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A SURPRISE TO THE DELEGATES.

UNFORTUNATELY the very sort of weather that the people of Portland have been praying for in the kind that will be least satisfactory to the mining congress visitors...

state of varied and unbounded resources and natural wealth. We cannot take visitors out on adjacent mountain sides and show them rich mines...

EASTERN OREGON WHEAT.

THE HARVEST is far enough along so that a prediction of a very large wheat crop in eastern Oregon, if not a record-breaking crop, may safely be made.

One especially gratifying feature of the wheat harvest in eastern Oregon this year is the amount of new land in cultivation, particularly in Gilliam, Morrow, Wheeler and Sherman counties...

But while that ground will not get such a soaking every spring, it is remarked by close observers that with increased cultivation the rainfall is also gradually increasing...

PORTLAND AS A MINING CENTER.

PORTLAND is not strictly a mining center in the sense or to the relative extent that Denver or Salt Lake is a mining center. It is not so far from these reasons: First, mining is not the chief or predominant industry in the region...

Yet Portland, owing to its situation, its prestige as a metropolis, and the configuration of the country all around, is really, or should be, in a large sense, the great mining center of the Pacific Northwest.

The circulation of the Oregonian's New Year's edition, printed January 1, 1904, received a tremendous boost today when many cartloads of it were removed from cold storage in the basement of the Tall Tower...

NOW FRANCE AIDS WORKINGMEN

France has taken the lead in the matter of bringing employers who need help and employees who need positions together. Free employment agencies are provided for by the terms of a new law recently promulgated.

A SIMPLE REASON.

In Cuba one night during the El Caney affair General Lawton was watching a lot of his soldiers file past, and among them he noticed a burly negro corporal...

FARMERS PRAY FOR RAIN.

Driven almost to desperation by the continued drought, hundreds of farmers throughout the Kankakee valley assembled in the churches in their neighborhoods yesterday and fervently prayed for rain.

THE FULLMAN IS COMING.

From the Marshfield Mail. The little squib in the Portland Journal a few days ago, to the effect that people might be riding to Coos bay in a Pullman car before long was only a slight outcropping of a feeling which is on the increase in Portland...

Small Change

In "What is the issue?" to be the issue? Great is wheat, but the corn ears are pricking up.

A general's bravery often costs a lot of lives needlessly sacrificed.

It seems that the close season for salmon-fishing is well upon.

If experience in running for president is any advantage, Deba has it.

Both parties say West Virginia is safe. Then that is settled; so let it alone.

Perhaps Abdul Hamid wants to keep a few warships near by just to look at.

No cyclone in or around Portland during the Lewis and Clark fair next year.

Was it Dr. J. P. Morgan that administered a quieting dose to the president?

Chicago has had the coolest summer ever so far. But look out for a blizzard soon.

If Port Arthur is waiting for fall to fall, it won't have to stand it very much longer.

Those few Populists left in the middle of the road should look out for automobiles.

Don't some of the men who are abusing Bishop Potter keep model saloons in their cellars?

Kid Alexis already has a high military title, but he won't be any great acquisition to Kuropatkin.

He who fights and runs away too often will become unable after awhile either to fight or run.

It is suspected in Missouri that Senator Bill Stone is carrying on a gun-shoe campaign against Folk.

There appears to be no need of a law extending the fishing season; it won't shut up according to law, anyway.

The Weston Leader publishes many wheat-field items wherein the crop went from 40 to 50 bushels per acre—one 57.

Down in southern California there is a sect of Holy Jumpers. But they cannot be any crazier than our Holy Rollers were.

The spellbinder who undertakes to prove that the country will be in great danger if the other man is elected will have a hard job.

Secretary Shaw is coming out to tell workmen of Portland how happy they ought to be when the trusts raise the price of beef, sugar, etc.

The birth of the czar's son brought good luck to some people in a period of leniency and the abolition of corporal punishment for slight offenses.

Dollar wheat is a very different affair to the farmer with a big crop or the speculator who is long from what it is to the workman with a long family.

