

The Morning Astorian TELEPHONE 661.

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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, June 27.—Oregon and Washington, Friday, fair, warmer except near the coast; Idaho, fair and warmer.

AROUND TOWN.

See R. M. Gaston about harness. Wanted: a woman to do washing. Call at 420 Exchange St. Best 15-cent meal—Rising Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial St. W. R. Nutting, of Berkeley, California, is a guest at the Occident. Jacob Kamm, the Portland capitalist, is in the city on a business trip. Three first-class barbers at the Occident barber shop. Best of service. Japanese goods of all kinds, cheap at Yokohama Bazaar, 626 Commercial St. For a good tea at a low price try White Lily of Japan, imported by Johnson Bros.

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Crushed strawberry ice cream and vanilla ice cream, and sweet cream ice cream at the Parlor.

Bishop Morris will hold service at Calvary chapel at Seaside, Sunday, June 30, at 11 a. m.

The improvement in the run of fish in the river continues and better catches are being reported.

Miss Olsen will hold a private school for about two months, commencing July 1st. Inquirers leave address at Astorian office.

A full attendance of members is desired at a called meeting of the Ladies Aid Society at 2 p. m. today. Business of importance.

The new suits for the Elks baseball team have arrived from the East. They are gray in color with trimmings and stockings of red.

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Mrs. Jewett has purchased a large stock of millinery and invites the ladies of Astoria to inspection. Her parlors are at 127 Seventh street.

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.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia River Packers Association held yesterday the present directors were re-elected without opposition. The directors will meet later to elect officers.

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The Boston restaurant is deservedly popular. The best that the market affords is always found on its bill of fare, and the service is first-class. Open until 1 a. m.

The case of assault pending against M. Suman was postponed yesterday and the hearing set for 9 a. m. today. The defendant is out on twenty dollar bail, pending trial.

Except for baseball games, Astoria will be unusually quiet on the Fourth of July. Teams representing Upper-town and Uniontown will play a game at the A. F. C. grounds.

A deed was filed in the recorder's office yesterday whereby E. J. Fleming transfers to Mrs. Margaret Fleming 32 acres of land in section 2, T. 7 N., R. 19 W., for a consideration of \$100.

Frank Shields, representing the Standard Oil Company, and R. Krebs, of Nohalem, returned to Astoria yesterday making the trip over the trail.

W. A. Doherty, of Green Bay, Wis., who is interested with Mr. Hammond in the lumber industry in California, is in the city with the railroad magnate.

Among the guests at the Occident are H. B. Settem, Kuappton; A. E. Hulme, I. A. Loomis, A. E. Loomis, Ilwaco; Mr. and Mrs. George A. Spencer, Chehalis.

A. R. Hammond, who was in the city yesterday, will return with the members of the river and barbers committee Monday, when they will inspect the lower Columbia and the jetty.

W. W. Curtis, the Portland lumberman who has recently been making large purchases of timber lands in the Nehalem country, was a passenger from Tillamook yesterday on the Elmore.

John Erickson, of New Astoria, was placed under police bonds of \$100 yesterday by Justice of the Peace Brover. Erickson was charged with assaulting his wife with a dangerous weapon.

The steamer Columbia, which ran aground early yesterday morning opposite Tongue Point, was floated at 8 a. m. and proceeded on her way to San Francisco, no damage having been done.

The congressional party will arrive down the river about 2:30 Monday afternoon and will be transferred here to the Columbia, on which the trip to the jetty will be made, returning to the Hotel Flavel for luncheon.

Water-tight Wickens and Deputy Warden Bultman have been instructed to arrest all fishermen who have not complied with the section of the law requiring that license numbers be conspicuously painted on the boats.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give a "Lemon party" this evening in the basement of the church. An interesting program is being arranged and a cordial invitation is extended to all. No admission will be charged.

In the circuit court yesterday Judge McBride overruled the demurrer in the case of W. C. Parsons vs. the A. & C. R. R., and the defendant was allowed until August 1 to answer. Other orders handed down were: G. W. Sanborn vs. Otto Klesch, H. Flood and T. S. Driscoll, decedent; Clara S. Cayle vs. Catherine E. Sloan et al., demurrer overruled by consent.

The launch Sylph, built by Richard Leathers for Captain John Held, was launched at high tide yesterday. The machinery is already in place and both the builder and owner believe she will be one of the fastest crafts of her class afloat.

The National Educational Convention at Detroit, July 8-12, the O. R. & N. has made a round-trip rate from Astoria of \$1.25. Tickets on sale July 2 and 3, returning limit August 31. Call for further information.

