

SHALL THE MAYOR GO TO CONGRESS?

Shall Mayor Fawcett go to congress? He has been asked to run and is considering the question.

What are your views and your wishes? Should he go? Could he be of greater service to Tacoma, to Southwest Washington and to the country as a representative than he now is to Tacoma as mayor?

Write us what **YOU THINK**. The Times will give a \$2 prize for

the best letter and eight \$1 prizes for the next best letters sent in on EACH side of the question—\$20 in all.

We place a limit of 200 words on the letters so that we can print as many of them as possible. That is the only limitation, except that you be fair in stating your case. The letters all must be in by May 25, other things equal the earlier letters having the prefer-

ence. Write in your view even if you do not want to compete for the prizes. It is a question the whole state is interested in. Then, too, what you and your neighbors say now may determine what Mr. Fawcett will do. Remember, the mayor is undecided. Which way shall the balance tip?

Most of the fellows who are against non-partisanship belong to the group of standpatters who are so hungry for office now that they are even willing to accept T. R., the man they cheated four years ago.

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WEATHER

Tacoma: Showers and thunder storms tonight and Wednesday, not so warm.
Washington: Same.

JUDGE EVANS FIRED

JUSTICE WILL RESIST MAYOR

Long standing animosity between Mayor Fawcett and Police Judge Evans today came to a climax when the mayor served notice on the magistrate that he was dismissed as police court judge.

Evans declared that he would fight removal. He takes the attitude that the mayor has no right to revoke the appointment and that for him to assume the right is an invasion of the judicial sphere.

Graham Slated For Place.

If the mayor wins out in his attempt to oust Evans, he says, he will appoint as police judge Justice Frank Graham. He is limited in his selection to the incumbent justices of peace in this county.

Mayor Fawcett made a previous effort to dismiss Police Judge Evans, a year ago, but was advised by former City Attorney Stiles that he did not have the power to discharge the judge after appointing him.

Harmon Rules Other Way.

U. E. Harmon, the new city attorney, has investigated the law, and given the mayor an opinion to the effect that he can terminate the police judge's tenure of office at any time.

Judge Evans today declared the mayor would have to use force to get rid of him.

"The law takes this office out of politics, by refusing to allow the appointing power to dismiss the judge until his term has expired," he said.

"Otherwise, the court would be dominated by the mayor. Fawcett has made efforts to dictate to me in various cases, and I have refused to let him control the court. That's why he wants to get rid of me."

Salary Cut Off.

Mayor Fawcett said today that he had terminated Judge Evans' salary and that if the police judge wanted to remain on the job, he would do it for no compensation. "And if anyone wants to resist his decisions, they can do so by merely refusing to obey," said Fawcett. "Evans will not have the police judgeship, and his rulings will have no weight."

The mayor based his dismissal of Judge Evans on the fact that the judge had refused recently to accede to the council's plan of cutting expenses by abolishing the police court clerk, because the judge had given heavier fines to women prisoners than to men, and because the revenue of the police court was falling off.

"Judge Evans has been letting offenders off with fines that were so small as to be ridiculous," he explained. "He has punished women severely, and let men off with small fines, when their offenses were even more serious than those of the women."

The police judge resented this charge. "I consider that this is a court of justice, and not of revenue," he declared. "I am here to punish persons for wrong-doing, not to make a lot of money for the city."

City Pays \$50.

"It is unfortunate that this has occurred, but I am not going to allow the mayor to dominate this court, and I am going to fight his effort to get rid of me."

The police judge receives \$125 a month from the county as salary for acting as justice of the peace, and \$50 a month from the city for his services in handling police cases.

T. R. Leads In Seattle 'Election'

SEATTLE, May 16.—Two thousand, seven hundred and twenty-two bona fide ballots, properly signed, were cast in the Star's presidential preference election.

Fifteen hundred others were not counted because they were not properly signed.

