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**CITIZENS DEMAND
PROMPT ACTION****Water Commission Must Do Its
Duty Regarding Public Lights.**

Let That Body Meet With the Council and Formulate Some Plan of Action at Once—Many Ways Are Open.

The members of the water commission of the city of Astoria will do well to heed the signs of the times. The manner in which the citizens have received, approved and applauded the action of the city council on the public lighting question, should warn them that the people of Astoria are tired of the inaction of their body and not only expect, but demand, that it shall do its whole duty and do it promptly.

What the water commission should do the first thing to do is to meet with the council and either act in harmony with that body or map out a course of action for itself.

Nor should the water commission seek to evade its responsibility by delay. The city council has acted. It has refused to allow the taxpayers to be long-er robbed by the extortionate charges of the West Shore Mills Company and has said to the citizens, and to the water commission, that the streets shall go unlighted if no other way of lighting them, other than the West Shore Mills Company's proposition, can be found.

While the council has other ways of lighting the streets, and lighting them better and more cheaply than they have ever been lighted, still that body had every reason to believe that the water commission could, if it would, back up its action in emancipating the citizens from the tyranny of a greedy corporation by coming forward with a proposition which, by its adoption, would not only make the emancipation certain for all time to come but would enrich the city and save the taxpayers thousands of dollars.

The water commission could, if it would, make such a proposition today and it would be welcomed alike by the council and the citizens—and let no one forget for an instant that the citizens are thoroughly aroused on this question and determined to have their rights.

The water commission has the sole and absolute control of the city water power and by its inaction and indifference to the welfare of the city, ten thousand good hard dollars, taken from the taxpayers' pockets, is rusting and rotting away in an incomplete light plant.

The water commission now has the opportunity to not only utilize this \$10,000 already expended, by the expenditure of but little more money but to pay back in saving on the public lighting of Astoria, the money to the taxpayers who paid it.

Let the water commission and the council meet in special session to discuss the lighting question, and the lighting question only, and let both bodies keep on consulting from day to day until some decided action is taken.

If the water commission does not care to enter the field of furnishing electric lights to private consumers, as it has the entire legal right to do, and as the people expected it would do when they demanded of the legislature of 1897 the passage of the act giving it that power, then let arrangements be made for public lighting only.

If the water commission is vitally interested in the city and proposes to better furnish lights for the city and the inhabitants thereof nor for the city alone, then let it offer the council the right to lease the water power to outsiders who will gladly invest their money in a lighting plant in Astoria under proper conditions. No capitalist is going to invest money in a lighting plant here unless he can be sure that the water commissioners will not take it into their heads to start a city lighting plant a year after he has started.

Let the water commission wake up. Let its members do something or get out and let men be appointed who will do something. The council has done its duty and will do more if the water commission will meet it half way.

THE SEALING FLEET.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The sealing schooners have made a wonderfully good catch on the coast this year.

**PLAIN JIM WHIPS
GENTLEMAN JIM**

(Continued from First Page.)

to the jaw but Jeffries put a hard left on the chest in return. Jeffries hooked his left to the head and Corbett drove a right hard to the ribs. Corbett hooked his left to the face and kept the big fellow at arms' length.

Round 13.—Jeffries knocked Corbett to the floor with a right smash to the ear. Corbett got up like a flash. Jeffries kept crowding in. Corbett countered with straight left jabs to the face, but Jeffries had all the better of the round.

Round 14.—Jeffries rushed at his man like a mad bull, but Corbett stepped aside and sprinted out of harm's way, sending a straight left to the ribs. Jeffries rushed again, but Corbett fooled him. Jeffries succeeded in landing on the neck, Corbett countering on the ribs. Corbett's work at this point was extremely clever.

Round 15.—Corbett opened with a left on the face. Jeffries rushed him into a corner. Jeffries kept boring in, but Corbett met him at every turn, blocking cleverly.

Round 16.—Jeffries rushed madly, putting his left to the head and his right to the body. Corbett backed away without returning the blow. Jeffries, still forcing, made Corbett go to the limit of the ring and sent a hard left to the neck. Jeffries was very strong at the end of this round while Corbett seemed to be weakening.

Round 17.—Jeffries swung his right to Corbett's jaw and then rushed him across the ring to the ropes. At close quarters Corbett hooked twice to the face, sending the blood spurting again from Jeffries' face. Jeffries then put two hard lefts into the body and smashed his left against Corbett's foot, sending Corbett's head back. Then Jeffries crowded him to the ropes and, with a full swinging left smash on the jaw, sent Corbett rolling down and out. Corbett's head struck the floor heavily and he rolled over.

MRS. CRAVEN INDICTED

She Will Be Tried For Perjury With Simpson, Who Claimed to Have Married Her to Fair.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The Examiner says: Mrs. Nettie R. Craven has been indicted by the grand jury on a charge of perjury for her testimony given before that body in relation to her claim for a widow's share of the James G. Fair estate. George W. Simpson, who swore that he married Fair and Mrs. Craven and who subsequently made oath that he lied in his first affidavit, has also been indicted for perjury. Adolph Silva, the man who boasted that he engineered the scheme by which Simpson was induced to make his contrary affidavits, has been indicted for subornation of perjury, which is also defined as a felony. If the accused are convicted they may be punished by imprisonment not less than one year nor more than 14.

