

EXPORTS INCREASE

Occupation of Panama By U. S. Helps South America.

RAILROAD MONOPOLY CEASED

United States Consul at Manza, Ecuador States American Occupancy of Panama Has Increased Exports of South America to this Country.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—The occupation of Panama by the United States government, especially its control of the Panama railroad, has had a marked effect upon the Pacific Coast countries and South and Central America, according to Paul Gonenbach, United States Consul agent at Manza, Ecuador, who was here yesterday. According to Mr. Gonenbach, the control by the United States of the Panama Railroad and the consequent abolition of the monopoly of that company over trade across the isthmus will increase greatly the exports of Central and South American countries to the United States. This will result in cheapening many necessary articles of commerce in the United States which hitherto have been exported to Hamburg, Germany, and thence across the Atlantic to the United States.

SUDDEN CHANGE.

If you contracted a cold in the recent change of weather, you will find a remedy of real merit in Tar & Wild Cherry—or Atwood's Cold Cure. At Frank Hart's Drug Store. See our window display of purses and leather goods, etc.

RUSSIAN CRUISERS ON GUARD.

Depot of Bombs Discovered at Riga and Executions Continue.

RIGA, Livonia, Feb. 17.—Russian cruisers are lying off this port inspecting all arriving craft to prevent importation of weapons, several large consignments of which are reported to be on their way here to replace the thousands captured and destroyed by troops. A depot of bombs and explosives has been discovered in the center of the city. Executions in the country continue daily. Three punitive expeditions are concentrating at Dondagen, where lately there has been a recrudescence of the revolutionary movement.

In the true life of the individual each day is the beginning of a new year.—Jordan.

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Church Notices

Norwegian-Danish Methodist. The Norwegian-Danish M. E. Church, Uppertown, Rev. C. Aug. Peterson, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The evening sermon will be devoted to the coming battle and the "Liquor Dealers' Proposed Change of the Local Option Law." Sunday school at 10 a. m., Albert Carlsen, superintendent. Young People's prayer meeting at 7 p. m., Rev. E. L. Nanthrup, leader.

First Presbyterian. First Presbyterian church, Rev. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock, theme of sermon, "The World-State and the World's Evangelization." Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock, "Christian Citizenship." Chorus choir.

First Baptist. The Baptist church will observe all the usual Sunday services today. Subjects of sermons will be, "A Call to Better Things", and "Saved to Serve" Come everybody.

First Lutheran. Services at the First Lutheran church today as usual. Morning services at 10:45 in Swedish. Evening services at 7:30 in English. The theme for the evening sermon is, "The Word and the Heart." Everybody cordially invited.

First M. E. Church. At the Sunday evening service at 7:30 o'clock, Mrs. Geo. Watkins will sing. Mrs. Watkins has one of the finest voices ever heard in Astoria and we are sure her host of friends will be glad to hear her again, and especially so as she, with her husband, will leave Monday to make their home Portland. The other services of the day are the class meeting at 10:15 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12:15 and Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all, not only to hear Mrs. Watkins, but to all the service.

Congregational Church. Services will occur today in the Congregational church, both morning and evening at the usual hours. Rev. Strange will speak at both services. All are cordially invited to be present.

Grace Church. Services in the Grace Episcopal church will occur at the usual time. Morning service at 11 o'clock, with Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. Evening service will be at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to be present.

A FEARFUL PEST.

The Ferocious Mosquitoes That Swarm in Scandinavia.

Hunters find the mosquitoes a terrible pest in parts of northern Scandinavia. One writes: "The warmth of the sun is rousing our deadly enemies, the mosquitoes, into active warfare. At tacked as we are by a few score of vicious piping skinfishers from the mighty host, we have before advancing to look to the joints of our harness and don our gauntlets; then in descending the long slope toward our bivouac the scores of the foe are gradually multiplied to hundreds, the hundreds to thousands, the thousands to myriads, till we are at length enveloped in a dense cloud of winged fiends. The horses are a distressing sight. From nose to tail, from hoof to withers, their unfortunate bodies are covered with what might be taken at a casual glance for gray blanket clothing, but which is really a textile mass of seething insect life, so closely set that you could not anywhere put the point of your finger on the bare hide.

