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## ROCHESTER REPUDIATES TARIFF BILL

**First Follower of Jefferson to Be Chosen in His District in Twenty Years, Gets a Majority of Five Thousand in Republican Stronghold.**

### LOOSENING OF PARTY LINES IN NEW YORK

**Defeated Candidate for Many Years Boss of G. O. P. in His District—The Tariff is Blamed for the Result.**

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 20.—James H. Havens, democrat, supporter of Hughes in the last gubernatorial election, has been elected to congress over George Aldridge in the 32d New York district and politicians see an important from the election.

The fight is admitted by the leaders of both parties, and the election of Havens means, they declare, the repudiation of the new revenue law by Rochester, a manufacturing city directly affected by the measure and in all Monroe county, where the law was blamed for the high cost of living.

Further, the victory marks the loosening of party lines, the advent of the independent voter in the east, and is such a victory as those won by insurgents in western states.

**First in Twenty Years.**  
Since Representative Greenleaf, democrat, was elected in the 32d district in 1890 no other follower of Jefferson has been sent to congress, and the district has been considered normally republican by about 6000 majority.

James B. Perkins, whose death caused the vacancy Havens has been elected to fill, received a plurality of 10,067 in 1898. Havens, yesterday, was elected by a plurality of 5385, thus achieving practically the nominal republican plurality of the district.

Aldridge, the defeated candidate, has for years been the head of the republican machine in Monroe county, which forms the district. Personal animosities, which his political activities entailed are considered by some republicans as the cause of his defeat. Most political leaders, republican and democrat, see only one reason for the reversal in sentiment that swept the towns and outlying districts as thoroughly as it did the city of Rochester itself, and this one reason is the unpopularity of the

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## Trying to Get Early Hearing

**City Attorney Visits Grants Pass in an Endeavor to Have Judge Calkins Set Case for Early Trial.**

The city attorney is in Grants Pass today interviewing Judge F. M. Calkins in order to determine when the case of the city vs. M. F. Hanley for a right of way across the Hanley premises on Little Butte creek can be set for trial, as was made necessary by the supreme court decision of Tuesday.

Judge Calkins a short time ago adjourned the circuit court in his county until May 12. It is the mission of the city attorney in Grants Pass today to see if Calkins will not return to this county and hear the case earlier than that, or if this is impossible, to have him call in another judge to hear the case, which Judge Calkins has the power to do.

## MORE TERRITORY WANTS IN CITY

**Residents of District Southwest of City Ask to Be Admitted—Special Election to Be Held May 24 to Vote on Question.**

The residents of that section lying between Dakota avenue and Oakdale, running west to the Fredrigar place, on the county road directly southwest of the city, have petitioned to be admitted into the corporation, and the city council has ordered a special election for the purpose of admitting them, to be held on May 24. From all indications the territory will be voted into the city.

### PITTSBURG BOODLER CONVICTED BY JURY

PITTSBURGH, April 20.—Former Councilman M. L. Swift, Jr., charged with accepting a bribe, was found guilty by a jury today.

The jury deliberated only a few minutes after the case had been completed. Swift was indicted at the time 67 members and former members of the city council took advantage of a blanket immunity contract and confessed to the court that they had been engaged in grafting.

## PINCHOT HINTS THAT HE HAS A BOMB TO HURL

**Deposed Chief Forester Says He Has Something Interesting to Tell American People When He Returns to the States, But Says Not What It Is.**

### SAYS CONFLICT AT HOME IS AS YET AT START

**Refuses to Reveal Anything Which Transpired at Meeting Between Himself and Roosevelt When They Met Recently in Italy.**

LONDON, April 20.—Gifford Pinchot, deposed chief forester, has something interesting to tell the American people, according to his statements today.

Pinchot arrived here last evening. He had several conferences with Theodore Roosevelt in Italy. What transpired at these meetings he refused to reveal, but he declared that when he reached the United States he might have something important to say. "We are now at the beginning of a great conflict in the United States," he said. "But not a word on that subject now. There will be ample opportunity to talk when I return to the states."

Pinchot is en route to Ireland, where he will visit Sir Horace Plunkett. The date for his departure for America has not been set.

