# **CENTENNIAL OPENS**

10,000 Joyful People Cheer as Astoria's Great Jubilee

Pressing Key.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 10 .- (Special.)amid the booming of cannon, the shricks of dozens of whistles, the ringing of bells and loud shouts from the throats of the 10,000 spectators, Asloria's Centennial celebration was most auspiciously launched this afternoon. when President Taft, on his trip north frem Washington, stepped off the train at Baltimore and touched the electric key that flashed the message of greeting across the continent to the far-off

shores of the Pacific. At that Astoria narrowely escaped the humility of an unofficial opening of the Centennial celebration. President Tatt, bothered by the heat at Washington, started for his Summer home at Beverly. The train was speeding along, when the President suddenly recalled that he had forgotten to push the button in the White House offi-cially to open the Centennial in Asto-

### Taft Presses Key Late.

The President paced the car until Baltimore was reached, when he leaped to the platform and, rushing to the Western Union office, broke into the circuit that had been cleared and pressed the key twice. That is the reason Astorians and visitors were kept waiting nearly five minutes and why the bell rang twice.

The day, which opened with lowering skies and threatening clouds from the west, gradually cleared as the hours advanced, and during the afternoon the weather, while cool, was pleasant and enjoyable. Large crowds began to arrive early in the day by boat and by train, and at noon there were fully 6000 visitors in attendance.

In the morning there was an informal reception in honor of the many distinguished guests present, followed by a luncheon, attended by Governor West, John Barrett, the official representative of President Taft, and the various naval officers.

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The afternoon's programme opened with a parade that was one of the finest ever seen in the city, the procession being more than a mile long. Headed by a platoon of police, after which came Ellery's Band, the procession included Battery A. of the Oregon National Guard, fully 50 handsomely-decorated automobiles, in which rode Governor West, John Barrett, officers of the National Guard, of the tropedo fletilla, of the cruiser Boston, and of the troops stationed at the forts, and members of the Centennial committee. Headed by a platoon of police, after which came Ellery's Band, the procession included Battery A, of the Oregon National Guard, fully 50 handsomely decorated automobiles, in which rode Governor West, John Barrett, officers of the National Guard, of the torped for the National Guard, of the torped for the Iroops stationed at the forts, and members of the Centennial committee, the ladies' auxiliary and the city and nounty officials.

Then came the Boys' Drum Corps, followed by floats typifying the Oregon country in 1811 and in 1911, as well as others representing the King of Columbia, the royal chimook, and that fastest of water craft, the speedboat. Next came the marine band, with detachments of marines from the war vessels, the naval passers, the set of the lutility petitions for a bill which proposes to place the State Printer on a flat salary immediately after the initiative law goes into effect, instead of January 1, 1925, as provided in the Miller bill, has been sending out the petitions to all of the labor organizations and ranges in the state.

These petitions are accompanied by a circular from the committee, which has been named to place the bill before the people. Mr. Hill says that the attempt will be made to circulate these petitions without one cent being expended for names, and in this manner endawor to obviate chances for possible fraud.

The committee in its explanation of the initiative bill says:

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of Columbia, the royal chinook, and that fastest of water craft, the speed-boat. Next came the marine band, with detachments of marines from the war vessels, the naval reserves, the Fort Stevens band and Indians in native costumes. After marching through the principal streets, the procession proceeded to the City Park, where the formal exercises took place.

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Promptly at 3:30 o'clock the electric gong pealed forth the news that Fresident Tath had pressed the key that was to signal the opening of the celebration. Immediately the entire audience joined in singing "America." The Rt. Rev. Alexander Christie, Archbishop of Oregon, then returned thanks for the blessings that had been bestowed on the Oregon country during the century since the white man came.

