

# TIMES EDITORIALS

## Referendum 8--Vote 'No'

Referendum Bill No. 8 is the measure which the last legislature aimed at the Seattle port commission. It was purely a piece of political spite against the port commissioners by a set of interests opposed to public ownership. Gov. Lister approved the bill, but has since reversed his position, and is now urging its defeat.

Referendum Bill No. 8 would add to the present non-partisan commission also the mayor, the prosecuting attorney, county auditor, and county engineer. There is also a provision to limit the bonded indebtedness.

The entire subject matter affects only the people of King county. No other part of the state is directly involved. Tacoma men are interested indirectly because the principle of home rule is attacked. The questions at issue were passed upon by the people of Seattle and in every case they voted against the proposed changes. Yet the legislature, obeying the dictates of special interests, ignored the right of Seattle and King county to home rule, ignored the votes of the people of the district, and passed the measure.

Recently the Municipal league of Seattle adopted the report of its harbor development committee urging the defeat of Referendum Measure No. 8.

This report in part reads as follows:

"It should be remembered that the port district has been made and maintained primarily at the instance and expense of the people of King county; that the policies and enterprises of the district have been from time to time approved by the voters of King county; that the proposal to enlarge the membership of the commission was rejected by the voters of King county and that thereupon the supporters of that policy procured at Olympia the passing of the law now under referendum.

"Your committee is unable to find any merit whatever in the proposed law and thinks it to be very objectionable on the following grounds:

"1--Because it prevents direct responsibility to the people in the management of their public port facilities through the device of adding four short-term officials elected to other offices for other purposes, already having ample work to do, unfitted for the special service required, and unable to devote themselves to the single purpose of port development.

"2--Because it throws a strictly nonpartisan office and serv-

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Woodrow Wilson

The constitution of the United States is a vehicle of life, not a skeleton of fear.

Nothing else in the world is standing still except the Stand-patters.

It will not do to make the working man a mere instrument instead of a partner. (From "Wit and Wisdom of Woodrow Wilson," copyright, 1916, by Doubleday, Page & Co.)

ice into the whirlpools of city and county politics to the injury of efficient management and competent facilities for foreign and coastwise commerce."

It should be further remembered that the interests which railroaded the anti-port commission bill through are the same which attempted to foist the notorious Ayers terminal scheme upon Seattle, a transaction which would have given a few financial adventurers \$5,000,000 of the people's money without any adequate return.

## Wrong Buttons

The Dupont Powder Co. has forbidden its employes to wear Wilson buttons. Why, of course. The Dupont employes should wear little ebony coffins or miniature powder canisters at their lapels. To wear Wilson buttons is rank apostasy.

## The Wheat Gamble

European buyers of wheat, goaded beyond endurance when the market jumped to \$1.86, one cent above the high price record of the Leiter corner in 1898, turned aggressively to selling and caused a break in the market which scared the bulls into con-  
 ception fits.

Which is but another instance of killing the goose which lays the golden egg. Europe may not be able to hold out and will be forced to come back with larger buying orders than ever and wheat may go to the expected \$2 mark. Then, again, Europe may have something up its sleeve. At any rate America has to thank it for a temporary stay of execution, which it could not secure for itself.



## Personal and Social

The rummage sale of the Tacoma Day Nursery realized \$450 for the work of the institution. The association wishes to thank the many who assisted in making the sale a success.

Fern Chapter No. 7, O. E. S., will give the first of a series of dances Friday evening, Nov. 10, at Masonic Temple. St. Jean's orchestra will furnish music. Invitations may be had from Mrs. A. A. Campbell.

The W. C. T. U. county institute will convene in the First Baptist church Friday. The county executive meeting is called for 11 o'clock sharp. Five-minute talks by local presidents will feature the picnic luncheon. Coffee, tea, sugar and cream will be furnished by the central union.

The convention will open at 1:30. Devotions will be conducted by Dr. Eva St. Clair Osborne. From 2 to 3, Mrs. J. A. Schottler, superintendent of mothers' meetings and White Ribbon Recruits, will give a demonstration for young mothers and babies. From 3 to 4 Mrs. Sarah Shorthill, county superintendent of parliamentary usage, will hold a "model union." In the evening there will be a mass meeting.

The third of a series of medal contests under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be held by the matrons' class at the Baptist church, Fern Hill, at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

The Seventh Ward W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Shutt, 3318 No. 11th st., at 2 p. m. Tuesday. There will be reports from the state convention at Anacortes.

The Women's Wilson-Marshall league will give a luncheon Wednesday at Dewey's.

The Officers' Council of the Parent-Teacher associations will meet in the board-room of the Central school Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock sharp.

