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## COMPLIMENTS AND REWARD FOR CAPT. OLSON OF ALLIANCE

### Popular Navigator Is Presented With Many Encomiums and Substantial Evidence of His Passengers' Confidence and Esteem.

The Portland papers have arrived with the complete report of the Alliance voyage and the story is one which reflects great credit on Captain Olson, a fact which his many Coos Bay friends will be pleased to hear. As a token of their confidence and esteem the passengers presented him with \$100 binocular glass and the inspector of marine service praised him in the highest terms.

Frank Layton, a Portland traveling man, who is well known on Coos Bay and who has made numerous trips up and down the coast, was among the passengers on board, and is unstinted in his praise of the manner in which Captain Olson handled his ship. He said:

"After the accident happened, the big seas washed over us in rapid succession and we drifted along until we were above the black buoy and close to the spit. I had no hope that the steamer would be saved and expected her to go down every minute. Captain Olson and his crew did excellent work and soon had us outside the line of breakers and in smooth water where we were comparatively safe. Since then we have come along slowly, it is true, but with little inconvenience, aside from the delay, and I believe practically every passenger on board will commend Captain Olson in remaining outside rather than accept the tow offered him by the tug."

The Portland Telegram has the following report of the affair:

That Captain Bailey, of the tug Tatoosh, resorted to every sort of scheme to get a hawser aboard the crippled steamer Alliance and claim her for the O. R. & N. Co. as salvage, a portion of which he would receive, is a charge made by Captain W. B. Olson, master of the Alliance. He brands the action of Bailey as the most contemptible attempt at a "hold up" game he has ever witnessed.

"When the Tatoosh arrived on the outside Monday," says Captain Olson, "I was nearing the lightship and proceeding at the rate of three miles an hour without difficulty. Bailey came alongside and said he was going to take me in tow. I informed him that it was not necessary, as it would be impossible for us to cross the bar while a strong ebb tide was running. Bailey insisted, claiming that the charge for his service would be settled after the work had been performed. He would not set any price, but urged that I let him put a hawser on board the Alliance.

"Bailey knew full well that he could not have brought me in over the bar that afternoon against the strong ebb tide. His only object was to get a line on board us and then he would claim the steamer as salvage. Had I permitted him to carry out his plan his company would have been ahead about \$40,000 and it would have had to be paid or the O. R. & N. would have taken the ship.

Seeing that he could not work me, Bailey put back to Astoria. The following day he showed up again and renewed his offer of putting a hawser on board the Alliance. The bar was not rough and I had about concluded to go into the river without assistance. Bailey kept on proffering his aid and finally, becoming exasperated, I sang out to him to get the Tatoosh out of the way, as she was standing between me and the bar buoys, as I intended to go into the river without his help. He continued to hang around, urging that my passengers ought to be taken off by him, at least, claiming that they were in great danger remaining on the Alliance. He did that simply for the purpose of getting them uneasy, so they would demand to have the tug tow the steamer into the river."

Produced a Telegram.

"In the course of an hour or so of dickerling around on the part of Bailey, the United States tender Heather appeared on the scene. Then, seeing his plans of gaining possession

of the Alliance would fail, he put a telegram to the end of a hawser and said for me to take it, as the message was from the California and Oregon Coast Steamship company, owners of the Alliance, agreeing to pay towage charges for the Tatoosh to bring her into the river.

"Remembering that he had that telegram in his possession for about two hours before he told me about it. This made me so indignant that I could no longer control myself, and I replied:

"Why in h— I did you not tell me about that telegram before and save me all this trouble?"

"Of course I took the message and read it and allowed him to bring the Alliance to Astoria. He was holding that message, expecting to bluff me into accepting his terms. But the tender Heather frustrated his scheme. She was out here to render assistance, and Bailey realized that the only thing left for him to do was to show his hand, turn over the message and attend to business in a way not pursued by pirates of the high seas.

"Had I for a moment thought the passengers on board the Alliance were in danger I would have allowed him to take the Alliance into the river the second day the Tatoosh came out there. But I would not have permitted him to attempt to bring her in the first day, because it would have been suicidal against the strong ebb tide which was running. No one knew this better than Bailey. As I said before, he was simply scheming to get a hawser aboard, and then would have held us out there until yesterday morning before proceeding to Astoria. With the line on us he could have claimed salvage. Fortunately the passengers were next to his scheme and stood by me like old-time friends. The Alliance was not leaking and in no way unseaworthy. She was much better not made fast to the tug, as she had her freedom and could keep out of the trough of the seas, which she could not have done encumbered by the Tatoosh."

