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The Morning Astorian

TELEPHONE 661.

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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—Oregon, Washington and Idaho, generally fair, light variable winds.

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.

Patronize 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—Hilling Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial street.

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

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, 628 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—Three or four furnished rooms for housekeeping, also single rooms. 161 Tenth St.

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

Family orders for the Toko Point oysters will be promptly filled at the Toko Point oyster house, phone 754.

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

Cream Pure, the American's finest whisky. The only pure goods guaranteed rich and mellow. JOHN L. CARLSON, 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 lining at 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.

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.

Fisher Bros. have just received a full line of the famous Queen mats. These mats are pronounced the finest on the market and are offered at the most reasonable prices. Call and inspect them.

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.

You'll have to hurry! The rummage sale closes November 1.

Wanted—Slightly worn to take care of two children. Apply, H. R. Hooper.

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

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

Come just to see and come to buy, at the rummage sale, 471-2 Commercial street.

Green tomatoes, bell and chili peppers for chili sauce, pickles, etc., at Johnson Bros.

A son was born yesterday to the wife of R. S. Jeffrey. Dr. Cordner was the attending physician.

We have just received direct from the older press, another lot of sweet apple cider—Johnson Bros.

Wanted, by Mrs. Erickson, Hammond, girl to do housework. Apply at 125 Sixth street, Astoria.

The steamer Sutherland, with a cargo of flour and lumber for the Oregon port is due yesterday.

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

I carry a stock of mirrors well worth looking into, mirrors in suit all people and prices. Charles Rogers.

The American bark Kate Davenport departed yesterday for San Francisco. She takes 70,000 feet of lumber.

Sawmill sites are the only things which cannot be purchased at the rummage sale, which closes November 1.

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If parties having ice cream brick moulds belonging to H. R. Hooper will kindly notify him, he will send for them.

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

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Attention! Women who desire to purchase Christmas presents for their husbands should remember that the rummage sale closes November 1.

The British bark Thornelbank, well known in the port, arrived yesterday by way of a passage of 63 days from Santa Rosalia. She is under charter to load grain.

To see all the virtues that have made her the popular drink of today order a dozen of Schlick's. Foard & Stokes Co. have just received a fresh shipment.

The run of silvered salmon is reported to have greatly increased during the past week. Sardines are also plentiful in the river, and fishermen are making big catches in front of the city.

Foard & Stokes Co. have just received a shipment of Evan's pale ale. This is one of the most popular brands on the market and is especially recommended by physicians for weak people.

Coming events cast their shadows before. The barge Atlas arrived down the river yesterday with that portion of the cargo of the Rickmer Rickmers which must be lighted down the river.

Several months ago the city of Portland set out to secure \$5000 for public baths. The fund has reached \$3714.82, and the collectors are ready to quit work. The Davenport lecture netted \$394.50.

County Treasurer Thompson has issued a call for all general fund warrants indorsed prior to March 14, 1900. The total amount of cash available is \$492.85, of which \$418.55 represents accrued interest.

County Commissioner Young, who was in the city yesterday, reports that the county sawmill is in place and will at once begin operations. The break in the dyke is being repaired by a force of men.

The Woman's Relief Corps auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic will give a dinner and fair in the Flavel building on the 2nd of November to raise funds for the entertainment of the Grand Encampment of the G. A. R., which is to be held in Astoria next June. Donations are solicited. Leave orders at the Oregon bakery.

The British ship Barfilan arrived yesterday from Santa Rosalia. She left five days later than the Thornelbank, but made a slightly better passage. The Barfilan is a four-master and registers over 2100 tons.

The German bark Favorita is reported to have left down the river yesterday morning. She has 92,225 bushels of barley. The grain shipments for the month will undoubtedly aggregate more than 2,000,000 bushels.

The steamer Bailey Gatzert struck a rock while coming down from The Dalles, Wednesday, and several planks were torn out. Fortunately the steamer is provided with water-tight compartments and did not sink. As soon as repairs are made she will resume her run.

The rummage sale is still on at the old McAllen & McDonnell 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.

The rummage sale will close November 1. Notwithstanding that the sale has been on for several weeks, the ladies in charge say they still have many bargains, and Astorians should not fail to call at the store. There is a large stock of goods to select from, and genuine bargains are offered. As the ladies express it, "Now is the time to save money."

The American bark Harry Morse has failed to secure a charter and her crew will be paid off and discharged. It was expected that the vessel would again be chartered by the Alaska Fishermen's Docking Company, but there is now no likelihood of this. Going to the number of licensed vessels at San Francisco, the Morse will remain here until she is chartered.

