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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, April 9.—Oregon and Idaho, fair; Washington, fair except probably light showers near the immediate coast.

AROUND TOWN.

See Gaston about harness.

F. P. Kendall and wife are in Portland today.

C. M. Celler returned from Portland last evening.

Senator C. W. Fulton returned home last evening.

For rent—Furnished rooms for housekeeping. 165 Tenth street.

First-class table fruits, three cans for 50c at Johnson Bros.

Best 15-cent meal—Rising Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial St.

Miss Florence Ross will leave this morning for Knappa for a short visit.

John H. Smith and George Noland returned from Vancouver last night.

Japanese goods of all kinds, cheap at Yokohama Bazaar; 626 Commercial St.

F. F. De Yo left for Portland last evening, and may visit Idaho before his return.

Fancy Riverside Navel Oranges, finest received this season, at Johnson Bros.

Ground will be broken shortly for a new opera house at Eugene to cost $15,000.

L. A. Loomis, ex-president of the I. R. & N. Co., left up for Portland last evening.

Captain Arthur Rich leaves this morning for the Cascades with the launch Leonore, which he will run during the season as a tender for the McGowan & Son's cannery at Warrendale.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL; RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

Mrs. Rasmussen is prepared to do up lace curtains in good order. Leave orders at Oregon bakery.

W. E. Tallant and Mrs. Tallant, who have spent the winter in California, are expected home today.

On the arrival of the steamer today fresh supply of vegetables will be received by Johnson Bros.

The funeral of the late Stephen Meeks Cole will be held at 10:30 this morning, from Pohl's undertaking parlors.

The examinations for county teachers certificates will begin today at the court house, and will continue three days.

Alex Girard left last evening for Hoquiam in response to a message apprising him of the illness of his mother.

Mrs. T. T. Geer, of Salem, who has been visiting her parents in Astoria, returned to the capital city last evening.

Mr. Wise's branch clothing store, 470-72 Commercial street, is now open. Go in and see how cheap goods are sold there.

Wanted: To rent, a nicely furnished house of four or five rooms in central part of city. Address, stating price, "P" care Morning Astorian.

Cream pure rye. America's finest whiskey. The only pure goods; guaranteed rich and mellow. JOHN L. CARLSON, Sole Agent.

If you have a fastidious palate and your gastric economy is in a doubtful condition, consult the appetizing menu at the Boston Restaurant.

John A. Montgomery has opened a shop at 421 Bond street and is prepared to do all classes of plumbing and tinning at the lowest possible rates.

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

The funeral of the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harry, who died yestetrday from pneumonia, will be held today. Interment will be in Ocean View.

The improvements to the court house authorized by the county court will be commenced this morning. An addition twelve feet wide and one story high will be built on the north side of the court house to provide more room for the clerk's office, and the enlarging of the vault.

Mayor Bergman yesterday telegraphed President McKinley and Senator Mitchell urging that Astoria be included in the itinerary of the Pacific coast trip of the presidential party.

From indications the coming bench show at Seattle will exceed all previous exhibits as to the number of entries. Dogs are expected from every section of the Pacific Northwest.

Next Friday is Arbor day and will be appropriately observed by the local schools. Each grade will have its own program and several trees will be planted as is the custom on the day.

Water consumers should bear in mind that today, Wednesday, is the last day on which to pay water rates in order to avoid the penalty of 25 cents which is charged against all delinquents.

Portland market men report a good demand for crawfish and the supply is constantly increasing to meet the demand. The crawfish come from the Clatskanie, Lake and Columbia rivers.

Captain Steel, of the British ship Khyber, who was arrested in Portland on a charge of kidnapping, preferred by a sailor who declared he had been "shanghaied," was discharged yesterday.

The members of Ocean Circle No. 145, Women of Woodcraft, gave a social dance last night at Foard & Stokes' hall. Excellent music was in attendance and a delightful time was enjoyed.

Accommodations could not be secured on any of the Alaska steamers for the launches Taku Jack and Robert Barron, so they will have to run up to Bristol Bay from Seattle with their own power.