"For such small creatures mosquitoes exhibit an astonishing amount of character and diabolical intelligence. They dash through smoke, creep under veil or wristband like a ferret into a rabbit hole and when they can neither dash nor creep will bide their time with the cunning of a red Indian. We wore stout dogskin gloves, articles with which they could have had no previous acquaintance, and yet they would follow each other by hundreds in single file up and down the seams, trying every stitch, in the hope of detecting a flaw."

And the same writer concludes: "The problem presents itself, Why are these vermin so horribly bloodthirsty and so perfectly formed for sucking blood? It is one of the great mysteries of nature. On the uninhabited stretches of Finmark they must as a rule exist on vegetable diet, the chances of blood so rarely occur."

Itching Piles. If you are acquainted with anyone who is troubled with this distressing ailment you can do him no greater favor than to tell him to try Chamberlain's Salve. It gives instant relief. Price 25 cents per box. Sold By Frank Hart and leading druggists.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Latest Quotations in the Portland Markets.

Complete Market Reports Corrected Each Day Giving the Wholesale Prices of Commodities, Farm Produce and Vegetables.

PORTLAND, Feb. 17.—Fresh egg prices were considered firmer today as a result of increased consumption. "When the retail price of fresh eggs is 25c or below, the demand increases enormously," a prominent commission man said today, "and we do not look for a further decline unless receipts should increase very much next week." There are still large stocks of Oregon ranch eggs held on Front street by firms that expect an advance. Some of these eggs cost the country dealers as high as 24c a dozen 10 days ago, and a loss of 7 cents a dozen is more than these shippers anticipated. "I would rather be buying than selling eggs at this time," another commission man said, "as I can offer less than going quotations, in view of heavier receipts and a lack of demand for cold storage purposes. He who holds eggs for a rise at this time is taking a risk."

Advance in Dried Apples. A sharp advance has taken place in the price of evaporated and canned apples. The former sell for 12 1/2c a pound, and the latter at \$3.75 per dozen gallon cans.

Grain, Produce, Feed.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 71c; Valley, 74c; bluestem, 72c; red, 68c. Oats—White, \$23; gray, \$27. Barley—Brewing, \$23.50@24; feed, \$23.25; rolled, \$24@25. Hay—Valley timothy, \$11@11; Eastern Oregon, \$13.50@14; clover, \$8.50@9; cheat, \$7.50@8; alfalfa, \$10. Millstuffs—Midlings, \$25@26; chop, \$19; bran, \$18@19; shorts, \$20@21. Flour—Hard wheat patent, \$4.20; straight, \$3.50; graham, \$3.50; rye, \$5; whole wheat flour, \$3.75; Valley, \$3.65@3.90; Dakota, \$5.50@7.25; Eastern rye, \$5.40; Pillsbury, \$6.30@7.15; Corvallis, \$3.70. Corn—Whole, \$24; cracked, \$25 per ton. Rye—\$1.50 per cwt. Buckwheat—\$12.50 per ton.

Produce.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27@30c lb.; city creamery, 30@32c; dairy, 16 1/2@17c; store, 14 1/2@15c; Eastern creamery, 25@27 1/2c; butter-fat, 29@31c. Cheese—Young American, 16c; Oregon full cream, 15c. Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, 17c. Poultry—Old roosters, 8@9c; hens, 11 1/2@12 1/2c; Springers, 14@15c; broilers, 15@16c; dressed chickens, 13@13 1/2c; geese, live, 9@10c; dressed, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 14@15c; dressed, 16@17c; ducks, old, 12@13c; Spring ducks, 15@16c; pigeons, per dozen, \$1@1.25; squabs, \$2@2.50. Honey—Dark, 10 1/2@11c; amber, 12@13c; fancy white, 14@15c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Malaga grapes—\$9.00 per bbl. Apples—Green, 75c@82.25. Pears—\$1.00@1.50 a box. Grape Fruit—\$3.00@3.50 crate. Huckleberries—7c per lb. Cranberries—\$14 per barrel. Tropical fruits—Lemons, fancy, \$3.00; choice, \$2.50 per box; oranges, \$2.25@2.50; bananas, 5c per lb.; pineapples, \$4.50@5 per dozen. Potatoes—Per sack, 60@80c; ear lots, country; jobbers' price, 70@90c; per 100 lbs.; turnips 75@90c sack; cabbages, per pound, 1 1/2c; celery, dozen.