A number of express packages that were in the car which train robbers dynamited near Eugene arrived in Astoria yesterday. One of the packages contained stationery for the A. & C., and plainly showed the results of the explosion. Dr. Henry Messenger Charles' assistant, who was on the car when the hold-up occurred, is a cousin of Hayes Eschbacher, of this city.

A girl who is employed at Lockley Hall, Seaside, was arrested yesterday on complaint of Mrs. Carlyle. The girl is said to have opened a letter addressed to Mrs. Carlyle and taken from it a money order for \$25. His effort to cash the order resulted in his arrest. The money order was destroyed by the boy when his crime became known. He will be tried by the justice of the peace at Seaside.

Of the salmon market the London Globe's correspondent says: "While there is little improvement in market business to report, consumption appears to be on a steady basis. A steady, but not a very large, trade is being done. For the present year's peak transactions are conspicuous in their absence. In Liverpool the demand is keeping up wonderfully, and there appears to be more trade in the country at this time of the year than for some years past. Prices are inclined to advance."

The San Francisco Examiner of Monday says: "Today Miss Leontine Hakeman gives a tea in honor of Miss Florence Elmore of Astoria. Miss Elmore is the guest of her cousin, Miss Olive Holbrook. Miss Hakeman was the hostess and gave informal teas imaginable and usually has a bright bunch of society girls to assist her. Miss Hakeman carried the honors at the President's hog last Tuesday night and was declared the most stunning girl there. She is indeed a beautiful girl, no denying that."

The work of removing the old A. F. C. bowling alley and building to the lot adjoining the Commercial Club rooms will be commenced in a few days. The building will be located south of the club building. It is the intention to make the opening night the occasion for a high old time, and the gentlemen who made up the first Portland bowling aggregation which ever visited Astoria have signified a desire to be here. A match game will doubtless be arranged. There will be two mixed nights each week, and tournaments will be held, as formerly.

Carl S. Wheeler, of Pendleton, has commenced an action in the United States district court against the Columbia River & Puget Sound Navigation Company, better known as the White Collar Line, to recover \$10,000 damages for the use of two of his copyrighted photographs without his permission. He alleges that he made two photographs, "Son of the Forest" and "The Tale of the Frontier, No. 5, Defeat and Despair," and that the company had used these pictures, publishing 5000 of each, for which he claims they are liable in the sum of \$10,000, or \$1 apiece.

The scrap which occurred at Jawsed a week ago Monday seems to be rather a confused affair. It now transpires that Sergeant Devins was not assaulted by the five men with whom he is reported to an out-of-the-way place, but that the assault was committed by one man. The assailant, who fought at the suggestion of the sergeant, it is said, is a powerful fellow, and the report comes that he fractured the officers' skull and otherwise injured him with his bare fists. The four soldiers who witnessed the mill are still locked up in the guardhouse, awaiting trial by court-martial.

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 malarial 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.

It is interesting at this time to note the difference in the present price for the Tongue Point site and the price asked some months ago, when a sawmill proposal was being considered. The syndicate now asks \$12,500 for about eighty acres, of which thirty are tide-bats. Should those eighty acres be disposed of the syndicate would still retain more than 500 lots. Some months ago the site could have been secured by Mr. Hammond upon a cash payment of \$15,000 and guarantee that the Brown mortgage of \$12,000 (since taken up) would be paid. Mr. Brown, it will be remembered, assured the committee which was acting for the people of the city that he would materially reduce the mortgage. The other stipulation was that \$10,000 worth of property should be subscribed by other land owners. Allowing that Mr. Brown would cancel the mortgage for \$5000, the site, including all adjacent acreage, could have been secured for \$10,000 cash and property valued at \$10,000.

Handball is now a popular amusement at the Commercial Club, and the members are evincing great interest in the sport. For several months past a large number of professional men have been playing handball during the afternoon, while the novices practiced during the night. Yesterday two of the day players, Professor A. A. Cleveland and R. Cassell, were challenged by Bert Allen and Jay Tuttle, novices. The games took place last evening, and were close and exciting. The afternoon players were too much for the night hawk, however, winning by scores of 21-18 and 21-19. The winners of last evening's contest were challenged by George W. Ralston and Ben Marion. The challengers think they are about right when it comes to handball and expect to easily defeat the day players. The games now being played commence a series. Handball is not only fine sport, but it is excellent exercise particularly for persons whose work keeps them indoors. The number of players at the club is now very large and will doubtless increase steadily from this time on.