The lightship is no longer "strandel," for she is now travelling on rollers over high ground. Her masts are plainly visible through the brush from Baker's bay, and probably by tonight her hull will be in sight.

The stockholders of the Copper Head Mining Company met at the office of C. G. Palmberg yesterday and decided to begin development work at once. The ore assays $48 in copper, $1.20 in silver and $2.40 in gold to the ton.

The citizens of Milton, Wash., are to erect a cannery and cold storage plant. A meeting was held recently to arrange for the preliminary work and the subscriptions necessary will be forthcoming.

At the annual parish meeting of Grace Episcopal church the following were elected vestrymen: C. J. Trenchard, E. Z. Ferguson, R. Thomas, William McCormack, W. F. Gratke, E. Streumeyer and Harrison Allen.

The experts appointed to examine the accounts of Napoleon Davis, clerk of the school land board, during Governor Pennoyer's administration, have reported that nothing is wrong with the various funds during Davis' term of office.

Andrew Carlson, a young man employed at Masten's logging camp, had his left foot badly sprained and narrowly escaped drowning by falling into a sluice-way yesterday. His foot was caught between two logs. He was brought to St. Mary's hospital on last night's train.

Joseph Branchine, an Austrian fisherman, was held up last Sunday night near Devlin's old cannery and at the point of a gun made to submit to highwaymen going through his clothes. The sum of $38.35 was taken and the victim told to move on. The matter was reported to the police.

Orders for groceries and provisions to the amount of about $2000 have been placed with Fisher Brothers by the new Finnish Co-operative Society, with the cash for the whole amount. All of the other goods required by the society are also being purchased from Astoria merchants.

It is possible that Governor Geer will go to San Francisco to meet the president and his party. He visits his mother in Oakland, across the bay from the California metropolis, every year and he may so time his trip so as to be present at the launching of the Ohio and the attendant festivities.

The promoters of the exposition to be held in Portland in 1905 have been casting about for a name that will appropriately distinguish the Oregon fair from the dozens of others scheduled to be held in different parts of the country. The latest suggestion comes from Walla Walla and the name submitted is "The Columbia River Salmon Centennial Exposition."

"If you want 'union-made' clothing come to me, I have lots of it at my store," said Herman Wise. "If you don't care whether you wear union or non-union-made clothing, then why go to other stores and pay regular prices, when you can get them at bargain prices at my branch store, 470-72 Commercial street, formerly McAllen & McDonnell's store."

Mayor Rowe, of Portland, has been made permanent chairman of the committee of citizens appointed to receive and entertain the presidential party while in Oregon. He will be assisted by a committee to be composed of not less than fifteen members. The legislative, committee of which Senator C. W. Fulton is a member, also held a session in Portland yesterday.

The Portland Telegram is authority for the story that two crack shots of that city have arranged for a shoot to be held Sunday. The match is at live pigeons for $500 a side, but owing to the expected opposition of certain persons who have threatened to stop the meeting the names of the contestants and the place where the shoot will be held are known only to the favored few and will be kept secret until the affair is over.

The next attraction at Fisher's opera house next Monday and Tuesday will be Mr. Horace Ewing and his excellent company of players in the funny comedy "Widow Bedott." Wherever presented it makes a hit. Mr. Ewing assumes the character of the "Widow" and in this role makes quite an impression, and the company gives him admirable support. Many musical numbers are introduced and rendered in an artistic manner, always receiving generous applause. The press critics pronounce Mr. Ewing and company a success. Seat sale opens Saturday morning next at Griffin & Reed's.

The steamer Mascot, which was launched Monday after extensive repairs, sank yesterday morning in two fathoms and a half of water, where she now lies, opposite the South Portland ship-yards. This is the fourth serious accident that has happened to the vessel and she seems to belie her name with a consistency that would be admirable under other circumstances. The Mascot was thoroughly repaired by carpenters who pronounced her in condition for operation Monday. Early yesterday morning the watchman went aboard and found some water in the hold. About 5 o'clock a river steamer passed, creating a heavy swell. The Mascot rolled to starboard, crushing some of her cabin against the piling, then rolled to port and immediately sank. Efforts will be made to raise her and she will again go on the ways for repairs.