There are said to be others implicated and other indictments may follow.

MR. TOWNE'S MODESTY.

He Does Not Seek the Vice-Presidency But Will Serve Since the People Call Him.

CHICAGO, May 11.—Charles A. Towne, when asked for an expression of opinion regarding the action of the convention, said:

"I can only say what I have always said since my name has been mentioned in this connection, that I have not sought the office and have not made any efforts to secure the nomination, but if the populists and the other three parties think I am the most available man for the position, I will accept. It has been my wish all along that the Sioux Falls convention should name a committee to meet with committees of the other two parties at Kansas City to consider the vice-presidential question, but it looks as though my friends at Sioux Falls did not consider that the best course to follow."

REPUBLICAN VETERANS.

Survivors of First National Convention to Be Present at Philadelphia.

NE WYOMING, May 11.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: The survivors of the first republican national convention are to be the guests in Philadelphia next month. Invitations will be sent to them next Monday. Only 15 survive of all those who assembled in Pittsburgh, Penna., on June 18, 1856, to enunciate the new principles and to bring into existence a new party. Of these only one continues a prominent figure in politics. He is representative Galusha A. Grow, who was the youngest member of the lower house when he first entered it and who is now its oldest member.

These guests of the national committee will be given prominent seats on the platform.

CONE TO EUROPE.

NEW YORK, May 11.—Major-General Merritt and Mrs. Merritt sailed on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse on a tour of Europe that will consume most of the summer.

FALLING OFF OF FAILURES.

NE WYOMING, May 11.—Dun's Review says: The failures for the week have been 192 in the United States against 165 last year, and 15 in Canada against 20 last year.

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She Would Take England's Side in Any Controversy With Germany.

BERLIN, May 11.—The Hanover Courier today confirms in an article evidently inspired, the statement recently carried to the Associated Press that France not long ago on being asked how she would act if an Anglo-German war broke out, replied: "We know only one question," meaning Alsace-Lorraine.

The article concludes as follows: "It was not a continental federation against England, but a dreadnought against Germany that was in the air."

BRIDGE COMBINATION FORMED.

NEW YORK, May 11.—The American Bridge Company, with 50 or more separate companies and a capital of \$70,000,000, will, it is announced, be formed at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Company, in this city tomorrow forenoon. The companies represented by the combination comprise about 90 cent of all those doing business in this country.

THE NEW CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The steamer California, the largest vessel ever built on this coast, will be launched at the Union Iron Works on Saturday night. She is 488 feet long, with a total displacement of 16,500 tons, and a dead weight capacity of 10,000 tons.

TO VIEW THE ECLIPSE.

CHICAGO, May 11.—A special to the Tribune from Williams Bay, Wis., says: The permanent staff of the Yerkes Observatory of the University of Chicago will go to Wadsworth, N. C., to view the total eclipse of May 28, and from a favorable point in the path of the totality.

IMPROVED SERVICE AND EQUIPMENT.

The new schedule of the O. R. & N., which went into effect April 22nd, shortened the time to Chicago 12 hours, and gives a double daily service between Portland and Chicago. Train No. 2, leaving Portland at 9:15 a. m. is known as the "Chicago-Portland Special." Its equipment is new throughout, making it fully the equal of any train now in service from the Pacific coast to the East.

The "Overland Express" leaves Portland at 6:20 p. m. and furnishes complete service both via Huntington and Spokane to the East, together with the best of service to all local points on the O. R. & N. lines.

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St. Louis, called the "Flying Dutch-
man." The train will have through
sleeping cars and be first-class
throughout. Ask any ticket agent for
particulars or address
C. J. EDDY, General Agent,
Portland, Oregon.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

First National Bank

OF ASTORIA,
At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at
the close of business, April 26, 1900.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$243,584.77
Overdrafts, secured and unse-	143.48
U. S. bonds to secure circula-	12,500.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	89,166.24
Real estate	9,414.61
Due from National Banks (not	
reserve agents)	890.07
Due from State Banks and	
Bankers	26,354.40
Due from approved reserve	
agents	90,801.12
Checks and other cash items	1,160.63
Notes of other National Banks	100.00
Nickels	46.05
Legal money reserve	
in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$112,140.00
Legal-tender notes	374.00
	112,514.00

Redemption fund with U. S.	
treasurer (5 per cent of cir-	
culation)	625.00
Total	\$587,362.39

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less ex-	
penses and taxes paid	29,640.52
National Bank notes out-	
standing	5,750.00
Due to State Banks and	
Bankers	1,632.47
Individual deposits	
subject to check	\$398,598.18
Demand certificates	
of deposit	77,341.15
	\$476,939.33

Total	\$587,362.39
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STATE OF OREGON, County of
Clatsop, ss: I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of
the above-named bank, do solemnly
swear that the above statement is true
to the best of my knowledge and belief.
S. S. GORDON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 2nd day of May, 1900.
C. R. THOMSON,
Notary Public.

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U. S. Quarantine Station, Astoria, Ore-
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JAMES KNOX TAYLOR,
Supervising Architect.