Superintendent C. A. Coolidge, of the Astoria Street Railway Company, expects to have cars running on the new extension from Eleventh to Twenty-third streets by Saturday. The poles are already up and the trolley wires are now being strung.

Mrs. B. Ingleson is now displaying a full line of the latest styles in fall millinery at the establishment recently opened by her at 658 Commercial street, opposite the Budget office. Mrs. Ingleson also carries a full line of ladies' and children's furnishing goods.

Part of the cargo brought in yesterday by the steamer Sue H. Elmore was the machinery of the Davis mill which will be placed in a new building to be built on the Columbia at Carrall Point. Several consignments of dairy products were a part of the cargo.

For the Christian Endeavor meeting at Clatsop, July 5-10, the O. R. & N. has made a round-trip rate of \$1.50 from Astoria. Tickets on sale July 1, 2 and 3, good for returning until September 1, stop-overs en route. Call at ticket office, O. R. & N. dock, for particulars.

The O. R. & N. Co. has made a rate of \$46 from Astoria and Portland for the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y., which will be on sale first and third Tuesdays, June to October, inclusive. These tickets must be used for continuous passage going, but stop-overs will be allowed within final limit returning.

A musical program is being arranged for the sacred concert to be given at the Methodist church Sunday night. The soloists will be Misses Dargatzis, and Messrs. Thomson and Barr. In addition to the solos there will be a men's quartet, ladies' double quartet, duets and choruses. The detailed program will be announced later.

When the steamer Knight Companion went to sea last night there was on board Charlie Ho, a Chinese merchant of Astoria, who was knocked overboard because of an irregularity that appeared in his certificate. The trouble was caused by his partners here moving to a new location. The Knight Companion carried a cargo valued at \$200,000, of flour, cotton and miscellaneous consignments.

Flavius Batts, a four-year-old boy residing with his parents at the Day City house on 14th street, was injured yesterday by a heavy truck owned by a local transfer company. The little fellow was playing in the street near the corner of Tenth and Duane streets and failed to get out of the way of the vehicle. His right hand was crushed under the heavy wheels and his ankle was bruised. W. J. Barry, who saw the accident, carried the little fellow to Dr. Fulton's office, where his injuries were dressed, after which he was taken to his home.

The inaugural hop that marked the opening of the Astoria Commercial Club last night was a delightful affair and the throng of invited guests and club members who were present inspected the commodious quarters of the new club, and indulged in dancing until a late hour. The large hall which was used for dancing and the music was furnished by the Columbia orchestra. The billiard room and reading room came in for many compliments, and in fact the entire interior has been arranged with a view to the comfort of the members. The club starts its existence with every prospect of continued success; it already has a membership roll that makes it self-sustaining, and apart from its social features it will doubtless be a factor in booming Astoria and its advantages, for which it was organized. The committee in charge of the opening night was composed of Samuel Elmore, Herman Wisler, W. W. Whipple and F. A. Fisher.

Mr. Hammond had retired when the news of the incorporation of the Columbia Drydock Company reached Astoria last night. With customary reserve he declined to give any details of the plans of the company and referred the reporter to C. W. Fulton, attorney for the company. Mr. Fulton said that the drydock will be located on the other side of the bay near Warrenton, and will be of sufficient capacity to float a battleship. Further statement of details Mr. Fulton said he was not at liberty to make. The capital stock will be largely taken by private subscriptions and will not be on the market. There have been rumors on the streets for the past week that plans had been matured for the establishment of a mammoth dry dock in the vicinity of Astoria, but those who were in Mr. Hammond's confidence would not divulge anything tangible, so that practically nothing was known until the telegraphic announcement from Salem, which is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Steamship companies operating passenger vessels between points on Puget sound, Victoria and Vancouver, and ports in southeastern Alaska have issued circulars announcing an increase in passenger rates to take effect July 1. The announcement comes as the result of a joint meeting in Seattle of representatives of all companies interested. The rates will be maintained by agreement through the summer months and the period of heaviest travel. It is stated, though not confirmed, that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company is not a party to the agreement and will operate under the old rates. The local offices have not as yet received official notification one way or the other. Dowell & Co., agents for the Washington & Alaska Steamship Company, both of which run their vessels to Tacoma, have sent notices to their agents at all points of the increase. The rates which will go into effect the first day of next month are as follows: From Puget sound, Victoria or Vancouver, to Mary Island, Ketchikan or Wrangle, first class, \$22; second class, \$16. To Juneau, first class, \$25; second class, \$20. To Ketchikan, first class, \$25; second class, \$21. To Sitka, first class, \$35; second class, \$22. At the time of the deep cut in rates last month the travel between the Sound and Alaska showed a marked increase, but also showed a falling off when the rates were raised to the old schedule. It is stated that the companies operating in Alaska waters are convinced that the travel will be in no way affected by the latest raise in passenger rates. No announcement of changes in freight rates is made.

