

# TAFT MEN DEMOLISH MACHINE IN TEXAS

### Personal Sponsor for 5000 Office Holders Now Begs for Place as Delegate.

### 30 VOTES ARE ASSURED

### Effort to Prevent Vote of Republicans Fails—Large Majority of Delegates Will Be Chosen by Primary System.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The National Taft Bureau has given out the following regarding the Republican political situation in Texas:

President Taft will have at least 36 sure delegates from Texas in the Chicago convention. The Cecil Lyon machine in that state has been smashed to bits and Lyon himself is now begging the Taft men to let him go to the Chicago convention as a delegate. Unless Lyon can slip himself in as a delegate from some one district or by some trick, he, like Pearl Wright, of Louisiana, will have to vote for Taft at Chicago or stay at home.

The story of the winning of Texas from Lyon, personal sponsor for all but five out of 30 officeholders in that state, is the story of a victory of the Republicans of the state over one of the most notorious bosses in the whole country. The Republican party in Texas, under the leadership of Lyon, has dwindled from a militant fighting force of 167,000 voters in 1896 to a meager corporate guard of 25,000 in 1912, 80 per cent of whom were officeholders and the remainder their friends in the office-holding corporation. No man who did not do the bidding of Lyon could live politically in the Republican party of Texas.

**Fight Made on Despotism.**  
"At the outset of this campaign the managers of President Taft decided to end, whether they got any delegates or not, once for all the despotism of Lyon. The job was a tremendous one and the patriotism of the rank and file of the party was the only possible appeal that could be made, and the officeholders in leash. At the outset Lyon smiled at the opposition. Next he called upon his officeholders to send to him personally a wish card to fight their opponents and now Lyon is begging to go to the convention as a delegate. The response of the Republicans of Texas to the appeal to arms against Lyon is a victory for the whole Republican party.

**Primary Vote Will Prevail.**  
"Then the Taft rank and file of the party asked for district conventions in order that they might get a chance to vote for district delegates, leaving Lyon and his machine the power to choose all the delegates at large from their officeholders. This sort of an election was also provided by state law, by call of the National committee, and had always been held in Texas heretofore. Lyon and his Federal officeholders fought his proposition and attempted to have the entire election controlled by the state convention, where they controlled the machinery to throw out of their seats every one opposing Taft delegates. Despite this opposition, the Taft forces went to work on the various Congressional district committees with the result that a large majority of the delegates from Texas will be elected by a primary vote and they will be Taft men.

In other words, while pretending to want the people to vote in other states, in Texas, where the machine was entirely in the hands of one man, and that man Cecil Lyon, the anti-Taft men have done their utmost to prevent a vote of any kind by the Republicans of the state. The credit for the victory over Lyon, which is now assured, belongs solely and absolutely to the rank and file of the party in Texas and to the leaders who had the temerity, at the outset, to confront Lyon and make him show his hand."

## TAFT GAINS DELEGATES

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rumor of delegates leaving the Taft ranks. It is said that delegates in the Fifth district were talking of "flopping." They are unimpaired, but telegraphed the President soon after election that they would be for him. Roosevelt's managers say that these rumors are the forerunner of whole-sale desertion from the Taft ranks of delegates from the South. The Taft managers admit that there is no fear whatever that there will be desertions.

In Maryland the Taft cause has suffered somewhat through the action of Blair and a few other prominent Republicans. They have gone from the Taft to the Roosevelt camp. It is probable that two of the six districts in the state will go for Roosevelt. The Taft managers virtually concede one.

