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OREGON CITY, MAR. 27, 1903.



Minister Squires says Cuba is the most expensive place of residence in the world. J. Piermon Morgan has just been Mr. Squires' guest.

After playing his little Statehood game in the Senate, Mr. Quay went fishing and left his colleagues to ratify their treaties as best they might.

Congress has paid South Carolina a claim due since the war of 1812. And yet Representative Cannon characterized the interest on the payment as "Legislative Blackmail."

Scientists tell us that the grip germ is one-sixteenth-thousandth of an inch long and one-eighty-thousandth of an inch wide. But people who have had the grip think it is as big as a bat.

There are indications that after twice failing to secure the approval of the Senate for his nomination of Cram, as collector of the port of Charleston, Mr. Roosevelt will appoint him anyway.

A Frenchman who has been in Saint Louis arranging for the French exhibit at the coming fair says, "After my people have seen Saint Louis they will not regret Napoleon's sale of Louisiana."

There is every reason to believe that John Sharp Williams of Mississippi will be the next democratic leader in the House of Representatives. All who know him appreciate he will make an able one.

A Pennsylvania legislator, following the President's lead, has introduced a bill providing gold medals for mothers of large families. Why not reward them with cradles or sewing machines?

Statehood for the territories, Cuban reciprocity and the Aldrich and Fowl financial bills are to be left over for the next session of Congress so that the newspaper accounts may not seem strange or novel.

Senator Morgan intimates in unmistakable terms, that he was made the dupe of those republican high protectionists who hoped his long debate on the Columbian treaty would defeat the Cuban agreement.

It is claimed that by the application of scientific agriculture Palestine may be transformed, from a country capable of supporting but 600,000, to one capable of supporting from 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 people.

Senator Gorman has already organized the democratic forces in the Senate and that organization has forced an unwelcome but constitutional amendment onto the Cuban treaty. Wonders can be accomplished by organization.

One small room in a rented building as headquarters is all Congress has left for the new Department of Commerce and Labor. Is not this significant of the importance the republicans really attach to all "trust busting" efforts under their laws.

Washington (D. C.) architects are complaining because of a new law limiting the height of buildings. "We may not build to the sky" says one of them. They should not be discards, however. That attempt was made some years ago and only ended in great confusion.

England and Germany are becoming seriously wrought up over the question of whether Emperor William did or did not swear at his royal nephew, Edward VII on the deck of an American yacht. We are inclined to suspect Edward said some hard things about his royal uncle during the Venezuelan episode.

Washington city is unable to enforce an anti-spitting regulation because only one of the three Commissioners, Mr. McFarland, favors it. In this respect Washington is behind New York, Philadelphia and other Eastern cities, where expectoration is forbidden. If in Europe a man spits on the street or anywhere except in his handkerchief, he marks himself as an American or a barbarian.

There is another big scandal involving the chief law officer of the Post

Office Department. A few fraudulent get rich quick concerns have from time to time been put on the fraud list when they are unable to nab the gullible millions through the mails. But the large majority of these concerns are untouched although the attention of the Post Office Department has been called to them again and again. They are known to every body except the astute detectives of the P. O. D. whose duty it is to find and prosecute them. Now it appears that a brother-in-law of the officers of the department whose duty it is to bring these concerns to justice has been connected with one of the largest of these fraudulent concerns.