### BATTLE IS IMMINENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA

COLON, APRIL 20.—A wireless dispatch received here from the commander of the gunboat Paducah, at Bluefields, Nicaragua, declares that the army of Madriz is within 15 miles of the city and a battle is imminent. The revolutionists are hastily preparing for a last desperate stand, and the remnants of the Estrada army are being hurried to Bluefields. They have been in the vicinity of Acoyapa. It is believed that Estrada was outflanked and that the Madriz soldiers by a ruse after the fighting at Acoyapa a few days ago have stolen a march on Estrada.

### Mark Twain Better.

REDDING, Conn., April 20.—Mark Twain passed a restful night and seemed slightly better today. His condition, however, shows no improvement of his cardiac trouble, and the doctors said, that they could not tell which way his fight for health was going.

## City Salaries Given Boost

**Council in Magnanimous Frame of Mind Votes to Raise Three Employees' Salaries.**

The city council was in a magnanimous mood last night at their regular meeting, and as a result three salaries of city employees were boosted upon recommendation of the finance committee.

Dr. Shearer, city health officer, was given \$50 a month instead of \$25; the driver of the fire team was boosted from \$60 to \$75 a month, while in lieu of giving Mrs. Telfer a salary for her services in the city recorder's office, Recorder Telfer will hereafter receive \$160 a month and pay his own assistant.

The work in each of these departments is increasing rapidly and the council appreciates the increase in work.

## ASHLAND VOTERS WANT TO RIDE

**Charter Is Amended to Grant Fifty-Year Electric Road Franchise by Overwhelming Majority—Allen Is Certain to Get Rights Asked in Fall**

At the special election held in Ashland for the purpose of amending the charter granting specific authority to issue an electric trolley franchise for a period of 50 years, the voters by an overwhelming vote expressed themselves in favor of the project. Out of less than 150 votes cast, a majority of 59 were in favor.

Already initiative petitions are being prepared to be circulated within a few days asking the city council to grant to John R. Allen a trolley franchise in the city of Ashland, as has already been granted in Medford and Grants Pass.

It will be remembered that when Mr. Allen's application for a franchise was first filed in Ashland the city council refused to grant the application or to submit it to the people. The people themselves then took action under the initiative law and it looks now as if the franchise would be granted without further delay.

### Steamer Founders.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 20.—The British India steamer Satara, bound from Newcastle to Queensland has foundered, according to a special cable to the World from Sydney today, and it is feared that her passengers and crew have perished, although their fate at this time is uncertain.

## FORMER BOSS SAYS RULE BY BOSSSES ENDED

**Richard Croker, Former Boss of New York, Says People Are Tired of Party Rule, as Results Are Not Satisfactory to Them—Tariff is Also Cause.**

### "PEOPLE ARE DOING MORE THINKING NOW"

**Predicts That Next President and House of Representatives Will Be Democratic—Praise for Gaynor as Gotham's Mayor.**

NEW YORK, April 20.—"Boss rule in America is ended," declared Richard Croker today just before sailing for Ireland.

"The people are weary of party rule," declared the ex-boss of New York. "They are dissatisfied with its results. The day is coming when the two old parties or the five or six new parties that may be formed will select the best candidate they can. Then the voters will select freely from all tickets."

"There will still be democrats and republicans in name, but very often the tickets will differ in name only."

"The time is gone when Americans will call one man to act and will leave everything to his discretion. The people are going to do their own thinking pretty soon."

Croker insists that he is out of politics. He predicted that the next house of representatives and the next president will be democratic.

"Gaynor is a good mayor," he continued. "A man with his positive convictions of what the city needs is fit to occupy the position and he is sure to be called to higher duties."

"One deduction can be drawn from the election in Rochester. Public feeling is swinging to the democrats because the republican tariff is responsible for the high cost of living, and the people know it."

### Investigating Accident.

VALLEJO, Cal., April 20.—A secret investigation of the explosion on the cruiser Maryland recently in Monterey Bay, which caused the death of William Anderson, a water tender, and the serious injury of other members of the crew, is in progress here today. The inquiry was ordered by Rear-Admiral Harber, commander of the Pacific cruiser fleet.

## West Main Is Nearly Paved

**City Council Passes Ordinance Declaring Cost of Work—Clarke-Henry Co. Still Held Up.**

Within a week, if weather conditions remain favorable, the Warren Construction company will complete the paving of West Main street. This work has been progressing very rapidly of late, weather conditions having been splendid.

