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## AT WASHINGTON.

### President McKinley Making Up for His Vacation Trip.

### Quander the Latest Recruit to the Banks Gold Basis Governments.

President McKinley has not lacked for work since his return to Washington, but the statements sent out saying that he was engaged in formulating orders to send to Gen. Otis and that he had about determined to issue a call for the 35,000 volunteers authorized by the army act of the last Congress were guesses wide of the mark. He has sent no orders to Gen. Otis and has had no reason to do so. Gen. Otis is fighting his campaign successfully, as his successive victories show, and there is no intention to hamper him with orders from Washington. As to calling for the volunteers, that has not been seriously thought of. Representative Hull, chairman of the Military committee of the last House, who enjoys the President's confidence, and who is good authority said: "What would be the use of calling for more volunteers? We could not send them to the Philippines in time for service there, as all the advice indicates that the U. S. forces are strong enough to crush the insurrection." Two representatives of the Cuban Assembly are in Washington seeking official recognition and the consent of this government to an issue of Cuban bonds, but they will get neither.

The Military Court of Inquiry has been taking testimony, in Washington, all this week. Among the witnesses was Gen. Egan, who stated that he made a mistake when he first testified that the contracts required beef to keep 72 hours after leaving the refrigerators, and that 24 hours was the time that he had agreed to.

Mr. W. R. Gay, U. S. District Attorney, who is at present in Washington on business, gives this pleasing picture of the State of Washington: "With the acquisition of Hawaii, the growth of our Oriental trade, the probable retention of the Philippines, the heavy Alaskan business incident to the Klondike boom, and the big wheat crops that have lately blessed the State of Washington is not only enjoying great prosperity, but is sanguine of a bright future. The McKinley administration is very popular in our State, and the foreign policy of the President is cordially endorsed. Washington, I think, has got back in the Republican column to stay. Free silver with us is the dearest sort of an issue and it would be impossible to interest the people in it again."

While Americans lead the world in inventive genius they do not monopolize the inventive faculty. U. S. Consul Higgins, at Dundee, Scotland, has written the Department of State that on a farm near that town a machine for milking cows has been successfully used for two years.

The following is taken from an official report of the U. S. Consul-General to Ecuador: "The change by the world to a gold basis has finally driven Ecuador to adopt the same course, and Congress has just enacted a law of coinage which within two years will place the monetary system on a gold basis. Ecuador is the fourth country of Latin-America to adopt this measure, Venezuela, Costa Rica and Peru having already taken the step. Brazil, Uruguay and Chile, while nominally on a gold basis, are really subject to the disadvantage of paper money, because their internal financial condition precludes an easy conversion of the currency."

The public debt of the U. S. is an interesting study, presenting some valuable object lessons in politics and government administration. The total public debt, less cash on hand, was on March 1, the latest date for which official figures are obtainable, \$1,157,944,392. Of this \$834,822,000, is chargeable to the Civil War, \$262,315,400 to the four years of Cleveland's last administration, and \$193,366,000 to the war with Spain. If each individual paid a pro rata share of the money needed to pay the interest on the entire debt, the charge would be about 53 cents a year. Of this 30 cents would go to pay the cost of the Civil War, 15 cents to pay the cost of the last Cleveland administration, and 8 cents to pay the cost of the war with Spain. No greater object lesson on the financial methods of a Democratic and a Republican administration could be found than that is furnished by the issue of bonds under the last Cleveland administration and under the present administration. The annual interest charge on the bonds issued by the Cleveland administration, when the country was

peaceful and ought to have been prosperous, is \$11,496,616, while the annual interest charges on the bonds issued by the McKinley administration to fight a successful war amounts to only \$5,800,980. Yet, the amount of bonds issued by the Democrats only exceeded the amount issued by the Republicans \$68,949,400. McKinley sold 3 per cent bonds to the people; Cleveland sold 4 1/2 per cent bonds to a syndicate of bankers. The total of our public debt is a mere bagatelle compared with our wealth and resources. The continuation of the Republican party in power, which would mean continued prosperity, would pay it off in a few years.

## THE SPRING FESTIVAL.

### Program of the Concert Next Tuesday Evening.

The Hillsboro Philharmonic Orchestra is in good shape for the concert to be given in the Opera House next Tuesday evening. The revised roster of the organization is as follows: Joseph E. Carroll, Manager; Wm. H. T. Shade, Conductor; Violins, J. E. Carroll, Philip Weyrich, R. P. Bell, Misses Blanche Johnson, Goldie Mauntell, Florence Berg; Miss Kate Berg, Viola; Flutes, Oph. Doggett, Ulrich DeHans; Clarinet, Clarinet; Cornets, Miss Mora Harsha, Arthur Underwood, Roy Hixson; Clarence E. Wiscup, Euphonium; Miss Susie Berg, Cello; Philip Berg, Trombone; Basses, Wilbur Newby, A. J. Lyle; Wm. Berold, Drums; Miss Gustie Ingebrand, Piano.

