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What Seattle Commercial Club Thinks About Referendum Plan

IS A referendum election on the bills passed by the recent rotten legislature justifiable? Is it advisable?

Well, here is what the Seattle Commercial Club, with a membership of well over a thousand business men, thinks of the legislature and its record. Following is an editorial in the current issue of the club bulletin:

"This legislature illustrates the class conscious viewpoint. Men have been given place in Olympia and sent there to represent the special interest of the 'FEW' rather than the general interest of 'ALL'."

"What we need in the legislature to overcome this 'DRUNKEN THIRST FOR SELF' are high-minded men—men who know their duty to US rather than their duty to a FEW."

Some of the men in this legislature seem to forget that while a special class has asked them to run for office, THE PEOPLE AS A WHOLE HAVE PUT THEM THERE, and that when they swear to uphold the constitution and laws of this state that THAT applies to HUMAN rights as well as PROPERTY RIGHTS; and that it does not mean that back of every act they do MUST STAND THE SHADOW OF THE SPECIAL INTEREST THAT URGED THEM TO GO TO THE LEGISLATURE."

"Therefore, the supreme need of the business man of this community is to know and realize from some of the horrible examples of this legislature:

"That a legislator should be chosen for general character and capacity rather than his special knowledge or interests in a particular class.

"That he should 'stop, look and listen' when great organizations like the Municipal league, the Home Owners' association, Central Labor Council and Seattle Commercial Club plead with him that they stand for the great heart of the 'common people,' without hope of reward or fear of punishment.

"That any legislator who fails or refuses to listen to the view of the people as explained in all such social movements, should be relegated to private life, branded as a 'political maverick,' and, best of all, SUCH A LEGISLATOR AND SUCH A LEGISLATURE SHOULD BE TAUGHT BY AN OVERWHELMING REFERENDUM VOTE ON THESE MEASURES THAT STULTIFIED THE BEST THOUGHT OF OUR COMMUNITY. THAT, AFTER ALL, THE PEOPLE ARE THE 'WHOLE THING' AND HE IS 'NO THING.'"

Poor Poland

AS BELGIUM on the west is bearing the brunt of the suffering entailed by the European war, so is Poland in the east.

It is now being ravaged by a terrible epidemic of typhoid, which is sweeping Polish villages held by the Germans around Lodz, and American Red Cross doctors are working heroically to stay the dread disease.

The heartrending part of it, though, is the statement of the physicians that thousands of the starving peasants wait in their cottages, praying that they may contract the disease and be relieved of their sufferings by a speedy death.

Can one conceive of a more truly horrible condition than this depicts?

Poor bleeding Poland! Once an independent kingdom with a population of 35,000,000 and an area of 380,000 square miles, it was the home of a happy, enlightened and noble race of people.

But since the beginning of the 18th century it has been but a pawn upon the chess board of Europe and has been thrice partitioned between Russia, Prussia and Austria.

On October 10, 1874, Poland's noblest patriot, Kociusko, was defeated in his final battle for his country's freedom and Polish peasant's lot has ever been one of sorrow and suffering.

Their country the scene of a thousand battles and a century of frightful strife—since 1874 a prey to the tyrannies and persecutions of the Russian and Prussian overlords, the Polish peasant's lot has ever been one of sorrow and suffering.

Now the cup o'erflows and they crave only the solace of the grave. For them death has no sting. When at the final bar of justice the men directly responsible for this war stand arraigned, not the least of the indictments against them will be the reckoning of Poland.

Wilhelm, Here's the Right Place

IF it is true, as reported, that millions of Germans of means are to be ordered out of Germany and into neutral countries, as a means of conserving Germany's food resources, we want to present to their notice a neutral country—the United States of America.

We recommend this United States of America as a country possessing unequalled opportunity in the way of comfortable residence and investment of capital. It already has millions of German residents who are prospering and who are going to live as long as they would anywhere on earth.

Nor do we care how limited are the means of the Germans who are thus invited to our midst, if they only have the pluck, energy and regard for good citizenship possessed by the samples we already have. We feel sure that if these millions come to us, they will like us, and we hope that a very large portion of them will finally conclude to permanently locate here.

We personally assure the kaiser that he can find no better place for his surplus population than these United States. Minister Gerard will please notify Emperor Wilhelm that we put in the first bid.

ACCORDING TO the Morning Grouch, the legislature kept its promises. Promises to whom? The Seattle Electric Co. might answer in its advertising columns.

ORDINARY CITIZEN rises to inquire if the attempt by the senate to restore the death penalty was merely a coincidence or intended for personal protection.

L. D. McArdle of Jefferson county, who gets his education on state ratters by attaching himself to the public payroll in one office or another, according to his own admission, was the author of the jitney bus bill. The bill applies only to first-class cities, of which Jefferson county has none. Another good argument for home rule of cities.

