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OREGON CITY, MAR. 13, 1903.



Anyway, the House Democrats died a-fighting in the last ditch.

Nothing in the life of the Fifty-seventh Congress became it less than the manner of leaving it.

George Rogers Clark does not meet with the approval of Gov. Durbin, of Indiana. William Taylor does.

Germany is endeavoring to adopt our business methods. When she has assimilated them we will have better ones.

In spite of the "titanic struggle" marking the close of the Fifty-seventh Congress, no Appropriation Bill has been lost.

Evidently the surest way of becoming an American hero these days is to join the Board of Strategy and keep away from the scene of conflict.

Senators are not generally disturbed at the calling of an extra session. Washington is a far better place to spend March than further North.

Senator Warren very aptly characterizes the closing days of the Fifty-seventh Congress as "this ghost-dance of intoxicated indulgence and extravagance."

Rear Admiral Cronshel's pedulant request to be immediately placed on the retired list was no sooner made than granted. Let him be retired to the very rearest end of the list of the retired.

Fortunately for the Senate and for the rest of the country, the Aldrich Bill, making the Secretary of the Treasury financial dictator, is not to be numbered among the sins of the Fifty-seventh Congress.

The Buffalo police have reached the startling conclusion that Burdick was lying on a couch when he was murdered. If it can be established that he was addicted to snoring the days of the murderer are numbered.

As fighting has already begun between the Turks and Macedonians, the prophets who selected the early spring as the time of opening for the festivities must feel that their wisdom has been fully and promptly vindicated.

The Oklahoma Legislature has solemnly and officially recognized the game of seven up; but, on the subject of the game in which Matthew Stanley Quay stacked the cards, there is a silence thick enough to be cut with a knife.

The labored story about Mrs. Hayes' sideboard proves to be a canard. Hayes never received a sideboard from the temperance ladies of Cincinnati and the sideboard in the Washington saloon was bought for purely utilitarian purposes.

The only dead men who tell tales are the "dead" politicians who spend the remainder of their lives explaining how it came about, how their friends proved traitors and the people "never could understand." They are such bores they often get consulships.

The Immigrant bill, robbed of most of the provisions which would have made it valuable to the people, has become a law. The people were largely to blame. They never awoke to the possibilities for good contained in the educational clause.

"A university of the science of humanity where men and women can be trained to reclaim depraved women, criminals and drunkards" is declared by General Booth, of the Salvation Army, to be the crowning desire of his life. It is an ambition worthy of the man.

The Congress House which begins today the arduous task of drawing salary will have twenty-nine more members than the one that is today reluctantly relieved from that duty.

In other words, there were in the Fifty-seventh House, in addition to some half dozen Territorial delegates, who have all the privileges and emoluments, save that of voting, 357 members, while in the new House there are 387.

While the action of the Democrats in the House in opposing all legislation after the unseating of Butler is not to be condoned, the filibuster against the Statehood Bill by the Republican minority in the Senate, which is responsible for the extra session, is not to be forgotten.

Senator Hoar frequently pours oil on the troubled waters of debate by his wit. In a recent encounter between Senators Elkins and Lodge the able Senator changed the currents of events by telling Mr. Elkins he was "the essence of wisdom and beauty."

Representative-elect Hearst says "I doubt if the country knows there has been any trust legislation at this session of Congress. Congress has legislated all round in the vicinity of trusts. The situation is like a fellow winking at a girl in the dark. He may know he is winking, but nobody else does."

According to Prof. Adolf Wagner, of the University of Berlin, "the Monroe Doctrine is an empty pretension behind which is neither energetic will or actual power." Evidently the old rule in poker that the man caught bluffing loses the pot ought to apply—but it doesn't.

If Senator Tillman can secure for South Carolina \$47,000 on a claim which Mr. Cannon asserts amounts to but thirty-four cents, the pitchfork statesman ought to be able to keep the wolf from the door if he had nothing more than the proverbial thirty cents to start with.

Mr. Roosevelt is quoted as saying to the Tennessee delegation: "There is one member of your delegation that I would see in h-l before I would do anything for him." Meeting under such circumstances, the member referred to might appreciate the President's recommendation to re-establish the tariff on coal.