That man who told of driving a freight wagon through a river or wall of snakes, lizards and toads, half a mile across a desert, few believe in Nevada must have had some horrible liquid stuff aboard.

Now the St. Louis fair managers wish they could keep the fair open on Sundays, and may do so hereafter. Sunday closing was a big mistake, or rather an imposition put upon the fair by congressmen anxious for re-election.

WANTED, 100,000 GIRLS. N. Y. Special to Chicago Record-Herald.

It developed today that places could readily be found for three hundred servant girls if the latter could be secured.

The demand comes not only from this city, but from the west as well, whence the clamor for domestic help is as insistent as "Never and never" in the east.

This remarkable shortage in the supply of household maids was developed by the inquiries by an industrial organization into the proportion of female immigrants arriving here within the last six months.

The authorities on Ellis island could place 40,000 domestic servants in positions within a radius of twenty miles of the metropolis within three hours of their arrival. More than a many more could be placed in the west.

"The only trouble is we haven't the 40,000," said an official of the immigration bureau who has been busy in the history of this bureau has been such a great demand for domestic help. It is a notable illustration of the good times that prevail. When times are poor domestic servants are among the first to suffer.

"Emigration from the British isles is a disappointment so far as the numbers are concerned. The British government is doing all in its power to discourage emigration. A few years ago Great Britain was doing all in her power to encourage emigration.

"My estimate of 40,000 homes wanting servants is a low one, but it is based on actual knowledge and a first class information."

BISHOP SPALDING ON THE TAVERN

Interview With Bishop Spalding at Portland, Ill.

I suppose we can rely upon New York to meet her own civic and social problems, but in general it seems to me that so far as this new saloon tends to mitigate the old evils, it may be accepted as a fortunate compromise measure.

That would tend to minimize the grosser manifestations of the drink evil, and while this experiment can scarcely be thought of as of significance when the scope of the liquor traffic is considered, it may be looked upon as an indication that the old and righteous battle for a more orderly, a more decent condition of life in our cities, is not being suffered to decline.

To my mind, it is visionary to suppose that prohibition can be established in our great cities. Certain highly immoral tendencies, which exist at this time in connection with the saloon, however, can be eradicated, and the blow should, to my mind, be struck first in that direction."

STADIUM EDITORIALS.

From the Eugene Journal (Rep.). From the National Republican committee at Washington, D. C., is sending out ready prepared editorials on printed slips to the newspapers all over the country in great abundance.

We receive enough every week to fill the whole paper. They are well written and no one could very handily to the party organs, as the editors can take vacations all summer and improve their papers at the same time. But we prefer to stay at home and write our own, even if they are not so good as those furnished by either party. We like them better.

Journal of the Lewis and Clark Expedition

August 22—About three miles distant we joined the men who had been sent to the Maha village and who brought with our horses two deer. The bluffs (elsewhere called Mineral bluffs) or hills which reach the river in this place on the south side of the canyon...

A HOMESICK CALIFORNIAN

I often wonder if there are any homesick Californians in Portland. Not wishing to disparage the beauties of this delightful city, we who are still loyal to the poppy state cannot help making comparisons which are far from being "odorous" and "faded" as you might say.

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Oregon Sidelights

Marshallfield is to have a new national bank. A large, new sawmill is being built in Newberg.

Hop-pickers are getting ready to begin their annual outing. Dufur needs more houses. Some families are living in tents.

Umatilla county's wheat yield will probably reach 5,000,000 bushels. A Dayton man shipped over 2,000 pounds of wool to Portland last week.

The good road movement is gaining ground around Dayton—mostly gravel. Smiths are numerous in Newberg. Three of them are building new houses.

Twenty women and as many men are working in the Corvallis packing plant. A lot of fine, large logs have been towed from the Nehalem around to Rainier.

Improving Athens' streets with crushed rock cost only 90 cents per front foot. The finest peaches the editor of The Corvallis Gazette writes that the shed on the south side of the livery barn has been removed.

The editor of the Forest Grove Times raised his garden cucumbers 20 inches long and 1 1/2 inches around, weight 4 pounds.