# City Blaze of Light.

After the invocation, Mayor Henderson introduced John Barrett, official representative of President Taft, who conveyed greetings of the Nation's Chief Executive to the people of Oregon. He was followed by Governor West, who spoke at length on "A Century of Astoria and Oregon," dwelling on the accomplishments of the white man in the Oregon country and reviewing the wonderful transformation which has occurred since Astor established his trading posts in this wilderness 100

In finishing he declared the Centenmial formally opened, and this was the signal for the firing of a sainte by Bat-tery A of the Oregon National Guard, as well as by the naval yeasels in the harbor. As the last echos of the guns harbor. As the last echos of the guns died away, the refrain was picked up by the shricking whistles, the pealing of hells and the shouts of the assembled multitude. Later in the day the exhibits building and the replica of old Fort Astor were formally dedicated.

This evening Astoria is one blaze of light and color, the rays from the 15,000 electric lights which line the streets mingling with the varied colorings of ose electric lights which line the streets mingling with the varied colorings of the decorations. The feature of the grening's entertainment was the fireworks display off the city front. It included the "Centennial naval battle" ploture of John Jacob Astor, and other interesting historical subjects.

# Taft Sends Message.

In his address, John Barrett said in

"Having accepted the President's commission, I have now much satisfaction in reading to you the telegram which I received in Portland, August 4, directly from the President himself, and which contains a message to the people of the 'Oregon country.'

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The White House, Washington, D. C. Aug. 4 1911.—Hon. John Barrett, Portland, Oc. 1 wish you would represent me at the opening of the Astoria Centennial celebration on August 10. Please express to the people of the 'Oregon country' my hearty congratulations on the wonderful prosperity that has marked the development of that region and that signalizes this Contennial. To the committee, please tender tender that wishes for a most successful celebration.

WILLIAM R. TAPT.

"I need not supplement these words of the President with the expression of my own knowledge, resulting from my long acquaintance with him, of the fact that he is actually and deeply interested in the welfare and prosperity of the 'Oregon country' and that he delires as President, without regard to political influence, to do all he can for its welfare and prosperity. Being myself absolutely out of politics in my lost as an international officer, knowing no difference between Republicans and Democrate, standpatiers and progressives, I can say that President Taft is President of the whole country and familial to the advancement and weal

Astoria's Great Jubilee

Is Started.

"I can think of no better way that the Pacific Coast, Oregon, Astoria and other Pacific states and cities should spend money for legitimate advertising than that of spreading recognition of the principle of Seeing America-First. If such advertisement could be supplemented by liberal appropriations for the construction of good roads, so as to draw the automobilists as well as those who come in railroad trains, a long step will be taken in the aid of this movement. The seoner we can have great National motor highways three or four of them across the continent, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast, and especially from the Central West to this section, and they, in turn, are connected with well-main-

Central West to this section, and they, in turn, are connected with well-maintained branch highways, the sooner will we take more practical and popular action for 'Seeing America Pirsf.'

John Barrett left Astoria tonight to pass the night at the Seaside Summer home of Colonel Dunne, Collector of Internal Revenue, of Portland. He is to return to Astoria at \$:15 tomorrow to join Governor West and make an official call on Commodore Richardson, official call on Commedere Richardson, of the Pacific Coast torpedo feet. They will lift the anchor on the flagship Whipple and go to Fort Stevens, 10 miles below here, for an official call on Colonel Foote, commander of the Columbia River defenses.

PORTLAND DAY IS PLANNED

Attend Astoria Celebration.

Portland day at the Astoria Centennial, August 25, will see at least 5000 people attending from this city, if the campaign of the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club is successful. Officials of both organizations met yesterday and laid plans for a big excursion and prepared to stir upenthusiasm for the trip during the coming month.

Arrangements will be made with the

SALEM, Or., Aug. 10 .- (Special.)-Harry Hill, in charge of the initiative

retary of State's office, through which all the accounts pass.

The office of State Printer was the only one omitted from the flat salary programme. The reason has never been explained.

Bills to place the State Printer on a flat salary have been before every Lesislature since flat salaries were adopted for the other offices, but have invariably been juggled into worthlessness or defeated.