Mr. Grosvenor protests against any aid for "the author of the Kentucky resolutions of 1798, which helped to bring on the War of the Rebellion, in which 200,000 Americans lost their lives." Is Mr. Grosvenor going to turn against all the Presidents because of the exposure of his blackmailing scheme in writing their lives.

The republicans in the Senate have twice voted down the Littlefield anti-trust bill which was reported by no less able a republican than Senator Hoar. Their excuse is that no time remained for the consideration of such important legislation at this session. And yet they have insisted on passing the Aldrich bill, a far more complicated measure, at the eleventh hour and practically without debate.

**DON'T BE A BLACKGUARD.**

The editor of the Astoria Herald who by the way was the Secretary of the judiciary committee before which the eight hour law came in the last session of the General Assembly, is having "conspicuous fits" because forsooth the labor organizations of Oregon City have seen fit to pass resolution criticising the action of Senator George C. Brownell in that body. He accuses the Courier of being behind the laboring people of Oregon City and having this sentiment worked up and ends by saying that Senator Brownell has done all that mortal man could do to get bills 148 and 149 passed by the late lamented legislature. He says among other things "the editor of the Courier is either a fool, a liar or a Democrat." It is very easy for the ordinary mortal to become a "blackguard" and the editor of the Herald seems to drop naturally into the role. When a man has a bad cause or is at a loss for a good defense it is always conclusive to call the party on the other side of the controversy a liar. Blackguardism in newspapers as in public speech at all times and places is offensive to the public and can only injure the man who utters it. The Courier has had absolutely nothing to do with the labor opposition to Senator Brownell. It has suggested nothing, said nothing and personally has only the kindest feeling for the Senator. It has published some resolutions adopted by the labor organizations of this city at their request and will continue to do so. It is true that the editor of the Courier is a Democrat. To small minds, like the editor of the Herald, that is cause sufficient for opening up his batteries of mudslinging and blackguardism. The editor of the Herald may be a gentleman but three is nothing in his article in the last issue to indicate it. He should study some of the amenities of life as well as the amenities of Journalism. The editor of the Courier has long since learned that in publishing a country newspaper it is best to dip ones pen in the milk of human kindness and deal kindly with the faults and follies of men. The editor of the Herald would do well to go and do likewise.

We sell the greatest of blood purifiers Acker's Blood Elixir, under a positive guarantee. It will cure all chronic and other blood poisons. If you have eruptions or sores on your body or are pale, weak or run down, it is just what you need. We refund money if you are not satisfied. 50c and \$1. H. Weil & Jones, Druggists.

**TELL THE TRUTH AND SHAME THE DEVIL.**

The Hon. John R. Shaver, the high sheriff of Clackamas County, over his own signature in the Oregon City Enterprise denies vehemently, and unconditionally that he has any interest in the Oregon City Enterprise, that he has had any interest or that he ever will have any interest in the said paper. Now as Mr. Shaver is a man of character and veracity, we can not doubt his word and have no inclination to do so. We know that it is a very serious matter to accuse a citizen of holding stock in that paper. It is enough to wreck a man's business and destroy his hope of political preferment in the future and the Courier would not knowingly or willfully accuse any citizen of this county of so serious an offense against good morals unless there was some foundation of truth to base the accusation upon. If Mr. Shaver has no interest in the Enterprise we beg his pardon. But there is something we would like to know and many of the good citizens of this county would like to know. Some two month ago an incorporated company was organized in Oregon City for the purpose of publishing the Oregon City Enterprise, and conducting a job office and print shop in Oregon City. The company was capitalized at \$7,500.00 and some fifteen of the prominent politicians of Oregon City of the Republican persuasion became the incorporators of that company and among them was the Hon. John R. Shaver, the high Sheriff of Clackamas county. His name is signed to articles of incorporation in a big, bold, round hand. The articles were recorded in the record office of Clackamas County. Now as a man can not become an incorporator of a company without holding some stock in the company, or at least becoming a subscriber to stock in the company, the Courier, was of course misled into the supposition that Mr. Shaver held stock in the Enterprise. If he does not hold any stock in the Enterprise he has allowed the editor of that sheet to make more or less of a fool of him. In fact it would seem that all of the boys who signed the articles of incorporation of that company have been used to bolster up "a losing game." There are several of them who would like "to get from under." It would seem that the editor of the Enterprise is using these "good fellows" like we boys once upon a time used mud soldiers. We set them up for the pleasure of knocking them down again. If Mr. Shaver does not own any stock in the Enterprise, he will please to accept our apology, and our advice not to take any bad money or be caught in a "shell game" any more. The Courier would like also to know if he don't own any stock in the Enterprise who does? What was the articles of incorporation for anyhow?