FELL FROM THE ROADWAY.

Fisherman Found Dead in Uniontown Yesterday.

A peculiar tangle of names has been woven in the endeavor to establish the identity of a fisherman who was discovered dead on the beach opposite Sanborn's cannery yesterday morning at daybreak. The night previous the man had been seen in the locality in a state of intoxication, and it is thought that he accidentally fell over the railing of the roadway and dropped to the beach twenty-five feet below. When found, the man's neck was broken and death had probably been instantaneous.

Papers found on the body identified the man as Gabriel Colman. From an acquaintance Coroner Pohl learned that the man's real name was John Hirtala. Last night a man answering to the name of Gabriel Colman appeared and stated that the dead man's name was John Mattson, he having been granted citizenship papers under that name. Colman said that deceased had a brother, Nels Mattson, living near Olney, who had been notified of his brother's death and would arrive today to arrange for the burial. At the inquest held yesterday a verdict was rendered of accidental death.

DENNEY'S RECORD.

Has Met and Defeated Number of Clever Men.

Martin Denney, who is to meet Billy Wright, of Vallejo, California, in a 15-round go at the Louvre Saturday night, has an excellent record and has met some of the cleverest men in his class. Following is a record of the fights he has participated in:

In Australia, won from Potter Christy, Denham, Brophy, Mateer, Peakes, McGregor, Baxter, McShane, E. McAuliffe E. Jackson. He also fought a 20-round draw with Young Griffo.

In England, met and defeated Joe Lambert, Bill Eyles, Jack Gamble and George Gordon. He defeated Pat Scully in Ireland, and Malone, Jones and E. McAuliffe in South Africa. Since coming to the Pacific coast Denney has been awarded decisions in fights with Mickey Welch, of Tacoma, and Jimmy Reilly, of Portland. Referees decided draws in contests with "Spider" Kelly, of San Francisco; Lafontine, Sacramento; Levine, Tacoma. In a twenty-round fight with Tommy Maxwell in San Francisco, decision was given against Denney by the referee, but his friends declared that he was robbed and that the decision should have been given to him or at least be called a draw.

MUCH INTEREST MANIFEST.

Much interest has been manifested in local musical circles over the coming appearance of Paloma and Karla Schramm in Astoria. They will give two concerts at the Methodist church tomorrow afternoon and evening, and the admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. The program for the afternoon concert will be prepared with a special view to the desires and tastes of the children.

A San Francisco paper in speaking of Paloma's appearance in that city, said:

"Among the crowds at the concert, there was not one listener, one ventures to say, who sat quite unmoved. Some, musically sensitive, were profoundly touched. Paderwski stirred the depth of us, because he had known all life, and possessed the tremendous power which such cognition gives to a great soul. Paloma Schramm accomplishes the same result in us through her very innocence, and her essential childish ignorance of the meaning of existence."

ROBERTSON DERRICK HERE.

The statements made by Seattle papers to the effect that the Robertson Raft Company would not use on the Sound on account of the teredo, as announced, seem to be contradicted by the arrival on the Columbia of the only derrick the company had on the Sound. This derrick, which is a monster in its line, was brought here by the tug Tatoosh, of Seattle yesterday, and will be used by Mr. Fastabend in building the two rafts under contract at Westport. While working on the Sound, spar sticks 115 feet long, four feet in diameter at the butt, and two feet in diameter at the small end, were lifted and placed in the cradle by this derrick.

ALLEN-CURTIS NUPTIALS.

Pretty Wedding of Popular Young People.

At the Congregational church yesterday Daniel B. Allen, son of the Hon. B. F. Allen, and Jennie Louise Curtis, daughter of C. J. Curtis, were united in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Dell. The bridesmaids were Miss Huber, of Portland, and Miss Etta Strauss, of Astoria. Mr. Wilfrid C. Curtis, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

The bride was gowned in white organdie over lansdown and wore a wreath of orange blossoms, forwarded from California. The bridesmaids wore white over pink. Mrs. H. C. Thompson officiated and Mrs. J. T. Ross sang "Oh, Promise Me," by De Koven. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Allen left on last night's train for Portland and the Sound cities.