## THAW TRIES FOR LIBERTY

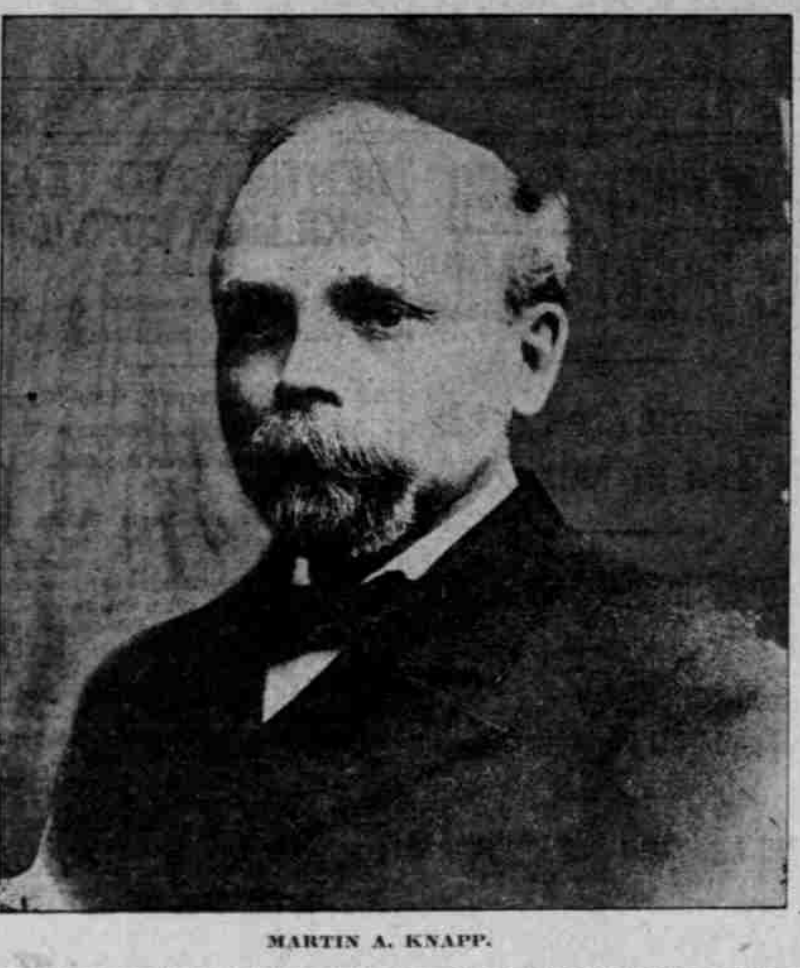
Slayer of Stanford White Makes Fourth Attempt.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., April 27.—A fourth attempt through the agency of the law to liberate Harry K. Thaw from the Matteawan State Hospital, where he has been imprisoned for the slaying of Stanford White, six years ago, because of "insanity," was made today before Justice Keogh, of the Supreme Court in New Rochelle. Thaw was brought down from Matteawan this morning.

When Thaw left Matteawan Dr. John W. Russell, medical superintendent of the prison, accompanied him. Thaw looked exceptionally well, and was confident he would be released. Justice Keogh adjourned the habeas corpus hearing until May 4.

The leading buyers of American typewriters during the fiscal year 1911 were: Great Britain, \$2,507,000; Germany, \$1,877,000; France, \$2,048,000; Russia, \$741,000; Canada, \$247,000; Australia, \$214,000; Italy, \$327,000; Mexico, \$108,000; Brazil, \$280,000.

## JUDGE OF COMMERCE COURT, WHO IS SEEKING SETTLEMENT BETWEEN FIFTY RAILROADS AND THEIR ENGINEERS.



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## HOPE IS NOT LOST

### Mediators Expect Results in Engineers' Controversy.

## INCREASED PAY IS ISSUE

### Neill and Knapp Confer With Representatives of Railroad and Are to Meet Committee of Employes Tomorrow.

NEW YORK, April 27.—United States Commissioner of Labor Neill and Judge Knapp of the United States Commerce Court believe that their negotiations with the representatives of 50 railroads in the Eastern territory and the engineers over the question of increased pay will not prove unproductive, but decline today to discuss the present situation, except to say that progress is being made.

The two mediators conferred again this morning with the sub-committee of railroad managers and on Monday will meet the committee of engineers. Judge Knapp departed today for Washington to be absent until Monday. After a brief conference with the sub-committee of railroad managers, Commissioner Neill said there would be no more conferences until Judge Knapp's return. In the meantime, Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers and chairman of their sub-committee, is expected to make known to Mr. Neill what procedure would meet the engineers' approval.

## ELKS LATCHSTRING OUT

## VALLEY MEMBERS TO WELCOME EASTERNERS.

### Hood River Herd Preparing to Entertain 500 Daily While Convention Is in Progress.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 27.—(Special.)—The determination of Oregon Elks to entertain the many visiting "Best People" at the grand convention to be held in Portland in July, was evidenced at a meeting attended by about 30 Hood River Elks yesterday, when it was planned to entertain those who visit the Apple City with automobile rides through the orchards. From communications received from Portland, says J. H. Frederick, a prominent Hood River Elk, "we are expecting a large number of visitors to the Valley. We have made arrangements to handle at least 500 every day if they will come. The Mount Hood Railroad Company has offered to run special trains over its lines through the Valley for us."

