

## HONOR OF A CITY HANGS IN BALANCE

### Graft vs. Anti-Graft Issue in Election.

#### SAN FRANCISCO VOTES TUESDAY

#### Success of Dr. Taylor Depends on Labor Union Vote.

#### M'CARTHY'S NASTY FIGHT

#### Hopes to Win on Platform Opposed to Prosecutions—Ryan Has Fallen Into Hands of Old Republican Machine.

BY P. A. SINSHEIMER.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 3.—(Special.)—On Tuesday, November 5, the voters of San Francisco will go to the polls to decide an issue which has awakened the interest of the entire United States. A full city ticket is to be elected, but the battle is waged about the Mayorship and the District Attorneyship. The issue that has commanded the attention of the country is the graft prosecution. Two candidates for Mayor, Edward R. Taylor and Daniel A. Ryan, are pledged to its continuance. One, P. H. McCarthy, has denounced it. McCarthy is running on the Union Labor ticket, Ryan on the Republican and Taylor on the Democratic and Good Government. As the representative of the prosecution, William H. Langdon is a candidate to succeed himself as District Attorney. The Democrats, Republicans and Good Government League have endorsed him. Frank McGowan, nominated by the Union Labor party to oppose Langdon, says that he desires to continue the prosecution, but his alliance with McCarthy has cast doubt upon his words.

#### Hurling Mud With Zest.

The fight has grown warmer and warmer until it has become exceedingly terrific. The campaign he has done diligent service. Mud has been scraped from the gutter and hurled with zest.

Although Ryan is pledged to the continuance of the graft prosecution, his candidacy has not assumed proportions to make him a figure in the betting. The conservative forces of the city have regarded Ryan's action in taking the nomination from a convention which he absolutely controlled as a blow to the movement for good government. Sentiment was overwhelmingly for the endorsement of Taylor. Ryan is in the race, however, and his candidacy must be reckoned with, not so much as to any chance of its successful outcome, but in relation to its effect upon the contest between McCarthy and Taylor.

#### Machine Embraces Ryan.

When Ryan captured the Republican primaries, it was as the head of a movement against the corrupt influence of the Republican machine, which is another name for the Southern Pacific. After accepting the nomination, Ryan cast about for support. The reform Republicans repudiated him. Then it was that Ryan took him up. Now, at the end of the campaign, Ryan is allied with the Republican machine, the very organization he fought at the primaries. There is no question about this. George A. Knight has taken the stump for Ryan and Knight is one of the organization stalwarts. On the platform at the Ryan meetings have been seated those old warhorses of the Republican party who for years have served as the mask behind which the Southern Pacific has operated.

#### Betting Favors Taylor.

During the entire campaign Taylor has been a distinct favorite in the betting. Beginning at 10 to 8, Taylor's popularity has steadily increased, until today he is a 2 to 1 favorite. He has made a dignified campaign, using as his dominating note a plea for the spiritual regeneration of the city. His scholarly instincts and high-mindedness have made his speeches free from personal references. He has spoken ill of no man. He has come from the luxury of his library into the battle not because he desires office, for in truth he has no liking for it, but simply because he believes that he had no choice in the matter but to obey the call of duty. He has been subjected to abuse, but he has not flattered. He has been subjected to ridicule. They have called him in derision a poet and a dreamer.

"They call me a poet," said Dr. Taylor. "Well, there are worse things in the world, and besides, if you elect me Mayor, I won't have time to write any poetry."

#### McCarthy Shouts Conspiracy.

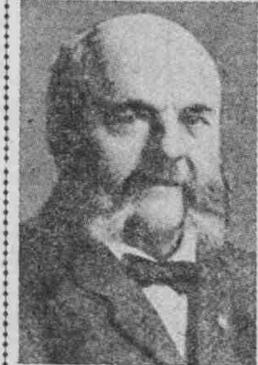
P. H. McCarthy has made a vigorous campaign. He has spoken at eight meetings a day. His usual method is to denounce every leading man of wealth in the community and to charge that the capitalists are in a conspiracy to elect Taylor and to cut wages. Since the financial furore, McCarthy has advanced the argument that Taylor is to blame and that such a thing could not have happened under a labor administration. It is generally understood that an understanding exists between McCarthy and ex-Mayor Schmitz, now in the county jail. McCarthy is particularly violent against the graft prosecution. He never

misses an occasion to denounce Francis J. Heney.

