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C. H. Cooper

The Leading House of Astoria

TODAY'S WEATHER

PORTLAND, April 11.—Western Oregon and Western Washington, showery today.

AROUND TOWN.

Total registration to date—1,491.

Jeff's is "the only" restaurant, White cooks.

M. J. Kinney was down from Portland yesterday.

Horses for sale at Gaston's stable on Fourteenth street.

Best cup of coffee in the city at the Model restaurant.

Henry Wise of Waldport is registered at the Occident.

Jeff's restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you.

Joe Gribbler goes to Portland this morning for a vacation.

Best 15-cent meal, Rising Sun Restaurant, 611 Commercial street.

T. S. Townsend, the creameryman, was down from Portland yesterday.

John Foldat, a native of Russia, filed his first papers yesterday for citizenship.

Phil G. Stout, a pioneer of Ilwaco, is in the city on business, a guest at the Occident.

The Oriental liner Braemar, which left Yokohama Friday last, is due at this port on the 27th inst.

The bar was a mill pond yesterday, as much too calm as it was too rough the day before.

L. R. Boles of Kansas City is in the city. His mail is addressed in care of Marshall Kinney.

Albert Cook of Michigan City, Indiana, is a guest of his mother, Frank Cook, in this city.

A small place at Clatsop for sale or rent. Suitable for chicken ranch. Apply to A. Tagg, Parlor Candy Store.

Herring & Cook, Commercial street, between Tenth and Eleventh, is the only first class all-night lunch house in Astoria.

Mark Burton of this city has received notification from Washington, D. C., that a pension for \$4 per month has been granted him.

General produce, fish and commission store and employment agency. Old metal and rubber bought. 460 Duane street.

Roslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimney flues than any other. George W. Sanborn, agent. Telephone 1311.

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Men Wanted—To learn barber trade. Only eight weeks required; special inducements this season; illustrated catalogue, map of city and souvenir mailed free. Moier's Barber College, San Francisco, California.

Pears'

It is a wonderful soap that takes hold quick and does no harm.

No harm! It leaves the skin soft like a baby's; no alkali in it, nothing but soap. The harm is done by alkali. Still more harm is done by not washing. So, bad soap is better than none.

What is bad soap? Imperfectly made; the fat and alkali not well balanced or not combined.

What is good soap? Pears'.

All sorts of stores sell it, especially druggists; all sorts of people use it.

First Officer Byrne, of the Columbia, has returned from California, where he has been on a visit, and is now en route from this city to the Sound to join the officers of the light-house tender, which is now undergoing repairs.

A display of Easter hats will be made by Mrs. Ross at her millinery parlors tomorrow, Thursday, during the day and evening. Mrs. Ross is taking much care and just pride in this display as it is the first Easter opening ever given in Astoria.

A bill of sale was filed in the custom house yesterday whereby the Booth Packing Company sells the little schooner Grace to Otto Carlson. The amount is given as \$250. It is understood that the schooner will be used on the Sound as a cannery tender.

The announcement is made that Capt. Robinson, of the quartermaster's department at Seattle, has called for bids for the lighting of 25,000 tons of government supplies, materials and lumber from transports at Port Valdes, St. Michael and Cape Nome.

The British ship Aspic, nineteen days from Honolulu, chartered at Portland at \$15, to load wheat, arrived at the quarantine grounds yesterday. The vessel had a clean bill of health but will be fumigated and held for the required 48 hours, coming as she does from an infected port.

That misfortune never comes single-handed is given clear demonstration in the case of Charles Lind, the tailor, who is now serving a twenty-five days' sentence in the city jail for being drunk and disorderly, and whose stock of goods was attached by a local firm to satisfy an account for \$102.50.

Senator Megler and wife are in the city from their Brookfield home for a day or two. Senator Megler states that the political situation in Washington is growing quite lively and that among the announcements being made is that Levi Ankeny, the multi-millionaire, will probably be a candidate for governor.

The cable reports the arrivals at Falmouth of the British ship Kate Thomas from this port with wheat on December 3 last, and the British barque Bermuda, from this port, October 23 last, also with wheat. The sailing of the steamship Braemar from Yokohama for this port is also cable. She brings over 1000 Japanese and Chinese as passengers.

The steamboat Hercules took the barge Wahkiakum, towed to this port by the tug Samson from San Francisco, up the river yesterday. Her cargo consisted of 50 tons of giant powder. The tug Samson spent the day at the bunkers, taking on coal for the downward tow today of the barge Washougal, loaded with piles for San Francisco parties.

The steamship Columbia arrived in from San Francisco yesterday morning, bringing a large passenger list and a good sized freight cargo for Astoria. A number of fishermen, who annually spend the spring and summer on the Columbia or the Sound, came up. They were busy yesterday securing boats and outfits for the coming salmon season.

The fleet of fishing boats owned by the Columbia River Packers Association are nearly all in the water and by the end of the week will be fitted out and ready for business. Each boat has received a separate and careful overhauling and boatmen pronounce the fleet as good as will be found anywhere and better than the average by far.