50@55c; onions, 75c@1, in country, jobbers' prices, \$1@1.25; cucumbers, box, 50c; beets \$1 per sack; carrots 75c; per sack; garlic, 10c; egg plant, 15c per pound; sweet potatoes, \$1.85@2.00; red peppers, 20c pound; hothouse lettuce, \$1.50 per box. California vegetables—Green beans, 20c lb; green peas, 12c; sprouts, 8c; radishes, 25c dozen bunches; Chile peppers, 20c lb.; tomatoes, \$1.75 box; head lettuce, 25c doz.; artichokes, 75c dozen; cabbage, \$2.00; cauliflower, \$1.25 per dozen; celery, \$2.75@3 crate.

Groceries, Provisions, Etc.

Sugar, sack basis—Golden C., \$5.05; extra C, \$5.20; powdered, \$5.80; patent cube, \$5.95; cane, D. G., \$5.70; fruit sugar, \$5.70; beet sugar, \$4.60; barrels, cwt. 10c; kegs, cwt., 25c; boxes, cwt., 50c advance over sack basis, less 3c lb. if paid for in 15 days. Salt—Bales of 75-25, bale, \$1.80; bales of 60-30, bale, \$1.60; bales of 40-40, bales, \$1.60; bales of 15-10, bale, \$1.60; bags, 50s, fine, ton, \$11.00; bags, 50 lbs., genuine Liverpool, ton, \$17.00; bags, 50 lbs., 3 ground, 100s, ton, \$7.00; R. S. V. P., 20 5 lb. cartons, \$2.25; R. S. V. P., 24 3-lb. cartons, \$1.75; Liverpool lump, ton, \$18.50. Rice—Imperial Japan, No. 1, \$5.95; Southern, Japan, 5c; broken, 4c; head, fancy, 7; head, choice, 6 1/2c. Coffee—Mocha, 24@25c; Java, fancy, 26@27c; Java, good, 20@24; Java, ordinary, 17@20; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20; Costa Rica, good 14@15; Arabica, 16c per lb; Lion, 16c per lb; Columbia coffee, 13; Salvador, 11@12c. Provisions—Hams, to size 12c; hams, picnic, 8c; bacon, regular, 11c; bacon, breakfast, 13@13 1/2c; dry salt sides, 11c; backs, dry salt, 11c. Nuts—Walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, 15c; No. 1, hard shell, 15c; Chile, 13c; almonds, 16c; filberts, 14@15; Brazil, 14c; pecans, 13@15c; hickory, 8c; Virginia peanuts, 7@7 1/2c; Jumbo Virginia peanuts, 9c; Japanese peanuts, 5 1/2@6c; chestnuts, Italian, 14c; cocoanuts, dozen, 75@80c; new almonds, 15@16c. Figs—White, lb, 5 1/2@6c; black, 6@7c. Beans—Small white, 4c; large white, 3 1/2c; pink, 2 7/8c; bayou, 4 3/4c; Limas, 5 7/8c; Mexican red, 5 1/2c. Pickled goods—Pickled pigs' feet, 1-2 barrels, \$5.00; 1-4-barrels, \$2.75; 15-lb. kits, \$1.25; pickled tripe, 1-2 barrels, \$5.00; 1-4-barrels, \$2.75; 15-lb. kits, \$1.25; pickled pigs' tongues, 1-2 barrels, \$5.00; 1-4-barrels, \$3.00; 15-lb. kits, \$1.50; pickled lamb's tongues, 1-2 barrels, \$9.00; 1-4-barrels, \$5.50; 15-lb. kits, \$2.75. Lard—Kettle-rendered: Tierces, 10 1/2c; tubs, 10 5/8c; 50s, 10 5/8c; 20s, 11 3/4c; 10s, 11c; 5s, 9 5/8c; Standard pure; Tierces, 9 1/4c; tubs, 9 7/8c; 50s, 9 7/8c; 20c, 9 5/8c; 10s, 10c; 5s, 10 1/2c. Compound: Tierces, 6 1/2c; tubs, 6 3/4c; 10s, 7 1/4c; 5s, 7 3/8c. Sausage—Portland ham, 13 1/2c per lb.; minced ham, 10c; summer, choice dry, 17 1/2c; bologna, long, 5 1/2c; wiener, worst, 8c; liver, 5c; pork, 9c; blood, 5c; headcheese, 12 1/2c; bologna sausage, link, 4 1/2c. Raisins—Loose Muscatels, 3-crown, 7 1/2c; 2-crown, 6 1/2c; bleached seedless Sultanina, 7@12c; unbleached seedless Sultanina, 6 3/4c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes of 20 lbs., \$1.85; 2-crown, \$1.75. Dried Fruit—Apples, evaporated, 12c per lb.; sundried, sacks or boxes, none; apricots 11@12c; peaches, 10@11c; pears, 10@12 1/2c; prunes, Italian, 6@; 6 1/2c; French, 3 1/2c; figs, Cal. blacks, 5 3/4c; do, white, none; Smyrna, 20c; Fard. dates, 6c; plums, pitted, 6c. Cereal foods—Rolled oats, cream, 90-lb. sacks, \$6.75; lower grade, \$5.00@ \$6.25; oatmeal, steel cut, 50-lb. sacks, \$8 per bale; 10-lb. sacks, \$4.25 per bale; oatmeal (ground), 50-lb. sacks, \$7.50 per bale; 10-lb. sacks, \$4.00 per bale; split peas, \$4.00 per 100-lb. sack; 25-lb. boxes, \$1.15; pearl barley, \$4.25 per 100 lbs.; 25-lb. boxes, \$1.25 per box; pastry flour, 10-lb. sacks, \$2.50 per bale. Canned salmon—Columbia river, 1-lb.