The city council at its meeting Tuesday evening passed an ordinance declaring the cost of the improvement of West Main by the laying of hard-surface pavement and assessing the same on the property-owners.

The Clark & Henry Construction company are still held up from beginning work on East Main by non-arrival of machinery. They are confident, however, of starting the work in the very near future.

## MUST HAVE WATER IN LINE BY JUNE 1

**City Engineer Roberts Says That June First Is Latest Date Water Can Be Kept From Pipe Without It Working Injury.**

June 1 is the latest date, according to Engineer Roberts, that the city pipe line from the Bradshaw drop can be void of water without injury to the pipe. After that date the drying process in the ground will have a bad effect.

"June 1 is the latest the pipe should go without water," states Mr. Roberts, "and every day after that, unless a heavy rain should come, which is not likely, the pipe will be injured to some extent."

"The winter has been an exceptionally good one for the pipe. It has seasoned well and if water is soon turned in all will be well."

"Should there be no hope of getting the city's water suit settled soon some means must be provided to protect the pipe."

### TWO MEN ARREST OVER 100 IN GARMENT DEN

SEATTLE, Wash., April 20.—With drawn revolvers, Patrolmen Opdyke and Humphrey last night raided two Washington-street gambling houses and, despite a panic among the players, placed more than 100 under arrest. In the raid the patrolmen demolished a hoard of furniture and gambling paraphernalia and took to police headquarters a sack containing poker chips and playing cards and more than \$300.

## NEGRO UPRISING STARTLES CUBA; TROOPS READY

**Believed Outbreak Has Been Caused by Radical Politicians and Is Not to Be Considered as Revolution Against the Cuban Government—Fruits Dispatched.**

### DENY NEGROES HAVE YET STARTED RIOTING

**Governor of Santa Clara Province Requests That Troops Be Sent to His Aid—Unrest Said to Be Great in That Section.**

HAVANA, Cuba, April 20.—A thousand troops, ordered for an extended stay, were started for Santa Clara province, 140 miles from Havana, today, where the negroes have started an uprising.

It is believed the outbreak has been caused by radical politicians and is not to be considered as a revolution against the government.

For the last two months there has been impeding and the government has been fully prepared to cope with the radicals at the first hint of violence.

A week ago the governor of the province telegraphed from Santa Clara, the capital, urging the presence of troops, owing to the unrest of the negroes.

It is believed that the outbreak, which thus far has consisted of insipid rioting, will be stopped without bloodshed, as the presence of the soldiers is certain to have a quieting effect upon the dissatisfied citizens.

The troops are being transported in a special train, and are under the command of General Rivas.

Secretary of the Interior Lopez denied today that the negroes have begun rioting, but the fact that the troops were fully prepared for all exigencies before they left Havana tends to disprove his official statement.

General Evaristo, a negro agitator, is held responsible for the manifest unrest of the negroes of Santa Clara. He is a bitter enemy of the present administration.

### BACHELOR'S DOUBLE WINS BIG RACE IN LONDON

LONDON, April 19.—Lowry's entry, "Bachelors' Double," won the city and suburban stake race today, and the \$10,000 purse which went with it. The horse was a 25 to 1 shot.

Lord Carnarvon's "Mustapha" came in second, with the odds 4 to 1 to win.

# IRRIGATION COMPANY, IS MAKING GREAT HEADWAY

**FRED N. CUMMINGS** has started out to conquer the desert. By means of a subsoil plow and water he hopes to make a large tract of land just east of Agate, which has been for years the one unproductive spot in the Rogue River valley, a veritable garden land. If he succeeds he will add several thousand acres to the productive area of the Rogue River valley, not a foot of which can then be termed non-productive.

That Mr. Cummings will succeed is shown by the success he has had with a few acres near Agate, which, until he took hold of it, was the most barren, arid, unproductive land in the valley. He is obtaining wonderful results by the use of water, a subsoil plow and a drag. He goes about it in this way: First, the land is broken to a depth of two feet by a subsoil plow; it is then watered and leveled. This desert land is a desert only because upon its surface for a depth of a foot or so is a hard pan—just the reverse of most lands, with a few feet of soil on top and a hardpan underneath. When this crust is first broken it allows the roots to enter the soil beneath, which has great productive qualities, then

**Cummings Starts Out to Conquer the "Desert," the Only Non-Productive Land in the Valley.**

with a little water a great change is wrought. It is inconceivable to those who have become familiar with this land to realize the great change that can be made. Mr. Cummings figures that it can be put in splendid shape for not more than \$25 an acre.