SALMON DAY is over, but the fish are still biting, as one Barnum might have said. And all the fish haven't fins, either.

THE ONLY meat rations now being issued in the fortress of Przemyśl, deserters report, consist of preserved horseflesh, but the commander declares he will not surrender until his soldiers are compelled to eat their own boots.

CHODZINSKI, the Polish sculptor, who received \$40,000 for making the statue of Pilsaski in Washington, is hauling and selling firewood in Poland to support his family.

THE BRITISH claim their howitzers in France now beat the Germans both in noise and range. It is not stated how far they shoot, but they can be heard for 20 miles.

DIANA DILLPICKLES IN HER HOT SKETCH



America Can Command Seas Only by Having Vessels That Can Overcome an Enemy's Strongest Fleet, Says Dewey

Head of United States Navy, Urging Four New Dreadnaughts This Year, Points Out That Great Fleet of First-Line Battleships Alone Will Guarantee Our Coast Line Against All Attempts at Invasion.

BY ADMIRAL GEORGE DEWEY. In the matter of battleships, the general board remains of the opinion that it has always held, that command of the sea can only be gained and held by vessels that can take and keep the sea in all times and in all weathers and overcome the strongest enemy vessels that may be brought against them. Other types are valuable and have their particular uses, all of which are indispensable, but limited in character. But, what has been true throughout all naval wars of the past, and what is equally true to-day, is that the backbone of any navy that can command the sea consists of the strongest sea-going, sea-keeping ships of its day, or, of its battleships. The general board recommends, therefore, in the light of all the information it has up to the present date, that the development of the battleship fleet be continued as the primary aim in naval development, and that four of them be authorized in the 1916 program.

DESTROYERS
For the general purposes of war on the sea, the general board has placed the destroyer as the type of warship next in importance to the battleship, and has based the program it has recommended on that idea.

For every battleship built, four destroyers should be provided. The general board still holds this opinion, and recommends that 16 destroyers be provided in the 1916 program.

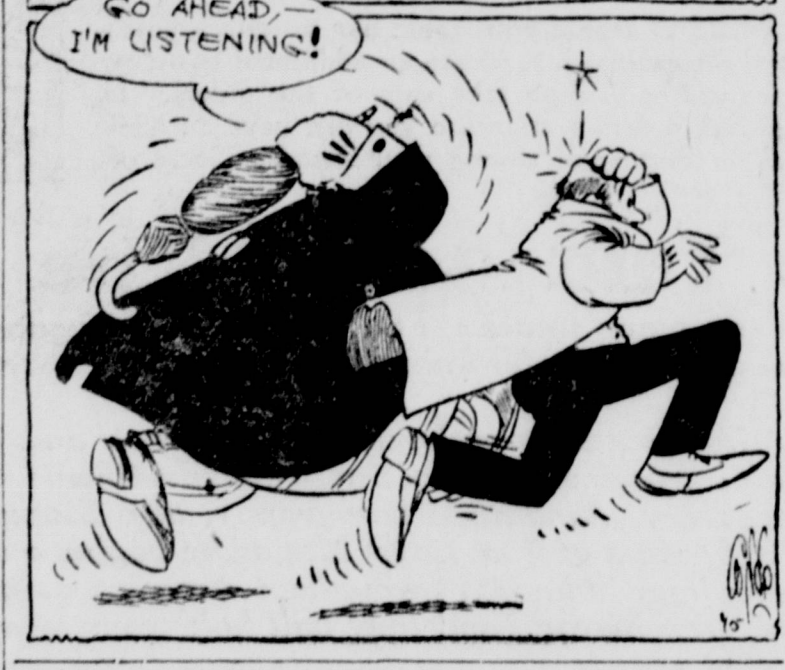
For several years past all leading navies have been striving to perfect a submarine of an enlarged type, with habitability, radius and speed sufficient to enable it to accompany the fleet and act with it tactically, both in offense and defense. Our designers and builders have been devoting their efforts to the same end and are now ready to guarantee such a type and no such vessel was provided for in the appropriation act of 1914.

The value of such a type in war for distant work with the fleet can hardly be overestimated, and the general board recommends that three be provided in the 1916 program.

COAST SUBMARINES
For the submarine for coast defense and for occasional acting with the fleet in home waters, the general board sees no necessity for boats of as great speed and size as the later designs, made before the sea-going submarine was believed to be in sight. It is therefore recommended that the submarines for the coast work be of the general characteristics already prescribed in general board letter No. 420-15, of June 10, 1914, and that sixteen of these be provided for in the 1916 program.