Members of Battery L, Third Artillery, presented Lieutenant John McManus with a fine saber, at Fort Canby, in appreciation of his kindness as their commander, at Manila, on the boat from Manila, and while he was in command at Fort Canby. Lieutenant McManus is now stationed at Fort Stevens having been transferred from Canby to that post a few weeks ago, and was succeeded at Canby by Captain Pierce. The members of Battery L, a soon as they ascertained that their commander had been transferred, began preparations to surprise him by presenting him with the saber, hoping to do so before he went to Stevens. About \$100 was raised by the boys in a few hours, and the saber was ordered from San Francisco, but it did not arrive until about a week ago, and after the lieutenant had gone. He was invited to dinner at Fort Canby by the officers, and after the meal they took a walk on the parade grounds. When the officers reached the grounds the entire battery was in line, under the command of Sergeant George DeGivens. As the officers approached this officer he came forward, and drawing the saber presented it to the astonished lieutenant with a neat speech.

M. Was, of Portland, is in the city. O. L. Peterson was a Portland yesterday. Paul C. Bates was down from Portland yesterday. Lieutenant McManus, of Fort Stevens, is in the city. C. W. Cottam, of Oakland, Cal. was in the city yesterday. A. E. Dunham, of Portland, is a late arrival at the Occident. J. A. Malarkey is down from Portland on a short business trip. J. D. McGowan came over yesterday afternoon from the north shore. C. T. Peterson, of Tacoma, was among yesterday's arrivals at the Occident. J. H. Robert, of Portland, was among the passengers down on last night's train. Mrs. H. J. Wherity and daughter left yesterday for Newberg, the home of Mrs. Wherity's mother. H. T. Hendrix and William Hyde Staker, prominent business men of Baker City, spent yesterday in Astoria. Mrs. G. Ziegler and son, who have been visiting in Portland for the past two weeks, returned home last evening. Mr. Harry Hamblet has been quite ill for several days past. His condition is now much improved and he will be out shortly. Major and Mrs. C. F. Cramer, accompanied by their daughter, arrived in the city last evening from Salem. It is expected that Major Cramer will make arrangements for raising the public building grounds to the street level.

ASTORIA, Oct. 24.—(Editor Morning Astorian)—Regarding the two propositions that have been submitted to the citizens by Mr. Hammond and associates, the committee desires to make the following statement, which has been prepared after making a fair examination:

Proposition 1, which pertains to the sawmill site, contains approximately 50 acres of up-land, comprising the neck of land on Tongue Point through which the railroad passes. The land on the easterly side of the Tongue, fronting upon the property of the Columbia Land & Investment Company, and involved in proposition 1, and lying between high tide and mean low tide, the same being the area purchased from the state of Oregon by the former owners of the Tongue Point tract, approximately 15 acres. The total area of tide-land and frontage on the easterly side, in front of the aforesaid tract, and lying between the high tide line and the ship's channel, is approximately 25 acres. The channel referred to is a channel across and along the easterly side of the aforesaid tract from Tongue Point to John Day river, and is from 500 to 600 feet distant from the shore. On the easterly side of this particular channel are to be found well-known sands that are unworked, and for which deeds have passed from the state of Oregon to R. Van Dusen.

The land on the westerly side of the Tongue, fronting upon the property of the Columbia Land & Investment Company, and involved in proposition 1, and lying between high tide and mean low tide, the same being the area purchased from the state of Oregon by the former owners of the Tongue Point tract, approximately 15 acres. The total area of tide-land and frontage on the westerly side of the Tongue, in front of the aforesaid tract, and lying between the high tide line and the outer harbor line now established by the United States government, amounts approximately to 70 acres, after deducting the right of way of the railroad company. In figuring this area, we have taken the south line of the tract of land owned by the government, on which the buoy depot is located, as running due west from the shore. We have taken the dividing line between the property of the Columbia Land & Investment Company and that of R. Van Dusen as running due north to the harbor line, but if we run a line from mean low tide at the buoy station, and also a line from mean low tide between the property of the Columbia Land & Investment Company and R. Van Dusen in each instance to the harbor line, we would make a total area (the same probably being the maximum area that could be claimed) of 85 acres, after deducting the railroad right of way. We would therefore have in this mill site: of up-land, 50 acres; of tide-land area on the easterly side purchased from the state, 15 acres; of tide-land area on the westerly side purchased from the state, 15 acres; total, 80 acres.

