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ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.

The Morning Astorian

TELEPHONE 661.

All contracts for advertising in the Astorian are made on a guarantee of circulation four times larger than that of any paper published or circulated in Clatsop county.

TODAY'S WEATHER

PORTLAND, Oct. 19.—Oregon, Washington, Northern Idaho, showers and cooler, winds becoming southerly.

AROUND TOWN.

New goods every day at the rummage sale.

Coal to burn! Elmore & Co., phone 661.

White Ash Coal, best for family use. Phone, Main 661.

Patrons home industry and buy your feed at Gaston's mill.

Good clothes, clean and in good order, at the rummage sale.

Call main 661 for your coal requirements. Orders promptly filled.

Best 15-cent meals—Rising Sun Restaurant, 613 Commercial street.

Take a look at those swell robes and covers at Gaston's harness shop.

House for rent near Alderbrook school house. Inquire at Johnson Bros. store.

Call at the Occident barber shop for up-to-date work. Three first-class barbers.

Japanese goods of all kinds, cheap at the Yokohama Bazaar, 626 Commercial street.

Come, just to see what the ladies have for sale at the rummage sale—471-2 Commercial St.

Now is the time to order your winter's supply of coal. Call up phone 661—Elmore & Co.

For rent—Two rooms, centrally located in a quiet street; price reasonable. Inquire at this office.

Family orders for the Take Point oysters will be promptly filled at the Take Point oyster house, phone 2741.

If you want hot wood, slash wood or other flavored telephone Kelly, the transfer man. Phone 2211 black.

Cream pure rye, Australia's finest whisky. The only pure goods guaranteed rich and reliable. JOHN L. CATHOLAN, Sole Agent.

A large assortment of men's suits, shirts, shoes, overcoats, neckties and hats in very good condition at the rummage sale—471-2 Commercial St.

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

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

Baths for ladies at the Palace Baths. Private entrance on side of building. Shop open on Sunday mornings for shoes and baths. Davis & Corbett, proprietors.

For the Portland carnival and exposition the A. & C. R. R. has named a special round-trip rate of \$3 from Astoria to Portland and return, including two admissions to the exposition. Tickets on sale September 25, October 2, 9 and 16, limited good for return passage six days from date of sale.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL: RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

THE LATEST!

Flexible and Indestructible

Queen Mat

Unsurpassed for public buildings, offices, elevators, theaters, street cars, churches, dwellings, steamers, bars and hotels. Call and inspect them and you will buy. For sale only at

Fisher Bros.

Call at Fisher Bros. and see those flexible and indestructible Queen mats.

Come just to see and come to buy at the rummage sale, 470-2 Commercial street.

This week the Uniontown church has the benefit at Herman Wise's clothing store.

For rent—Three or four furnished rooms for housekeeping; also single rooms. 165 Tenth St.

Do you smoke? Try a "General Sullivan," the finest 5-cent cigar on the market. Sold everywhere.

Oskar Longvick, a native of Finland, was granted full papers of citizenship in the county court yesterday.

If you enjoy a good smoke try a "General Sullivan," the finest 5-cent cigar on the market. Sold everywhere.

The meeting of Seaside Lodge of Workmen at which 100 new members will be admitted will not occur until next Saturday evening.

Just received, a supply of Newcastle nut coal, the very best coal to be had for family use. Place your orders now. H. Elmore & Co., telephone 661.

There will be a divine service at Grace Episcopal church today at 11 a. m. The Rev. T. A. Hyland will officiate. The evening service will be omitted.

We have tooth brushes for tender gums and dainty mouths. Tooth brushes that we guarantee will replace them if broken come out. Charles Rogers.

Plans for additional barracks at Fort Stevens are being prepared by the war department. The construction work will not be begun, however, until after January 1.

The steamer Harriet Queen arrived down shortly after midnight. She will take up today two four-masted—the French bark Durand and the British bark Crown of India.

The Redwood are preparing for an enjoyable session on Monday night, when they will entertain a large number of friends. The entertainment will be held at O. H. Pollock's hall.

The council meets in regular session on Monday evening. Several street improvement matters are to be acted upon, but otherwise the meeting promises to be of little interest.

The finest concord grapes of the season were received by Johnson Bros. yesterday. These grapes were grown in Ohio and have the fine flavor found only in the Eastern concord grape.

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Services as usual in the Swedish Lutheran church today. In the morning in Swedish and in the evening in English. The new pastor, Rev. Oscar Oerstrom will preach. Sunday school at 10 o'clock, preceding morning service.