The following program will be rendered:

- PART I.  
March, Piccollo.....Clark  
Cherub, Trombone.....Bellini  
Polka, Clarinet.....Kuni  
Solo for Cornet, Mandolin, Fiddle.....  
.....Faldella-Belletti  
Mr. Herman Belletti, Jr.  
Intermezzo Sinfonico from Cavaleria Rusticana (Crescent).....Macagni  
The Gavotte, Flute.....  
b. Bando Characteristique.....Brooks  
Dance of the Bag Dolls.....  
Solo for Euphonium.....  
a. Now the Swallows are Returning.....Abt  
b. Sing, Sing, Sing.....Gounod  
March and Two Steps—Bold Buckeye Boys (first time).....Shade  
PART II.  
String Quartette, Meditation (arranged by Philip Berg).....Morrison  
Mr. Philip Berg, Misses Florence, Katie and Susie Berg.  
Song for Contralto, He was a Prince.....Lynes  
Mrs. Lillian Hamblet-Goodwin.  
Potpourri, Songs of the Fatherland...Andauer  
Grand medley of German Folk Songs, introducing "Froch such des Lebens," "Du, Du, liegst mir im Herzen," "Morgen muss ich fort von hier," "Wohlauf noch getrunken," "Krambambull," "Im Tischen Keller" (Trombone Solo by Mr. Philip Berg), "Mise i den," "Surrounding Lied (Cornet Solo by Miss Mora Harsha), "Von keinem Bergst Mann i schiedan," "Ich hat einen Kamarsden," "Lorelet," "Im Wald," etc., concluding with "Die Wascht Am Rhein."  
Fasciata Characteristique, Butterfly in the Sunshine.....Gungl  
Fino Obligato by Mr. Oph. Doggett.  
Cornet Solo, Fanteale Basso.....Belletti  
Mr. Herman Belletti, Jr.  
Ragtime March—Jasper Jenkins.....Vogel

## Probate Court.

Will of Wilbur L. Wilson probated.  
Sarah J. Wilson elected to take under will of Wilbur L. Wilson.  
Sarah J. Wilson appointed exrx of Wilbur L. Wilson.  
W. L. and G. M. Shaffer, exrs of Joseph Shaffer, filed inventory and appraisal of new discovered property.  
N. B. Bennett, admr of James Porter, filed petition to sell land.  
Catherine H. Spilker, admrx of Thos Spilker, granted authority to sell note.  
James F. Moser, admr of Maria Moser, filed inventory.  
Charles F. Stowe, gdn of Stanley B. Stowe, granted authority to sell real estate.  
Frank Wiscup, as agent of Mary J. Wiscup et al., filed motion authorizing Jas. Carlisle, as assignee of Geo. W. Haigh, to pay dividend on certain claims not presented within six months.  
John R. Horst and Irvin McD. Smith, exrs of Overton S. Price, filed report of distribution.  
Will of James Baker probated.  
J. H. Duvall appointed exr of Jas. Baker.  
Eliza Hanlon, gdn of Mary Hanlon et al., filed first and final account.  
Katherine O'Connell appointed gdn of Mary Hanlon et al.

## Marriage Licenses.

Oscar Brown and Mamie Smith.  
Chas. B. Moore and Christena McCall.  
Thomas Fitzsimons and Susie H. Bumgarner.  
Ed. Clay and Maud Erskine.  
Thomas Runk and Anna Bateson.  
Edward McMullen and Ida Bailey.  
Jas. F. Finley and Mary E. Fauber.  
James Oakesman and Mary Smith.  
W. G. McClure and Eva B. McCoppin.

"You can't spell long words like hipopotamus and parallelogram," said the little boy who wore spectacles and a sailor suit.  
"Well," answered the boy who was feeding a dog by a piece of rope, "dat's where I'm lucky. I don't have to."

## OUR SCISSORS.

### Facts and Fancies Not Local But Nevertheless of Local Interest.

### Issued Herself a Marriage License—Ground Hog Again Vindicated.

## WAS DEAF AND DUMB.

A female Sam Jones is stirring up the State of Missouri. Recently in a sermon she said: "There is a man in this audience who is untrue to his wife. I am going to throw this hymn book at him." She raised the book and every man in the house but one ducked to avoid the book. Then she blistered the dodgers and lauded the one true man. It was afterwards learned that he was deaf and dumb.—Exchange.