The inst Legislature passed a reasonably good flat salary law for the State Printer, but it was made the brunt of one of the most disgraceful log-rolling campaigns ever known to our law-making body. When finally passed it was so amended that it does not go into effect until January 1.

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Many people believe the office of State Printer is greatly overpaid. The figures in the Secretary of States office indicate it. Past and present Secretaries of State assert it without hesitation. They also say that the State Printing Department is by far the most expensive of any in the state's will norder that this man, be put up to the people fairly and squarely, the undersigned have caused to be printed infilative petitions to put the Miller law into effect Decomber 1, 1912, or immediately following next election. This is the flat salary law enacted by the last Legislature but made inopetative until January 1, 1918.

Relying upon our carnest judgment as to the need of this legislation, we shall do all in our nower to secure the initiative of this measure. It will require the united efforts of all. We will do our part cheerfully. If you will do yours, success will be achieved.

A trimming table for drawings and blue prints, equipped with a motor-driven revolving knife, is a Chicago man's invention.

Motor Highways Favored.

"If I were to emphasize any one point in connection with the Asteria Centennial it would be that of spreading the gospel of 'Seeing America First.' Everybody who comes down the Columbia River and beholds its magnificent scenery and the majority of its harbor, cannot fail to realize the wonderful attractions of our own country which are, however, appreciated by only a small portion of our population. oppulation.
"I can think of no better way that

Campaign on to Have Large Crowd

Active Operation.

MAKE ASTORIA GA

Salutes Peal Glad Greeting as Centennial Opens With Stirring Ceremony.

GRACEFUL TRIBUTE PAID

John Barrett, Most Polished of Orators, Delivers Congraulations From President Tatf to Town Century-Young.

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President would have been a grave error. However, before John fared forth the real ceremonies began by an invocation by one of Oregon's most beloved men, Archbishop Christie. In a few choice words he invoked the Divine blessing and the Divine Presence. no man in all Oregon is more entitled to the honor of thus starting the Centennial on its way than this beloved

And after John came the Governor, and as his voice was heard the roaring of cannon in a salute in his hooor, was also heard. Far, far affeld, far, far out to sea the short, sharp reports reverberated, as if they were saying to all the world, "Astoria is calling you." And in few but well chosen words the Governor abjured, admonished and encouraged the people as is his right, and then without more ado he declared the Astoria Centennial a thing of real

ity, a complete, finished and harmonious running piece of machinery.
Yes, there ought to be peace in Astoria tonight. The citizens who have labored so hard to make today's events possible ought to feel more than proud. And every Oregonian ought to rejoice with them.

## Parade Really Marvelous.

Perhaps the parade which preceded the opening ceremonies at the stadium should receive more than passing mention, for it was certainly so far beyond what the visitors had any reason to expect as to be called really marvelous. It was over a mile in length, and the vehicles and marchers were closely massed. By opening it out as is often done to make up in distance what is lacking in numbers, it could very easily have been lengthened out another half mile. Perhaps the parade which preceded

One thing should be mentioned and emphasized in every way, and that is the stadium where the opening coremonies were held. There are seats for about 1000 spread around a natural hill-side or amplificator, or howl-shaped stand with seats for perhaps200. Here the band will play, here the Bridge of the Gods will be acted by real savages, and here will be the speakers stand on all great occasions, for the building

all great occasions, for the building and seats are permanent.

The lower tier of seats are on a level with the stage floor, and then rise up perhaps 40 feet. Then on the banks above another thousand people could sit or stand with the best of views and within easy hearing distance.

And the old Astor Fort is also a per-

manent structure, and as these and other improvements are in the Astoria City Park the Centennial will go a long way towards permanently enriching the city of Astoria.

Railroads Help Out Catholic Day at | nians of Portland.