Clatskanie merchants close their stores now at 1 P. M. Sundays and are as happy Sunday afternoons as boys just out of school.

An old Dufur citizen went early, with his dog, to feed his hogs. A big sow with a litter of young pigs ran furiously at the dog; man interfered, and she pitched into him and bit him severely.

Misses Amanda and Amelia Smith and brother, Herman and Edward, attended the dance at Newby last Saturday and report a good time—Aurora Borealis. Surely not together. If so the Smith young folks must be queer.

Bandon Recorder: There was a very dark cloud overhanging our town last Saturday afternoon, portending a very severe storm. As it arrived at the Riverton hotel a machine, like the actual violence. The dark skinned warriors could obtain no sleeping apartments in this town, which occasioned a cloud-burst.

The assessment roll of Columbia county, says the St. Helens Mist, will show an increase of about one-third in the assessed valuation of the county. The total value of timber land has been raised from \$1.15 to \$1.05. This bears heavily upon the non-resident land owners, but is not nearly as high as in Clatsop county, and is far below the actual value of timber land property. The assessment of the Benson company amounts to \$128,000, and the cash value is certainly three times that amount.

A Forest Grove man, who has been to North Bend, says it is the coming city of Coos Bay. It has a fine natural harbor, and has at the present time in the making of manufacturing institutions, already in operation, two large lumber mills, a saw and door factory, a milk condenser, a woolen mill, a large iron foundry and a machine shop, and a furniture factory is being built. There is no city in the United States that has a larger payroll in proportion to its population than North Bend—more than \$40,000 monthly is paid out in this city for labor, and its population is only a little more than 1,200.

The birth of her next flower-child in the years to come. "This is a night—this silent hour of darkness."

Nature for rest ordained, and soft repose. My night's vigil was ended, but I was not weary. Away to the south—crest of Mount Tamalpais, bearing the outline of the Indian princess who lay guarding the rocky shores of the great Pacific. Like her I felt I could watch always, in daylight or in darkness, in sunshine or in gloom, the ever-changing beauty of the valley and the hills.

I longed to linger until "Day glimmered in the east, and the white moon Hung like vapor in the cloudless sky."

I longed to see the dawn break over the vineyards and orange groves and waving cornfields; to hear the morning calling to the birds in the oak-trees; and to feel that glad awakening of mother earth after her night's repose.

But "some other time," thought I; and leaving my windows wide open that I might inhale the fragrance of the night, I fell asleep to wonder, like Ceres, in Poppy Land, and to dream the dreams that are inspired by moonlight and music; by flowers and fragrance; by love of life and California. CLAUDE MACDONALD.

SCHEDULE OF SLAP FINES.

From the Chicago Journal. Gentrymen in the city of Chicago are slapping their wives, or think they may sometimes adopt this thrilling pastime, more or less popular at all seasons of the year, should first consult the slapping prices list as established in the Harrison street police court.

To the uninitiated it may be a surprise to learn that a comparison of prices shows some methods to be placed in the category of luxuries, and others are so proportionately cheap as to be within the reach of the poorest husband.

For instance, who would refrain from a left swing with the left hand when it is assailed by the court, at a value of but \$1—plus the costs of examination? On the other hand, the right—a good, hard spank with the working palm—is considered to be cheap at \$5.

The following price list of slaps, as outlined by Justice Caverly and Prindiville, should interest many: A slap with the left hand \$1

A slap with the right hand 2

A slap while standing up 3

A slap while standing "flat-footed." 4

A slap while standing on your toes. 7

This latter price must be left open until August 30, when Justice Caverly will have returned from his vacation, during the progress of which he will give some thought to the case of Mrs. Williams, 2544 La Salle street, whose husband is charged with being a warm advocate of slapping as an exercise.

"His ordinary slaps are not hard," said Mrs. Williams, "but oh, my, when he stands on his toes they do hurt."

"I always try to keep his schedule in mind," said Justice Caverly, "but the toe jab is a new one on me. I must think it over."