Taylor has the support of a large part of the labor community. It is on this point that the election hinges. If Taylor is to be elected, the Union Labor voter must do it. If the Union Labor vote should go solid to McCarthy, then McCarthy would certainly be elected. The labor vote will not be sold by any means, but it is still a question if Taylor can pull enough labor votes to swing the result. Several of the best known labor leaders have done everything in their power for Taylor. One large union of carpenters has pledged its entire membership for Taylor. Large organizations of iron workers have done the same. The longshoremen are generally for Taylor. P. H. McCarthy is president of the Building Trades Council and naturally has the support of a large proportion of the men employed in the building trades.

#### Heney Active in the Fight.

The registered vote is 77,000. It is figured that about 55,000 votes will be cast. The labor vote is estimated at something between 20,000 and 25,000. If Taylor can secure 7000 Union Labor votes, he should



Anthony Comstock, Whose Attack on the Late Robert G. Ingersoll was Answered by a Woman.

win. Otherwise the result would appear to be doubtful.

Although Frank McGowan has a large following, it does not appear to the writer that he can by any circumstance be elected. Langdon has been exceedingly well greeted in every section of the city. Heney has made several speeches for Langdon and on each occasion has been accorded an ovation. Both Heney and Langdon are keeping free from the Mayorship fight. They are confining their efforts to the office of District Attorney.

## MOB THIRSTS FOR BLOOD

### Ohio White Man Narrowly Escapes Lynching for Assault on Girl.

MARIETTA, Ohio, Nov. 3.—John Sweeney, a married man, 35 years old, narrowly escaped lynching from a mob seeking revenge for his assault on Anna Koon, a 14-year-old girl, this afternoon. Sweeney, who is the father of five children, was caught with the child in one of the buildings on the Fair Grounds, which is situated in the residence district, where a crowd quickly collected, and binding him with a rope, started for the Muskingum River, bent on throwing him in.

The police arrived in time to rescue him and fought the crowd back to the police station, where order was restored by level-headed citizens. The girl is in a precarious condition.

#### Skull Fractured at Football.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 3.—Jay Shestaka, playing the position of left tackle on the Dietz Athletic Club football team, during a game today with a team from Missouri Valley, Iowa, suffered a fractured skull, and is in a critical condition.

## EXPLOSION KILLS SEVEN LABORERS

### Hurls Mangled Bodies Into Columbia.

#### PICK HITS HIDDEN POWDER

#### Workmen on North Bank Road Victims of Blunder.

#### FIVE OF DEAD ARE HINDUS

#### Seventy-five Kegs of Explosive Hidden in Rock Cut, and Forgotten, Explode—The Luckless Workmen Had No Warning.

LYLE, Wash., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Seven men were blown to pieces last Friday by the accidental explosion of a big blast on the Portland & Seattle Railway construction work near this place. The names of the victims of the accident are Henry Hunkeler, a Finn; Charles Kefed, a Swede; and five Hindus, Halem Singh, Zebia Pongdo, Chunda Din, Nanga Dass and Gunga Doola. Five other Hindus were injured. All are laborers who have been on the work for some time. One of the party is supposed to have driven his pick into a missed coyote hole blast, containing 75 kegs of black powder.

The mine powder that was set off is supposed to have been left there last Summer by contractors, as it failed to explode and the workmen who laid it never knew that it remained intact. When a number of blasts are set off together it occasionally happens, workmen say, that in the roar of the explosion, count is lost and some of the blasts are left unexploded. The seven laborers must have been right above the deadly mine of explosive, for the blast tore them to atoms and hurled the dismembered bodies into the Columbia River, a short distance away.