**Vessel Was Not Leaking**

As has been reported, Captain Olson says the Alliance did not strike on the bottom of Coos Bay bar when she put out to sea last Thursday afternoon, bound for Portland. She is not leaking and received no damage further than the loss of her rudder and three blades of the propeller. The blades were lost, explains the skipper, by a door of a stateroom being torn from its hinges by a heavy sea and thrown overboard. It struck the propeller with such force that the blades were broken.

This is the same sea which picked up B. F. Pyott, one of the passengers, and carried him over the rail. Failing to heed the instructions to remain in his stateroom, he opened the door to walk out on deck when the steamer was about half way across the bar. Mrs. Pyott was at the door asking him to return when the accident occurred. The broken door struck her with terrific force and rendered her unconscious. One of her arms is badly lacerated and she is considerably bruised about the body. On the arrival of the steamer this morning, she was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital, and as yet does not know the fate of her husband. A small son of 10 or 12 years is with her and does not know what has become of his father.

Crossing the Coos Bay bar, the Alliance was struck by five or six seas, but no one else on board was injured. Arriving on the outside, the steamer remained close to the entrance the greater part of the day, expecting that the tug Columbia might come out from Marshfield and give some assistance. A jury rudder was rigged and gave the best of satisfaction. Before the Columbia river was reached two other similar rudders were made. The captain graphically relates his trip up the coast. He stood off shore about 25 miles and does not believe the craft was ever in the slightest of danger. In her crippled condition she was able to make three or four miles an hour.

—All goods from the Red Cross engraved free of charge.

—A nice assortment of Parlor Lamps at Milner's.

## THREE RAILROADS IN THREE YEARS

"While railway construction work has been checked by present financial conditions, I expect to see two and possibly three railways built into Coos Bay within the next three or four years."—Seymour Bell, at chamber of commerce meeting last night.

Dr. Straw was unexpectedly summoned to a serious hospital case and could not speak at the chamber of commerce meeting last evening and will make his address next Friday evening. There was the usual good attendance, and the evening was given over to general talks. Mr. Sheldon, of Portland, a man who is more conversant with the forest products of this state than any other man within the state's boundaries, spoke of the benefits to be derived from a railroad through the central part of the state, from Coos Bay to Ontario. A letter from G. A. Hurley, editor of the Oregon Oriano, at Vale, was read to the assemblage. It contained four pages and set forth the value of railroad connections between eastern Oregon and Coos Bay. It gave the appropriate business which such a road could command and showed that eastern Oregon people are alive to the needs of better transportation facilities. I. S. Smith, who presided in the absence of President McCormac, talked along the same lines. Seymour H. Bell addressed the meeting and while admitting the conditions as to eastern Oregon, declared the most feasible proposition for the people of Coos Bay and the chamber of commerce would be to make an effort to securing the Hill road for Coos Bay. He said he knew the great railway magnate was interested in this section and expected the extension of the Great Northern line from Astoria south to Coos Bay might be hastened by efforts properly directed.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS PROVE MARSHFIELD'S GROWTH

Is Now in the List of Second Class Offices and May Soon Have Carrier Service.

Assistant Postmaster Sumner, of Marshfield, directs attention to an error in the classification of the local postoffice in the call sent out for the proposed Oregon Postmasters' Association and printed recently in the Times.

In this call Marshfield was named in the list of third class offices. The facts are that Marshfield is now by virtue of the increase in business entitled to a place in the list of second class offices of Oregon and has been since July 1 of the present year.

The receipts of the office for the fiscal year, ending March 31, 1907, being \$8,103 which was more than enough to place the city in this class and if the state of progress keeps up and the receipts keep on the increase Marshfield will have carrier or free delivery service within the next two or three years.

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Catholic Church.**  
Services Sunday Morning, December 8, at 8 and 10:30 o'clock.

**Methodist Church.**  
10 a. m. Sunday school. 11 a. m. sermon, subject: "The Withered Hand." 3 p. m. junior league, Mr. W. Stauff, leader. 6:30 p. m. sermon, subject: "What the Bible Says to Wives." A cordial invitation is extended to the stranger in the town, we will try and make you welcome. W. R. F. BROWNE, Pastor.

**First Baptist Church.**  
Sunday, December 8, 1907. 10 a. m. bible school, F. M. Stewart, superintendent. 11 a. m. sermon: "Christ Our Counsellor." 3 p. m. junior union. 6:30 p. m. young people's service, Clara Rehfield, leader. 7:30 p. m. sermon: "Christ and the Sinner." Special music at both services by the choir, C. J. Mills, director. Tuesday 7:30 p. m. young people's prayer meeting. Thursday 7:30 p. m. prayer services. Strangers especially invited to all services. D. W. THURSTON, Pastor.

—Financial troubles, like all others, pass away. People have died this year who never died before! And still McArthur's Pharmacy goes right on filling prescriptions and says, they've got some real Christmas presents at McArthur. Drop in and get acquainted. He keeps good cigars. Successor to Henry Sengstacken.

