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IS SPEAKER CANNON ALARMED?

Developments may show the declaration of President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor that he will defeat Speaker Cannon for re-election to the next Congress to be an idle boast...

Speaker Cannon is by no means the popular idol in the district that a great many people believe him to be, basing their belief, perhaps, upon the fact that the speaker has been a long time in Congress...

On the other hand, the Middle West of late years has become prolific in the production of independent voters, and now the control of election machinery and the subsidizing of professional local politicians in that section are not assets of such potency as they once were...

By wielding his great power as dictator of the House and commander-in-chief of the committee on rules, Mr. Cannon has been able to stifle practically every measure to which he was personally opposed...

It really appears that Mr. Graves' acquisition of perfect political independence occurred coincidentally with the appearance of his name upon Mr. Hearst's payroll at a salary of something like \$12,500 a year.

Flying Machine Wright appears to have reached the point where he is obliged to soar skyward and smash a mid-air record or two in order to acquire an appetite for his meals.

public mind, regardless of political affiliations, is growing more and more in revolt, and it would not be at all surprising if its culmination should come in the form of the political annihilation of Speaker Cannon and his system at one and the same time.

FURTHER DELAY IN THE EXTENSION MOVEMENT.

It is now certain that the Chamber of Commerce will not pass upon the question of the advisability and feasibility of extending the city limits until the regular meeting is held next month. This does not mean, however, that the effort to choke off an investigation and prevent the chamber from deciding intelligently whether or not the council should be urged to take steps toward securing an extension, has been successful...

The committee has now been authorized to employ such assistance as may be required to make a complete investigation into the questions which would arise in an extension movement, and there is every reason to believe that a report upon the investigation will be forthcoming when the October meeting of the chamber is held.

The Daily Press, as well as the general public, wants to see this question sifted to the bottom and passed upon, and does not propose to allow it to be forgotten again. This paper believes that the annexation of certain suburban sections is necessary and desirable. Some people, chiefly the representatives of the Old Dominion Land Company, hold a different opinion...

How well the "smothering" tactics have succeeded in the past is realized by those who know that reports prepared at considerable expense and trouble by committees have never been acted upon one way or another by the Chamber of Commerce and city council, both of which bodies have launched extension movements at various times...

JOHN TEMPLE GRAVES' INDEPENDENCE.

The Hon. John Temple Graves, independence party candidate for vice-president, and who is now beseeching Southern Democrats to sever party ties and be independent, is the same gentleman, it will be remembered, who in 1892 wrote Mr. Cleveland felicitating him upon his nomination for the presidency and assuring him of his ardent support.

Mr. Graves had not advocated Mr. Cleveland's nomination prior to the convention, but as soon as the success of the latter was assured, Mr. Graves pledged his support to the candidate in a personal letter, declaring that he deemed that course the duty of every Democrat.

Among other things, Mr. Cleveland's reply contained the ex-President's famous encomium to matrimony, referring to his own experience in that relation as "One grand, sweet song."

The South in 1892 had already emerged from the slough of negro domination, both actual and threatened. If there is necessity now for the obliteration of party lines in the South, the same need was present then. Yet Mr. Graves in 1892 regarded it as his patriotic duty to maintain loyalty to his party and its nominee.

Candidates Bryan and Taft are to meet around the banquet board of a "water-ways" association. The name doesn't sound especially enticing to a disciple of the Kentucky system of irrigation, but the function may result in an equitable distribution of the prohibition vote.

Mr. Maxim, Jr., has given the public a noiseless firearm and now comes Norfolk with the proposition to make of herself a noiseless town. But the real benefactor to mankind is yet to appear. He is the individual who will provide a noiseless presidential campaign.

Mr. Bryan's query, "Where did you get yours, Mr. Cannon?" is one phase of the financial question that the speaker evinces no disposition to discuss. Perhaps it isn't proper matter for publication.

Richmond Hill, New York, is excited over a wizard of a stockbroker who promises his clients 25 per cent a month on investments. The real excitement will come a month or so later, however.

