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TEAL WRITES ABOUT HARBOR

Portland Man In Letter to J. W. Bennett Says Appropriation Is Hard to Get.

Further evidence that it will be extremely difficult to secure an appropriation for the Coos Bay harbor or bar improvement at this session of congress is contained in a letter which J. W. Bennett has just received from J. N. Teal, the well-known Portland man, who is now in Washington, D. C., to attend the Rivers and Harbors congress and also to appear before the Rivers and Harbors Committee in behalf of Oregon projects. His letter coupled with Senator Bourne's shows it is essential for Coos Bay to get busy if it hopes to get anything.

A few weeks ago after talking the matter over with Dr. McCormac, president of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Bennett wrote Mr. Teal as follows:

"I had a talk with Dr. McCormac today and he said that no sum whatever had been provided for the improvement of Coos Bay in the recommendation of the Engineers' Department to Congress and as you are to attend the National Rivers and Harbor Congress, I am requested to ask you to give the matter attention."

Mr. Teal, writing from Washington under date of November 29, says:

"Yours of November 17, and also that of Dr. McCormac of the same date, received.

"I will do the best I can to help out our Coos Bay friends, but would say that if there is no recommendation by the Engineers' Department, for an appropriation, it will be extremely difficult to secure one. The fact does not seem to be recognized as it should be, that this recommendation is almost a pre-requisite in securing appropriations. I would suggest that you take this matter up at once with the senators and members of the House."

The Caspian Sea.

The Caspian sea is, as Herodotus said 2,000 years ago, "a sea by itself, having no connection with any other." Every schoolboy knows that now. But it is remarkable to find Herodotus saying so, because centuries after his time such authorities as Strabo and Pliny believed that it was connected with the northern ocean by a long and narrow gulf. Geography seems to have had a setback in the interval through false information received at the time of Alexander's conquests. Herodotus says that the Caspian's length was fifteen days' voyage with a rowboat, its breadth eight days'. Since the actual figures are 750 miles and 400, this shows that a rowboat of the time did fifty miles a day.—London Graphic.

Shank's Mare.

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Vancouver, Wash., Adopts Stringent Regulations.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 8. — An ordinance to regulate the saloons of Vancouver went into effect last week, notice having been given to all of the 28 saloonkeepers of the city by the chief of police. The ordinance was enacted by the city council at its last regular meeting and was signed by the mayor. Those in the habit of having their early morning "nips" are compelled to wait until the doors open at 7 o'clock, or prepare for the emergency by laying in a supply of the liquid before closing time at night. "No treating" is one of the leading sections of the ordinance, and to show one's generosity to a friend, one is required to take him to some other refreshment counter aside from those maintained in a licensed saloon. The new law does not provide that one may not slip the price of a drink to a friend and let him buy for himself, but it does so specify that one may not pay for him.

All lunch counters, chairs and such like had to be removed to meet the requirements of the ordinance, and the weary have to content themselves with resting against the bar. All stained glass and curtains were removed, so that passersby may, if they choose, linger in front of the place and take note of whom they may see therein. There is no music to enchant the frequenters of the saloons, and no moving pictures will be displayed to interest and amuse.

A certain number of people, partly local and partly transient, spend a greater part of their time in the different saloons of the city. In compliance with the new order all saloons close promptly at 10 o'clock in the evening. How and where these men will spend the remainder of the evening after the closing of the saloon is a question which needs consideration on the part of the people of Vancouver. There is no public reading room in the city, or any other place of a like nature where they could go and feel that they were not intruders. It is the general sentiment that a place of some kind should be provided, and that at once.

After reading all the predictions as to what kind of winter we are to have, one is forced to conclude that there are going to be very few cases of sunstroke.

GOV. BENSON TELLS OF TRIP TO GARDINER

Believes Assembly Should Solicit Candidates—Not Anxious to Be Martyr for Primary.

The Salem Journal says: "Governor Benson has returned from his hunting trip in the Winchester Bay country, where he had a week of good sport in company with friends. He intended to be back on Thanksgiving Day, but the floods carried out a great many small bridges and that was impossible. He tried to get out of Winchester Bay with tug boats, but the sea was too wild to permit of that. He could not get into Coos Bay, and that region was worse blockaded by storms than ever before in its history.

"We had a fine trip and got plenty of ducks," said the Governor at his desk this morning. "I took Thanksgiving dinner with my son, Clifford who has a position in a cannery at Gardiner. I met many old friends over on the coast, but did not talk politics. I have not felt better in a year, and am ready for any amount of work, and there is enough to do." The governor would not discuss the proposed assembly, but thought it was up to the managers to hunt candidates, rather than for candidates to seek endorsements of the assembly. While not expressing any positive opinion at present, Mr. Benson humorously implied that he, at least, was not anxious to pose as a living example of the failure of the workings of the direct primary law."

Oregon Leaves Portland. — The government dredge Oregon left down Wednesday for Gray's Harbor, in tow of the government tug Mendell as far as Astoria, where the Oregon will be picked up by the tug Daring, which will tow her the rest of the way. The Mendell will also proceed to Gray's Harbor, where she will act as a tender to the dredge. The steamer Thomas L. Ward left with 150 tons of dredge apparatus belonging to the Oregon.—Portland Journal.

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