The steamers Sue H. Elmore and W. H. Harrison arrived yesterday from Tillamook. The Elmore brought 1400 cases of salmon and the Harrison 1100 cases, besides a quantity of farm produce.

The members and friends of the First M. E. church will give a reception to the new pastor, Rev. Harold Oberg, and family at the church on Tuesday evening, October 22, to which the public is very cordially invited.

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The rummage sale is still on at the old McAllen & McDonald store. During the past few days the stock of goods has been added to and now a purchaser may find anything he might want. There is a large assortment of goods on hand and genuine bargains are offered.

Rev. Mr. Trumbull, who has returned from the annual meeting of the Baptist convention, states that the meeting was a most successful one. There are now about 150 Baptist churches in Oregon, with a total membership of 7000. Rubeberg has been selected as the place for the next meeting.

The ocean off the Heads is reported to be fairly alive with silverside salmon, and the men on the bar tugs have great sport whenever they have a few spare moments. The salmon weigh between ten and fifteen pounds and are in fine condition. They are caught with hooks and lines, and, being quite "game," afford much sport. Yesterday the Esport brought in about 30 the result of half an hour's fishing, and the men distributed the salmon among their friends. Some of the local sportsmen might pay aside their pump guns for a while and try their luck at silverside fishing.

A number of the very latest books have been received at the public library. Among them are "Night of Way," by Gilbert Parker; "The Helmer of Navarre," by Bertha Runkle; "John Marlowe," by James Hall Naylor; "John Winslow," by Henry D. Northrop; "Like Another Helen," by George Harton; "Graumark," by G. B. McCutcheon. The ladies of the library have placed a large order for more late works, but there has been some delay in the arrival of the books. The new order includes all the very latest works of fiction and will be a valuable addition to the institution's growing collection.

Sixty members of Court Astoria, Foresters of America, left last night on a special train for Clatskanie, where a new lodge was organized. The lodge starts off with a membership of 50. The local Foresters attended to the initiation work and assisted generally in getting the new lodge in working order. The Clatskanie Foresters had made every preparation for the entertainment of the visitors and a pleasant evening was spent. It was originally intended that a musical and literary program should be rendered at the banquet, but in account of the limited stay of the Astorians, the program was dispensed with.

Two more vessels are stuck in Portland's channel. News was received yesterday that the Italian bark City P. and the big German ship, Renee Rickmers are fast in the mud a short distance below Portland, and that the indications for their immediate release are not very bright. With the Cleopatra, which is tied up eight miles below the mouth of the Willamette, the total "muddle" fleet now numbers three. As several other vessels are about ready to start down, the fleet gives promise of showing rapid increase. Both the City P. and Rickmers are grain laden. It is said that the Willamette is now lower than it has been for some time past, and unless a freshet soon makes its appearance, there will probably be much delay to the grain fleet.

Deputy County Clerk Trullinger insists that the Budget is right about its "oil can" which weighed nearly 100 pounds. "Of course the Budget's a Democratic paper and usually wrong, but I believe it's right this time. Why I shiver when I think of it. I saw it down in Southern Oregon that weighed 220 pounds and I know positively that the one was killed in '97. That's what it weighed 100 pounds. They were not black bears, however, although I think some black bears grow to large size. There is one in the Seattle park that must weigh 800 pounds. As Mr. Trullinger is an authority on bears, being the author of the story about the bear that walked into an underwear store and spent a few moments in the immediate vicinity of a really revolting pair of pants, his statements may be regarded as authentic. However, a black bear that would tip the beam at nearly 100 pounds would be a curiosity to most people.

The committee appointed by Vice-President Gaston, of the Push Club, to consider the proposal for consolidation with the Astoria Commercial Club and in sound sentiment regarding the matter will present the following report at the meeting to be held Tuesday evening: "We recommend that, precedent to any such consolidation, the following changes be recorded on the part of the Commercial Club: First, that at least once every month an open meeting of all the members of the club and others interested in public enterprises be held, at which any proposition for the welfare of this city may be freely proposed and discussed and referred to the board of directors for action; second, that the following committee be added to the working force of the Commercial Club, namely, a committee on wagon roads and a committee on park and public improvements; and that the members of these committees be named from present members in good standing of the Push Club. As to sentiment, we find this in the main favorable to consolidation, but would prefer to refer this to the action of the club as represented at this meeting."

A NEW FIRE NET.