Or, if we consider the frontage to the channel, we would have the following included in proposition 1: of up-land, 50 acres; of tide-land and frontage extending from the high tide line to the ship's channel on the easterly side, 15 acres; of tide-land and frontage extending from the high tide line to the ship's channel on the westerly side, making the maximum claim as aforesaid, 85 acres; total, 100 acres.

The committee does not believe this to be an excessive tract of land for the business to be established, and, while the acreage exceeds some sites in some parts of the country, it is far less than the acreage comprised in sawmill sites in other parts of the country. The contour of Tongue Point embraced in the above site, the position of the railroad, and the character of the tide-lands are believed to be such as to make it necessary that Hammond and his associates should obtain the area asked for, as specified in proposition No. 1.

Regarding proposition No. 2, the committee desires to state that the distance along the outer harbor line is approximately 1200 feet. The distance along

EXTENT OF MILL SITE

ONLY EIGHTY ACRES IN TONGUE POINT PROPERTY.

Erroneous Belief Regarding the Matter Corrected by Mr. R. Van Dusen.

Through an unfortunate conclusion, hastily arrived at, the belief has become general in Astoria that Mr. Hammond and his associates have made unreasonable demands on the people of this city for the establishment of the sawmill and flouring mill. That this erroneous belief, for which The Morning Astorian was innocently responsible in large measure, should not heretofore have been corrected seems almost incredible. It has served to give to the whole proposal a backset that threatened to result in signal failure. The Astorian and other city papers have persisted in statements that the acreage asked for was out of all reason, considering the magnitude of the proposed enterprises. The papers of the city have not been actuated in this matter by any spirit of malice, but have published what they and even members of the sawmill committee believed to be correct.

The published letter was prepared yesterday afternoon. It thoroughly explains the extent of both the sites asked, and puts an entirely new phase on the situation. The letter follows:

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Proposition 1, which pertains to the sawmill site, contains approximately 50 acres of up-land, comprising the neck of land on Tongue Point through which the railroad passes. The land on the easterly side of the Tongue, fronting upon the property of the Columbia Land & Investment Company, and involved in proposition 1, and lying between high tide and mean low tide, the same being the area purchased from the state of Oregon by the former owners of the Tongue Point tract, approximately 15 acres. The total area of tide-land and frontage on the easterly side, in front of the aforesaid tract, and lying between the high tide line and the ship's channel, is approximately 25 acres. The channel referred to is a channel across and along the easterly side of the aforesaid tract from Tongue Point to John Day river, and is from 500 to 600 feet distant from the shore. On the easterly side of this particular channel are to be found well-known sands that are unworked, and for which deeds have passed from the state of Oregon to R. Van Dusen.

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The committee does not believe this to be an excessive tract of land for the business to be established, and, while the acreage exceeds some sites in some parts of the country, it is far less than the acreage comprised in sawmill sites in other parts of the country. The contour of Tongue Point embraced in the above site, the position of the railroad, and the character of the tide-lands are believed to be such as to make it necessary that Hammond and his associates should obtain the area asked for, as specified in proposition No. 1.

Regarding proposition No. 2, the committee desires to state that the distance along the outer harbor line is approximately 1200 feet. The distance along

the railroad is approximately 1000 feet, and the distance along Taylor avenue is approximately 900 feet. The average width of the tract of land from Taylor avenue across the M-lands purchased from the state, and across the frontage extending between the said tide-lands and the outer harbor line, is approximately 710 feet, deducting the railroad right-of-way. The total acreage of this entire area, embraced in proposition 1, and extending from Taylor avenue to the outer harbor line, after deducting the railroad right-of-way, is 15 acres. The area between Taylor avenue and the mean low tide line is approximately four acres. This is the area that was purchased from the state of Oregon by the owners of Smith Point. It is approximately all the area lying between Taylor avenue and the railroad. Approximately all of the area lying north of the railroad, and between the railroad and the outer harbor line, amounting to 14 acres, is the frontage referred to in which the state of Oregon retains its interest.

The committee, after giving this consideration, is of the opinion that the industries to be established upon the aforesaid tract, by Mr. Hammond and his associates, will require not less than the area embraced in proposition 2.

The committee is anxious that both propositions shall be accepted. It has examined the situation as carefully as it could, and thinks it proper to make known the results of this examination. It is anxious that the industries described in these propositions shall be established at once, which the proposers agree to. The committee realizes that the establishment of these industries will do much to accomplish that for which Astoria has always striven, and greatly aid in fixing a shipping port at the mouth of the Columbia river. The committee realizes that there is a great deal of work to be done in securing these two sites, and in its efforts to obtain the same it asks the earnest cooperation of all citizens of Astoria.