## BANKS ARE INQUIRED INTO

### More Than 20,000 Are Asked for Detailed Information.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—As the first step in the money trust investigation, the committee on banking and currency announced today that it had sent to more than 20,000 banks a request for detailed information on all phases of their business and their relations with other institutions.

## TRANSPORT IS ASKED FOR

### Involving the use of the new extended order tactics.

These duties are supplemented by special lectures on the care of the health in the field. Special stress is laid on the following points: Watch your feet; never remove your hat when marching; do not eat fresh fruit except in slight quantities; drink only water prepared for use. Everybody in the garrison has been inoculated with anti-typhoid serum. Special regulations are being made for olive drab clothing and marching shoes.

All tentage has been looked over and special instructions have been issued to replace unserviceable tents at once. The field equipment for the Oregon National Guard is being rushed to completion. It is presumed that in the event the regulars leave the guardsmen will take their places pro tem at Fort Stevens.

## CULACAN ALMOST IN RUINS

### Looting Continues, but Rebels Mollify American Interests.

TUCSON, Ariz., April 27.—Culacan virtually ruined and Tepic badly battered, the west coast of Mexico was reported today at the offices of the Southern Pacific for the first time in several weeks. Tepic could not be heard from, the wires having been cut at Tepic. Advice from Mazatlan confirms earlier reports that Morales and Guerrero, rebel leaders in the assault on Tepic, were wounded badly.

## "WAPPY" IS IN CUSTODY

### EX-CHIEF OF POLICE TO SLEEP IN JAIL TONIGHT.

### Unless Governor Interferes, Seattle Man Will Begin Prison Sentence This Week.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 27.—Charles W. Wappenstein, ex-chief of Police of Seattle, convicted of accepting a bribe from proprietors of a disorderly house, gave himself into the custody of the Sheriff today as soon as the remittitur from the State Supreme Court had been received and a commitment issued upon request of the prosecuting attorney.

Notice of an application in the State Court's order was filed in the office of Governor Hay at Olympia today. It is expected that the Governor will refuse to interfere and that Wappenstein will begin his term of three to ten years in Walla Walla Penitentiary next week.

Warden S. C. Read, of the Penitentiary, is an old personal friend of Wappenstein, they having served on the Seattle police force together.

Mrs. Wappenstein being ill, the husband was allowed to spend the night at home. A Deputy Sheriff going also to the house to remain through the night.

Wappenstein will be returned to the Sheriff's office tomorrow afternoon, and, unless granted a further indulgence, he will spend Sunday night in the County Jail.

Monday, Wappenstein will go to Olympia to make a final plea to Governor Hay, who, however, has made it clear that he can do nothing for him. Whether Wappenstein will be taken from Olympia to Walla Walla or will return to Seattle to say good-bye to his family is not known.

## STRAW HAT SALE HEAVY

### Portland Residents Prepare for Observing Day Appropriately.

That all Portland will blossom out with straw hats on the first annual straw-hat day, next Wednesday, is apparent from the hat sales reported by the various department stores. The move, which was started by the Ad Men's Club, apparently has spread to many other clubs and organizations, with the result that Wednesday will mark the end of the season for winter "hats" of all classes.

## RUPTURE EXPERT RECALLED

### Seeley, the Noted Truss Expert, Again at the Multnomah Hotel.

F. H. Seeley, of Chicago and Philadelphia, will again be at the Multnomah Hotel Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night, positively no longer. He says: "The Spermatic Shield Truss will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, affording immediate and complete relief, but closes the openings in ten days, producing results without surgery or harmful injections. All charity cases without any charge, or any interested will be shown the truss or fitted if desired."

# DEMOCRATS FALL INTO PINCHOT WAYS

### West May Look for Radical Legislation if Party Controls Next House.

## GRAHAM WILL TAKE LEAD

### Intense Partisan of ex-Forester Is Slated for Chairmanship of Public Lands Committee, Though Unfamiliar With Work.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 27.—If the Democrats control the next House of Representatives, the West may look for two years of radical legislation, framed to meet the views of Gifford Pinchot. James M. Graham, of Illinois, former member of the Pinchot-Bullinger investigating committee, chairman of the committee that sponsored the Controller Bay Flasco, and backer of various muck-raking schemes planned by Pinchot and his satellites, is slated for the chairmanship of the public lands committee, to succeed Representative Robinson, who becomes Governor of Arkansas.