SCOUT CRUISERS
In the struggle to build up the purely distinctive fighting ships of the navy—battleships, destroyers and submarines—the cruising and scouting element of the fleet has been neglected in recent years, and no cruisers or scouts have been provided for since 1904, when the Montana, North Carolina, Birmingham, Chester and Salem were authorized. The board recommends that the

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE



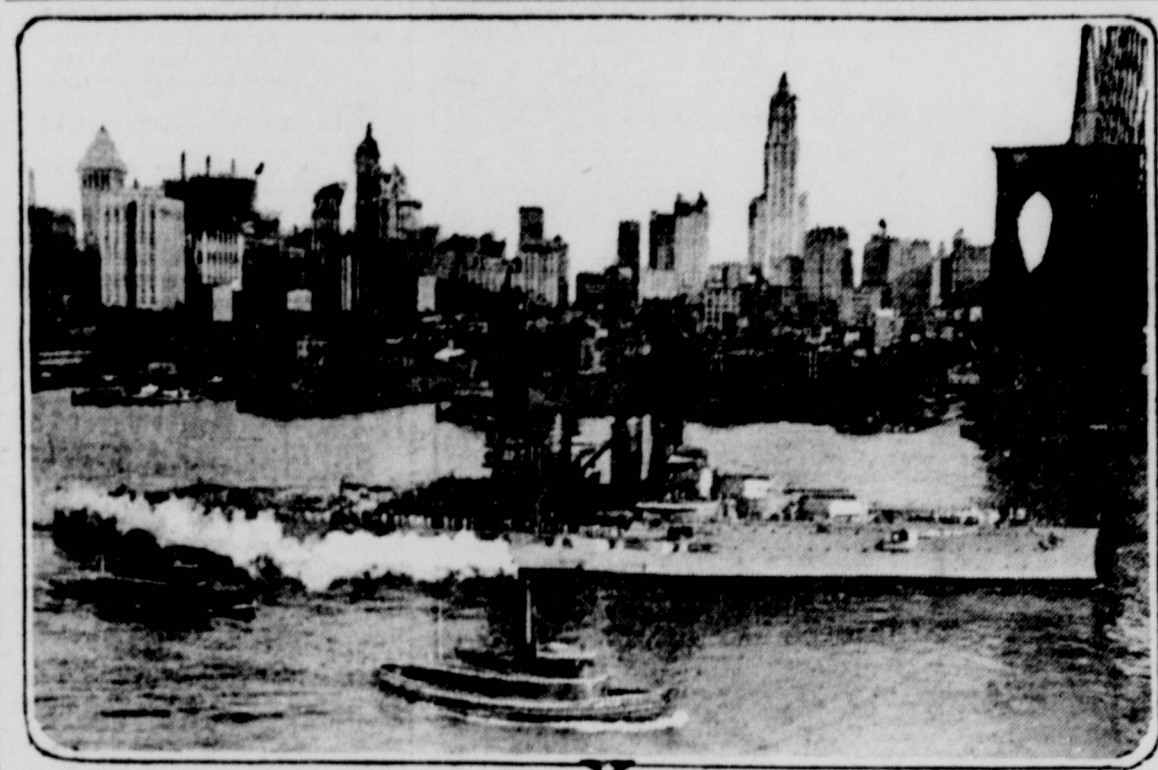
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This picture shows the U. S. battleship Florida, anchored in the East river, in New York harbor. In the view of New York shown lies more wealth than in any similar spot in the world. The greatest of national and private banks are here, as well as reserve stations and a U. S. sub-treasury. It is only to national and private banks are here, as New York, that America needs the greatest navy in the world—not for any aggressive reasons.

ed that four scout cruisers be provided. construction of this important and necessary type be resumed. For the 1916 program it is recommended in view of the advance that has been made in aeronautics during the past year, and the demonstration now being made

AESTHETIC BUT NOT CALORIC



of the vital importance of a proper air service to both land and sea warfare, our present situation can be described as nothing less than deplorable. As now developed, air craft are the eyes of both armies and navies, and it is difficult to place any limit to their offensive possibilities.

In our present condition of unpreparedness, in contact with any foe possessing a proper air service, OUR SCOUTING WOULD BE BLIND. We would be without the means of detecting the presence of submarines or mine fields or of attempting direct attack on the enemy from the air, while our own movements would be an open book to him. The general board cannot too strongly urge that the department's most serious thought be given to this matter, and that immediate steps be taken to remedy it, and recommends that congress be asked for an appropriation of at least \$5,000,000, to be made available immediately, for the purpose of establishing an efficient air service.

The general board cannot too strongly urge upon the department the necessity of using its best endeavors to carry out the repeated recommendations of the general board, made from year to year, to provide the fleet with a personnel, active list and trained reserve, equal to the manning of the fleet for war.