HAMMOND'S PLAIN TALK.

Told Portland Business Men They Were Retarding Development of State.

What was intended as a meeting to score the New York Commercial for its advocacy of the advantages of Astoria as a seaport and its contention that terminal rates should be granted this port, was held at the Chamber of Commerce in Portland Wednesday. Before the situation sized it flared miserably and with the unexpected turn came a sequence of plain truths from A. R. Hammond that should have made the assembly ashamed of itself. The meeting was called to meet Frank B. Moore, of the staff of the New York Commercial, who was sent to the coast to lead the complaints of Portland business men that the city was being maliciously maligned by the series of editorials appearing in the Commercial, several of which have been reprinted in the Astorian.

Several members of the Chamber of Commerce were present but it was not officially a meeting of that body.

Mr. Moore was informed that a full retraction would be the only proposition considered, and R. L. Cohen indulged in some Billingsgate adjectives in describing the Commercial. Mr. Moore blandly inquired why Astoria was not granted terminal rates and instead of telling him the truth as to the persistent opposition of Portland, the speakers said it was a railroad problem, with which they had nothing to do.

Mr. Hammond was in the room, having been invited by B. L. Cohen. During his remarks Cohen said he believed the offensive editorials to have been inspired, and planned in Mr. Hammond's direction. This brought the railroad magnate to his feet, and the following account of what happened is reprinted from the Oregonian account of the meeting:

"I am above inspired articles," said Mr. Hammond. "When I have anything to say, I am not afraid to put it on paper, and send it to the Oregonian for publication with my name signed to it."

"After saying that there was nothing in it," said an editorial which had caused the exchange of courtesies between Mr. Moore and sundry gentlemen of Portland, who had once made the mistake of being so confiding. Mr. Hammond proceeded to point out some of the disadvantages of Western Oregon and to suggest how they could be overcome. Going to a map on the wall, he swept his hand over so much of the states of Oregon and Washington as lay west of the Cascades. He said the advantages of Western Oregon and Washington are identical, yet Western Washington is growing faster than Western Oregon.

"There is not a town in Western Washington into which an investor may not go and build a saw mill and do a profitable business," said Mr. Hammond. "There is not a town in Western Oregon in which an investor may build a saw mill and do business with-out shipping his lumber to Portland, and paying the local rate on it. You are trying to do in Oregon what Seattle would be doing if it undertook to compel every town in Western Washington to ship its lumber to Seattle or go without transcontinental rates. Is that the way to build up a state?"

Mr. Hammond said he proposed to stand up for the editorial in the New York publication. "And you are a cheaper case than I thought you were," he added, "if you think you can control the editorial columns of a newspaper." Mr. Hammond then brought up the question of common-point rates to Astoria, Portland, he said, and President Mellett, of the Northern Pacific, the late President Huntington, of the Southern Pacific, and all others who have dared to advocate common-point rates, "have been vilified in this community." Mr. Hammond continued: "When the Northern Pacific gave Astoria common-point rates on lumber and the Southern Pacific was preparing to follow suit, every lumber manufacturer of Portland or came frantic. You the Chamber of Commerce have opposed these common-point rates. You have attacked the reputation and character of every man who has proposed these rates. Why have you done this?"

"Because they are standing in their own light," said Mr. Wittenberg.

Mr. Hammond offered to stand the cost of an excursion of Portland business men to Western Washington, and Mr. Wittenberg said the idea was a capital one. Mr. Hammond said Portland ought to get a move on itself, and asked: "How is hell do you expect to do business unless you do?"

"The trouble is this," said Mr. Wittenberg: "a few influential people are the whole thing in Portland. They control the people that are here and they manage to get around the newcomers and draw them their way. Some day we shall outgrow this. If we live long enough, this town needs a shaking-up, a casting away of hindrances, and a general forward movement."

Mr. Moore made no promise of a retraction, the business men did not insist further and the only definite result of the meeting was an invitation from the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce to Mr. Hammond to become a

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member of that body. One significant statement made by Mr. Hammond was that though he had been the means of bringing millions of dollars to Oregon or investment, he had always been regarded as a rank outsider, an interloper and an enemy to Portland.

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