The dead men were all employed at the grading camp of Cochran & Wolson, sub-contractors on the North Bank Road. They had been on the work for several months and were accustomed to handling powder. No other explanation of the terrible accident can be found except in the theory of striking an old blast that had missed fire. Every appearance of the ground bears out this explanation.

Herman Schroder, who was employed at the same camp at the time of the accident, was in Lyle yesterday and expresses the belief that a big charge of black powder had been left by contractors who worked on that section of the road during the Summer. It is known that blasts known technically as "coyote holes," containing 75 kegs of powder each, were exploded in the rock cut where the seven men were killed. It is likely that one of these blasts remained unexploded and was left by the workmen, who did not know it had not been fired.

The party of men had been sent out from the camp Friday morning to work in the deep rock cut with pick and shovel. While thus engaged, one of the men must have swung his pick into the blast, a chance spark from his tool firing it. The men returned to the camp for lunch at noon, going again to their work, which was about three-quarters of a mile from camp. The fatal explosion was

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## EVENTS OF COMING WEEK.

#### Elections in Twelve States.

Tuesday's elections in twelve states take precedence over all other news events of the week in point of importance. President Roosevelt will leave Washington for Oyster Bay on Monday night in order to vote.

Voters in 12 states will cast their ballots on Tuesday in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maryland, Mississippi, and Kentucky for a Governor and other state officers; in New Jersey, for a Governor only; in New York, for two associate justices of the Court of Appeals; in Pennsylvania, for a State Treasurer, and in Nebraska for a Railroad Commissioner and two regents of the State University. Municipal officers will be selected in Ohio, Utah and California, while in New York county a number of Judges and Sheriffs will be elected.

#### Keeping Up Reform Work.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad will be sentenced for re-bating at Los Angeles Monday.

The Metropolitan Street Railway investigation will resume on Wednesday in New York.

The National Reform League will meet at Buffalo on Thursday and Friday.

The 27th annual meeting of the National Civil Reform League will begin in Buffalo on Thursday. Daniel C. Gilman, the president, will deliver the principal address at the opening session and the meeting will conclude on Friday.

#### Taft Will Leave Manila.

Secretary of War Taft's recent change of plans for the remainder of his world-circling itinerary provides for his departure from Manila on Saturday of this week instead of Monday, November 4, as originally arranged.

The anniversary on Saturday of the birth of King Edward of Great Britain will be marked by the presentation to him on behalf of the people of the Transvaal of the great Cullinan diamond, the value of which is approximately \$500,000.

#### The Weather.

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## SOUTHERN OREGON WANTS ITS TRAINS

### Southern Pacific Road Loudly Condemned.

#### REMOVAL OF 11 AND 12 MISTAKE

#### Innumerable Hardships Will Be the Result.

#### PETITIONS BEING FORMED

#### Various Towns Affected by Order Are Up in Arms and Will Fight to Keep Present Train Service. All Business is Affected.

#### EFFECT ON SOUTHERN OREGON OF REMOVAL OF TRAINS NOS. 11 AND 12.

ASHLAND—A demoralized mail service and the neglect of express and passenger business.

GRANTS PASS—Inability of doctors to visit patients in the country. Inconvenience to lawyers and business men desiring to go to the mining districts.

OLENDALE—Difficulty in getting to county seat. Further injury to lumber interests after rate in rates.

JACKSONVILLE—Failure of Rogue River Valley train to connect with Southern Pacific.

MEDFORD—Further crowding of trains left on schedule. Delay in mails and no fresh newspapers in the morning.

ROSEBURG—Delay in rural mail of from 24 to 40 hours. Failure to connect with star route deliveries.

MYRTLE POINT—Further crippling of already poor service.