Graham, though a Democrat, is a dyed-in-the-wool Pinchotite. He was a rank Pinchot partisan during the Bullinger investigation and displayed more bias and vindictiveness than any other member of that special committee. Later, when Pinchot and some of his close friends cooked up the Controller Bay scandal, Graham, as chairman of the committee on expenditures in the Interior Department, joined with these men in accusing President Taft of illegal action in the disposition of waterfront on Controller Bay.

**Affair Dropped, Unexplained.**  
Graham built that case on evidence furnished by Pinchot and Pinchot's friends; he used Pinchot money in hiring an attorney for the committee, and then, when the bottom fell out of the scandal, Graham at the last moment of conspiracy, used his influence with the House leaders to drop the whole affair, without explanation and without apology.

This is the type of man slated to preside over the meetings of the public lands committee, and it is expected that before long the present members will supersede Robinson, who has not been in Washington much this Winter, on account of his campaign for the Governorship of Arkansas. By all manner of right and justice, Graham would not be made chairman of the public lands committee, for he was not a member of that committee until the present session, and then, through the influence of Ollie James and a few other disciples of Pinchot, he was forced on the committee and placed ahead of other members who have served there for a term of years, particularly ahead of Representative Ferris, of Oklahoma, and Representative Taylor, of Colorado. James and others sought to have Graham made chairman of this committee, but failed in that, and compromised by making him ranking member, which insures him the chairmanship when Robinson retires.

**Graham Dangerous to West.**  
From the Western viewpoint, Graham is a dangerous man to place in that position. He knows nothing about the West; knows nothing of public lands matters other than in manner of a learned in the past two years; he is not in sympathy with the up-building of the West, but rather in opposition to it. He has a habit of "sewing everything of value for generations yet unborn, and has been amply demonstrated. It is absolutely under the domination of Gifford Pinchot, a mere tool in the hands of the ex-Forester. Combining his ignorance of Western conditions with his partisanship, he is the last man in the House who should lead the committee on public lands.

The House of Representatives, in Democratic control, is operating under gag rules, and individual members on partisan legislation have absolutely no voice. The chairman of committees frame legislation as they want it; the House leaders stand back of the chairman; then a Democratic caucus is called, and the Democratic majority is forced to swallow what the chairman and the party leaders present. That was done with the tariff this session; it has been done with the naval program, the public building program, and other important legislation, and when Graham becomes chairman of public lands, that same policy will be carried out with respect to land legislation.

**Theories, Not Facts, Delight.**  
Graham is a man of bias and as cold-blooded as he is biased. Facts are his least worry; theories are his delight. Committed absolutely to Pinchotism, he will use his influence as chairman of the public lands committee to force through the House legislation that meets with the approval of Pinchot, and the West will be at his mercy unless a benevolent Senate intervenes and places restraint upon the gag-ridden House.

**Three Link Men Celebrate.**  
ASHLAND, April 27.—(Special.)—The Southern Oregon Association of Odd-fellows celebrated the 93d anniversary of the order in this city with appropriate exercises. Fully 500 were in attendance, and commodious quarters were secured in the Elks Temple. The local organizations, including subordinate, encampment and canton branches, extended every courtesy to the visiting delegations which were present from all over the valley, the Rebekah auxiliaries being also prominently identified with the anniversary movement. Next year the association of the triple links will meet at Medford.

## Better Railroad Service Asked.

### PHILOMATH, Or., April 27.—(Special.)—A petition is being circulated to have the C. & E. R. place on three extra trains, 8:30, 11:30 and 2:30 to 3:30 P. M., or to extend the Albany-



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Legislation such as the three-year homestead bill will be out of the question when Graham is chairman of the public lands committee; legislation making it easier and simpler for the homesteader will be a thing of the past, and those public resources now temporarily tied up by withdrawals will be permanently sacked. It is a gloomy one for the West if the Democrats control the next House of Representatives.

Corvallis daily service to an Albany-Philomath service. It would greatly facilitate matters here and accommodate both passenger and freight traffic to make Philomath the division end and enable the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad to meet existing conditions more expeditiously.

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(Signor Isidore Alcock)  
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