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THE WEATHER.

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The steamer Sue H. Elmore will leave Astoria for Tillamook bay points on Wednesday, December 10, weather permitting.

The German ship Emelle is still in the offing, unable to make port on account of the severity of the weather. She is heavily laden.

Open for the inspection of the public, with a fine of art novelties suitable for Xmas—Frank Woodfield's art shop on Bond street.

I have a line of imported novelties for Christmas entirely new, never in the market before, at prices to suit every one. Rogers, druggist.

The funeral of the late Mrs. John Wirkkala was held yesterday from Pohl's undertaking parlors. The interment was in Deep River cemetery.

Owing to the large amount of freight to be discharged and taken on board the steamer Sue H. Elmore will not leave for Tillamook until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

I have the largest line of perfumes ever brought here, for Christmas, and a lot of fancy purses for ladies; prices reduced to one-half. Rogers, druggist.

Water consumers will take notice that Wednesday, December 10, is the last day on which to pay water rates, to avoid the penalty charged all delinquents.

For framed and unframed pictures, picture frames, burnt leather outfits and materials, art novelties, picture glass and picture framing, go to Frank Woodfield's art shop on Bond street.

A party of army officers arrived down yesterday and went over to Fort Stevens. It is reported they will review some of the findings recently made in the case of Private Ernest Thompson, the incendiary.

T. M. Farr has begun suit against C. S. Spore, a Portland contractor, to recover \$222 alleged to be due for material and labor furnished for the new buildings at Fort Canby.

Commencing tonight, all the stores in the city will remain open until 8 o'clock except on Saturday night. This arrangement will continue in effect until the night of December 24. On the 22nd and 23rd and 24th the stores will be open until the Saturday night closing hour.

Fern chapter No. 28, Order of the Eastern Star, has elected the following officers for the coming year: Worthy patron, Mrs. Louis Hartwig; worthy matron, Mrs. G. W. Lounsbury; assistant matron, Mrs. Cleveland; conductress, Mrs. E. H. Streunmeyer; chaplain, Mrs. Maxwell Young.

Deputy Auditor Leberman has had rather a trying test on assuming his new duties. All the election supplies must be issued from his office, and as each of the six polling places must be provided with all sorts of things, the task is no small one. It was long after midnight before Mr. Leberman finished his labors.

While the Seaside local was on its way down Monday night the engine came in contact with a tree that had fallen across the track near Gearhart Park. The collision resulted in some damage to the pilot, and caused a slight delay. The tree was blown down during the high wind and the accident occurred in the darkness.

A social will be given by the ladies in the basement of the Congregational church on Friday evening, December 12, to which all are cordially invited. Refreshments, consisting of coffee and sandwiches and ice cream and cake, will be served, and at the candy booth will be found the most delicious of sweets. There will also be for sale many articles useful and appropriate as Christmas gifts, among which may be mentioned the articles brought from Honolulu by Dr. and Mrs. Bishop. Come and see them.

The St. John's chapter No. 14, Royal Arch Masons, held an election of officers at their lodge room last evening. After the business of the meeting was concluded a banquet was served and all present participated with a relish in the good things set before them. The officers elected were as follows: J. Bruce Polworth, H. P.; C. W. Loughberg, K.; G. F. Heilborn, S.; W. L. Robb, C. of H.; W. T. Schofield, P. S.; Albert Dunbar, R. A. C.; J. J. A. Howley, treasurer; E. C. Holden, secretary; Geo. W. Wood, M.; 2nd Vell; Maxwell Young, M.; 1st Vell; Louis Hartwig, guard.

The first experiment in the use of crushed rock on street improvements has just been undertaken in this city, on Eighth street, which runs north and south past the courthouse. The present old plank is to be removed and crushed rock substituted. The county owns a rock crusher and the improvement will not be a very expensive one. Should it fulfill the expectations of those interested in work of the kind, rock will probably be utilized in improving all streets built on terra firma. County Judge Trenchard is personally superintending the work on Eighth street.

The midwinter circus will open this evening at Bond street near Eleventh, with a full line of attractions. To say that the circus will be the star attraction of the winter is putting it lightly. The attractions are first class in every particular, and among them may be mentioned the leap for life, the trained animal show including the world-famed educated dogs, the elephant, hyant, and the dancing bear. See Tom Thumb, and the world's pronounced tall man. The dancing girls and countless other attractions imported for the occasion. Don't fail to visit the country store, where Rube Hawkins will supply your wants. Anything from a bale of hay to a sucking pig. You can't take your girl past the lemonade stand without buying her a glass of delicious circus lemonade, or a bag of confetti. Bring your wife and mother-in-law, and if you have no wife bring your sweetheart. Buy the children taffy candy like your mother made. Don't forget the hour. The door opens at 7:20. Watch for the parade.

The members of the Clerks' Protective association and the merchants of the city will meet next Monday night at Carnahan hall for the purpose of discussing matters of mutual interest. It is the intention of the clerks to provide refreshments and have a musical program, and otherwise to make matters as pleasant as possible for the employers. The principal matter to be discussed will be the closing hours on legal holidays. At present there is no agreement as to this matter, and with every holiday the clerks are compelled to circulate a list of agreement that the stores shall be closed at a stipulated hour. The plan is very unsatisfactory, for the reason that about every merchant seen says he will abide by the decision of the majority, and makes a noncommittal statement. The clerks will ask the merchants themselves to settle the matter at Monday night's meeting. There are only seven legal holidays in the year. The question to be decided is as to whether the stores shall be open half the day or closed the entire day.