Centennial. The committee in charge of the arrangements for Catholic day at the Astoria Centennial celebration announces excursion rates will be granted on that date, which is August 20. Tickets for the event will be good on the relieved from Priday August 18. Tickets for the event will be good on the railread from Friday, August 18, to Monday, August 21. A special train will leave Portland Sunday morning, August 20, at 7:30 o'clock, and will leave Astoria the same night at 7:30

President's Greeting Answered.

President Henderson, of the Astoria Centonnial committee, sent the follow-ing telegram to President Taft to-

night:
"Astoria Centennial celebration opened
"Astoria Centennial celebration opened under most auspicious conditions. The people of The Oregon Country thank you for your interest and good wishes, expressed through your able and gifted personal representative, Hon. John Barrett. May continued success and prosperity attend you and your administration."

have been raised here to complete the rest of the road in Lane County, but there will still remain a short distance over Cape Perpetua, in Lincoln County, through which the road must be blasted out of solid rock, for which there is no funde.

USE PARTLY-BUILT HALL

Elks to Hold Sessions in Incompleted Auditorium.

To hold the grand lodge sessions in the unfinished Auditorium is the purpose of the officers of the local lodge of Elks in the event that the rules governing the construction of the building prevent its completion before the convention is held, and arrangements for using the Gypsy Smith tabernacle cannot be made.

It is certain that the outer walls of the structure will be up, the roof will

It is certain that the outer walls of the structure will be up, the roof will be in place, the floor laid and meet of the interior work completed by the time the Elks come here in July. The ornate interior finishing, probably, will be lacking and if this is the only handicap the building will be suitable for the Elks' purposes. Temporary seating accommodations can be arranged.

The success of the Elks' convention depends largely on shillty to use the Auditorium. Without it, the Elks say, they will be handicapped for space to carry on their business and the impressions that visitors gain of the city will not do as much to present Port-

pressions that visitors gain of the city will not do as much to present Port-land in a favorable light as a large, new public Auditorium, even though it is not finished.

# GARBAGE NUISANCE ENDED

Seattle Residents Stop Dumping of Refuse in Lake Union.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 10 .- (Spe cial.)-Mayor Dilling has put an end to practice of dumping garbage into Lake Union and by his order, which was handed down through the Health Department, the garbage wagons are now being sent to Ballard where they dump their loads into a seew which is

dump their loads into a seew which is towed out to deep water and emptied.

Determined citizens of the district contigueus to the north shore of Lake Union gathered at 6 o'cleek this morning determined that garbage would not be dumped into the lake even if it was necessary to take drastic measures.

Before 7 o'clock, after several drivers had been refused permission to dump into the lake by the property owners of the district. Mayor Dilling was besought to remedy conditions.

Raymond Ministers Take Census.

RAYMOND, Wash., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Rev. J. M. Weaver, of the Methodist Church, who with the pastors of the Baptist and Presbyterian church recently undertook the work of prorecently undertook the work of pro-curing a correct census for this city, reported last evening they have al-ready enumerated 2950 actual residents of Raymond and that with the com-pletion of their labor the final figures will not be far from 3500 population. The work was undertaken by the min-isters to obtain data for use in church work.

Quarry Chief Ousted.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 10 .- (Special)-F. W. Belding, who has been in charge of the state convict rock-crushing plant at Meskill for many months past, has been relieved by the state, and J. D. Randolf, who has re-cently been in charge of the state convict crew at Carrollton, has been se-lected to succeed him. Inattention to duties, numerous escapes of prisoners, and other causes are given as the rea-sons for Mr. Bolding's discharge.

Chapel to Be Dedicated.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 10.-Anthony, which is about completed, will be dedicated in this city August 27 by Archbishop Christie. The chapel, the basement of which will eventually be used for a Catholic school, is built EXCURSION RATES GRANTED throughout. Invitations to the dedicatory services have been extended to the Knights of Columbus and Hiber-

Justice Fike Resigns.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Jay V. Fize. Justice of the Peace at Minnehaha, resigned his position today and William Wilson was appointed by the County Commissioners to succeed him. Mr. Fike was elected superintendent of the county schools at the election hast November and is resigning to assume his new duties Sentember 1. duties September 1.