• MOST ANYTHING •

Wore 'Em Out
A teacher had been at great trouble to explain to her class the meaning of the word "notwithstanding," and, on asking for a sentence in which the word occurred, was somewhat nonplussed to receive the following effort from a blushing maiden of some eight summers and wintors: "Please, miss, my little brother has a hole in the seat of his trousers, and it's notwithstanding."

The Scribe's Blunder
In an account of a social gathering a reporter described one of the lady guests, who was of exceptional stature, as possessing a form "that Jumbo might envy." The next morning, however, he read in the paper that the lady possessed a form "that Jumbo might envy."

Heightened Effect
Critic: That moving landscape picture needs a dash of color.
Friend:—Then why not put in a red motor car?

Rather Tame
Guest (departing from party):—We've had a simply delightful time!
Hostess:—I'm so glad. At the same time, I regret that the storm kept all of our best people away.

His Criticism.
"What did you give your father for his birthday, Miss Dove?"
"A box of cigars with the love-liest hands on them."
"What did he think of them?"
"Oh, he said they'd have been better without the hands. He said they were 'loud' enough without them."

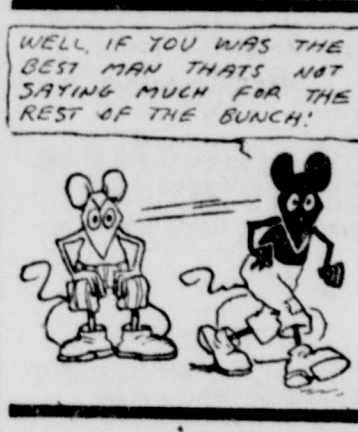
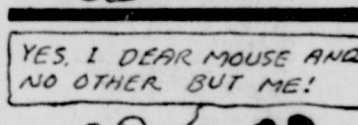
Mistake Somewhere
"That fellow Smith drinks like a fish," said Brown.
"That's queer," responded Jones.

Impossible to Comply
At the annual dinner the committee had a table set apart for their use at the end of the room. When the signal was given to commence the carving, before whom was a large turkey, asked the waiter to inquire of each guest what portion he would like before he started carving.
Each one professed a desire to have a leg, and on this being told to the carver, he was somewhat confused; but, rising, he exclaimed: "Gentlemen, I should like to oblige you all, but this is a turkey I'm carving, not a blessed spider."

Improved Status
"When I started in business," said Mr. Dustin Stax, "I worked 12 hours a day."
"It's different now?"
"Yes, now I have so many things to look after that I work 16 hours a day."

Before Shaken
Actor—What, back so soon? Did the play not take a wad to Lord Doucester?
But he treated her mean and he loucester.
She went home to her dad, and she was real mad
At the money Lord Doucester had concenter.
A Dire Extremity
A timid little girl stood looking out of the nursery window and called to her mother: "Mother, mother! Here is a wild dog."
"Oh, no, that dog is not wild; he belongs to the man who works across the street, and is a nice dog," she said.
After a moment's thought, the child, unaccustomed to dogs, replied, "Well, his head may not be wild, but his tail is awfully wild."

Johnny Mouse



"When You're Well, Keep Well"

Another article in The Star's health campaign being conducted with co-operation of American Medical Association
BREATHE FRESH AIR

(Improper ventilation lies at the root of many diseases, not the least important of which is tuberculosis. On the other hand, proper ventilation not only aids in the PREVENTION of these diseases, but also contributes to cure. Nature has endowed man with fresh air, but he is too prone to shut himself off from his heritage. This is the first of an authoritative series on home ventilation to be printed in the Keep Well column.—Editor.)

Man has descended through the ages from an animal to a man. In the process of evolution he had gradually drawn himself further away from the original scheme of nature—to live in the open—to breathe the fresh air—to eat natural foods.

It is safe to say that if nature's program had been kept up faithfully until the present time the human race would be a thousand times better for it. But the trend is in the right direction. Sleeping porches are now built on homes and in apartments in cities—the people of the United States are becoming a race devoted to outdoors and outdoor pursuits and sports.

However, in the building of homes too little attention is given to the necessity for fresh air at all times. We fear the heat and cold—we resent bright sunlight and shudder at a driving snow storm. Yet these are the very times that man has learned are the source of human life itself. Every creature on the face of the earth is adaptable. If changes in habit are made—even in extremes—if not made too suddenly, nature easily adapts herself to the situation. The fir tree stands the blasts of the North—in time the same tree will learn to live in warm climate.

The polar bear is protected against the icy blasts and frigid waters of his native regions and yet if he were transferred to the tropic seas gradually he would adapt himself.

It is better that the human system, to a reasonable extent, be exposed to the most severe of nature's conditions with which it is likely to meet.

This tends to healthier bodies—bodies better able to stand and resist disease.
(To be continued.)

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