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THE MORNING ASTORIAN

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A shipment of nice Northern Spy apples just in. Johnson Bros.

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Special services will be held at the Norwegian-Danish Methodist church, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. Preaching by the pastor. Good music and singing. All Scandinavians are welcome to participate.

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In comparing Grain-O and coffee remember that while the taste is the same Grain-O gives health and strength while coffee shatters the nervous system and breeds disease of the digestive organs. Thinking people prefer Grain-O and its benefits.

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At grocers everywhere; 10c and 50c per package.

Try a pound of our perfection blend Mocha and Java coffee, and if it does not please you, your money will be refunded by us. Johnson Bros.

Rev. W. S. Short announced last night that the hour for holding the morning services at Grace church during the week had been changed from 8 to 10 o'clock.

H. F. Coffey has resigned as supervisor of road district No. 9 (Svensen), and the county court has appointed Michael Kenney as his successor.

Deputy United States Marshals Roberts and Pretzel arrived down on last night's train with two deserters from the German training ship Cecelia. The men were placed aboard last night.

The Chinook Gun club defeated the Ilwaco club at a shoot held at Ilwaco on Sunday. The score was 214 to 174. J. Hullock of Ilwaco scored the best total, breaking 22 out of a possible 25 birds.

Miss Margaret Bussey has removed her stock of sheet music to No. 424 Commercial street, the office of A. R. Cyrus, where a large assortment of the latest music will be on sale at Portland prices.

Dan J. Goulter, who resigned his position as receiving clerk for the O. R. & N. Co., to engage in business in Alaska, will be succeeded today by C. H. Maddix, lately with the A. & C. R. Co.

The Push club will meet in regular session tomorrow night, when several matters of importance will be brought up for action. Among other matters, the committee appointed to inquire into the status of the park fund will submit its report.

A little of the beautiful snow fell last night about dark, but the inevitable rain put in an appearance and the pretty flakes melted away. Indications are bright for more snow, however, and there will doubtless be some coasting before the week is out.

When James W. Welch was in Portland a few days ago, George H. Himes, secretary of the Oregon Pioneer association, filed a request for 500 copies of the book of Astoria recently issued. The books are desired for distribution to the strangers who visit the permanent exhibit at the Portland city hall.

Everything in our store goes at sale prices—except what has already gone. Hundreds have taken advantage of our great cut clearance sale, but we have lots of shoes left, good shoes, nothing better in town. Now in your chance. Only one week more. Prices will not be so low for another year.—Peterson & Brown.

The Astoria companies operating canneries in Alaska have requested the Alaska Fishermen's union to name a committee to confer with a committee of cannerymen regarding the price of fish for the coming season. The union meets next Saturday night and it is probable that a committee will be appointed at that time.

W. J. Scully, the hardware store and tinshop man, has moved from his old location on Bond street to No. 470-472 Commercial street, opposite the Beehive, where he has a well appointed storeroom and shop, a fine stock of stoves, ranges, bath tubs, plumbers' goods, hardware, tinware, etc., and the best of facilities for plumbing and steam fitting.

Z. H. Greenough yesterday tendered his resignation as mailing clerk at the postoffice, and his place has been filled by F. P. Leinenweber. Mr. Greenough has mining interests in southern Oregon and will leave shortly to attend to them. Mr. Leinenweber, his successor, was formerly a carrier, and in turn is succeeded by Ted Sutton, a deserving young man. The promotion of Mr. Sutton leaves a vacancy in the substitute that is yet to be filled by Postmaster Reed.

Two new cases of scarlet fever were reported yesterday to City Physician Cordiner. The patients are the 10 and 12 year old daughters of J. G. Nelholm who lives on Thirty-third street. The home has been placed in quarantine. One death occurred yesterday from scarlet fever, the victim being the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Blasch. The child had been ill for several days. The funeral was privately conducted and the interment was in Greenwood. There were four children in the Blasch family when the disease broke out and all have died of the disease.