SOUTHERN OREGON IN GENERAL.—Delay in mails and newspaper service. Inconvenience to traveling public, further crowding of already overcrowded trains and results on every branch of industry.

ASHLAND, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Discontinuance of Southern Pacific passenger trains Nos. 11 and 12, without radical changes in the time schedules of the other mail-carrying trains between Portland and San Francisco, will demoralize the mail service particularly in this section of Oregon and the northern part of California.

These two trains carry the principal mails for this region, including all Eastern mails. Portland and San Francisco morning newspapers now reach here 24 hours after they are issued. On the present schedule of the other trains they could not be delivered here until nearly 36 hours after publication.

#### Ashland Up in Arms.

Citizens of Ashland generally condemn the proposed curtailment of train service by the Southern Pacific not only on account of the demoralization of the mail service but of the very best of the passenger and express service as well.

The difficulty in handling the heavy traffic over the road with the present service is the principal cause of the trains being hours late after day for months past. How the company expects now to take off one train each way and handle the traffic with the remaining trains, which are already overloaded, is more

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than the men in the railway train service, or the public either, can figure out.

#### Done to Spite Commission.

The idea is advanced by some here that the action of the railroad management is to spite the State Railroad Commission. If that is the case the people of this end of Oregon do not like the idea of being forced to hold the sack. It is pointed out that from the San Francisco end of the Southern Pacific a daily passenger train is run north as far as Dunsmuir, which is in addition to train service afforded the territory between Dunsmuir and Roseburg by the Southern Pacific. Instead of curtailing the train service the people here think the Southern Pacific ought to increase it to keep pace with the growing traffic on the Shasta route, for some of the present passenger trains are so long that they have to be divided every day into two and three sections.

#### MEDFORD FINDS SIX TOO FEW

#### With Two Trains Taken Off There Will Be Untold Inconvenience.

MEDFORD, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—Time was when one train daily through



"Boss" Murphy, Who Will Disperse \$75,000 of Tammany's Money Among the "Faithful" Today.

The Rogue River Valley was sufficient for the needs of the population thereof but with the rapidly increasing population came the demand for service, both freight and passenger, and at the present time three trains daily each way find a congested condition of passenger service, delayed mails and express.

The residents of the entire valley are united in their opinion, for it means another 24 hours delay to those living on the rural routes.

The traveling men find trains Nos. 11 and 12 an advantage and only yesterday a prominent veteran traveler was heard to remark that in traveling from Roseburg to Medford on No. 11 he was compelled to stand during part of the trip on account of the crowded condition of the cars.

Some of the leading citizens were asked if it would make any difference if the express were to be 24 hours later reaching Medford.

P. J. McMahon, of the Hotel Nash, said a very material difference with the traveling public in every line of business would result and every one should be loud in his protestation against the removal of these trains from the present schedule. Beyond anything else the inconvenience would be felt if the night trains were dispensed with.

George Fawcett, Wells-Fargo agent said: "With the new schedule the news-dealers find that no resident of the Rogue River Valley may sit at his breakfast and enjoy the luxury of a fresh daily,

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## BANKS WILL ISSUE THEIR OWN PAPER

### Certificates to Serve Public as Cash.

#### CLEARING HOUSE SO ORDERS

#### Plan to Supply Need for Circulating Medium.

#### BASED ON GOOD SECURITY

#### Products of Pacific Northwest Will Be Behind Every Dollar—Paper Will Be Redeemable in Cash February 1.

#### FIAT MONEY IN SEATTLE.

As a result of the conference among the bankers of the Northwest at Seattle, the Seattle banks have agreed to adopt clearing-house certificates and to stop cash payments except in small amounts. They did not desire to do this at first, but were persuaded by the bankers from the other cities.

In order to supply the temporary need of currency and furnish means for marketing the crops of the state, the Portland Clearing-House Association has authorized the issuance of bank checks in denominations of \$5, \$10 and \$20 for general circulation. These checks, or Clearing-House certificates, will be based upon deposits of notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments that are secured by wheat, grain, canned fish, lumber actually sold, and other marketable products or paper approved by the committee that has been appointed by the association and by which the certificates will be issued.