R. VAN DUSEN, Chairman.

TRANSFERS OF REALTY.

H. B. Parker to Chas. L. Parker—lot 1, block 47, McClure's; \$1400. United States to May C. Magee—northwest quarter of section 23, T 6 N, R 8 W; patent.

United States to C. H. Johnson—northeast quarter of section 23, T 9 N, R 8 W; patent.

Peter Jorgensen and wife to Alex. Tagg—160 acres in section 6, T 6 N, R 9 W; \$500.

J. E. Higgins, trustee, to The Astoria Company—160 acres in section 23, T 4 N, R 8 W; \$900.

William D. Carly to Baron P. Grosscup—lots 1 to 10, block 12, West Astoria; \$10.

David Tempers to Harry W. Price—lots 28, 29 and 30, block 1, West Warrenton addition to Astoria; \$1.

Alexander Tagg and wife to Christina Jorgensen—4 acres in Judson D. L. C.; \$400.

United States to Edward Huxford—southwest quarter of section 5, T 4 N, R 6 W; patent.

Hinman Tract Land Co. to Freida Ahnes—lot 8, block 4, Hinman tract; \$403.75.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants, endorsed prior to March 14th, 1900, to present the same to the county treasurer at his office, 164 Tenth street, for payment. Interest ceases after this date. (Signed) H. C. THOMPSON, County Treasurer. Dated at Astoria, Oregon, this 25th day of October, 1901.

C. W. BARR—DENTIST

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Dr. T. L. Ball

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Tickets given with each 25c purchase of our Tea and Coffee to the value of 24c each.

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FOARD & STOKES CO.

WILL MAKE NEW START

SAWMILL COMMITTEE HAS NOT GIVEN UP THE WORK.

Effort to Be Made to Secure More Reasonable Proposal From the Syndicate.

The outlook for the establishment of the sawmill and flouring mill is very much brighter today than was the case yesterday morning. The committee in charge of the matter has posted itself about sites, and has come to the conclusion that the demand of Mr. Goslin is most reasonable. Another start will be made, and it is hoped success will this time attend the efforts to secure these two enterprises for Astoria.

The committee held another meeting yesterday. The committee members, like others, had been misinformed about the sites, and a very different feeling prevailed when the information contained in Mr. Van Dusen's letter was produced. The previous opinion that Mr. Goslin was unreasonable gave way to a feeling that the price asked for the Tongue Point property was altogether too high, and there was a general determination that the owners should again be consulted.

Mr. Goslin was asked to meet the Tongue Point syndicate. The syndicate is made up of D. K. Warren, M. J. Kinney, Benjamin Young, J. P. Hamilton, Dr. Alfred Kinney and the subsidiary company, the interests of C. S. Wright and H. P. Praet having been acquired by the other members. It is understood that the syndicate insisted upon a cash payment of \$12,500 for the land asked by Mr. Goslin, and that it refused absolutely to consider a proposal for purchase of 100 acres for \$5000 or purchase of its entire holdings there for \$50,000. Whether or not this answer of the syndicate was final cannot be stated, but it is thought further negotiations will be carried on. The committee will hold another meeting today, and it is hoped some plan can be arranged whereby the enterprises can be secured.

"I am pretty much discouraged," said Mr. Goslin, when seen by an Astorian representative last evening. "The proposal submitted by us is not unreasonable, and I must confess that I am surprised at the sentiment that seems to prevail throughout the city. Personally, I am very anxious that these enterprises shall be secured for Astoria. The people do not realize what they mean—that they involve the expenditure of more money than was required to construct the Astoria railroad. I think if the situation were thoroughly understood there would be no delay."

"It seems to me there is a way out of this difficulty. Certainly Astoria needs the industries, and I am satisfied the matter can be out through successfully if the proper effort is made. The Astoria proposition means equally as much as that at Eureka, where Mr. Hammond and his business associates have expended more than \$1,000,000 in the past year. For Astoria's sake, I trust that the proposal will not fall through."

In reply to a question, Mr. Goslin said he would remain in the city for several days to come. Members of the committee have assured him the people of the city will do their share when they come to understand the situation, and that a fresh start will be made. The establishment of the flouring mill here means much to Astoria. The mill will require large quantities of grain, and its transportation to this city will undoubtedly solve the common point question. Just as soon as a market is secured for the local output, the proposed mill will be enlarged to a capacity of 1500 or 2000 barrels daily, and the Portland millers will have competition. If the railroad companies decline to extend equal rates to Astoria, then the company will build its own barges and use the river route.