspiring. The president made no direct reference to the stirring days of the last week when Secretary Bryan resigned on account of the latest note sent to Germany.

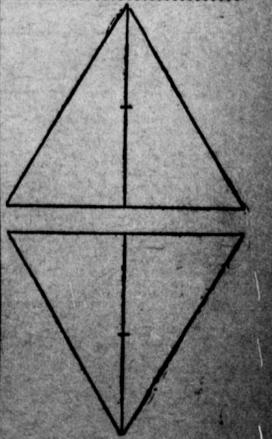
He appealed to everyone to realize that the mass of the people do not get their names in the newspapers. He said that in the list of those who made the flag possible, there was not a single swashbuckler.

"I know of nothing more difficult than to render an adequate tribute to our emblem," said the president. "The things that it stands for were created by the experiences of a great people, and written by their lives. It is an emblem, not merely of sentiment, but of history."

A Married Man's Troubles---and Joys



TODAY'S OPTICAL ILLUSION DO YOU SEE IT?



See that little mark along the vertical line which splits the triangles. Seems closer to the point than it does to the base, doesn't it? However, your eyes are wrong again. Each mark is the same distance from the apex of its triangle as it is from the base—just half way between.

Now turn to page 1 and read how President Todd got there.

ITALY STANDS PAT
ROME, June 14.—Giovanni Giolitti, minister of foreign affairs, today addressed a note to the cabinet power reaffirming the cabinet's duty to maintain the status quo.