Theodore Roosevelt led, with 1,302 votes; Wilson second, with 1,034; Hughes third, with 236, and Benson, socialist candidate, was fourth, with 74 votes.

Scattering votes gave Root 36; Ford 18, La Follette 8, Cummins 4, Bryan 4, Burton 4, and Taft 2. The women voters gave Wilson more votes than Roosevelt, 318 women voting for Wilson, while only 258 v. ted for Roosevelt.

The men, however, who cast the heaviest vote, rallied to the Roosevelt banner, giving him 1,044 votes as against 714 for Wilson.

Hughes got 176 votes from men and only 26 from women.

Complimentary votes were given at all the balloting places for Mayor Gill and Dr. Matthews.

The vote shows that Roosevelt led in every place on the total ballots cast except at one barber shop, and that Wilson led in the women's vote in every place except at two of the 20 polling places.

T. R. IN N. Y., TOO
The New York Tribune yesterday published the result of the presidential poll of republican candidates. Roosevelt received more than twice as many votes as all other candidates together.

There were 7,331 votes cast. The result was as follows: Roosevelt, 5,620; Hughes, 1,064; Root, 196; Taft, 13.

The Tribune is a republican paper and four years ago bitterly fought Roosevelt. It now is supporting him.

OREGON MAN PAYS 10 CENTS FOR FAME
SALEM, Ore., May 16.—It cost Charles E. Lockwood just 10 cents to run for president of the United States, according to his official statement of expenditures and contributions on file in the secretary of state's office today. The dime was for stamps.

Yes Indeed But Human Nature Is Wonderful



SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., May 16.—Clivet cat escaped from cage in saloon here, whipped its own image in mirror, chased policeman from place, then demolished contents of bar.

VENGEANCE



AUSTIN, Tex., May 16.—New York woman suing for \$10,000 against railroad because, after she was ejected from train, insect bit her and she was poisoned.

WISDOM



ST. LOUIS, May 16.—Rev. Dr. E. T. Clark addressed meeting of bartenders' league and urged that festive wine clerks join with city's parsons in waging war on violation of Sunday closing laws.

ERROR



LIMA, O., May 16.—Here it is again. Jeremiah Hiatt drove to town, Wanted to mail a letter. Did he try to drop it in red box on corner and summon fire department? He did. Jerry is 80 and never saw a letter box.

WASTE



DENVER, Colo., May 16.—It is costing a Boulder county silver mining king just \$6000 a week to serve as a juror in court here, but he doesn't mind. It is a murder case.

GENIUS



SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 16.—Owners of a Market St. glove shop has replaced its 14 saleswomen with 14 new ones, all of whom have red hair of varying hues. Business is picking up since, so the floor walker, who is bald, says.

SUFFRAGE PETITION GOES TO CONGRESS
WASHINGTON, May 16.—A spectacular parade and demonstration were staged this afternoon as women, Congressional union delegates who have traversed the country on the "Suffrage Special," presented their petitions to congress. The petitions were from the women of the enfranchised states, including many from Washington, asking suffrage for the entire Union.

FIGHT RAISE IN SEATTLE FARE

SEATTLE, May 16.—Claiming that the Puget Sound Navigation Co.'s proposal to increase the boat fares between Tacoma and Seattle is but an attempt to raise money to fight competition on the Sound and put an end to the strike of the steamshipmen, representatives of Tacoma and Seattle labor unions entered a strong protest at the public service commission here today.

The tariff filed by the navigation company with the public service commission calls for an increase from 50 to 65 cents in the round trip fare and from 25 to 40 cents in one way tickets.

Four Boats on Run!
In an effort to show the commission that they are not getting a fair return on their investment, officers of the navigation company testified that four boats are being used on the Tacoma and Seattle run.

In addition to the Tacoma and Indianapolis, the company claimed that the steamers Flyer and Chippewa were used on the run, and that the four boats did not pay with the present rates.

State Denies It.

This statement was contradicted by O. O. Calderhead, the commission's rate expert, who was the first state witness called by Chairman Reynolds.