At last, after many years and many weary days of toil and strife, the United States Government is committed to the building of an Isthmian canal across the isthmus of Panama connecting the two big oceans of the world. Senator Morgan of Alabama, the old man eloquent, the Octogenarian of the Senate of the United States has at last seen his dream of an inter ocean canal brought to a fruitful issue; but not as he would have wished it to be done. The United States Government has pledged its faith and credit to the Panama route and the old French ditch into which was poured the wealth of a French Kingdom will be acquired by the United States Government and the route will be by the way DeLesseppe the great French engineer selected, laid out and dedicated to this purpose now many years ago. It may not be the best route, we do not know and it is very doubtful if any body does know for sure; but when it is finished and the magnificent men of war of Uncle Sam's navy can in a few hours time be floated under their own steam from ocean to the other, and the commerce of the world can be proudly born on the quiet bosom of this artificial river from one sea to the other, the utopian dream of Senator Morgan and others of his faith will have been realized. The undertaking to even complete this canal and dedicate it to the commerce of the world is a magnificent and stupendous undertaking, in keeping with the genius of the twentieth century. That it will be completed within the next ten years and that the flags of every land will be found floating upon its surface in the good year of our lord 1913 is almost a certainty. It will be a proud day for the United States when it is opened and dedicated to the public use. It will be a great day for the Pacific when its utilities are brought to our door. The building of this self same canal has bankrupted a million people put in jeopardy the life of the French government and has been a source of frauds and stealings the like of which the world has not seen before. Let us hope that since it is to be transferred to the United States it will come with a clean record and that its administration and construction will be devoid of scandal and free from blame.

Democrats have no cause for dissatisfaction with the new senate as compared with the last one, from a political standpoint, the relative strength of the two parties in the upper house would have remained the same but for the election of two Republican senators to the two Delaware seats, which have been so long vacant.

The Republicans will now have fifty-seven votes in the senate, as against thirty-three Democratic votes. But they have also substituted Hopkins, of Illinois, for Mason, who while counted as a Republican more often voted with the Democrats. This is offset, however, by the substitution of Lafimer, of South Carolina, for McLaurin, who nearly always voted with the Republicans on strict party measures.

The Democrats, on the other hand, have gained some notable acquisitions in Senators Gorman, of Maryland, as well as McCreary, of Kentucky, who succeeds the Republican, Deboe. While they lose one of their great leaders in Senator Vest, who gives way to Stone, the latter is equipped for more active leadership than the former has been able to undertake for the past several years; and Gorman, who takes Wellington's place, will naturally and properly step into his old place of leadership and render the party some most effective service.

As viewed from a party standpoint, therefore, the Democrats, while the Republicans have gained two votes by the filling of the Delaware vacancies, are in a much stronger position in the new senate which went out of existence Wednesday. With such men as Gorman, Bacon, Clay, Carmack, Morgan, Stone, Teller and others to hold up the Democratic end, the Republicans may well feel themselves matched in point of ability, if not in numbers.

The terms of thirty senators expired Wednesday, sixteen of whom had been reelected and were sworn in again yesterday for another term. Those senators who succeeded themselves were: Republicans, Alger, Platt of Connecticut, Platt of New York, Gaiinger, Penrose, Perkins of California, Fairbanks, Hansbrough, Dillingham, Allison, Foraker, Spooner, Democrats,

Pettus, McEnery of Louisiana, Teller, Clay, Mallory, of Florida, will also succeed himself, his election taking place when the legislature meets in July.

The following Republicans are succeeded by Republicans: Mason by Hopkins, of Illinois; Simon by Fulton, of Oregon.

The following Democrats were succeeded by Democrats: Jones by Clark, of Arkansas; McLaurin by Latimer, of South Carolina; Vest by Stone, of Missouri.

The following Democrats were succeeded by Republicans: Heitfield by Heyburn, of Idaho; Rawlins by Smoot, of Utah; Harris by Long, of Kansas; Turner (fusionist) by Ankney, of Washington.

The following Republicans are succeeded by Democrats: Jones, by Newlands, of Nevada; Wellington, by Gorman, of Maryland; Beboe, by McCreary, of Kentucky; Pritchard by Overman, of North Carolina.

The Merry Dancing Club gave another one of its delightful dances Saturday evening.

Street fakirs are charged \$5 per day for licenses and not a great many appear on the streets.

Circuit court will convene for its regular session the third Monday in April and there is a considerable docket.

C. G. Jacobs trustee, advertises that he will sell a fine bunch of cattle and other stock on the Oswego turnpike on April 3th.

New line of shirt waists at the Red Front.

A man from Missouri offers \$20 to any other man who will talk 24 hours with him, and in the ordinary run of conversation tell nothing but the truth. No talkers have yet appeared.

