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The Morning Astorian

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THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—Western Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho, cloudy, occasionally threatening rain, winds mostly northerly; Eastern Oregon, snow, colder, northerly winds.

AROUND TOWN.

The steamship Elder arrived yesterday from San Francisco.

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

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, 622 Commercial street.

Herman Wise will let the sale go on until the evening of February 25, no later.

For Rent.—Suite of rooms, with closet, with board, corner Ninth and Duane.

If you want box wood, slab wood or other firewood telephone Kelly, the transfer man. Phone 2311, black.

The German bark Bertha has finished wheat loading in Portland and will leave down the river today.

Are you fond of vegetables? If so, call and let us tell you about preferred stock, the best to be had in town.—Johnson Bros.

For Sale.—One Jersey cow (dry), or would exchange for a good new milch cow. Address or apply to Samuel Elmore.

A wholesome and substantial meal can be had for 15 cents at 612 Commercial street. The Rising Sun Restaurant.

February is a short month. It corresponds with Wise's short prices, only a short time left. Sale ends February 25th, sure.

The German bark Selene cleared yesterday for the United Kingdom. She takes 67,442 bushels of wheat, valued at \$40,540.

There will be the regular services in the Swedish Lutheran church tomorrow. The evening service is in the English language.

The Baiting Club will meet this evening at Fishers' hall, as the Pocatons ladies give their anniversary ball at Hanthorn's hall.

The town's annual fair, to be in Uppertown, Untowntown and Middletown is rushing to Wise. Price slashing sale, to give everybody a chance.

The British bark Lord Shaftsbury, which arrived Thursday from Hamburg, brings a quantity of iron, mineral water and tar, and 4850 barrels of cement.

Coal! Coal!!! See S. Elmore & Co. about it.

Patronize home industry and buy your feed, hay and grain at Gaston's mill.

Try our mild cured Eastern hams and bacon and you will surely be pleased.—Johnson Bros.

Patronize home industry by smoking the "Pride of Astoria" cigars, finest made. Manufactured by MacFarlane & Knobel.

Another shipment of cheese sandwiches, Virginia biscuits, Athena, Bannona and Champagne wafers, just in.—Johnson Bros.

Headquarters for masquerade suits and masks at Crohn's Department Store, "The Wonder," next to Shanahan's store. J. Strauss, manager.

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

John A. Montgomery, at No. 425 Bond street, does all kinds of stuning, plumbing, gas and steam fitting promptly and skillfully and at very moderate prices.

The British Columbia salmon packers are said to have about 800,000 cases of unsoled salmon on hand. The coast stocks are variously estimated at from 1,000,000 to 1,250,000 cases.

During the late heavy wind and snow storm, a tree was blown across a house in Forbes logging camp near Rainier and a woman, who was the sole occupant, had her back broken.

The Austrian steamship Margherita arrived down the river yesterday. She is bound for Manila, via Tsing-tau, China. She has a quantity of fowls for the Philippines and 357,000 feet of lumber for the Chinese port.

A capable woman, competent nurse, and two daughters, aged 14 and 15, are desirous of securing respectable work of any kind, at low wages or for board. Apply to Mrs. Creighton, the Astor House.

The highhouse tender Columbine, which has been on the Sound for several weeks, looking after aids to navigation, returned to port yesterday. Captain Richardson reports an uneventful trip.

The usual services, for the first Sunday in the month, will be observed at the Baptist church tomorrow. At the usual hours sermons will be preached on the following topics: "The Great Commission," and "Four Steps Heavenward."

At the Presbyterian church tomorrow services will be held as usual. The morning 11 o'clock service. In the evening the services will be under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society, this being the 21st anniversary of the founding of the endeavor movement. Although this is a young people's service it is not for young people alone.

The members and friends of the Epworth League were royally entertained last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Holstad. A delightful evening was spent with games, music and refreshments.

February 19, the annual meeting of the Columbia conference of Swedish Lutheran churches will be held in the Swedish Lutheran church, of this city. The sessions of the conference will continue over Sunday and several interesting services will be represented.

"When I admitted that that was my picture in the Oregonian I didn't know what I was talking about," said Captain Dan McVicar yesterday. "I have taken another look at the picture and I'm sure it isn't me. I haven't the diamonds nor am I pigeon-toed. That picture represents either Harvey Scott or Judge Brumbach, of Ilwaco."

The New York Fishing Gazette says: The Columbia River Packers' Association have decided to consolidate their various lines of representation in New England, and have placed their business in the hands of Charles A. Baldwin & Co., 66-72 South Market street, Boston, Mass., who will handle both their Columbia river and Alaska packs.

