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WEATHER.

Oregon and Washington—Increasing cloudiness followed by showers; cooler in the interior.

INDEPENDENT ASTORIA.

Astoria, with all her splendid natural advantages and her abundant resources developed, and undeveloped, occupies a position, geographically, that compels to act with decisive independence in the scramble for commercial prestige.

PANAMA.

The country is becoming disgusted with the long-drawn and conspicuous corporate fight against the completion of the Panama Canal. It is felt in some quarters, the government, after determining its construction, might better have contracted it out to private concerns and have bestowed them with the aegis of its protecting power.

CAN IT BE?

The man who thinks deeply upon the subject of politics is compelled to recognize the faint, yet unmistakable signs of gradual departure from organic partisan lines and government.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

The Kaiser evidently favors a new trade-mark: "Guaranteed all Morocco-made in Germany."

A funnel-shaped cloud is an ugly visitor, but one touch of it makes the whole country kin.

Much of the trouble in China comes from the viceroy of Canton. A small twig from the big stick ought to settle him.

Thanks to Republican state officials, Missouri is getting more interest on deposits of the state's money than at any previous time.

It is charged that the recent lunar eclipse had something to do with the Martinique eruption. Better this than to blame it on Czar Nicholas.

A reporter asked Tom Johnson if he would accept his election as chairman of the Democratic national committee. He must have been awfully "new."

Setting Senator Morgan on to William Nelson Cromwell recalls the story of the dog that tackled the bear—only the bear remained to tell the story.

Another attempt will be made to establish a Monte Carlo in the United States, to the end that the profligate American may have a chance to squander his money at home.

Commissioner Garfield did not make a very satisfactory report on the business of the big packing concerns, but he is making a very satisfactory witness in the court proceedings.

"You are getting rich, I suppose," said Emperor William to a Kansas visitor, and now the question is whether the Kaiser talks that way to all Americans or only to Kansas men.

Senator Tillman always has plenty of information to impart to the Senate, whether the pending question relates to railroad rates, race prejudice or blended booze.

Nearly a hundred disreputable saloons in Buffalo will be closed shortly by the action of the mayor in cooperation with the local and national brewers' association.

In dealing with the Chinese boycott it appears that the United States will have to deal with former Minister Wu Ting Fang. Fortunately, Mr. Wu's game is well understood in these parts.

Why shouldn't Jan Kubelik and his violin find a home in a car way out in the railroad yards? If other violinists should take to the railroad, or even the woods, would their neighbors object?

A few days ago two model barges laden with 3,000,000 pounds of refined sugar reached Pittsburg by way of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers. Various commercial developments at the mouth of the Mississippi are beginning to make New York uneasy.

"What the Democrats or Republicans did forty years ago is no longer the issue," says Governor Folk, "but the people want to know what they propose to do in the future." In activity and usefulness the general average will be about the same, governor.

Governor Folk's five trade specialties are not involved with out-of-town by the farmers of the West, who remember that during the last Democratic administration sheep were sold for 25 cents each, and horses were turned adrift in the northwest because they had no marketable value.

Last year California shipped more than thirty thousand carloads of oranges, and shipments this year of its golden apples of Hesperides are expected to break the record. The East as well as California is always glad to have such records broken.

Political Information

Announcements of candidates for office will be published in these columns at reasonable rates for men of all parties.

REGISTRATION

Registration books opened by County Clerks, Tuesday, January 2, 1906. Registration books closed for Primary Election, April 10, 5 p. m. Registration books opened after primary election, April 27. Registration books closed for general election, May 13, 5 p. m.

DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION

County Clerks give notice of Primary Election not later than March 31. Last day for filing petitions for placing names on ballot for state, congressional and district offices, March 20. Last day for filing petitions for County officers, April 1.

DATE OF PRIMARY ELECTION, APRIL 20, 1906.

Caucussing votes of primary elections for state offices, May 1.

GENERAL ELECTION

Last day for filing certificates of nomination for state offices by assembly of electors, April 19. Last day for filing petitions for state offices, May 4. Last day for filing certificates of nominations for county officers by assembly of electors, May 4. Last day for filing nominating petitions for county officers, May 19.

GENERAL ELECTION, JUNE 4

BE SURE AND REGISTER

CANDIDATES ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR GOVERNOR.

Republicans of Oregon are hereby informed that I am a candidate for the nomination of Governor at the primaries to be held April 20th.

JAMES WITHYCOMBE.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Secretary of State, and ask the support of all Republicans.

F. T. WRIGHTMAN.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The undersigned hereby announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Attorney-General, subject to the approval of Republican voters at the primaries.

A. M. CRAWFORD.

FOR STATE PRINTER.

The undersigned announces himself as a Republican candidate for renomination for State Printer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election, April 20.

Now serving first term. The same courtesy that has been accorded to State officers generally, that of a renomination, would be greatly appreciated.

J. R. WHITNEY.

Albany, Oregon.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for renomination for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and solicit the support of all Republicans at the primaries, April 20th.

J. H. ACKERMAN.

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In order to effect a desired change in the New York Chinatown it is now urged that it be condemned and made into a park. In this process of park making becomes the rub, New York will soon be all park. The Chinamen are as well where they are as they would be in any other part of the city. The thing to do is to regulate Chinatown.

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