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CHAMP CLARK CHOSEN SPEAKER ON FIRST BALLOT

The sixty-second Congress of the United States convened at twelve o'clock on Monday of this week in the capitol at Washington Long before the hour for opening the galleries were well filled with spectators. Governor Harmon and Hon. W. J. Bryan met on the floor of the House shortly before the opening, warmly embracing each other.

On the first ballot the Hon. Champ Clark was chosen speaker of the House, receiving 217 votes. Representative Mann of Illinois received 113 votes. Cooper of Wisconsin 16 votes and Morris of Nebraska one vote, all three of these are republicans.

In his speech of acceptance. Speaker Clark warned the members that they must make good their pledges with the people, that the Democratic Party was in the

balance and nothing short of the best would satisfy the judges—the voters. He advocated among other things the early admission of Arizona and New Mexico, the provision for the publication of campaign expenses, the revision of the tariff, the election of United States senators by popular vote and economy in the handling of public moneys.

The president's message was received by Congress at yesterday's session. It was much shorter than was expected by most people. Practically the whole document was taken up with the one topic, that of Canadian reciprocity.

Representative McCall of Massachusetts introduced the Canadian reciprocity bill into the House, as same had passed the House at the last session.

Commissioners Proceedings

The county commissioners have held a busy session, transacting business of routine nature, principally.

The resignation of A. B. Cain, constable of precinct No. 16, was presented and accepted by the board.

On the recommendation of Superintendent Chas. L. Burt, the funds of disorganized school districts No. 24 and No. 30 were transferred to districts No. 13 and 10, respectively.

A petition from the citizens of precinct No. 5, Punta was approved naming Juan Carrillo as justice of the peace and Celso Gallegos as constable.

The resignation of Enriques Chavez as constable of Torreon precinct No. 2 was presented and accepted by the board.

The report of Victor Chavez, justice of the peace of precinct No. 9, Palma, was presented and approved by the board.

An application was received from C. R. Blake asking the recommendation of the board to the district attorney for a reduction in his taxes for the year 1910, as exemption, which recommendation was granted.

The report of C. B. Howell, justice of the peace of Estancia precinct No. 7, was presented and approved by the board, the sum of \$13.00 fines being turned over to the treasurer.

The report of Santiago G. Sena as justice of the peace of precinct No. 10 was rejected by the board.

The report of Herculano Chavez, justice of the peace of precinct No. 11 was approved by the board.

A petition to change a public road in township 7 north, range 9 east, was rejected by the board.

The board of county commissioners ordered a reduction of fifty per cent. upon the assessment of the Encino Lumber Com-

pany for the year 1909. The surety bond of Julius Meyer, sheriff of Torrance county in the sum of \$5000.00 was approved by the board and the previous bond is hereby ordered canceled by the board, it being a personal bond.

COUNTY BOARD GIVES WORK TO HIGHEST BIDDER

The Board of county commissioners at the meeting Tuesday were led into a trap whereby the taxpayers will have to "dig up" more funds for the payment of the publication of the proceedings of the board in Spanish, although the board has a contract for the printing of the same which is binding until the end of the year 1911. Naturally the taxpayers of Torrance county will have nothing to say in the matter for some time, as under the enabling act of Congress there will be no election of county officers until we get statehood, so why not be joyful and pay the taxes like a man?

The first of the year 1911 the board failed to call for bids on the printing and after consideration decided to allow the printers for the year 1910 to do the work during 1911 at the same rates as had been paid the preceding year. The Daily Herald had the printing of the proceedings in English at legal rates, while the News had the printing of the proceedings in Spanish at a discount of twenty per cent. from legal rates, and also had the printing of all job work.

But with the change of ownership of the Herald, changes were to come. A little Spanish matter was added two weeks ago to the weekly edition and a Spanish newspaper is alleged to have resulted. Mr. Barrett appeared before the board of commissioners on Monday and presented an application for the County Printing in both English and Spanish at legal rates, and on Tuesday was awarded the work. Just why the board should pay the additional twenty per cent. is not quite clear, unless it be that the Herald needs the coin. Bids were not called for by the board, the initiative being on the part of the bidder himself.

The twenty per cent. difference to be paid on the printing will, taking the work of last year as a basis, amount to well up to two hundred dollars. Probably the support of the Herald will be worth this amount to the board during the coming months, as it has become a good (?) republican paper under the present management, while the News has persistently refused to stand hitched.