Three thousand men answered an advertisement for a porter, to receive \$4.50 a week, in a London hospital the other day. Evidently a porters' strike would not be a howling success there.

The acquittal of the man who fired upon Dreyfus last June, may have the effect of closing an affair of which the French government dislikes to hear, but it was a shameful miscarriage of justice.

If Major Sylvester succeeds in establishing the finger-print test in Washington pawnshops, there will be a sudden drop in "pinchbeck" stock at the capital.

The health officer's annual report shows an increasing birth rate and a decreasing death rate. That is evidence of the best kind of progress.

It is natural that the marine marksmen should excel in a Sea Girl match.

REPUBLICAN PRODIGALITY.

Roosevelt's has been the most recklessly spendthrift administration this country has ever been cursed with. If the President himself were to meet economy in the highways he would give it the cut direct, and the army of schemers and freebooters who infest the departments are only too ready to take the cue, seeing multiplied chances in the blind extravagance of their Chief to promote jobs which will feather their nests...

FIRE COMMISSIONERS AND STANDING ROOM.

Among the services rendered Richmond by Mayor McCarthy was his insistence that the theatres stop selling standing room in the aisles and behind the seats. As head of the police board, the Mayor compelled the adoption of this regulation, and, though there was a great howl at first, the memory of the Iroquois fire and the appreciation of the danger involved induced the people of Richmond to accept the new order as a wise precautionary measure.

Primarily these places of amusement are run to make money for their owners, and the owner, have not complained of the present regulations, as The Times-Dispatch is informed, nor have they asked for its rescission. The other party in interest is the public, who pays to be amused. So far there has been no cry from it that the back of the theatre shall be filled with spectators to throng the exits.

ride Mayor McCarthy. Is it going to over-ride Mayor Richardson?—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

SHIPBUILDING IN JAPAN.

Figures that have been issued show that during 1907 a battleship and three cruisers were constructed by the Japanese naval authorities, while 141 steamers, large and small, were built in various yards. The latter figures include two dispatch boats built in the Kawasaki (Kobe) and Mitsui Bishi (Nagasaki) yards to the order of the Japanese navy...

WITH THE PARAGRAPHERS.

An English writer asserts that London is, without doubt, the wickedest city on earth; which is probably true as it is the biggest.—Norfolk True-mark.

Prosperity note: The Philadelphia Mint has begun to make money again.—Baltimore Sun.

If any sculptor wants to make an equestrian statue of President Roosevelt he will have plenty of stirring photographs to get inspiration from.—Boston Globe.

The next exciting contest in South Carolina will be between the cotton pickers. We expect to hear of the breaking of many records within the next two weeks.—Charleston News-Courier.

Let us hope that the plea of "reciprocal insanity" will never be admitted to divorce courts.—Baltimore American Star.

The coldest hand-shake of the ages was that between Taft and Foraker, though they met in the presence of the veterans.—Farmville Herald.

"Little but loud" will probably apply to the new style pill-box hat, says

the Nashville Tennessean. Also to some of the pretty pedestals of glistening giggling girliness whose beauty it crowns.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Queer how it happens that they always make these airships tests at such times and under such conditions that there is always a good excuse for limiting the trial to short trips.—Schenectady Gazette.

Dreaming Of You.

I haven't a thing to do. For a while, but dream of you; For in your eyes, Where the sunset lies; Sing of you sweetly, And love you completely, Dreaming of you, of you!

I haven't a thing to say. For a while, but I know I may Think of your lips Where the wild bee sips; Talk of you neatly, And love you completely, Dreaming of you, of you!

I haven't a thing to tell. For a while, but love-you-well; Dots on your brow Where the rose blooms now; Sear to you fleetly, And love you completely, Dreaming of you, of you!

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Mr. John White, of 28 Highland Ave., Houlton, Maine, says: "Have been troubled with a cough every winter and spring. Last winter I tried many advertised remedies, but the cough continued until I bought a 50c bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery; before that was half gone, the cough was all gone. This winter the same happy result has followed; a few doses once more banished the annual cough. I am now convinced that Dr. King's New Discovery is the best of all cough and lung remedies." Sold under guarantee at all druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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