The entertainment given at the High School assembly hall last evening by the graduating grammar grades proved one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever held in this city. The hall was packed with friends of the schools, and the program was carried out without a hitch. The essays presented by the pupils were of exceptional merit.

Some clothing merchants claim that Contractor Wirt stopped work on Commercial street so as to give people a chance to reach Herman Wise's store to get bargains, but Mr. Wise says that the real reason is that John got scared at the low prices. Wise marked on his suits, overcoats and hats in his show window. Sale ends February 25th, sure.

We carry many kinds of Schiffli's Best Roasted Coffee. We have their Central American and Hawaiian blend. Their combination blend of Java and Hawaiian. Their Mocha and Java blend, and many others too numerous to mention. Try this coffee. We will gladly refund your money if the goods do not give entire satisfaction.—Johnson Bros.

Tuesday evening, February 4, Hon. P. A. Falkenberg, head consul of the Woodmen of the World, will address the public at Fishers' opera house. He is conceded by all who have heard him to be one of the best orators on the American stage today. Mrs. J. T. Ross has been secured to take charge of the musical part of the program. This in itself insures the public a delightful evening. Everybody is cordially invited.

There is a fight between the saloons and wholesale grocers in Seattle over the sale of liquors. The liquor dealers are retailing under a wholesale license, and the grocers retaliate by saying that they will make the retailers adhere strictly to the law. If the liquor dealers are not careful the grocers will cut off their food supply and starve them into coming to terms.

Tomorrow, Rev. Harold Oberg will present to his congregations in the Methodist church on Duane street, between Eleventh and Twelfth, the following subjects: At 11 a. m., "The Rock of Ages"; at 1:30 p. m., "Your Chance, Sir"; Class meeting at 10:20 a. m.; Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior League at 3:30 p. m.; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation to attend these services is extended to the public.

Lum Yu, the Chinese murderer, paid the penalty of his crime at South Bend yesterday morning. Lum murdered Oscar Bloom at Bay Center on August 8. He was tried and convicted, but a short time ago escaped from jail. His lack of knowledge of the country resulted in his capture. Lum walked bravely to the scaffold, bade his friends farewell and requested the officer to hasten with the execution. The hanging was most successful in every particular, the neck being broken by the fall.

One of the oldest instruments filed with the county clerk for many years was brought in yesterday. It is a patent whereby the government conveys to Malcolm Douglass 47.10 acres of land in section 17, township 8 north of range 9 west. The patent was dated January 10, 1865, and was signed by Abraham Lincoln, by J. N. Granger, register of the general land office. The patent does not differ in any particular from the forms now used. A few days ago a patent issued under President Lincoln's administration was received at the court house.

The local customs officials yesterday received word that the \$5000 fine imposed on the French bark Duquesne had been reduced by the treasury department to \$15. The Duquesne arrived here from Nantes, the French seaport. Her master had never before been in this country, and he was not acquainted with the health regulations. Before leaving France his agents provided him with the health national bill of health, which the master supposed would answer the purpose in any part of the world. In view of the circumstances the fine was reduced by the department, to which an appeal was taken.

All the merchants of the city report a marked increase in their January sales, and the outlook for the year is better than ever before. Herman Wise said yesterday to a reporter that his sales for the month just closed exceeded those of the first two months of last year by about 1200. He attributes the increase largely to judicious advertising. Other merchants who were seen made similar reports. P. A. Stokes says his business shows a very large increase over last January, while A. Dunbar's books also show a decided gain. Merchants report a very large number of new patrons, showing an increase in the population of the city.

Manager Johnson, of the Western Union, yesterday received word that a messenger service would shortly be established in this city by the American District Messenger Company. Recently the Western Union and A. D. M. entered into an arrangement whereby the Western Union dispenses with its messengers, their places being taken by the A. D. M. employees. In those cities affected by the arrangement the manager of the Western Union becomes manager of the messenger service. Mr. Johnson's advice are that the necessary electrical appliances will be here within a few weeks, but it will require some time to string the wire. Call boxes will be placed in all the principal business houses, and it is proposed that a first-class service shall be maintained.

Weather Observer Johnson's report for the month just closed shows that the mean temperature for January was 46.7, or 4 below the average. The highest mark reached by the glass was 56 on the 31 and 6th, while the lowest temperature was 21, on the 11th. In the past 19 years there have been but three colder Januaries—1885, 1896 and 1897. The total precipitation during the month was 7.22 inches, or 132 less than the average for 19 years past. The number of clear days was seven, of partly cloudy days, six; of cloudy days, 18. There was a thunder storm on the 24, while snow fell on three days to the depth of 7-10 of an inch. The prevailing direction of the wind was northwest, 60 degrees. The total precipitation since September 1, 1901, the beginning of the fiscal year, has been 46.75, or 2.65 less than the average.