The sunny, warm days have been taken advantage of, to the full, by the farmers, in plowing and sowing grain. The winter wheat has been much injured by the February frosts.

Lydia Miller has sued her husband, W. H. Miller, for a divorce on the ground of desertion. They were married in Vancouver in 1898. She asks to be restored to her maiden name, that of Lydia Bingham.

FOR RENT, furnished and unfurnished rooms for rent. Inquire of Chas. Schram, Cor. Sixth and Water St.

1904 is a leap year. It has been a long time between leaps, but we are told that the calendar will not serve the girls such a trick again for 200 years, and those who suffered from the present long interval will hardly be here then.

About the middle of May the Macca-bees of Portland will have a banquet that will eclipse anything in that line that the Portland lodge has ever attempted. Already local Macca-bees are laying their plans to turn out in force.

Grand Millinery Opening Monday and Tuesday, March 30 and 31st and the following days. Miss Goldsmith.

The credit for securing the free rural delivery of mail matter on the Stone, Viola, Logan and Redland route is due largely to Mr. Louis Kirchem and to his brother A. M. Kirchem, who have given their time to the matter and have carried the petitions around and secured the signatures.

George A. Behnke, Barlow's leading smithy, passed through Oregon City Monday on his way to Tualatin, where his wife has been for the past several weeks with her mother. Mr. Behnke reports that his wife made him a present of a fine boy a few weeks ago and he was going there to bring the mother and babe home.

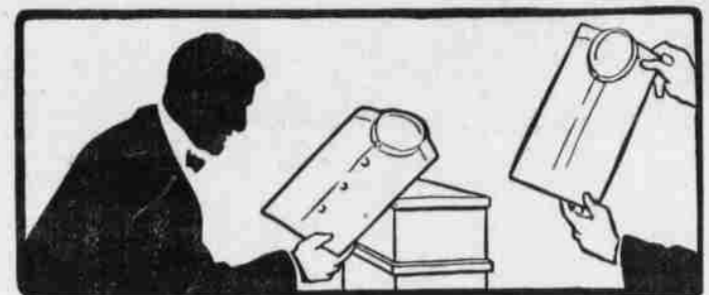
PORTLAND MARKET.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 70c; bluestem, 87c; valley, 78 1/2c. Barley—Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brewing \$24. Flour—Best grade, \$4.30 @ 4.85; Graham, \$3.45 @ 3.75. 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, \$12 @ 14; clover, \$8 @ 9; cheat, \$9 @ 10 per ton. Potatoes—Best burbank, 60 @ 75c per sack; ordinary, 40 @ 50c per cental; growers' prices; Mercad sweets, \$2 @ 2.25 per cental. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 12 1/2c; young, 11 @ 12c; hens 12 1/2c; turkeys alive, 15 @ 16; dressed, 18 @ 20c; ducks, \$7 @ 7.50 per dozen; geese, \$7 @ 8.50. Cheese—Full cream, twins, 1 1/2 @ 1.75. Butter—Fancy creamery, 3 @ 32 1/2c per pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 26 @ 22 1/2c store, 18 @ 18c. Eggs—12 @ 15c per dozen. Hops—Choice, 22 @ 27c per pound. Wool—Valley, 12 1/2 @ 15c; Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 14 1/2c; mohair, 26 @ 28c. Best—Gross, cows, 30 @ 33 1/2c; per pound steers, 40 @ 43 1/2c; dressed, 7 1/2c. Veal—7 1/2 @ 8 1/2c. Mutton—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed 1 1/2c. Lambs—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed 7 1/2c. Hogs—Gross, 6 1/2c per pound; dressed 7 @ 7 1/2c.

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



Popularity Voting Contest

There are three 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

How Entitled to Vote

\$1.50 paid on subscription entitles you to cast twenty votes

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.40 paid on subscription entitles you to cast five votes

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Official Ballot

Form with fields for No., Name, Address, and No. of Votes Cast. Below the form is the text 'The Most Popular Laboring Man in Clackamas County is:'