Prisoner's Finger Is Cut Off.

Dressing down a plug in the disinfecting pump at the County Jail Wednesday night, Frank Robinson, indicted for white slavery, caught the little finger of his right hand in the plug, and before he could withdraw it it was cut off. Robinson was taken to a hospital, where the finger was dressed. Deputy Sheriff Leonard attended him to and from the hospital.

Governor Invited to Lecture.

Florence Road Opens.

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FLORENCE, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)

With the exception of a few miles, the wagon road between the Sluslaw and Alsea rivers is now open. Funds

Salem Committee Considers Certificate Plan Less Susceptive to Fraud.

OFFICIALS' POWER SHORN

New Capital City Document Permits Franchises and Band Issues to Be Granted Only by Vote of the People.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)— Boldy advocating the abrogation of the direct primary law as far as nomina-tion of city officers is concerned, the committees which have been drafting a new city charter on the commission

a new city charter on the commission plan of government, have prepared a rough draft of the proposed charter, the salient features of which became known this morning.

Under the proposed plan there will be two commissioners and the Mayor. The Mayor will receive a salary of \$2000 and the commissioners \$1800. All other officers will be appointive. It is provided that the commission may appoint an engineer whenever his services are deemed necessary and may inices are deemed necessary and may in-crease or decrease the size of the police department as it sees fit.

Nominating elections for city officers will give way to the certificate plan of nominations. Under this plan a voter may make out a certificate favoring the man he desires to have nominated, and take oath to this certificate before a notary public. When 25 of these certificates are so signed, a candidate is declared nominated. It is believed by the committees that this plan will obviate fraud and result in a better plan of nominations.

No man can sign certificates advocat-

No man can sign certificates advocating more than one candidate for the same office. Another unique feature is the pro-

possi that no franchises may be granted unless subjected to a vote of the peo-ple. This takes the power of granting franchises entirely out of the hands of the commission, no matter how im-portant the franchises may be or whether they are of minor import. The commission in its expenditure will not be permitted to exceed the general budget, except in cases of emergency.

budget, except in cases of emergency, when it may be done only to the extent of \$10,000 over the funds authorized.

The commission will also not be permitted to issue bonds, except refunding bonds or bonds for municipal improvements under the Bancroit act. All other bonds must be voted on by the people. Only taxpayers will be allowed to vote and a majority will rule. Under the present charter any voter may vote on bond issues and a two-thirds majority is required to carry.

Otherwise the proposed charter is much like the one by which the city is governed now.

# VETERAN SCORES GRAFT

CAPTAIN SHAW SEES DANGER TO GOVERNMENT.

Eleventh Annual Encampment of Civil War eVterans at Orchards Is Well Attended.

VANCOUVER. Wash., Aug. 10 .- (Spe cial.)-Graft was declared to be a menace to the stability of the Government by Captain J. P. Shaw, Past Department Commander of the Grand Army of Ore-gon, in an address made today at the 11th annual encampment of the Civil-If the annual encampment of the Civil-War Veterans and members of the Women's Relief Corps at Orchards.

The speaker alleged that graft had fastened on to nearly everything in the country. Some drastic measure, he said, should be used to combat the danger.

Comrade Pratt, of Sumner Post, Port-land, apid a high tribute to the soldiers of the Confederacy, saying, amid cheers

land, apid a high tribute to the soldiers of the Confederacy, saying, amid cheers of approval, that they were brave, honest, true men and great fighters. Although he was willing to pay them a tribute for their bravery, he was not in favor of Congress appropriating \$50,000 to erect a monument in their honor.

J. A. Snodgrass, past master of Elisworth Post, No. 2, of Vancouver, was more optimistic in his speech, in which he said that he firmly believed that the country will not be ruined, that the common people, in the large majority, are honest, and that they will rise up and put an end to garft.