He testified that there were only two steamers on the regular run, the Tacoma and the Indianapolis, and that his investigation showed that the company was getting an unusually fair return on these two vessels.

Assertions were made that the company is attempting to complete a monopoly of sound steam traffic.

Jay W. McCune, secretary of the transportation bureau of the Tacoma Commercial club, arrived at the eleventh hour today to represent Tacoma.

McCune attended the opening of the hearing without knowing which side of the case he should represent. Early this afternoon he called up Tacoma to find out what action the Commercial club's executive committee had taken.

The question of having the people of Tacoma represented at the rate hearing was taken up by the members' council of the Commercial club nearly a month ago. It was referred to the transportation bureau, to investigate the merits of the case and report back to the executive committee.

The executive committee received no report until today, and McCune came to Seattle to get in on the hearing without waiting for a decision.

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By Gilson Gardner.
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'Tis Welcome Sound, If Only Faint One



Tacoma Women Disagree With Doctrines of Motherhood Rebel

"Cutting out all sentiment, how is America going to get the required amount of high class babies?"

"If you're going to have the men and women who go to make a nation, you have to have babies, that's certain."

"And if you're going to have babies, you have to have somebody to bring the little rascals into the world."

Mrs. Robert B. Liggett, the little girl mother from St. Paul, who will talk about Twilight Sleep to Prok's auditorium tonight, thinks that America is going to be short of good babies and that it's time to do something about it.

Blames Modern Life.
For, says she, the girls of today are refusing to be breeders.

The newcomers, they find, cause too much disturbance and too much torture in their arrival.

"And what's more I don't blame the girls," says Mrs. Liggett. She says she ought to know, because she has been there herself.

"What with stylish corsets, and all-night dances, and wet feet and every other requirement of twentieth century life the sufferings of childbirth are too great for our girls to face." Knowing of these sufferings and dangers they are refusing to become mothers, and they are right.

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So, says Mrs. Liggett, it is up to the immigrant mothers to supply America with babies—that is, until some methods are used to do away with the sufferings.

Our educated girls are not good breeders, she holds. Her ideas are so new and startling, at least to the older generations.

"Mrs. Liggett is going at the thing from the wrong end," was the reply given by two prominent Tacoma women today.

It is up to our girls to face the music, and to eliminate for future girls the suffering which has been caused by the tight corsets and the wet feet and the high living of the past generations, they say.

Say Back to Nature.
It's up to our girls to make their habits such that there will

be less suffering for the girls who are to come, not more. The trouble, as they see it, lies with the modern habits of living. The effective remedy is not in finding artificial means of re-

lieving the pain, but by cutting out the artificial life that is the cause of the suffering.

"Back to nature a little more," is their plea.

What do you think about it?

Have you removed your vest? (This question is directed to man readers only; we are too diffident to make any such inquiries of the other half of our citizenship.)

We are going to head a movement to have the professional baseball news reported by the financial editors, and the scores run alongside the stock exchange quotations.

VERS LIBRE.
PLOT.

He loved her.
To prove it, he got soured in 100-proof hickory and went all over the parlor rug;

He loved her.
To prove it, he threw up His job because he got lonesome Working down there in the office, all day;

He loved her.
And he stuck around every living minute And never let her forget what he looked like, Or anything.

TAB.
And one pleasant evening He came home lit up with The cursed stuff And killed her; because He loved her.

Again we inquire for the old-fashioned man who used to say that T. R. is politically dead at last.

Talk o' the Times

Greetings, have you noticed that we're no longer in the cellar?

A Boston man brags that he has worn a broadcloth coat for 55 years. Pretty long for broadcloth.

But at that, one broadcloth coat ever 55 years ought to be enough for any man.

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Economy

There can be no question about this being the economical age; not so much because the money is not being earned, but everyone now is getting to grasp the idea of a savings account and save something for a rainy day. This is the most economical way to live.

PUGET SOUND STATE BANK

We are your friend.