The Debating society held a meeting last night. A good attendance was present and a very interesting explanation of the fish canning process was given by W. O. Hemlan. He exhibited some cans of Columbia river sardines put up by his own process. He will go further into the subject on Monday night next. An intelligent lecture was given on the strike by F. C. Hackman and the meeting concluded with a debate.

An improved bicycle, known as the "hill climber," is the invention of a Mr. Scharbach, formerly of Pe Ell, Wash. The new machine is a chainless, and its gear can be adjusted by the rider, without dismounting, from 81 to 51 or to 36 enabling him to climb steep hills which could not be attempted with an ordinary wheel. The decant is made by means of the coaster brake, and the gear is readily readjusted for speeding. The hill climber sells for \$75.

The schools of the city were opened yesterday, after having been closed almost six weeks. The attendance was not as large as before the holidays, many of the parents being fearful that there was still danger from scarlet fever. However, the teachers used great care in admitting pupils, and those who were thought to have been exposed to the disease were sent home. During the day members of the board visited the different school buildings and assisted the principals.

When the Gordon-Shay grand opera company appears at Fishers' next Thursday evening, an audience will, in all probability, assemble the like of which has not been seen before in Astoria. The grand tour of the company has not eminent success, and J. Saunders Gordon, the famous impresario, has already been assured of the success which, if the reports from all over the south where the company has already been heard, are to be credited, will be richly deserved. The company, which is the largest one that has been seen here includes some 40 artists, musicians of the orchestra, chorus, men and women. The company has a repertoire of six operas. These are "Faust," "Il Trovatore," "Carmen," "Mignon," "Cavallera Rusticana," and "Il Pagliacci." "Il Trovatore," in response to innumerable requests, is the work that has been decided upon for production here. It is by long odds the handsomest of the several productions.

Beginning tonight and continuing until such time as the Mongolian element is satisfied that the evil spirit has been frightened away, there will be a din in Chinatown that will keep people awake of nights. Astorians have become accustomed to this annual introduction to noise, and indeed the Chinese New Year festival has come to be regarded as a regular event of interest alike to whites and orientals. While the Chinese population is not nearly so great as it used to be, nevertheless there are still many Chinamen in the city, who will see to it that the explosion of fireworks is carried on with quite as much zeal as heretofore. The large Chinese stores have made extensive preparations for the New Year celebration, and the Chinese quarter will be a point of interest for some days to come. The Chinese New Year is the most important Mongolian festival. On that day each Chinaman forgets his woes and settles his differences with his fellows. Animosity is buried and good cheer is in evidence on every hand.

The county court met in a four-day session yesterday, when a communication was received from the county judge of Tillamook county with reference to the proposal recently advanced that a road be built that would connect Astoria with Tillamook city. The people of Tillamook county have long been anxious for a road, but when steps were once taken here no enthusiasm was manifested in the adjoining county. The Clatsop county court deferred action on the proposal until after the present legislative session, so that the members may become familiar with the new road law. A letter from the people of Elsie asking that the Nehalem road be graded as far as the funds would allow was received and ordered filed. The New Style chophouse presented a bid of 14 1-2 cents a meal for feeding county prisoners and it was accepted. The bid of the Budget, 15 3-8 cents per inch, was accepted for printing the proceedings of the county court in the weekly edition. A bid from the Herald was presented too late for consideration.

Bids were opened yesterday by Deputy Collector Parker for the construction of the new customs launch recently provided for by congress. Three offers were received and R. M. Leathers was the lowest bidder on each of the different specifications. The following bids were presented for a boat with Scotch marine boiler: Baker & Hamilton, San Francisco, \$11,949; R. M. Leathers, \$10,425; Wilson Bros., \$10,750. For No. 10 Roberts boiler, the bids were: Baker & Hamilton, \$11,219; R. M. Leathers, \$9,925; Wilson Bros., \$9,750. The bids for No. 11 Roberts boiler were: Baker & Hamilton, \$11,886; R. M. Leathers, \$10,690; Wilson Bros., \$10,425. Bids were also asked for a different pattern of Scotch marine boiler, with 2x10 engine, surface condenser and dynamo and 12 lights. Mr. Leathers' offer was \$10,000; Wilson Bros., \$10,400. For the same style of engine, with No. 10 Roberts boiler, Mr. Leathers bid \$9,475, and Wilson Bros., \$9,900. With No. 11 Roberts boiler Mr. Leath-

ers' offer was \$9,975, and Wilson Bros. \$10,400. The local customs officials have forwarded the bids to Washington with the recommendation that the contract be awarded to Mr. Leathers.