The new fire net recently adopted by one of the metropolitan fire departments has been such a great success as a life saver, that its unusual adoption is predicted in the near future. Every one takes special interest in any invention that will save or prolong life. This is the reason so many people have been praising the merits of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters during the past fifty years. The peerless medicine has done more to promote health and long life than any other in existence. It will cure dyspepsia, indigestion, belching, flatulency, insomnia, nervousness, and malaria, fever and ague. Many prominent physicians recommend it. Be sure to give it a trial. The genuine must have our Private Die Stamp over the neck of the bottle.

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SOLDIERS IN SERIOUS TROUBLE.

Gang of Ruffians Assault a Sergeant and Are Under Arrest.

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MAY MEET IN ASTORIA.

Local Educators to Try for State Teachers' Annual Session.

At a meeting of the City Teachers' Association, held yesterday, it was decided to make an effort to secure for Astoria the next annual convention of the State Teachers' Association, which will be held in September. The state organization is made up of city associations throughout Oregon, and has a large membership.

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GIRL WAS HYPNOTIZED

BAD LUCK OVERTAKES PROFESSOR OF PALMISTRY.

Two Women Assistants Tell Hard Stories About Him and Cause His Arrest.

Dear Professor: Your palmistry-hypnotic system is all and more than you claim for it. When I met you ten years ago I had lots of property; now I have lots of trouble—Mrs. Martin H. P. Walker's testimonial to her husband, the palmist.

Professor Martin H. P. Walker, whose principal stock in trade is palmistry, met with very bad luck yesterday. The professor is a hypnotist, but was unable to successfully do business with the strong arm of the law, and his complete undoing resulted.

During the past few days Astorians have had occasion to gaze with admiration on the professor's long black mustache. An attractive cap, of the style usually worn in Turkey, added to his appearance. The professor gave it out that he was a whirlwind when it came to reading palms, and, knowing Astoria by reputation, doubtless expected to greatly improve his financial condition in this city. But his hypnotic accomplishments spoiled it all, and, after a career of many years, Astoria saw the professor's finish.

The professor was accompanied by a woman reputed to be his wife, and a girl of about 15. The girl joined the palmistry combination in Portland, from which city she was anxious to take her departure. Her career, she said yesterday, had been rather an uncertain one, and she wanted to begin life over again.

On Friday the professor pitched his palmistry tent in a vacant lot on Franklin avenue and the trouble commenced. Wholly disregarding the feelings of his faithful and long-suffering spouse, he hypnotized the girl and behaved himself in a most shameful manner. Mrs. Walker came down town at 4 o'clock yesterday morning in search of a policeman, but returned home some time later without having found the officer. What transpired during the next four or five hours did not develop, but about 9 o'clock an express driver called at the station and informed an officer that two women, fearful of their lives, were in the Priest & Cook stable, where they had sought refuge. The officer went to the place and found the women cowering in the rear of the stable. They were the professor's wife and the Portland girl, who said her name was Miss Morton. They explained that the professor was mentally unbalanced and that he had announced his intention of killing them, presumably on account of the unpleasantness which occurred during the early morning. They wanted the officer to arrest the professor, but were informed that this would be impossible without a warrant. After much persuasion, the women, who were fearful that they would be killed, were induced to accompany the officer to the police station. They decided to charge the professor with insanity and he was arrested and taken before the sanity commissioners.

To the commissioners the professor insisted that he was not insane. His wife told some terrible stories about him, saying among other things that she had fourteen valuable lots when she met him some years ago in Denver, and that the professor had taken them from her. While she did not admit that the hypnotic theory applied in her case, she was satisfied that the professor hypnotized the girl for whom, strangely enough, she had not the slightest feeling of antipathy, evidently considering that they were companions in misery. The sanity board discharged the professor, and later the officers arranged for a general separation of the interested parties. Mrs. Walker said she was thoroughly tired of the professor, and would leave him forever. Accordingly it was arranged that she should leave the city by train, the professor taking the night boat, while the flaxen-haired maiden from Portland was turned over to the care of an aid society. During the afternoon the professor pulled down his little tent and wound up his affairs here.

The stories told by Mrs. Walker and Miss Norton would bring a blush of shame to the hardened countenance of Theodore Jackson, the disolute companion of the notorious Dies Bar, and it was a fortunate circumstance that brought about dissolution of the palmistry outfit.

THE WEEK'S GRAIN EXPORTS.

Foreign Shipments of Wheat and Barley Aggregated