Sunday, while out hunting back of the old Saldern logging camp, Francis Wiser, Frank Elliott and Albert Schuby spied a large bear in a hollow tree, says the Occident Chief. All three stepped up to the spot and fired at old Bruin, hitting him in the side. The enraged beast sprang from the tree and chased the men. He seemed to think Elliott and Schuby would make the best meal, so ran after them—their guns were frozen and couldn't be used. Schuby tried to climb a tree but didn't get his feet off the ground. Meanwhile Wiser reloaded his gun and gave Bruin a dose in the head, which brought the race to a close. The boys said the bear weighed about 400 pounds. They skinned him and found he was very fat, getting 25 pounds off his back. The fur was fine.

For several months past the government engineers have been looking around for a rock quarry from which they could secure an unlimited quantity of rock for the Columbia river jetty. Experiments have been conducted near

Thursday the second of a series of blasts was set off. A ton of giant powder was exploded under a great rocky cliff, shattering the rock to its base. Government engineers who were present expressed themselves as being highly pleased not only with the quality of the rock, but as well with the quantity available. Wharves will at once be built at Bugby and general preparations made to take out that quantity of rock which will be required for the month of the river improvement. The government has leased the property on which the rock is found.

"The Queen of Hayti," the attraction at Fishers' Monday night, is said to be one of the largest and best colored organizations traveling. It is a musical comedy, and vastly different from any other colored aggregation. The piece really contains a well defined plot and tells an interesting story while of course, songs, dances and the customary diversions characteristic of the so-called musical farce are freely interspersed. There are 28 people employed in its interpretation, including such well known and pleasantly remembered artists as "The Grundys," "Sherrah Quartette," Frank Kirk, "The Musical Tama," "Cration," the juggler and hoop whirler, whose hoop rolling is a splendid exhibition of skill, and the control he has over them is wonderful. "The Gillams," and a score of others second only to those of the accomplished. Seat sale opens this morning at 9 o'clock at Griffin & Reed's.

Never in the history of business in Astoria has a store equaled the striden made by the A. Dunbar Company. From a little store on lower Commercial street to a veritable emporium has been the result within the past two years. The big clearance sale of the past month has demonstrated to the public the ability of this company to carry on an enterprise that is a blessing and benefit to the entire community. Formerly most of the goods worn in Astoria had to be secured outside of the city, but today, as is well known, there is not an article in the dry goods and furnishing line that cannot be found at this store. Those who have attended the clear-

ance sale know also that the prices given were as low as at any of the big stores in other cities. Another sale of merit takes place this coming week when remnants, odd and ends will be sold at a great reduction in order to make room for the great spring stock coming. Read the display ad for further particulars.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. Muller, of Portland, was in the city yesterday.

John F. Brooks, of St. Louis, is a visitor in the city.

Andrew Jackson, of Destruction Island, is in the city.

Mary Donaldson is registered at the Occident from Portland.

Editor E. C. Blackford, of the Clatskanie Chief, is in the city.

Councilman P. A. Trullinger was a passenger for Portland on last night's train.

Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, of Portland, are in the city, registered at the Occident.

AN APOLOGY.

I feel that I owe an apology to the clothing merchants of Astoria. I know it wrong to butcher prices on good reputable goods, but I can't help it. I have too big a stock and need the money and I know of no other remedy except to make this sacrifice, and the reason why I let the sale run all through February is, so many people did not find out that this was a record breaking sale until the last few days and I want to give everybody in and around Astoria a chance, hence this continuance until February 25. If you'll forgive me this time Messrs. Clothiers, I'll never do it again, but I couldn't help it this time; I had to do it. Sincerely yours, HERMAN WISE, The Reliable Clothier and Hatter.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

United States to Malcolm Douglass—47.10 acres in section 17, township 8 north, range 9 west, patent. Charles L. Wingard to Giles Gilbert—169 acres in section 14, township 6 north, range 6 west, 1129. T. S. Cornelius to W. H. Barker—north half or south half of lot 4, block 15, Adair's Astoria, 11299.

United States to David Tweedie—northeast quarter of section 2, T 6 N, R 8 W, patent. United States to Charles Rogers—southeast quarter of section 21, T 6 N, R 8 W, patent.

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