La Camas celebrated Halloween Friday evening with a program of speeches by Rev. Pearson, Rev. Smith, Ed Tish and A. Howg, opposing initiative measures 24 and 18 and for the amendment. Several hundred people took part in the Halloween sports preceding the midnight supper. The next monthly picnic will be held Thanksgiving eve.

The women of troop B will hold a special meeting Thursday at 2:30 in the Commercial club rooms. A full attendance is desired.

Mrs. Velona Donne is hostess Monday at the Women's Republican headquarters, second floor of the National Realty building.

The Degree of Honor will give a banquet for the members of A. O. U. W. No. 6, at Odd Fellows' temple, Thursday evening, Nov. 2. All members who took part in the 500 contest are cordially invited.

RAILROAD SOLD FOR \$12,000,000 (United Press Leased Wire) CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 30.—The Wheeling & Lake Erie railway was sold at auction today for \$12,000,000 to William R. Borg of New York, representing Kuhn, Loeb & Co. Borg said Kuhn, Loeb & Co. are acting for the holders of \$8,000,000 in three-year notes of the road.

## ANSWERS BY CYNTHIA GREY

Q Miss Grey answers all letters of inquiry by mail when postage is enclosed.

Q Letters of general interest are answered through this column unless the correspondent requests that they not be.

Q Miss Grey receives callers at the office from 11 o'clock to 5 o'clock on Wednesdays.

Q—I have a boy 12 years old who helps himself to what he wants, if he cannot get it by teasing. He stole a bathing cap in a store the other day. I had refused him one, but in the meantime I relented and bought him one, so now he has two. What can I do with him?

A.—Go with the boy and compel him to restore the cap. Do this in every case when he takes anything. Do not allow the boy to "tease," at the same time be more careful about refusing. You should always consider a wish of the child carefully before making a decision. Talk it over with him studying the reasons for getting the articles and the reasons against it, then make the decision and adhere to it. In most cases the child will cheerfully abide by the decision he has helped you make.

Q. I belong to a crowd of young people, about 20 in number, from 15 years of age to 20. We live in a scattered community in the country. We have been in the habit of meeting each week to play games and have a lively time—that is, the kind of social gathering well recommended for energetic young people. But now we are finding it difficult to continue because we have played all of the old games such as "Drop the Handkerchief," "Jacob and Ruth," etc., and we don't want to go back to the old kissing games. Please give us a more modern 1916 game?

A.—There is a brand-new 1916 book of games called "Handbook of Athletic Games," written by Jessie H. Bancroft, and published by the MacMillan Co., New York City. The same author has compiled another book which may be even better suited to your needs. It is "Games for the Playground, Home, School and Gymnasium," published by the same company. Any book dealer will send for these books for you.

Q.—I work where there are two girls employed. The other girl and I are very good friends, but I am getting tired of her shirking. There is a certain amount to be done each day and when she does not do her share I must do more than mine. She is always lucky enough to get very busy when the boss comes in, in which is seldom. I have tried taking a rest, too, but she does not go on with the work. What shall I do?

A.—Refuse to do her work, even at the risk of friendship. Tell her you are tired of doing her share and if she does not improve her ways you will report her to your superior.

BANDIT LEADER PLEADS GUILTY DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 30.—James Waiters, leader of the trio of bandits who robbed the pay car of the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. of \$32,500 here last August, pleaded guilty to robbery while armed, when arraigned today before Police Justice Stein. He was held under \$10,000 bond.

WHERE TACOMA IS AMUSING ITSELF Theaters TACOMA Coming—"The Garden of Allah," and "Experience." PANTAGES "A Nut Sundaes," with 14 persons; good vaudeville.

Film Houses COLONIAL "The Combat," with Anita Stewart; Vitagraph. APOLLO "Romeo and Juliet," with Thea Bara; William Fox film.

HIPPODROME "The Battle of Hearts," with William Farnum; William Fox. REGENT "Plain Jane," with Bessie Barriscale; Triangle. MELBOURNE "Sherlock Holmes," with William Gillette.

## THE OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE. BY CONDO.

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## HERALD'S VOTE GIVES THIS STATE TO WILSON

(Special to The Times.) NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The New York Herald's straw vote to date shows Wilson leading Hughes in states which have 331 electoral votes. Only 286 electoral votes are necessary for election.

The states which the Herald gives to President Wilson are Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New York, Ohio, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and all the south.

Even without New York, which the president will carry by upward of 100,000, the Herald shows he would have 286 electoral votes.

"The drift during the week is unquestionably in the president's direction," The Herald says.

"Columbus, Ohio, the Evening

Dispatch, poll to date, Wilson 34,445, Hughes 22,344. "Buffalo, The Courier's poll to date, Wilson 10,570; Hughes 7,556."

## AUTOS REAR ON WET PAVEMENTS

Slippery pavements caused two minor auto accidents Sunday. H. B. Miller's auto express skidded into a street car at 11th and K streets in the afternoon and was badly damaged, although no one was injured.