## GOOD IDEA.

On a warrant sworn out by the supervisor of Silvercreek township last Thursday the officers arrested eight men hauling straw for the Cedarville Straw Board works. The complaint alleges that the wagons carried heavier loads than are allowed by law. The loads were weighed on the city scales, then removed, when the wagons were weighed. The cases are set for next Tuesday at 2 p. m. The farmers have been making a general complaint because of the manner in which the turnpikes were being cut up, and took this course to bring the matter to issue.—Jamestown Journal.

## BUSHNELL PARK.

Our cigar shop reporter says "it is now in order for some one to suggest an appropriate name for the prison park." Why not call it Bushnell park in honor of our present governor, O. P. News.

## GROUND HOG.

Joshua Oglesbee, of Honeyville, was in town today and as a remarkable circumstance in regard to the much talked of ground hog. He states that the other day while Enoch Carey and Calvin Runday, of that vicinity, were engaged in sawing a log in two, the saw got stuck and they proceeded to split the log. Having done so they found in the hollow of the log an immense ground-hog. The saw had cut one of his fore legs clear off and nearly severed the other one. But the animal had never wakened up. There it was still sleeping its six weeks away, according to the shadow-prediction of the 2d of February. The men kicked the animal around for some time before it waked up, when it opened its eyes and tried to crawl off. Now then here is a true ground-hog story which is hard to beat.—Xenia Gazette.

## PRETTY MUCH ALL ALIKE.

"Jim," a Porto Rican negro brought to Portsmouth as a servant by Tod Wilhelm, of Co. H, Fourth Ohio, is in jail for murderous assault, having attacked Wilhelm's mother and sister with a knife. There were other soldier boys who brought home such relics of the late unpleasantness and soon had cause to mourn their action.—Chillicothe Gazette.

## NICE TO BE A DEPUTY.

At Sullivan, Ind., last Thursday Miss Mabel Dooley wrote the license which legalized her marriage to Mr. Frank M. French. Miss Dooley is a stenographer in the office of the County Clerk, and when Mr. French came for his license she was at the issue desk and wrote it on his application.—Cleveland Leader.

## ERRATIC BUT DEAD.

While enroute to his farm at New Antioch a few days since, Jeff Hildebrand's road mare, "Bread and Butter," was taken violently ill and has since died. She was a large and imposing looking brute, but was somewhat erratic in temper, not always agreeing with her master in the direction that the joint outfit should take.—Clinton Republican.

## RETRAYED.

"John," she asked, "did you get that pair of shoes for little Beemie today? Poor child, she will have to go to school barefooted pretty soon unless you attend to the matter."  
"No, my dear," he replied, "I have been too busy today to think about shoes. I can't let such matters distract my mind from business. You ought to attend to that yourself."  
After a brief silence she said:  
"John, do you know Mrs. Wildman says her husband is one of the best bowlers in this town?"  
"Pooh! He's nothing of the sort," the man declared. "I've been bowling with him nearly all afternoon, and he simply isn't in it with me."—Chicago News.

## HE OWNS SOME ICE.

Otho Moore tapped his sugar trees

just before the commencement of the cold weather, after which he hurried to town to get sugar pails which were expected on the train that day. They failed to arrive, the sap was running very freely, he was in a quandary, but said no hard words. What his thoughts were after the train had come and gone, of course, we could not fathom, but he hurried home. A stream of water runs through the camp, the sap was going to water and running into this stream as quickly as possible. He procured the proper tools and went to the spot where the stream emerged from the camp, there he threw a dam across it. About the time a large body of water was collected the cold wave came, and it was soon formed into ice. A happy thought struck him. He is now cutting and storing that ice, and at leisure spells through the summer season he will reduce it to syrup. When Otho gets left it will require a colder day than any we have had.—Bellbrook Moon.

## COMMERCIAL WARFARE.

A hardware man and a grocer in an Iowa town are waging a commercial battle. The grocer gives away a step-ladder with every can of baking powder, while the hardware man gives a can of baking powder with every step-ladder. Now puzzle heads in the town are cudgeling their brain trying to find a way to get both articles for nothing.—Exchange.