CLATSOP COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The regular annual Teachers' Institute of Clatsop County will be held at Astoria, April 17, 18 and 19. Day sessions will be held at the High School building. Evening sessions, Thursday and Friday at 8 p. m., will be held at the Methodist church. Teachers in the county will attend all sessions. The public and all friends of education are invited to be present at any or all sessions.

H. S. LYMAN,
School Superintendent.

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, 1900. Also all warrants drawn on the road and crossing fund and endorsed prior to April 2, 1901. Interest will cease after this date.

F. J. CARNEY,
City Treas.

Astoria, Ore., April 2, 1901.

BENEFITS OF HATCHERY

WARDEN VAN DUSEN REPLIES TO MR. REED.

Says Salvation of Future of Fishing Industry Is in Artificial Propagation.

Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen differs with W. H. H. Reed, of Corbett, Oregon, as to the value of artificial propagation to the fishing industry. In an interview with an Astorian reporter Mr. Reed declared that all that was necessary for the replenishing of the streams was the rigorous enforcement of the closed season. He stated that the fish would then seek their natural spawning grounds unmolested and that young fry born amid natural surroundings would be more capable of self-protection than would fish turned out from a hatchery, where they had been fed and cared for.

Master Warden Van Dusen, in an interview yesterday, said: "There is no denying that something is diminishing the annual run of fish and some plan is necessary to replenish the streams. Personally I believe that the salvation of the industry lies in artificial propagation. As nearly as can be estimated one and one-half million fish are taken from the Columbia each year. Last year the Washington hatcheries turned 16,625,000 young fry into the Columbia and its tributaries. Oregon turned in 3,670,000 and the government hatcheries had an output of 5,588,000, making a total of 25,883,000. Experts have found, as the result of careful experimenting, that ten per cent of artificially propagated fish live to attain naturity, and this ratio would insure a desirable yearly increase in the annual run.

"The artificial hatchery of salmon is still in an experimental stage but certain facts have been demonstrated so often that they must be accepted as truth. About five per cent of the eggs spawned in a natural state are hatched whereas in the hatcheries fully ninety-five per cent are saved. As to the latter fish being devoid of instincts of protection there is difference of opinion and experts are watching young fry with a view to arriving at a more definite understanding. Some declare that the fry should be turned into the river at the time they begin to feed. Others are positive that the best results can be gained by keeping them in the hatcheries until six months have elapsed, by which time they will have reached a growth of from four to six inches.

"If the six months' plan was generally adopted it is quite possible that the fish would have lost self-protection instincts, because of continued feeding, without exertion. However, these are mere details of the methods which meet the disapproval of Mr. Reed. There can hardly be any doubt but that artificial propagation has been of much benefit to the fishing industry, and its potential importance must necessarily receive a great deal of attention. During my administration of the office of master fish warden I will pay particular attention to the hatcheries and at the expiration of a year expect to have figures that will prove beyond contradiction the value of artificial propagation.

"I think that with adequate hatchery facilities the annual run in the river can be increased to a considerable extent. We shall use every effort to enforce the laws of the closed season, so that the fish may reach their natural spawning grounds. In regard to the hatchery work for the coming year the most important action of the state board of fish commissioners will probably be in agreeing to the transfer of the Wenatchee hatchery from Washington to Oregon. We expect to turn into the Columbia during the coming year from twelve to fifteen million fry, and under exceptionally favorable conditions the aggregate may reach twenty million.

Warden Van Dusen received a letter yesterday from Representative B. L. Eddy, of Tillamook, stating that he was taking steps to gain desired information as to the most desirable site in the vicinity for the location of a hatchery. Mr. Van Dusen will probably leave shortly for a trip to Tillamook and will inspect the various sites offered. A letter was also received from Deputy Sheriff E. C. Greenman, of Oregon City, who has been employed by the warden to aid in enforcing the laws affecting the closed season, in which the writer said that there was no attempts made during the last days of the closed season and the deputy is preparing for a vigilant patrol of the river and all violaters will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

PRESBYTERY'S SESSION.