Master Eddie Laurin, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Laurin, who was taken to St. Mary's hospital yesterday for appendicitis. The little fellow had been ill for several days and the operation was deemed necessary. Drs. Fulton and Kinney are in attendance upon the child, who stood the operation remarkably well. Last evening he was reported to be doing nicely and it is expected that he will soon recover.

The funeral of the late Albert Nelson was held yesterday afternoon from the hall of the local lodge of Knights of Pythias, all the members of that order and of the Red Men attending. Many beautiful floral tributes were made. The funeral sermon was delivered by Rev. Oscar Ostrom, and the remains were interred in Greenwood, with the cortege was conveyed by the steamer Eclipse.

The following officers have been elected by Cushing post, G. A. R.: Post-commander, W. C. Shaw; senior vice-commander, E. D. Craig; junior vice-commander, William Medley; chaplain, C. S. Wright; quartermaster, C. A. May; officer of the day, P. L. Taylor; officer of the guard, Joseph O'Keefe; post surgeon, J. C. Davis; delegates to state encampment, A. Melhorn and J. C. Davis; alternate delegates, S. D. Craig and William Medley.

The British ship Foydale and French bark Jean art are understood to be in serious trouble in the lower harbor, as the result of the recent gales. They dragged their anchors during Sunday night and piled up on the middle sands. It is said both vessels are almost high and dry at low water. Yesterday both tugs had hold of the Foydale, but were unable to move her. The two ships are laden and arrived only recently. It is believed that it will be necessary to remove portions of the cargoes before they are again moved.

The steam schooner Sequoia, bound from Grays harbor for San Francisco with a big cargo of lumber, was towed out port last evening in a waterlogged condition and is now lying in the lower harbor. She left Grays harbor several days ago and outside encountered the full fury of the terrible gale which has raged for some days past. Evidently she was too heavily laden and for some time was at the mercy of the elements. Her steering gear is reported to have been rendered almost useless, and the men jettisoned the biggest portion of the deckload of lumber, in an effort to ease the steamer. The Melville Dollar, bound out of Grays harbor for San Francisco, happened along and took the Sequoia in tow, bringing her as far as the Columbia. Yesterday afternoon she signalled for assistance and the Wallula went out and picked up the disabled vessel. She is reported to have been badly damaged during the blow, but her exact condition could not be ascertained last night. She will be repaired here before proceeding on her course.

The city election takes place today, and the polls will be open between the hours of 8 a. m. and 6 p. m. The election has provoked more interest than would ordinarily be looked for in an off year, and all the candidates have been making earnest campaigns. Interest, of course, centers in the race for city attorney between Judge F. D. Winton, the republican candidate, and Albert M. Smith, the nominee of the citizen party and the labor unions. Mr. Smith has always been regarded as a strong man, but Judge Winton has conducted a very energetic campaign, and his friends are of the opinion that he will be successful. In the First ward R. M. Leathers and George Kauboth are the opposing candidates; in the Second ward, James W. Welch and James J. Robinson represent the republicans, while J. V. Burns and John Svenson are identified with the citizen movement. In the Third ward C. A. Lohmeyer, a most popular and deserving young man, has no opposition, and has not lost any sleep. The registration indicates that almost 1200 votes will be cast today, which is a very good showing, when it is considered that only a small ticket is to be elected.

You will find the best 15c meal in the city at the Rising Sun Restaurant.

WHO IS POLICE JUDGE?

KNOTTY PROBLEM UP TO CITY FATHERS.

Looks Like Mayor Will Have to Act During Judge Nelson's Illness.

Whether or not judicial authority can be delegated to a deputy is a question that is now before the council of this city. City Attorney Smith believes that a delegation of judicial power would be unconstitutional, while Mayor Suprenant, who is not at all impressed with the idea of exercising the functions of police judge, is hoping with all his heart that the city attorney is wrong.

The question has resulted from the illness of Auditor and Police Judge Nelson, who is now at St. Mary's hospital. Mr. Nelson is a very sick man, and realizing that it will take him some months to regain his health, he appointed Arthur Leberman, as deputy auditor, as is provided in section 60 of the charter. Mr. Leberman took his oath as deputy, and at a meeting of the council held last evening the action of Auditor Nelson was ratified.

Section 60 provides among other things that the auditor may have a deputy, to be appointed by him in writing, and to continue during his pleasure; that such deputy shall have the power to perform any act or duty required of his principal, and that his principal is responsible for his acts and conduct.

Section 65 is somewhat conflicting, and reads as follows: "The office of auditor and police judge shall be deemed vacant whenever he shall absent himself from the city for a period of more than 10 days without the consent of the mayor first had and obtained, except in case of sickness." In the absence of the auditor and police judge the mayor may preside over the police court in all matters relating to violation of any city ordinance.

It will be observed that section 60 specifies that the deputy shall perform the duties of the auditor, while section 65 says the mayor "may" preside over the police court during the absence of the auditor from the city. Auditor Nelson is not absent, and here is a vast difference between "may" and "shall." The matter has been left to Attorney Smith, who said he had not looked into it very closely. However, he was of the opinion that it would be necessary for the mayor to act as police judge, as he thought it unconstitutional to delegate judicial authority to a deputy; that it was impossible under the constitution to appoint a deputy judge. Mr. Smith added that he was open to conviction and that he would look up the authorities in the matter.

Mr. Leberman, the acting auditor, has been connected with the office for some months past, owing to a press of business.

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