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In speaking of trusts and monopolies,
Mr. Snodgrass said that such combinations are necessary. The reasonable regulation of capital was approved by the

At the sessions today about 400 persons were present. In the afternoon the Oregon Fife and Drum Corps gave a number of stirring pieces. With Mrs. Jennie Burnett as organist, many patriotic songs were sung. Miss Ida Snodgrass gave a recitation, "Forever and Forever," and Abe Axtell, who was a chief remaining in the war gave two selections

musician in the war, gave two selections on his violin. A chicken dinner was served at noon by the Women's Relief Corps. A large delegation of Spanish-American War Veterans went out to Orchards tonight and joined the Civil War Veterans in a campfire, around which 500 gathered. The encampment will close tomorrow with a

PHONE SERVICE SCORED

Aberdeen Banker Asks Council to Order Investigation.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 10.-(Special.) ABERDEEN, Wash, Aug. 10.—Special.)—Declaring that the service given Aberdeen patrons by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company is totally inadequate, and that the comapny is operated in the interest of stockholders exclusively, and not for the benefit of the public, W. J. Patierson, banker, before the City Council iast night condemned the telephone service of this city and presed the Council to order an investigaurged the Council to order an investiga-

A committee was named to take up the service and its betterment with offi-cials of the company.

Railroad Gets Franchise.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The Council committee on streets and O. D. Eby, representing the railroad, agreed today on a franchise for the Clackamas Southern Railroad through Oregon City. The tracks will extend from Fourteenth to Sixteenth streets on Water street, along Fifteenth street to John Adams street,



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thence following the present grade of the railroad around the hill and above Abernathey Creek to the northeasterly side of Oregon City. The road will cross the tracks of the Southern Pa-cific at the same grade of the latter road. A trestle will be built by the company over Washington street.

Infantry Band Plays Today.

racks today: March, from "Tanohauser" (Wagner); selection, "The Pink Lady" (Caryll); waltz, "Tales from the Vienna Woods" (Strauss); intermezzo from, "Cavallerie Rusticana" (Mascagni); "Morceau Flower Song" (Lange); grand selection "La Boheme" (Puccini). Director Joseph Feltrineili, chief musticker Flore Infantry sician First Infantry

British capital to the amount of \$70,000 .-The following programme will be concert by the First Infantry band at 4:39 P. M. at Vancouver Bar-tanda within the past four months.



Is the pleasure haunt in this part of the country this Summer. Its devotees rejoice to learn that they can now go and come on a regu-

lar schedule, independent of tides. The popular excursion steamer, "T. J. POTTER"

Leaves Portland, Ash-Street Dock, Touching at Astoria on Down Trip. DAILY EXCEPT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 8 A. M. SATURDAYS ONLY, 1:00 P. M., TO MEGLER DIRECT Also steamers "HASSALO" and "HARVEST QUEEN" leave Portland daily, except Sunday, at 8:00 P. M. (Saturday at 10 P. M.), touching at Astoria.

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beach that is not surpassed anywhere.

AUTO WRECKED ON NEWPORT BEACH IN RECKLESS RACE WITH BREAKERS PULLED OUT



HORSES USED TO SALVE CAR.

NEWPORT, Or., Aug. 10,—(Special.)—A team of horses yesterday hauled out of the surf the wrecked automobile in which seven persons nearly lost their lives yesterday when the chauffeur recklessly tried to pass Jump-Off Joe Point between breakers. The machine was almost covered at high tide as it lay on the beach half overturned.

half overturned.

Layton Steel and Miss Medora Steel, children of S. N. Steel, of Portland, were much improved today. Miss Steel's injuries were slight, but her brother was thrown against a rock when the auto was wrecked and was badly cut about the neck and shoulders. Captain John Olsen, former skipper of the gasoline sloop Condor, was the most seriously hurt. He was thrown on the rocks on his face.