**SHAKING THE PLUM TREE.**

Several Oregon City Gentleman Looking for a Job.

There are several good looking, well dressed citizens of Oregon City who are looking longingly at the place now occupied by register of the land office O. B. Moores. The word has gone down the line that Mr. Moore's successor is to be appointed within a short time. Mr. Moores has been register at Oregon City for about five years. The position pays about \$3,000 per year and is somewhat of a sinecure. Hon. A. S. Dresser is the Oregon City gentleman who would like to fall into this good place and sacrifice himself for the good of the country. He is making an active fight for the position and may land it. Mr. Moores is not ready to give up yet and will fight to hold his job.

**PORTLAND MARKET.**

Wheat—Walla Walla, 76c; bluestem, 88c; valley, 78 1/2c.  
 Barley—Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brewing \$24.  
 Flour—Best grade, \$4 30 @ 4 85; graham, \$3.45 @ 3.85.  
 Millstuffs—Bran, \$18 to 19 per ton; middlings, \$23 @ 24; shorts, \$19 @ 20; chop, \$18.  
 Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15 @ 1.20; gray, \$1.12 1/2 @ 1.15 per cental.  
 Hay—Timothy, \$11 @ 12; clover, \$8 @ 9; cheat, \$9 @ 10 per ton.  
 Potatoes—Best burbanks, 60 @ 75c per sack; ordinary, 40 @ 50c per cental; growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$2 @ 2.25 per cental.  
 Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 12 1/2c; young, 11 @ 12c; hens 12 1/2c; turkeys alive, 15 @ 16c; dressed, 18 @ 20c; ducks, \$7 @ 7.50 per dozen; geese, \$7 @ 8.50.  
 Cheese—Full cream, twins, 1 1/2 @ 17 1/2c; Young America, 17 1/2 @ 18 1/2c; factory prices, 1 @ 1 1/2c less.  
 Butter—Kanev creamery, 30 @ 32 1/2c per pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 2 @ 22 1/2c; store, 15 @ 18c.  
 Eggs—23 @ 25c per dozen.  
 Hops—Choice, 22 @ 27c per pound.  
 Wool—Valley, 12 1/2 @ 15c; Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 14 1/2c; mohair, 25 @ 28c.  
 Beef—Gross, cows, 5 @ 5 1/2c; per pound steers, 4 @ 4 1/2c; dressed, 7 1/2c.  
 Veal—7 1/2 @ 8 1/2c.  
 Mutton—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed 7 1/2c.  
 Lambs—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed 7 1/2c.  
 Hogs—Gross, 6 1/2c per pound; dressed 7 @ 7 1/2c.

If you desire a good complexion use Noki Tea, a pure herb drink. It acts on the liver and makes the skin smooth and clear. Cures sick headaches, 35c and 50c. Money refunded if it does not satisfy you. Write to W. H. Hooker & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for free sample, or Howell & Jones, Astoria.

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Will be presented by the Courier to the most Popular Laboring Men in Clackamas County



**Popularity Voting Contest**

There are there thousand laboring men in Clackamas County who work for wages. The Courier wants to know who are the four most popular laboring men in this vast army of wage workers. To that end we will open the ballot to Courier subscribers.

On the 30th day of May, Decoration Day, we will give the following prizes to the most popular laboring men in this county.  
 To the Laboring Man Receiving the Highest Number of Votes ..... \$50.00  
 To the Laboring Man Receiving the Next Highest Number of Votes ..... 25.00  
 To the Laboring Man Receiving the Third Highest Number of votes ..... 10.00  
 To the Laboring Man Receiving the Fourth Highest Number of votes ..... 5.00

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\$1.50 paid on subscription entitles you to cast twenty votes  
 .75 paid on subscription entitles you to cast ten votes  
 .40 paid on subscription entitles you to cast five votes

Whether you be an old subscriber or a new one, you can vote for your choice by paying your subscription to the Courier. You get the Courier one year for \$1.50, six months for 75c, three months for 40c.

**Official Ballot**

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 Address .....  
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