talls, \$1.85; 2-lb. talls, \$2.50; fancy 1-lb flats, \$2.00; 1-2-lb. fancy flats, \$1.25. Fancy 1-lb. ovals, \$2.75; Alaska talls pink, 90c; red \$1.45; nominal, 2c tall, \$2.00. Mason fruit jars—Half-gallons, per gross, \$1.00; quarts, \$7.50; pints, \$6.55; extra caps, per gross, \$2.35. Economy fruit jars—Half-gallons, per gross, \$12.25; quarts, \$10.80; pints, \$8.85; extra caps, \$1.85. Everlasting fruit jars—Half-gallons, \$12.50; quarts, \$8.50; pints, \$7.50; extra caps, glass, \$2.50.

Livestock Market.

Cattle—Best steers, \$3.00@3.35; cows, \$3.00@3.25; calves, \$3.00@4.75. Sheep—\$5@5.25; lambs, \$5@5.50. Hogs—\$5.75@6.25; light hogs, \$5@5.25.

Wild Game.

Jack rabbits, \$2@2.50 dozen. Sugar, sack basis—Golden C., \$5.05;

Fresh Meats and Fish.

Fresh meats—Veal, small, 8@8c; large, 5@6c; park, 6@7c; beef, bulls, 2@2 1/2c; cows, 2 1/2@4c; lambs, 6@8c. Oysters—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, \$2.25; per sack, \$3.75 net; Olympia, per sack, \$5.25; Eastern transplanted \$1.60 per 100 lbs. Clams—Hardshell, per box, \$2.00; razor clams, \$2.00 per box. Fish—Crabs, per dozen, \$1.50; Shoalwater bay oysters, per sack \$4.00, gallon, \$2.25; halibut, 6c; black 6; bass, per lb, 12 1/2c; herring, 5c; flounders, 5c; cutfish, 8c; lobsters, per lb, 12 1/2c; silver smelt, 6c; shrimp, 10c; perch, 5c; sturgeon, 8c; silverside, 6c; sea trout, 12 1/2c; black bass, 20@25c; Yaquina chinook salmon, 6c. Grain bags—Calcutta and domestic, 7c. Wool—Valley, 24@27 1/2c; Eastern Oregon, 18@20c. Tallow—Prime, per lb, 3@3 3/4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2 1/2c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