**Real Estate Bargains.**  
—House and lot on C St., \$300.00.  
Two lots on Broadway, close in, \$1200.00. House and lot R. Addition, \$1,500.00. Corner 12th & 40 on Burnett and Nevada Sts., \$2,100.00.  
We have many more bargains in city and country property.  
Stutman & Co.

**Dissolution of Partnership.**  
—Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between H. C. Breckenridge and C. H. Walker, under the name of Coos Bay Transfer & Storage Company, has, by mutual consent been this day dissolved. H. C. Breckenridge retiring and C. H. Walker continuing the business. All bills due firm should be paid him. Coos Bay Transfer & Storage Co.

**CHARLES M'CUCCLOCH BADLY INJURED**  
Marshfield Business Man Victim of a Serious and Painful Accident.

Charles McCulloch, of the firm of Willey & McCulloch, met with a painful accident last night while going to his home in the southern part of the city. He was leaving the California avenue plank road and crossing a narrow walk near the Gilroy residence when he slipped and fell. The result of the fall is a badly sprained ankle, a broken rib and a punctured lung, resulting from the jagged end of the rib. Dr. Mingus, who attended him, says he will be laid up for two weeks.

## WILL BE NO FOOTBALL GAME TOMORROW

There will be no football game at North Bend next Sunday as planned, since the men who participated in the contest on the Marshfield gridiron on Thanksgiving are still stiff and sore from the gruelling battle of fifty minutes. Stanfield Arnold, manager of the North Bend eleven, who had his arm injured in the game, is yet wearing his arm in a sling, and will not be able to take part in any further games which these teams hope to play. It is intended to play on Sunday, December 15th, at North Bend, and all arrangements are being made with that date in mind.

## THREE MILLS RUNNING

W. H. Norval, superintendent of the Riverton Lumber company, on the Coquille river, is in the city. He reports that the lumber trade is somewhat dull on the lower Coquille, and that the logging camps are closed. Three mills are still operating and turning out their usual supply of rough and dressed lumber. The Riverton company is shipping its product via the Bandon outlet and through the Coos Bay country. The mills now operating are the Johnson, Riverton and Prosper.

- Vehicles and Farm Implements at the Pioneer Hardware Co.
- Genuine ebony toilet goods, a splendid selection at the Red Cross.
- Cut glass at Milner's.
- Carving Sets at Milner's.
- Christmas goods at the Pioneer Hardware Co.
- Cash Prize Masquerade.
- At Eckhoff Hall, North Bend, Saturday night, December 21.
- Plumbing and Galvanized Sheet Iron Work at the Pioneer Hardware Co.
- Are You Going?
- To Eckhoff Hall Saturday, December 21. Cash prize masquerade.
- The largest and best assortment of Tools and Builders' Hardware at the Pioneer Hardware Co.
- Hunting coats at Milner's.
- Safty razors at Milner's.
- Air Guns and Foot Balls for the boys at Milner's.

**FOR RENT**—1 furnished bed room; 3 unfurnished houses keeping rooms. Call at Times.

**FOR SALE**—Beautiful 5-acre tracts at \$60 and \$85 per acre. Owner, C. H. Chandler, Bandon.

## LOUIS OLSEN SHOT IN THE HAND BY OFFICER CONDRON

### BIG NEWS BOILED DOWN

Tabloid Pellets of Intelligence From All Points For Busy People.

**SUGAR KING DEAD.**—Henry O. Havemeyer, president of the American Sugar Refining Co., died at his home near Commack, L. I. He had been ill with an attack of acute indigestion for several days.

**BANK REPORTS CALLED.**—The Controller of the Currency has issued a call for the statement of the condition of National banks at the close of December 3.

**FORD IS FREE.**—Trey L. Ford, the attorney charged with bribery, has been acquitted. The jury was out less than five hours when the verdict of not guilty was found.

**MRS. BRADLEY FREE.**—The jury in the case of Mrs. Bradley brought in a verdict of not guilty. A demonstration of applause followed the verdict. Mrs. Bradley was immediately discharged from custody and left the court house in an automobile, following an ovation. She will leave in a few days to join her sister at Goldfield, Nevada.

### MARSHFIELD BRIEFS

Mrs. Fred Gettins is ill at her home in Marshfield.

Major Tower, of Empire, is in Marshfield today looking after government business.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Peralta, of Coquille, are guests of Mrs. Peralta's relatives. They will remain until tomorrow.

James Baines departed this morning on The Plant for San Francisco, where he expects to remain until the holidays are over.

L. M. Suplee, who has been at Myrtle Point for a week, looking after the Flanagan-Bennett bank building, returned yesterday to Marshfield.

The gasoline launch Mabel H was sunk during the night at the Holland dock. Workmen are busy in raising the craft and the cause of her sinking will be disclosed when the boat is floated.