Less than 175 rats have been delivered for the bounty offered by the city thus far. At five cents a head, one would think that the bounty money provided would have been exhausted long before this. The bounty offered is certainly sufficient incentive to induce their slaughter and surrender. The only conclusion to be drawn is that Astoria is amazingly free from the pests.

Proceedings were instituted before Judge Gray yesterday by Josie A. Hubbard, who asked that a writ of habeas corpus be issued, requiring Charles T. and Fanny C. Hubbard of Seneide to

deliver to petitioner her three children—Orley, Bertie and Clifford, aged 9, 4 and 2 years, respectively. The defendants are the father and mother of the petitioner's husband, who is in Washington. The children, she says, have been kept away from her for many months purely to hamper and annoy her. Judge Gray granted the writ.

The heirs of the late Joseph Leary filed a petition in the probate court yesterday, asking that the administrator of the estate be directed to file his final account. The first administrator of this estate was the late W. W. Parker and his sureties were A. Montgomery and F. A. Crosby. An order was made directing that a final account be filed by the sureties and by H. S. Lyman, the present administrator, on or before April 24. The property is said to be worth about \$5,000.

City delegates to the democratic county convention, to be held today, have been named as follows: John H. Smith, James Campbell, Alfred Kinney, Phil F. Bowers, J. N. Laws, Geo. Noland, H. L. Henderson, John Reid, Charles Wesche, I. Bergman, Lee Herring, A. Leberman, W. Kelley, Thomas Denley, A. Seafeldt, Harry Jones, D. Stuart, C. R. Thompson, B. F. Allen, John Hansen, C. C. Utzinger, E. C. Hughes, Leander Lebeck, Lin Ohler, Olaf Anderson, C. J. Trenchard, William Humble, L. Parson, P. Nufer, C. L. Houston, O. I. Peterson and Herman Wise.

The British ship Samaritan got to sea yesterday morning from the lower harbor and put in the day loading around in light breezes outside. There has been no ship left the harbor in a long time that the officials were as glad to see go as the Samaritan. Captain Dexter, from his arrival until the date of his departure, was in constant trouble with his men. First he tried to swindle his second mate and narrowly missed a libel suit in addition to having to pay the mate what was due him and costs of collection. Then his sailors began leaving him by jumping overboard and swimming ashore, and so it went. The Samaritan carried wheat consigned to Queenstown and loaded at \$75 60, a splendid rate.

Astorian are waiting patiently for the coming opera season, and that they will be rewarded is assured. Manager Selig seems in a happy frame of mind and says the people of Astoria will have the grandest treat in the way of music and fun they have ever yet experienced. Russo and the entire Boston Lyric Opera Company, from principals down to the chorus have an enviable reputation as artists that they have conscientiously earned by hard work and careful study. The company have certainly taken Portland by storm, as the papers there have been most profuse in their praise and criticisms. The sale of seats will open next Friday morning for subscribers only at Griffin & Reed's. The regular repertoire for the engagement will be as follows: Tuesday evening, double bill, "Cavalleria Rusticana," with Russo as Turridu, and the comic opera "Said Pasha"; Wednesday evening, "Il Trovatore," Russo as Manrico; Thursday evening "Boccaccio."

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

W. E. Dement vs. A. E. & Geo. W. Ross—order for confirmation of sale.

R. L. Sabin and A. Shilling vs. Howell & Ward et al—ordered that F. I. Dunbar be discharged as receiver and that R. L. Sabin be appointed in his stead upon filing a bond in the sum of \$200.

Henry Mattson vs. City of Astoria—on trial.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

William Olsen and wife to A. M. Holter—northwest quarter of section 14, T 5 N, R 7 W, \$500.

Robert E. Turk and wife to Nancy Fisher—lots 7 and 8, block 40, New Astoria; \$600.

Susan A. Gragg to Mary N. B. Morrison—lots 11, 12 and 13, block 7, Morrison; \$140.

PASSING OF YELLOWSTONE PARK

It is stated upon good authority that the geysers which have made Yellowstone Park famous are gradually declining. Spots once the scene of extraordinary phenomena are now covered by buildings, showing that nature's work has become exhausted. Tourists who have never visited the park are advised to do so soon, before they have passed forever. This information brings to mind, rather pointedly, the fact that decline is the law of the world, both geographical and physical. Health is the most precious possession in the world and too great care cannot be given it. In the spring you should renew your strength and revitalize your blood and nerves with the best of all medicines—Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It also cures stomach disorders. Try it.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the city treasury to pay all warrants drawn on the general fund and endorsed prior to September 1, 1899. Interest will cease after this date.

F. J. CARNEY, City Treasurer.

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"CONFUSIONISTS" ARE ALL AT SEA

Nominations for High Offices Go A-Begging.

DEMOCRATS TO MEET TODAY

Will Nominate Only State and Congressional Delegates—Citizens to Name the Ticket—Candidates.

Great leaders, indeed, will be the men who can bring order out of the apparently inextricable chaos prevailing among the democratic-citizens' populist forces in this county. The democrats will hold their county convention at Fisher's hall today, but even the ambitious and undaunted stalwarts of the "one and only unfettered" will not even so much as make a respectable bluff at unwinding the tangled political snarl, contenting themselves with choosing delegates to the state and congressional conventions and doing a little "whereas and resolving," just to give a jingle to things and scare off the corner.

