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MONTHLY TIDE TABLES

Table with columns for High Water, Low Water, and tide heights for February 1903, listing days from Sunday to Saturday.

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 Bess-hive, 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.

Signal lanterns have been installed on the storm warning tower at the foot of Tenth street. The lanterns will be operated with electricity and the necessary connections were made yesterday. Hereafter warnings will be given by day as well as by night, to the convenience of fishermen and mariners. The lights are of sufficient power to be seen for several miles, and fishermen will be warned of the approach of storms. The innovation will prevent many disasters such as have occurred in the past.

The preliminary hearing of Otto Skibbe, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, will be held in the justice's court this afternoon. "Paddy" Lynch, the prosecuting witness, was out yesterday, looking little the worse for his experience. Lynch at first concluded that he would not prosecute Skibbe but the latter's statements since the shooting have prompted Lynch to change his mind, and he will appear against the young man today. If Skibbe's statements are verified this afternoon, the hearing will be an interesting one.

Office Constructing Quartermaster, Astoria, Ore., Feb. 4, 1903.—Sealed proposals in triplicate, will be received at this office until 10 o'clock a. m., March 5, 1903, and then opened, for the construction of a plank road on Fort Canby military reservation, Washington. Plans and specifications may be seen and further information obtained here. Right is reserved to accept or reject any or all proposals. Envelopes should be marked "Proposals for Plank Road at Fort Canby, Wash." and addressed to Gen. L. Goodale, Capt. and Quartermaster, U. S. Army.

In the county court yesterday a remonstrance against the vacation of a portion of the county road near Andrew Young's farm was read and action will be taken upon it when the report of the viewers is made. F. B. Gilson presented a petition for a license to operate a saloon at Westport and it was granted. There was considerable objection made to the granting of the petition, a remonstrance being read which stated that the petition had not been signed by the requisite number and that notice had not been published the necessary number of times. Attorneys Noland and Curtis represented the remonstrators and Mr. Gilson was represented by Mr. Allen.

The push club's committee appointed to investigate and report upon the proposal for the establishment of a steamer line between Astoria and Ilwaco has been given further time to report. Several of the interested parties are out of the city and will not return for some time, but as soon as practicable the matter will be taken up. The committee intends visiting Ilwaco and discussing the matter with the people there, and then reporting to the merchants of this city. When the sentiment of the Astorians is determined, the report of the committee will be submitted to the push club, with such recommendations as may be deemed advisable.

The county commissioners' court yesterday granted permission to string telephone wires along the Youngs bay draw-bridge; also along the county road. The petitioners were O. I. Peterson, J. W. Reith and W. J. Ingalls, representing the residents of the Lewis and Clark who will be benefited by the installation of the system. Clark and Buchanan, the experts who have been working on the county books, reported that they had completed their labors and that the books were in excellent shape. The report was accepted. It was explained by Attorney Allen that the county would be obliged to cause the court proceedings to be published in two papers. At present the Budget only has a contract so the other three local papers will be asked to submit bids before the court adjourns on February 7.

A distressing accident occurred on the farm of Thomas Bish near Evesen Monday afternoon that is feared will result in the death of George, son of Mr. Bush. The young man, in company with his brother William, was cutting down trees some distance from the house when a tree while falling struck young Bush on the head crushing it and rendering the poor fellow unconscious. William succeeded in extricating his unfortunate brother from under the tree, but would not leave him alone to get assistance. He there fore tied his handkerchief about the neck of the dog and sent the intelligent animal home. The father of the boys devined at once that something had gone wrong with his son and he hurried to the scene of the accident. The injured man was brought down on yesterday's noon train and was taken to St. Mary's hospital where he now is. The chances for his recovery are very slim, his head being crushed in a frightful manner. He has not yet regained consciousness. Dr. J. A. Fulton is attending the case. Mr. Bush is 25 years of age and unmarried.

For sometime past, since the shooting of "Paddy" Lynch, there has been much discussion pro and con as to whether Lynch could or could not prosecute Skibbe, his assailant. Many persons contended that the matter rested solely with Lynch, but this impression is a mistaken one. In minor offenses, such as assault and battery, a compromise or dismissal is possible through the medium of agreement between the court and complaining witness, but a felony, such as Skibbe is charged with, cannot be compromised in this manner. Lynch can be made to appear against the young man, or, if he refuse to testify, can be confined for contempt. The matter of Skibbe's prosecution rests solely with the district attorney, who, having been elected for the purpose of maintaining the peace and good order of the community, could not well decline to prosecute. This is not to say, however, that cases will not arise wherein prosecution of a felony could not be dispensed with.

Locally little significance was attached to the action of Representative Hume in voting for L. T. Harris. Mr. Hume has all along been regarded as a Fulton man, and it has been freely predicted that he would vote for the Astoria man on taking his seat at Salem. However, he cast his first ballot for Mr. Harris, speaker of the house. Harris is one of the Fulton standards, and Hume's vote for him does not indicate that an error was made in classing him as a Fulton supporter. It has been repeatedly stated by The Astorian's Salem correspondent that Mr. Fulton's supreme effort would be made today, and that the impression prevails that Hume was requested to vote for Harris, that his change to Fulton at the proper time might serve to add to the size of the Astorian's gain. Today's ballot can reasonably be expected to show a decided gain for Senator Fulton—perhaps his election. If this expectation is not realized, it can be put down for certain that Mr. Fulton has deferred his coup to a later date. The fact that he has not lost a single vote since the balloting was commenced is proof of his strength, and leads to the logical conclusion that he can not be defeated.