Visiting Ministetrs and Elders Who Are Here.

The Presbytery of Portland, including the churches of the six counties of Clatsop, Columbia, Multnomah, Tillamook, Clackamas and Washington, met at the Presbyterian church last night at 7:30 o'clock, and was opened with a sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. W. S. Gilbert, pastor of the Portland Calvary church. The most of the delegation arrived on the noon train from Portland, and, proceeding at once to the church, participated in an elegant luncheon served by the ladies of the church. A prayer meeting was held at the church at 4:30 p. m., led by the Rev. Wm. Travis, of Portland. The rest of the afternoon was spent in taking in the sunshine and the beauties of the Astoria view.

The following members were present: Retiring Moderator Rev. W. S. Gilbert, Revs. W. S. Holt, A. J. Montgomery, Alex Foster, A. D. Sopir, W. O. Forbes, W. S. Wright, E. W. St. Pierre, A. Robinson, William Travis, John Day, of Presbytery of Great Falls; A. A. Hurd, J. V. Milligan, of Presbytery of Puget Sound; Henry Marcotte, F. H. Fruihe, H. S. Templeton, J. R. McGlade, M. D. McClelland and W. T. Scott; also ruling elders, John Boyd, Frank Chalmers, C. H. Madeley, E. C. Belknap, W. J. Lewellen, E. C. Holden and D. M. McKay.

Dr. E. P. Hill and Rev. Robert McLean are expected this morning. Also Ruling Elders J. R. Ewing, Jesse Walrath and William Tagg and A. T. Smith. Mrs. Frank Chalmers and Mrs. John Boyd accompanied their husbands.

The moderator preached from the text I. Kings, 20:27, "And the Children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country." Following the roll call the following officers were elected: Moderator, Rev. W. S. Wright, of Sellwood; temporary clerk, H. R. Templeton. The committee on arrangements reported devotional meeting at 8:30 a. m. Wednesday; dinner hour from 12 to 1:30; lunch at the church at 5 o'clock. Revs. J. E. Day, of Presbytery of Great Falls, and J. V. Milligan, of the Presbytery, of Puget Sound, were invited to act as corresponding members. The following trustee of the Presbytery were elected: Revs. W. O. Forbes, W. S. Holt, W. S. Gilbert, and Elders K. Livingston and P. H. Ward. The election of commissioners to the general assembly was made the order of day for 10:30 a. m. Wednesday.

Letters of greeting were read from Prof. W. H. Landon, D. D., of San Francisco, and Students Eugene Bolli and E. T. Allen. The latter was granted a temporary license to preach. Letters were also read from Chauncey Case of McCormack Seminary, Chicago. An invitation to meet with the Oregon City church in October was accepted.

THE BOER WAR.

The latest news from South Africa indicates a speedy and peaceful termination of the conflict that has been raging for the past two years. War is a terrible thing and has slain thousands, but stomach troubles, we believe, have slain even more. When the stomach is out of order the entire system suffers and disease takes an easy hold. To insure health and long life keep the stomach in good condition by the use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The next time you are troubled with dyspepsia, indigestion, billiousness, constipation or any other disorder of the stomach do not fail to give it a trial. It will cure these ailments and prevent malaria, fever and ague. Insist on having the genuine with our Private Revenue stamp over the neck of the bottle.

SPECIAL RATE TO SALEM.

The O. R. & N. Co. has issued a circular announcing to its agents that a rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan is authorized to Portland and return during the meeting of the annual convention of Oregon Christian Endeavor Union, to be held at Salem, May 16 to 19. This is providing, however, that 50 or more paying passengers of not less than 50 cents have been in attendance, all lines included. Under these conditions delegates or members of delegate's family, that have paid full fare to Portland will be returned at one-third fare, on presentation of certificates to the company's agents in this city on or before May 21. Certificates must be signed by Miss Martha Case, secretary of the convention, and are to be issued only on any of the three days prior to opening day of the meeting, including the latter.

THE LOUVRE

Prof. Traxell, the well-known legerdemain artist will give his marvellous sleight-of-hand performance at the Louvre during the coming week, and other features have been secured that will make the program a most attractive one.