## The Nicaragua Canal.

The measure as passed does not confine the inquiry to the Nicaragua route, but specifically authorizes an examination into the status of the Panama project, while giving the President full discretion in considering other routes. Large authority is also conferred on the President to negotiate with the Central American countries for cessions or franchises which would give the United States control of the land upon which to construct the waterway by the direct agency of our Government. While the desirability of a canal is urgent, it has for years been the contention of this magazine that the canal ought preferably to be built, owned and operated directly and exclusively by the Government of the United States, and that it ought not be constructed until our Government had purchased or otherwise obtained full territorial and jurisdictional rights over a zone or strip of ground which would enable us to say that we were cutting the canal upon our own soil, as a part of the navigable waters of the United States or as an extension of our shore line. The canal ought to be as truly under the control of our Government as the proposed ship canal across Florida. If the reward of some delay should be the construction of the canal upon this thoroughly satisfactory basis, the delay would have been amply justified. As to the inclusion of the Panama route for purposes of investigation, the American people ought not to be hoodwinked. The projector of the Panama Canal, M. de Lesseps, was wont to say that if a canal were to be constructed with locks, the Nicaragua route was undoubtedly preferable. The original argument for the Panama route was the advantage to be derived from a passage at tide level. But the impossibility of such a canal was long ago admitted. All the prudent public men at Washington, after the hideous Panama revelations in France, will wish to keep their skirts clear.—From "Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for April.

## Gas Gusher at Wellston.

It is reported that A. J. Mercer has struck gas near Richland furnace and about five miles from Wellston. At a depth of 2900 feet the gas bearing rock was reached and the mighty force belched up with an enormous pressure. It is estimated the well will flow ten million feet every 24 hours, which shows there must be gas in almost unlimited quantities in this section.

Mr. Mercer has been a very successful gas and oil prospector, and has pinned his faith in this locality by persistently claiming both oil and gas could be located in abundance in this section of the country. About two years ago Mr. Mercer was granted a franchise to lay gas mains in this city which still holds good, and if the well just tapped is as good as reports indicate, it is likely the city will be piped the coming summer. This will make lots of work for the dull season in the coal mining business.

Wellston, in the opinion of the Sentinel, will be the center of the natural gas region of this section, as well as the center of the finest body of coal on earth. Harvey Wells' dream of Wellston's greatness may be nearer realization than many even now suspect.—Wellston Sentinel.

Stanley Maddox and wife and Charles B. Wiley and wife, of Cincinnati, spent Easter Sunday with Squire H. H. Maddox and family.

## BOODLE AND FUSION.

### Both Required to Beat the Republican Corporation Ticket.

### In the Township and County the Results Were Generally Satisfactory.

One of the most hotly contested and exciting elections ever held in Hillsboro resulted Monday in the election of the entire Democratic corporation ticket with the exception of Jas. L. Durnell, for Council, who pulled through by a few votes. The ticket was small, being composed of four Councilmen and one Water Works Trustee, and little interest would have been taken in it but for the fusion of the kicking Republicans with the Democrats. As it was the fusion ticket barely won out by the aid of an unlimited supply of money. The vote was as follows:

WATER WORKS TRUSTEE.	
Ervin, R.....	453
Mather, D.....	527
COUNCIL, LONG TERM.	
Durnell, R.....	488
Banks, R.....	457
Stevenson, R.....	452
Utman, D.....	516
Hibben, D.....	475
Richard, D.....	450
COUNCIL, SHORT TERM.	
Dawson, R.....	475
Parks, D.....	488

While the fusion affected the township ticket to a considerable extent, the usual large Republican majority almost disappeared. The ticket was saved with the exception of R. B. Fairley, for Treasurer, who was defeated by 59 votes. The vote was as follows:

TRUSTEE.	
Leslie, R.....	653
Hatcher, D.....	499
TREASURER.	
Fairley, R.....	553
Woodrow, D.....	612
ASSESSOR, S. P.	
Arthur, R.....	287
Patterson, D.....	272
ASSESSOR, N. P.	
Thomas, R.....	310
Griffith, D.....	250
CONSTABLE.	
Shade, R.....	639
Vaughn, D.....	510
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.	
Maddox, R.....	590
Lilley, D.....	556

In the school election a fight was made against J. P. Urrin by a few women but this was more than overbalanced by his personal popularity and he received the largest majority of any of the candidates. The vote was:

McCoppin, R.....	593
Urrin, R.....	611
Matthews, D.....	471
Hetherington D.....	473

## LYNCHBURG.

The result of the election at Lynchburg was a complete surprise as it has long been a stronghold. It was a complete victory for the Republicans every candidate on their ticket being elected by handsome majorities. A very large vote was polled.