PERSONAL MENTION P. C. Bates is here from Portland. Josiah West of Weston is in the city. Dr. Linton of Seaside is an Astoria visitor. M. Ransford of Cathlamet is an Astoria visitor. Hugh McCormick is in from his Wisconsin ranch. Thomas Whaling, a resident of Seaside, is in the city. J. W. Cawker was over from the west side yesterday. W. J. Erickson, a grocery drumer of Portland, is in the city. George W. Hume arrived in the city yesterday from San Francisco. Misses Ethel and Annie Sabine of Warrenton visited the city yesterday. George Hibbert, editor of the Chinook Observer, was in the city yesterday. Captain Salte of the steamer O. K. has returned from a Portland visit. Miss May Morgan was a passenger on yesterday morning's train for Portland. B. F. Tucker and family left last night for their new home near Portland. J. C. McCue has returned from Salem where he has been taking in the legislature. H. Gouldstone, a traveling man of San Francisco, will leave out this morning for Tillamook. Captain C. W. Rich who has been in San Francisco returned yesterday on the steamer Columbia. J. Diner, a traveling man who has been in the city for the past few days, will leave out this morning for Tillamook. T. B. Bowley and Mrs. Bowley are in the city enroute for their home in Tillamook. They have been visiting in California. C. W. Younggren of Silverton, Ore., and G. M. Younggren of Lee, Ill., are in the city guests at the Parker house. The gentlemen are brothers and will make a tour of inspection over this section.

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CARNAHAN ROAD LAW MEASURE MEETS WITH FAVOR OVER THE STATE.

Highly Interesting Meeting of the Push Club Was Held Yesterday Evening.

The Push club met in regular session last evening, Frank L. Parker acting as secretary in the absence of H. S. Lyman, who is slightly ill. The meeting was devoted largely to review of pending matters, but was, nevertheless, a highly interesting one.

A resolution was offered by President Harrison Allen urging the state legislature to make the appropriation provided for in Senator Johnston's bill for a portage road at Celilo. The amount carried in the bill \$156,000. A committee consisting of President Allen, R. C. Lee and Frank L. Parker will draft suitable resolutions and forward them to the members of both houses of the legislature.

President Allen explained at length the Carnahan road law which has been reported favorably by the house committee. "The bill is the only one offered that includes any departures from the present road laws," said Mr. Allen. "While at Salem I talked with many members about the measure, and I learned, to my gratification, that the Astoria Push club is by far the best known commercial organization in the state. All the members appreciate the interest that the club and Mr. Carnahan have taken in the matter of good roads, and they have been free to acknowledge our good work. The bill has been submitted to many interested parties, and in its present form is an excellent measure. It is regarded with general favor and will, I believe, pass both houses."

"It will be recalled that the Oregon Good Roads association, organized during the fall with much enthusiasm, promised wonders in the way of new road laws. Events have demonstrated that the association is a hot air organization, for it failed utterly to offer a single bill looking to the betterment of road laws. The vice-president of the association has manifested some interest in the Carnahan bill, and at his suggestion several alterations of value were made. The law, while perhaps not all that we would desire, is the forerunner of an entirely satisfactory law two years hence."

The Carnahan bill in its amended form provides that the county court may vote not to exceed 5 mills of the general fund levy for the building and maintenance of highways and bridges. A general 5-mill levy is provided for road purposes. The money thus derived is to be apportioned by the county court to the several districts according to the assessed valuation of each of the districts. The money thus apportioned for each district is to be expended by the roadmaster under the direction of the county court. The people of a road district are authorized to petition the court as to the manner in which the fund shall be expended, but the approval by the court of the plan as set forth in the petition is essential to the carrying out of the wishes of the people of the district. Apart from the general 5-mill levy, each district may make such special levy as the people thereof may deem expedient for the needs of their roads and bridges. Special funds thus derived are to be expended, under the direction of the county court, by the county roadmaster.

The bill as originally framed delegated to each district power to expend the fund apportioned to it, but, at the recommendation of the vice-president of the Oregon Good Roads association, this feature was amended and the expenditure of funds placed in the hands of the county court. The objection to the original scheme was that one district might decide upon a rock road, another district upon a pincheon road, and a third district upon an unplanked road, with the result that the highway would be badly cut up. By giving the court power to expend the money, highways can be made uniform.

An important feature of the bill is that it does away with the election of road supervisors, and gives the appointment of those officials to the various county courts. It is realized that the present method leaves open a way to inject political considerations into road building, whereas, if the road supervisors are appointees of the county courts, there will be harmonious action. The law takes away the time-honored power of the road supervisor, and makes him an assistant to the county roadmaster, under whose direction he shall work at all times. The bill gives the county court 3 mills for road purposes, and is calculated to work wonders in the good roads line in Oregon. Mr. Allen believes the measure will surely pass.



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The steamer Sue H. Elmore will leave for Tillamook Thursday, February 5, at 8 o'clock a. m.

J. A. Eakin has removed his law office from the Goodman building to the Page building.

Rooms for rent, furnished or unfurnished; also for housekeeping; over Peterson & Brown's shoe store.

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The Mill and Lumber Workers' union No. 347 held a meeting last night and transacted important business. The members are enthusiastic over the success of their organization, which is growing rapidly.

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A committee consisting of Mayor Supplement and A. S. Tee has been appointed by the Astoria Park commission to see that the park fund be set aside for the purpose originally intended. A special levy may be made to increase the fund and effort will be made to have this done.

The ladies of the Astoria Public Library association are planning to give another vaudeville entertainment for the purpose of assisting the library. The date has not yet been fixed, but the entertainment will be given in the near future. The library is very much in need of funds and the ladies hope to net a substantial sum for it.

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