Nels Rasmussen and son Gordon, Arthur McKeown and Joe Williams left yesterday morning for Haines Inlet, where the party will spend the remainder of the day and part of tomorrow in hunting.

Harry Adler, the popular San Francisco traveling man, has recovered from an injury he received lately and will start out next Monday on his regular trip through Coos county, going first to Coquille.

Latest reports from the ship's headquarters in Portland are to the effect that the Breakwater will sail next Wednesday evening, as before stated. Mr. C. J. Mills, who is in Portland, advised the local agent, Mr. McCullom, of these plans.

Norman Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnson, of West Marshfield, entertained a number of young friends last evening at his home. There were games of various kinds and refreshments. All the young people report an enjoyable time.

The work on the Millieona club rooms is progressing satisfactorily and the plastering has been finished. The wood work will soon be commenced and Secretary, Mr. J. W. Flanagan, says the quarters should be ready for occupancy by the first of January.

T. H. Berry, the fish merchant, reports the Coos Bay bar much smoother today and says that schooners in waiting are being towed to sea. It is reported that five vessels are hovering outside waiting tug service and a smooth bar. These will likely be brought in today.

Captain Harris, of Sumner, is down today and tells of the work he is doing in opening some coal property. In one locality he has opened three veins of fine coal, 30, and 35 inches, and the third, 5 ft. In one of the veins he found a deposit of fire clay which will be analyzed. Mr. Harris has two expert miners from the eastern coal fields at work and hopes to develop some valuable mines.

—Detachable silver and gold handle umbrellas for ladies and gentlemen at the Red Cross.

## Marshfield Night-Watch Has an Exciting Encounter With an Obstreperous Prisoner—Resists Arrest and Wounded in Scuffle.

Louis Olson, a logger, arrived in Marshfield yesterday, and after obtaining the cash due him from the Smith-Powers Logging Company, proceeded to tank up in true reckless fashion. His festivities came to an abrupt end by his landing in the city lockup, with a pistol wound in his right hand and a contused scalp, caused by a revolver blow in the hands of Officer Walter Condron whom Olson attempted to carve with a pocket knife.

Olsen's troubles commenced when he was forcibly ejected from Kelly's saloon. He went from there to the brewery, from which he was likewise tossed. By this time he was becoming ugly and his loud talk on the street suggested to the night officers the need of locking him up until he sobered. They accordingly started him to the calaboose. Officer Shoup left Condron in charge of the prisoner at the entrance between the city hall and Kelly's saloon and went for a light. Condron had proceeded but a short distance towards the calaboose when Olson turned on him and grabbed him about the upper part of his body, whipped out a knife and commenced slashing at him. Condron drew his club, but in the scuffle, it flew from his grasp and he was left but one recourse, to use his revolver. The situation looked serious by this time, and as Condron drew his gun he saw an opportunity to wing Olson in the hand in which he held the knife. He fired, and the aim was true. The bullet crashed through the flesh between the thumb and forefinger and took the nail from the forefinger in its passage. The knife was lost and for a minute, Olsen seemed subdued. But he commenced to fight again, and Condron was obliged to use his revolver as a club and by this method finally landed his prisoner.

Dr. J. W. Ingram was called in to repair Olsen's injuries. He found no fractured bones, and believes the man will be all right within a few days. The wound caused by the blow from the revolver is a scalp cut, and this is of no consequence.

Olsen had been working at Camp No. 2, operated by the Smith-Powers Logging Company on the Coquille, and carries a hospital card. He has been a resident of Coos county for a number of years and has a homestead not far from Myrtle Point, near the Curry county line. He is a man of heavy physique and considering the unexpected attack he made on Condron, that officer was very fortunate that he emerged from the affray unscathed. Olsen has been mixed up with the Marshfield officers before and when drinking is considered a dangerous man.

Olsen will be arraigned in Justice Pennek's court this evening at seven o'clock, and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. Deputy District Attorney, E. L. C. Farrin will prosecute the case.

—The public is invited to inspect the line of stall-fed beef now on hand at the Sanitary Meat Market for the holiday trade.

**Specials.**

- 2 lots on hill in South Marshfield, plot 20x140, \$300.00.
- Fine business lot, best street, 50-x100, \$8,000.00.
- New modern cottage, well located, \$1650.00.
- New modern cottage, close in, \$1,700.00.
- New modern cottage, near business, \$1,500.00.

I. S. Kaufman & Co.

—Fresh Olympia Oysters and frozen Toke Point Oysters, hard-shell clams, fresh fish, crabs, shrimp, soft smoked salmon today. The Empire Fish Market, near Pioneer Grocery.

—Pioneer Hardware Co.'s specialties, Heating Stoves and Ranges.