These certificates or emergency bank notes will be issued through the Portland Clearing-House Association to the extent of two-thirds only of the value of the securities. The certificates will be redeemable in cash February 1, 1908, and will be used in all transactions the same as currency. They will be received by the banks in payment of all obligations and will circulate the same as gold, silver or paper money.

#### Northwest Cities Agree.

This plan for providing a temporary circulating medium was adopted at a conference of the representative bankers of the cities of Portland, Tacoma, Spokane and Seattle, held in the last-named city yesterday. A supply of this emergency currency is now on the press and if the work of the printer is not delayed, the first installment will be placed in circulation tomorrow.

Through the plan that has been adopted by the local Clearing-House Association the necessary medium of exchange is assured for marketing the enormous crops of the state. Aside from lumber, wheat is the state's principal product, and with the price for this cereal ranging from 88 to 90 cents in Portland, the old saying "good as wheat" is especially applicable to the local situation, since this crop will be the principal security that will be offered and on which the certificates will be issued and circulated.

#### Will Move All Crops.

This crop will not only furnish the main guarantee for the issuance of a temporary circulating medium, but it will at the same time afford the very means for transporting it and the other crops to the markets of the world, regardless of the condition of the money market.

Portland alone will export this year about 20,000,000 bushels of wheat, worth over \$17,000,000, only a small portion of which has been shipped. The lumber output of the state approximates 2,500,000,000 feet annually, representing a revenue of \$30,000,000. The system of finance that has been devised will allow the handling of both these products, along with the other crops of the state, at a time the market is strong and when prices are high. Products that will be covered by these certificates will be shipped direct to the markets of the world and sold.

#### Proceeds Will Come Here.

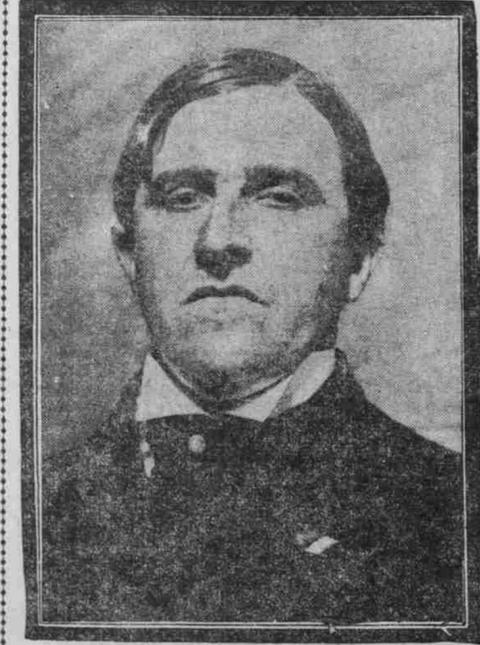
If in the meantime the situation has not been relieved locally, the proceeds of these crops will be shipped direct to Portland and used for redeeming the certificates by which the movement of the crops was facilitated.

"This is merely a plan for providing a temporary currency for marketing crops, paying wages and affording a circulating medium for all lines of business," said J. C. Ainsworth, president of the United States National Bank, last night. "It is not a new plan, for it was employed during the panic of 1893-4 and San Francisco, Denver and other large cities of the country have adopted it to relieve the existing stringency. The certificates are guaranteed by the best security and will pass as currency in all avenues of the business world. They are perfectly good and would be worth their full value, even if every bank in the country should suspend."

"The banks will apply for these certificates," said William A. MacRae, manager of the Bank of California,

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## PRINCIPALS IN MAYORALTY CONTEST IN SAN FRANCISCO



DANIEL A. RYAN, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE.



EDWARD R. TAYLOR, DEMOCRATIC AND GOOD GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE.



P. H. M'CARTHY, UNION LABOR CANDIDATE.