Columbia river canners are not keeping pace with the packers of the sound, who are taking up lines of the industry which have hitherto been neglected, but for the product of which there is plainly a demand, and the conduct of which is inevitable on western waters. For instance, young Pugit sound herrings and smelt are being canned at several places and find a ready sale. When properly processed they are said to equal the best of Maine sardines. They are usually labelled "domestic sardines," but one very successful packer, Gaptala Graham, who will soon erect an extensive plant on Bellingham bay, says he intends to change his labels from "sardines" to "smelts," believing that his product is superior to sardines. The cannery of the Port Townsend company cost over \$50,000, is equipped with the very latest machinery and employs about 75 men during the entire year. At Blaine a plant has been established for the canning of crabs. It has a capacity of 100 cases per day, and is operated the year round. The owners are confident of the success of their enterprise.

NEW COMMITTEES FOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

President Welch Names Men Who Will Look After Various Interests for the Present Year.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce was held last evening and considerable business of importance was discussed. The chamber is without a secretary at present, and it was decided last night to defer the election of that officer until the next regular meeting. President James W. Welch announced his committees for the year, as follows:

Executive—E. W. Tallant, J. T. Ross and F. A. Fisher.

Commerce and navigation—J. Q. A. Bawby, G. W. Lounsbury and B. Van Dusen.

Railroads and transportation—G. W. Lounsbury, H. F. Prael and J. S. Dellinger.

Legislation and judiciary—F. J. Taylor, C. R. Thomson, J. C. McCue.

Membership—B. Van Dusen, J. E. Gratke, B. F. Allen.

Manufactories and industries—J. E. Gratke, A. Dunbar, F. J. Taylor.

Statistics and compilation—J. S. Dellinger, P. B. Sovey, William F. Gratke.

Roads and public highways—Martin Foard, J. L. Lovell, E. W. Tallant.

Reception—P. L. Cherry, G. W. Lounsbury, S. S. Gordon, J. Q. A. Bawby, C. H. Cooper, F. J. Taylor, J. E. Gratke, Samuel Elmore, B. F. Allen, John Fox, B. Van Dusen, Dr. A. A. Finch, J. S. Dellinger, D. K. Warren, J. N. Griffin, E. W. Tallant, Dr. J. A. Fulton, A. Dunbar, C. A. Coolidge, C. W. Fulton.

In submitting his committees, President Welch stated that he intended watching their work, and that he would remove at once those committeemen who were careless or refused to attend to matters referred to them for action. "The work of the chamber is altogether too important for any committee to shirk its duty," said President Welch, "and if the men I have named will not attend to their duties I will find others who will."

The secretary pro tem was instructed to make reply to a letter from Hutch Inson, Kan., inquiring for information as to the advantages offered here for the establishment of a wholesale grocery house. According to the letter, wholesale grocery houses have become very numerous in the section in question, and the firm that writes was told by a Kansan that Astoria would be an excellent place to locate.

Several other matters of much importance were discussed at length, but at the request of the president they will not be made public at this time.

At the conclusion of last night's meeting President Welch entertained the members at supper. The gathering proved an especially happy one, and the large number present spent a very pleasant evening.

PERSONAL MENTION

B. A. Hawkins is over from Ilwaco. Samuel Elmore returned last night from Portland.

SCHOOL LEVY 11 MILLS

THE ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD LAST NIGHT.

Three Mills Provided to Complete the New School House in West Astoria.

The annual meeting of the taxpayers and the school board was held last evening at the Shively school. The meeting sanctioned a school tax levy of 11 mills for the coming year, 8 mills being for the general expenses of the district and 3 mills to provide a fund for the completion of the Taylor school premises.