Hops—Choice, 10@11c; prime, 9@9 1/2c. Wool—Valley, 24@27 1/2c; Eastern Oregon, 18@20c; nominal. Tallow—Prime, per lb, 3@3 1/2c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2 1/2c. Hides—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 lbs. and up, 16@17c per lb.; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 lbs., 13@14c per lb.; dry calf, No. 1 under 5 lbs., 17@18c; dry salted, bulls and stags, one third less than dry tins (culls, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, murrain, hair-alipped, weather-beaten or grubby, 2@3c per lb. less); salted hides, steers, sound, 60 lbs. and over, 9@10c per lb.; 50 to 60 lbs., 8 1/2@9c per lb.; under 50 lbs. and cows, 8@9c per lb.; salted stags and bulls, sound, 6c per lb.; salted kip, sound, 15 to 30 lbs., 8c per lb.; salted veal, sound, 10 to 14 lbs., 9c per lb.; salted calf, sound, under 10 lbs., 10c per lb. (green, unsalted, 1c per lb. less; culls, 1c per lb. less). Sheep skins: Shearings, No. 1 butchers' stock, 25@30c each; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 40@50c each; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 60@80c; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, \$1.00@1.50 each. Murrain pelts, from 10 to 20 cent less, or 12@14c per lb.; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, \$1.50@2.00; dry, each, according to size, \$1.50; colts' hides, 25@50c each; goat skins, common, 10@15c each; Angora, with wool on, 25c@1.50 each. Mohair—Choice, 30@35c. Feathers—Geese, white, 35@40c; geese gray or mixed, 25@30c; duck, white, 15@20c; duck, mixed, 12@15c.

Oil and Lead.

Coal oil—Pearl and astral oil, cases, 20c per gallon; water white oil, iron barrels, 15c; wood barrels, 17c; extra star cases, 25c; headlight oil, 175 degrees, cases, 23c; iron barrels, 17c. (Washington State test burning oils, except headlight, 3c per gallon higher.) Benzine—Sixty-three degrees, cases, 22c; iron barrels, 17c. Turpentine—In cases, 89c; in wood barrels, 86c; in iron barrels, 83c; in 10-case lots, 88c. Lard oil—Raw, 5-barrel lots, 56c; 1-barrel lots, 57c; in cases, 62c; boiled barrel lots, 58c; 1-barrel lots, 59c; in cases, 64c. Gasoline—Stove gasoline, cases, 24c; iron barrels, 18c; 86 degrees gasoline, cases, 22c; iron barrels or drums, 26c. Rope—Pure Manila, 14c; standard, 13c; Sisal, 11c; Isle brand Sisal, 9c. Wire Nails—Present base at \$2.70. Lead—Strictly pure white lead and red lead, in tons, 7 1/2c; 500-lb. lots, 8c; less than 500 lbs., 8 1/2c.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, Bonds and securities, etc. Total assets: \$793,560.62. Total liabilities: \$793,560.62.

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop: I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. S. S. GORDON, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of February, 1906. V. BOELLING, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: G. C. FLAVEL, W. F. MCGREGOR, J. WESLEY LADD, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, Bonds and securities, etc. Total assets: \$608,106.85. Total liabilities: \$608,106.85.

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop: I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of February, 1906. M. C. MAGEE, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: GEORGE W. WARREN, GEO H. GEORGE, A. SCHERNEKAU, Directors.

TIDE TABLE, FEBRUARY

Tide table with columns for Low Water and High Water, and sub-columns for A.M. and P.M. times and heights in feet.

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