It is openly announced that the democrats, citizens and populists have adopted a program of expansion whereby they hope, through a combination of forces, to make a respectable wiggle in the coming county campaign. Under the terms of the love-feast, the citizens are to lead the grand march by naming the ticket, the "unfettered" taking up the rear with endorsement of the candidates. The populists will be allowed to deliver on the fence and see them go by, exhorting the clans to "sit 'em down, and sit 'em down, and sit 'em down hard."

Of course, the populists will be given sufficient encouragement to vote for the combination ticket by receiving recognition to the extent of being allowed a candidate or two from their own ranks, which is about all the consideration they can expect. And the democrats will be little better off for, if present plans are carried out, the republicans will get most of the offices. Indeed, it is the generally-expressed opinion that the republican ticket nominated last Saturday has met with such wide-spread approval that many of its candidates will be endorsed outright by the citizens, democrats and populists alike.

The biggest job the confusionists have on hand is finding two self-sacrificing patriots who will take up the legislative fight against Foard and Young. In all, as far as reported, six names have been mentioned but no promises to accept secured. These are Herman Wise, George Flavel, A. Scherneckau, Captain J. E. Campbell, O. I. Petersen and C. J. Curtis.

All save Messrs. Scherneckau and Curtis have declined. The latter gentlemen have not been seen.

In an interview last night Mr. Wise said:

An Astorian reporter interviewed Herman Wise with reference to the report that he would be a candidate for the legislature. This is what he said:

"The democratic committee has not met as yet and it is hardly proper for anybody to accept or reject something that has not been offered.

"Would I accept, if nominated? Well, if the convention were to honor me with such a nomination, I should feel constrained to decline at this time, for various reasons—principally my inability to spare the time and money requisite to make a successful canvass.

"If the people should ask me to serve on the regatta committee or in any other capacity where I could do Astoria some good, I should cheerfully give my spare time and what little money I could afford to advance the general public good, but I would not like to enter into a partisan fight and spend a lot of money, when there are others who are willing and anxious to pay for the privilege. Besides I believe that a successful regatta is of more benefit to our city than all the unpassed bills and jobs introduced in the legislature.

"Of course, I am under great obligations to the democratic party for having honored me with the lucrative position of postmaster and, some day, I hope to be in a position when I may sacrifice myself, but at present I must ask to be allowed to attend to my own business, which requires my best efforts.

"There are several gentlemen in the party whom I know, can afford to enter the race and whom, I believe, can be elected and make a creditable record."

Mr. Peterson declared that he could not devote to leave his business so as to devote the necessary time to the duties of the office. Captain Campbell stated that he was not out for an office of any kind and that he felt the party had already sufficiently honored him.

For sheriff, against Linville, Jens Hansen, the city councilman, is almost certain to be nominated. There are apparently no other candidates in sight or prospect.

Duncan Stewart, formerly deputy under the late Jack Williams, E. C. Smith, clerk in the post-office under Wise, and Recorder Couch Clinton have been talked of. Clinton, however, declares that he is not out for the nomination, thus leaving Stewart and Smith the only ones on the slate.

There is much talk of endorsing Wherry. It is understood to be very doubtful that this plan can be carried

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through, as the democrats want to put up a man of their own. There is also much being said as to the probable endorsement of C. W. Carnahan for assessor but to this proposal, too, the democrats say "nit."

There is little doubt that Thompson for treasurer and Astbury for surveyor will be allowed to remain at home during the campaign, as their endorsement is the only action seriously talked of at the present time.

H. S. Lyman is most likely to be Mr. Lee's opponent for county superintendent of schools, and Charles A. Mathena, editor of the Oregon Chief-tain, appears to have everything coming his direction for coroner. Mr. Pohl, the present incumbent, has been discussed, but it is understood that Pohl has decided to stay out of the contest in favor of Mathena.

Andrew Young, of Walluski precinct, is mentioned for county commissioner, and the friends of Councilman Scherneckau are urging that gentleman to stand in for the nomination.

The democrats today will decide upon a day for the reconvening of the convention, which will be after the citizens meet and nominate a ticket for legislative and county officers.

Taking the situation as a whole it is an interesting curio in the field of politics. There is no end of fun in store, even before the campaign shall have reached the opening stage.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

Notice is hereby given that the regular teacher's examination for county certificates will be held at the court-house, Wednesday, April 11, 1900, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m.

J. T. LEE, Supt. Clatsop County. Dated this, the 31st day of March, 1900. Phone 3974.

FIRE! FIRE!

M. Modine will give an exhibition of the powers of a patent fire extinguisher in the vacant lot opposite the Tighs hotel tonight at 7:30, having received permission from the fire department to give the test. It will be a most interesting spectacle and all who have the time should witness the exhibition. Formerly fire extinguishers have been made of liquid compound, but this invention is composed of a dry powder, which is thrown over the fire from a long tube, and the flames are instantly extinguished.

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