

beaches. Here one finds excellent hotels or good boarding houses, where he can have all the comforts of home life while living as fully in the atmosphere of the seas as though at the beach. From the higher portions of the city (see page 515) a splendid view of the bar, cape, lighthouse and open ocean is obtained. From Astoria the beaches both north and south of the river are easily reached. A great many people make Astoria their headquarters and visit from beach to beach.

The favorite resort south of the river, and the one which came first into prominence, is the Seaside (see page 495) or Clatsop beach. This is nine miles south of the river, and is reached by steamer from Astoria to Young's bay, and thence by stage. It is very probable that a railroad will soon be built. The hotel accommodations are ample and of a satisfactory character. This is the favorite resort of the wealthy and society people of Portland, and here is to be seen what little there is of fashionable seaside life in this region. The scenery is beautiful. The long, curving beach terminates on the south in the rocky headland of Tillamook, which thrusts itself far out into the ocean.

North of the river, separated from the bar by an island of sand and protected from the sea by Cape Hancock, is Baker's bay, on which lies the fishing town of Ilwaco. This is the landing place of all visitors to the beach north of the cape. Many people live in the hotels and cottages of the town during the summer, making daily visits to the beach, which is but a mile distant across the neck of land connecting the cape with the mainland. The outer beach extends in a long sandy stretch to Shoalwater bay, twenty miles north, and terminates on the south in the rocky walls of Cape Hancock, curving gracefully outward. Near the southern end of the

beach is Seaview (see page 505), formerly known as Stout's. The property was originally owned by J. L. Stout, who laid it off in blocks, and has sold a great deal of it. A number of both large and small cottages have been built, making quite a town, which is well populated in the summer season. Mr. Stout keeps a large hotel, with cottages adjacent, and accommodates in this manner a great number of transient visitors to the beach, as well as many more permanent boarders. The beach is an excellent one, and is always crowded during the bathing hours. There is a large dancing pavilion near the hotel, and a splendid camping ground has been prepared by Mr. Stout, where all who desire may camp free of charge.

Two miles above Seaview is Long Beach (see page 506), sometimes called Tinker's, or the East Portland camp. Here has sprung up quite a town of cottages, on ground laid out by H. H. Tinker. Stores, a hotel and dancing hall are located here, and many large tents are spread during the season. From Seaview to Shoalwater bay there is a beautiful drive of twenty miles on the hard sand of the beach, at the very edge of the water. About midway on this drive is located Ocean Park, where the Methodists hold their annual campmeeting, and where many of them camp during the season. Oysterville, on Shoalwater bay, is visited each year by a great many people. The bathing in the bay is excellent.

The method of reaching these resorts from Portland is by steamer down the Columbia. The O. R. & N. Co. runs a daily mail boat to Astoria, taking nearly all day for the trip. Excursion boats (see page 555) run during the summer season, making the trip in about seven hours. The O. R. & N. Co's elegant steamer *Alaskan*, a sister ship of the *Olympian*, which ran on the route last