The car of O. Moore of Centralia slid across the street at 42nd and Union ave., striking a curb and breaking an axle.

Secure tables by phone for Halloween night. Olympus Cafe, adv.

## Dick Writes Margie His Love Has Not Waned Any

And so, little book, here I am at Atlantic City all by my lonely self. This afternoon I received a letter from Dick.

Think of it, little book, a letter from poor, old Dick, who rarely writes! The idea of Dick writing me when 20 minutes' ride would bring him to me was astonishing.

I broke the seal and this, little book, was Dick's letter: "Margie Dearest: "I went into your room this morning before I left for the office and you looked so dear and sweet as you lay there asleep that I could not resist the temptation to kiss you. I tried to touch my lips to your cheek so lightly that I would not awaken you.

"As my kiss brushed your soft shiny hair and reached a resting place on your faintly flushed cheek you turned restlessly and murmured, 'Don't Dick.'"

"Margie, do you know this has been your attitude over a year. You somehow make me think of that eternal punishment that is supposed to be meted out to the sinner in the next world, Margie, I never thought you were as unforgiving as you are.

"Strange, isn't it, that after our years of married life together we do not yet understand each other? I have always thought of you as the sweetest, the softest and most yielding of women, yet you have exhibited in the last year a hardness and firmness that I have never found in a man.

"Do all women look upon the lapses of men as you do upon mine? Can you not believe me when I tell you almost every man's heart is true to one woman, whatever tricks his mind or his emotions may play upon him for the moment?"

"As I write this I can see that chin of yours go up in the air and your darling lips which, when we were first married, dear, had an adorable upward curl at the corners, shut until one can only discern a scarlet thread.

"I can't explain it, Margie, and I believe no man on earth can, but I do know that my heart has never strayed from you. You are the limb that stays securely fastened to the trunk through sunshine and rain—through winter and summer.

"Margie, we have been a long time together—can we not patch up the leaks in our matrimonial ship that were made when I steered it straight upon the rocks?"

"I am older now, dear, and I hope wiser. I have come to know there is something greater than the ephemeral pleasure of the moment. Since Mr. Selwin's death I have been engrossed in the business, but many a time I have sat with undrawn breath thinking the next few days would see all the splendid commercial fabric that he took so much pains to weave go to ruin.

"Sometimes I think I would have given up, for I have grown inexpressibly weary of it all, only I knew that Mrs. Selwin, old and fragile, and you—apparently a hopeless invalid—would suffer.

"I would not tell you this, only now I can see my way clear to a better and bigger business. If I can have my life and health one year longer I shall be able to put you both above want.

"I love you always. "DICK."

(To Be Continued.)

## FLASHES

(United Press Leased Wire.) NORFOLK, Va.—Because the state goes dry today, W. H. Suter, local liquor dealer, locked up his place and killed himself.

PHILADELPHIA.—An undelivered clay letter, written by a master to his servant 2200 years before Christ, has just been opened and read by a Babylonian expert at Pennsylvania university. Some mail service.

NEW YORK.—Mme. Valentine de St. Point is coming from Paris with a new dance known as "Metachori." It is done principally with the back bone.

NEW YORK.—Enrico Caruso is said to have spent nearly \$5,000 at the Italian bazaar held for the benefit of the entente allies.

COLUMBUS, Ind.—The only "roof garden church" in the world is a failure. The Central Christian church, which had a roof garden as an added attraction, will be sold to pay debts.

CLEVELAND, O.—"Women go too far," said Police Inspector Shattuck when he issued a warning that women should not be allowed to masquerade in men's clothing on Halloween.

CLEVELAND, O.—A punt by Schow, Case university football player, struck a team mate and laid him unconscious for 12 hours.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va.—"Knitting spines" are quite the latest. A chintz bag on one's walking stick is as necessary as the stick itself to be quite proper in the social colony here.

WASHINGTON.—England and Austria are fighting shoulder to shoulder in Washington. Their embassies are listed among the objects to a new business block going up in their exclusive residential neighborhood.

CHICAGO.—Plaster of Paris moulds for half dollars and a metal melting pot, was found in the apartment of J. H. Leslie, who committed suicide here Sunday.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Leading an industrious and model life by day and playing a desperate hold-up game at night was the double life led by Elmer Carson, 19, dead today from a bullet fired by his pal, Jerry Suchardo, 18, in a hold-up here.

Carson was accidentally shot by Suchardo, who fired at their victim when he attempted to resist, Suchardo says.

His story was confirmed by Herman Strutz, who said he was held up by the two boys. Carson was on parole and was believed to have reformed completely.

With the arrest of Suchardo, a string of neatly executed "jobs" were solved. The boys had been making nightly hold-ups with a gang of other young men.

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