The recommendation of the board was for a 3 mill levy for the latter purpose, but on the solicitation of Mr. Frans Kankkonen, who represented West Astoria, and who contended that a larger amount would be necessary for the proper furnishing of the building, the construction of necessary walks, etc., the meeting agreed to a 3 mill levy. The school tax levy last year was 8 mills for school district expenses and 2 1-2 mills for the construction of the Taylor school building. The amount necessary to complete the Taylor school is about \$1900.

Of the \$75,000 bonded indebtedness of the district, \$45,000 will mature during the present year, this being the expiration of 10 years from the time the bonds were issued. It was decided to make an effort to refund this amount if money could be obtained for the purpose by popular loan at 4 or 5 percent, thus making a saving in interest. The remainder of the bonded debt has 10 years longer to run. The report of Treasurer Thos. Dealey showed that the floating debt had been reduced during the past year to the extent of \$4,344.84, leaving only \$29 unpaid.

The reports, showing the amounts expended during the past year and the estimates for the present year have already been published in substance.

The very small attendance of 13 persons, including the members of the school board, was justly taken as indicative of the general satisfaction existing among the taxpayers and school patrons as to the conduct of the affairs of the schools by the board.

The members of the board are held in high esteem and are deserving of the gratitude of the city for their wise and faithful services.

WEST SIDE NOTES.

Col. J. M. Adair and son are visiting in Portland.

D. M. Stuart and Capt. McCop were visitors to the west side Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Dean will move to Marquam, Wash., the last of the week.

Miss Rose Kindred is going to Marquam, Wash., for an extended visit.

Warrenton is again jubilant over the prospect of a new mill in the spring.

The Woodmen gave a pleasant masquerade ball in their hall Saturday night.

Rev. Wm. S. Short held services in St. Thomas' chapel on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Edgar Dean of Goble was down on Sunday to visit his mother in East Warrenton.

Mrs. D. K. Warren has been visiting her daughter Mrs. H. C. Thompson in Portland.

Miss Cora McCoon has returned from Astoria and will remain home the rest of the winter.

J. A. McIntyre has returned from a two weeks' visit to his parents in southern Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill returned from Portland Friday. Mr. Hill has been in southern Oregon—ranch hunting.

J. W. Cawker and family will leave at an early day for Westport, Wash., where Mr. Cawker will claim lands in future.

The Warrenton mill will start up in a few days. It has been idle over a month and many substantial repairs have been made.

Mrs. A. J. Hill was in Portland last week with her sister, Mrs. Powers, who has recently undergone an operation at Good Samaritan hospital.

NOTICE TO PARENTS AND TO SCHOOL CHILDREN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT EVERY CHILD PRESENTING HIMSELF AT THE CITY SCHOOLS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A CERTIFICATE FROM A PHYSICIAN SHOWING THAT HE IS FREE FROM CONTAGIOUS DISEASE. ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN NOT PROVIDED WITH CERTIFICATES WILL BE REFUSED ADMITTANCE. BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS.

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FLANNEL WAISTS.		SILK WAISTS.	
Lot 1, all 75c and \$1 Waists.....	59	All \$4 and \$5 Silk Waists.....	\$3 50
Lot 2, all \$1.69 and \$1.95		All \$6 and \$7 Silk Waists.....	3 50
Waists.....	1 25		
Lot 3, all \$1.50 Waists.....	1 00	MEN'S OVERCOATS.	
Lot 4, all \$2.25 and \$2.75		\$15 00 Overcoats.....	\$11 50
Waists.....	1 48	\$12 00 Overcoats.....	7 50
Lot 5, all \$3.00 Waists.....	1 95		
		FLANNELETTE SKIRTS.	
		Lot 1 50c Waist.....	30c
		Lot 2, 40c Waist.....	30c
		Lot 3, 60c Waist.....	55c
		Lot 4, 75c Waist.....	60c
		Lot 5, 25c Waist.....	10c

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10 00 and 12 00 Suits..... 7 50

15 00 and 20 00 Suits..... 12 50

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