Election of Village Officers

The election of village officers yesterday showed a total vote of twenty-two to have been cast, the only opposing vote being a scratched ballot for G. C. Travis for mayor. There being only one ticket in the field less than half of the voters took the trouble to go to the polls and cast their ballots. The new officers will take their offices on the first Monday in May.

N. J. Marietta, who has a claim west of McIntosh was in Estancia yesterday. That he is not discouraged with the conditions in the valley is shown by the fact that he intends putting in a two hundred acre crop this year, sixty acres of which will be in beans.

MORIARTY BOOSTER OF FIRST GLASS

A few days since in one of the Albuquerque papers, several citizens of Moriarty had published an article in which they argued for the changing of the name of the town to Garden City claiming that not only was the name hard to spell and pronounce but that it was meaningless and stood for nothing. Certainly these citizens do not know the history of the pioneer after which the town of Moriarty was named, or they would be a little slow in making such statements.

Coming to the valley a quarter of a century ago, when there were very few English speaking people in this portion of New Mexico, Mr. Moriarty has spent twenty-five years amid privations and difficulties of which we can not more than dream. 'Tis true that his twenty-five years here have not been spent in vain but what of that? Would anyone wish a man to spend that length of time away from civilization without monetary reward? That the almighty dollar has not been all that Mr. Moriarty has been after is shown by his surroundings and his home.

Guests in the Moriarty home receive the most hospitable treatment possible anywhere. Situated in a draw, a veritable garden spot has been made of the home place. An orchard has been planted and cared for and if he had done nothing more than grow such an orchard in the very center of the plains: the naming of a town after him, would be none too much of honor. With the coming of the railroad, he donated a large tract of land to

the promoters to show his good will and spirit of helpfulness in developing the valley.

With the building of the town he was the first to show his faith by erecting the first durable structure, an adobe store building. This has been followed by others, until not less than eight buildings have been erected by the Judge and his daughter. Is this in anyway assisting in building the town?

But that is not all. With the coming of the people, a school-house was a necessity. Who started the work? Who gave the most liberally to push the work both of time and money? None other than Judge Moriarty. Who is responsible to a larger degree than anyone else that the town has a commodious church of which it may well be proud? No one else than Judge Moriarty. And thus it is with every public enterprise. The judge is always one of the first to be called upon and never in vain.

The writer has enjoyed the judge's friendship for almost eight years, and has enjoyed his hospitality, before the critics had an eyes on this part of New Mexico, and we are not ashamed of the loyal friendship nor of the name, even when pronounced with its Irish brogue.

There is little chance of the change in name being made, as the railroad company cannot change the name in its time card, and when the great trouble and expense is considered which the businessmen and incorporators of the various business firms would be to, there is no real reason for making the change.

No News of Kidnappers

Although a week has passed since the kidnapping of Waldo Rogers of Las Vegas, and five days since the payment of the ransom money of \$12,000, no trace of the bandits has been found and no arrests have been made. The officers continue working, but have given out nothing.

Mass Tomorrow Morning at 9

Rev. Father Hartmann will say mass at Lueras Hall on Thursday morning at nine o'clock to which all are invited.

D. C. Slaughter and wife of Dawson, New Mexico, who have been visiting their mother, Mrs. L. J. Hayes, left yesterday for El Paso, Texas, where Mr. Slaughter has secured a position as fireman on the El Paso and Southwestern railroad.

Silver Medal Contest Program

The following is the program to be rendered in the Silver Medal Contest to be held at the M. E. Church, Friday night, April 7, 1911:

- Song, -Choir
- Invocation.
- Recitation, The Court Of Appeal, Elsie Windsor.
- Recitation What Matters It To You. Elsie Paup.
- Recitation The Defence Of The Alamo, Nellie Crowford.
- Recitation The Potters Field, Delphone Souders.
- Recitation How Jamie Came Home, Nellie Cochrane.
- Recitation A Terrible Charge, Eura Tuttle.
- Recitation Father's Prayer, Jeffie Dube.
- Song, -Choir.
- Presentation of Medal.
- Admission fifteen cents

Father Hartmann of Santa Fe passed through Estancia on his way to Willard. He will return today to deliver his lecture on "Catholicity" at Adams Hall tonight.