

year, makes three round trips weekly, between Portland and Ilwaco, touching at Astoria both ways. Tickets are sold for the round trip, good during the season. The most popular excursion boat is the *Telephone*, Capt. U. B. Scott, the fastest boat on the river. This beautiful steamer makes four round trips a week, the fare being \$2.50, and the return ticket good until September 30th. Tickets for immediate return are \$2.00. She leaves Portland at 6:00 o'clock in the morning on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, reaching Astoria at 1:00 p. m. the first two days, and at 12:00 on the third. She returns Saturday afternoon and makes another trip down the river on Sunday, leaving at 9:00 a. m. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday she leaves Astoria for return trips at 6:00 a. m. Captain Scott is one of the oldest and best known commanders on the river, and both he and his elegant vessel are deservedly popular. The Ilwaco Steam Navigation Co. has two small, swift steamers, the *General Miles* and the *General Canby*, one of which makes two daily trips between Astoria, Fort Stevens, Fort Canby and Ilwaco, connecting with the boats from Portland. This boat offers easy access to both beaches to people living in Astoria and those who arrive on the steamers. It is always crowded during the summer season. The company also has a boat on the ocean route between Astoria and Oysterville, on Shoalwater bay.

Yaquina bay is gaining yearly in popularity as a summer resort, since the completion of the Oregon Pacific railroad from Corvallis to Yaquina, thus affording easy access from Portland and the towns of the Willamette valley. The extension of the road to Albany, thus connecting with the through line to California, has increased these facilities, and no doubt Yaquina will receive a far greater number of visitors than ever be-

fore. There are numerous places along the bay where pleasure seekers camp, though the greater number take up their residence in Newport and vicinity. The hotel accommodations at Newport are good; the bathing is in a safe, sheltered place in the bay, on a beautiful beach; fresh fish, oysters and clams are to be had in abundance. South of the bay, there is a magnificent beach drive of ten miles, reached by ferry from Newport. This drive leads to Seal rock, a huge rock nearly an acre in extent, rising out of the water near the shore, where thousands of seals, or sea lions, may be seen at any time, basking in the sun or sporting about in the water. At this point, a town, called Seal Rock, has been laid out, by J. W. Brasfield, of Newport, which will no doubt become the favorite resort of the Pacific coast. It possesses all the attractions of other places, to which it adds its great natural aquarium of seals. Purchasers of lots at Newport will have a chance in the drawing of a number of cottages, which will be erected by Mr. Brasfield and distributed by lot among purchasers.

There are many other summer resorts along the coast, where a few people spend the season. Coos bay, Tillamook bay and Gray's harbor require but a railroad to render them favorite resorts, as they possess splendid attractions. Olympia, Tacoma, Seattle and other places on Puget sound offer attractions to one seeking a brief residence by the water, though they have no beach and can not offer the pleasure of surf bathing. They can, however, offer splendid hotels, good boating and beautiful scenery, with fishing and hunting easily reached.

There are, also, a number of mountain resorts, both in Oregon and Washington, where many seek both health and pleasure, not the least of which are the bases of the snow-crowned mon-