In Dodson township the vote was very close, the Republicans electing J. W. Henderson, Justice of the Peace, by 14 votes. The balance of the ticket was Democratic by from 3 to 45. This is a magnificent gain, as the normal Democratic majority is about 150.

Brushcreek township returned to the fold, the Republicans electing a Trustee, Constable and Assessor. The Democratic Treasurer pulled through by a small majority.

In Sinking Spring the Citizens' ticket was elected without opposition, Dr. O. K. Hooper, the present Mayor, being re-elected.

The entire Republican ticket was elected in Greenfield with the exception of one Councilman.

Madison township also came back with her usual Republican majorities and the entire ticket was elected.

The unfair and mean advantage taken of the Republicans in Clay township by the Election Board proved a boomerang to the Democratic ticket there. The Republicans secured the Trustee, Assessor and Constable, where they would have elected nothing. The Democrats elected the Treasurer by a small majority. In making out their certificate of nomination in this township the Republicans made a mistake and got the candidate for Treasurer and Assessor reversed. The error was not discovered until after the tickets had been printed. Then the interested candidates appeared before the Board of Elections and asked to be allowed to rectify the mistake and offered to pay the expense of reprinting the

ballots. This would probably have been done, but Branson Worley's man Friday happened to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff this fall and supposed it would help him with the Democrats of that township if he refused to have it done. The defeated candidates will likely remember this next fall.

In New Market township the Republicans elected a Trustee, Treasurer and Assessor by small majorities.

Union township went Democratic as usual. On Assessor the vote was close. In Marshall township the Demmie elected the Assessor but lost the rest of the ticket.

## UNFAIR ADVANTAGE

### Taken by the Democrats in Clay Township Did Not Work.

The election in Clay township will be a lesson for some time to come for the Democrats on the Election Board, who, with the assistance of Amen, prevented the Republican ticket from being properly printed on the ballot. When the nominations were made the certificate was taken by the Democratic Township Clerk and a certified copy sent to the Election Board. This was irregular as the original ticket should have been sent, but the Board acted on the copy and ordered the ticket printed.

This copy was not correct. J. W. Wise, who was nominated for Assessor, was certified in as Treasurer, and Dr. J. W. Matthews, who was nominated for Treasurer, was certified in as Assessor. After the ticket appeared in the paper, Dr. Matthews and Mr. Wise came to Hillsboro to have the mistake corrected. This was done in plenty of time. Several days before the tickets had to be delivered. They were given to understand it would be attended to and went home. After they left the Democrat members and Amen got together and an agreement was made that it should not be corrected and in that way an advantage taken by the Democrats. At the first meeting, Mr. Barrere, who was in favor of the change, was not able to be present and his proxy was refused. Worley and Amen made a show of being in favor of the correction but decided that two was not a majority of three and Duncan was told to record his vote in the negative. Then Mr. Barrere called meetings on Friday and Saturday at his room but none of the other three members would attend at the same time. The tickets were therefore sent down uncorrected. But the plan did not work as well as was expected for the Democrats. Many Democrats were disgusted at the advantage taken and the Republicans were aroused to extra efforts. The result was the election of the whole Republican ticket except Treasurer, Mr. Wise refusing to be a candidate when he found the mistake had not been corrected as was promised him.

## A Campaign Lie.

The Gangsters are making the most of their rapidly fading opportunities. It is now having the city build an expensive stone crossing from the Court House to the door of the News-Herald office. There are a hundred places in town where there crossings are needed much more than at that point, but the Gang won't allow it to be done. The taxpayers have nothing to do but pay the bills.

The above item in the Hillsboro Gazette last week is a fair sample of the lies that are spread on the eve of every election by the Democrats. There is not an iota of truth in the statement except that the walk is an expensive one and not needed. The NEWS-HERALD does not care one cent whether the walk is built or not and honestly thinks that not enough people will be benefited in proportion to the amount expended to justify it. The walk was asked for by Hon. R. T. Hough and M. F. Carroll and they are about the only ones who will be benefited and no others. We do not believe walks should be built out of the public money for private individuals, especially when only one or two persons would ever use it. There are dozens of other places in town where this walk could be placed and benefit ten times the number of people.

## Olive Branch.

Rev. J. A. Stoner, our new pastor, will hold a series of meetings at Olive Branch, commencing on Friday evening April 14 and continuing over Sunday. Preaching Friday and Saturday evenings at 7 p. m., Sunday at 11 a. m., 2 p. m. and evening. Basket dinner on Sunday. The annual meeting of the church will be held on Saturday at 10 a. m. sharp. All officers of the church will please have their annual report ready for this meeting. By order of the trustees. All are invited.

A. F. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

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