As an Insurance.  
Aside from making this desert land, which comprises but a fraction of the valley, productive, Mr. Cummings plans to irrigate the entire valley, and in this way is proving the greatest insurance agent the Rogue River valley has ever seen. Irrigation in this valley is an insurance rather than a necessity. The valley in a way is a paradox. It needs water and yet it does not need water. For years the valley has produced the very finest of fruit without irrigation, and still with irrigation better results are obtained. By furnishing water the orchardist knows that he is independent of rainfall, and although nature has ever been kindly toward the Rogue River fruitmen, it

may sometime get in a cankerous frame of mind and then if the water is at hand the fruitmen need not worry.

It is a formidable undertaking which Mr. Cummings has tackled. When his plans are consummated he will have constructed 350 miles of distributing laterals, a great mileage of main canals and will have expended nearly \$2,000,000, but he is confident of the future and grows more enthusiastic as the work progresses.

Much Work Done.  
Great strides are being made by the Rogue River Canal company, successors to the Fish Lake Ditch company, in carrying out their plans to place 55,000 acres in the Rogue River valley under irrigation at an estimated cost of nearly \$2,000,000, but in spite of their best efforts the system can hardly be completed within five years, although it is expected that within two years the three main canals of the company will be carrying water. When completed the system will be one of the most comprehensive found in any section of the northwest and will consist of approximately 350 miles of distributing laterals, aside from the main canal from the intake on

Little Butte creek to the Bradshaw drop, which, when enlarged and completed, will have a capacity of



Fred N. Cummings.  
250 second feet of water. The undertaking is a gigantic one, and it is probably the greatest individual undertaking in this section.

### Three Canals.

The company at the present time has a crew of men doing what work is possible on their low-line canal, known as the Hopkins lateral, at the same time furnishing water to the lands covered by this ditch. Aside from this construction work, they have a surveying party in the field, actually locating what will be known as their high-line canal, which will follow the foothills around the valley above the 401 ranch, Hillcrest and on south to Talent, from where it will swing around the valley back of the Burrell orchards on to the Jacksonville schoolhouse and on to the foothills west of Central Point. An intermediate canal is also under way. This canal will lie between the Hopkins, or low-line, canal and the high-line, and will skirt south and circle in just south of Medford. From these three main canals innumerable laterals are to be constructed, so that each 40-acre tract in the valley will be placed under water.

At present the construction crew is at work on the Von der Hellen place on Yankee creek. A great cut has been made from this creek around to where the flat country is reached, and has been built with an

### Gigantic Scheme for Irrigation of 55,000 Acres Rogue River Land Is Rapidly Going Ahead.

eye to the future, having a capacity of 175 second feet. It is planned to construct a lateral from the point where the Hopkins canal first reaches the desert, west to Agate in a straight line, a distance of five miles. This will cover an immense acreage and will make productive what is now known as "desert land," a great deal of which is owned by the Rogue River Canal company.

A High Line Canal.  
From the Bradshaw drop around to Yankee creek the company will build a high-line canal. In Yankee creek they will construct a powerhouse, utilizing the fall which they can attain there to lift water into the high-line canal, which will pass through the Owens gap and hug the foothills until Talent is reached. The acreage which this canal will place under water is shown by the fact that it will pass back of the 401, shoot through over the Hazelrigg divide, across the upper end of the

Morrick orchard, pass above Hillcrest, cut across Westerlund and swing around the valley about the north line of the Mountain View orchard, near Talent. This will give an altitude high enough for the canal to pass back of the Burrell orchard and cover that immense tract. This canal, when completed, will run close to the Jacksonville school and from thence on north to Central Point.

Owing to the fact that the city is at present receiving its water supply from the Bradshaw drop, the company did not make the improvements in the main canal from that point to the intake on Little Butte that they wished. When completed this canal will have a width on the bottom of 13 feet and will be deep enough to carry a stream three feet in depth, or 250 second feet of water.

Taken all in all, the undertaking is a gigantic one. Before putting a grading outfit in the field, the company expended nearly \$30,000 in making a contour map of the valley showing the elevation of every tract. It is proving the greatest individual enterprise in Southern Oregon and one that will mean much to the valley.