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**A COMMUNICATION.**

Mr. Editor: In Saturday's Budget I read a communication from Mr. "A Citizen," whoever that may be; he is probably a stranger on this coast, or else is not able to read the signs of the times correctly.

With your permission, I would like to say a word with reference to that communication, though it is a difficult task, as it is so rambling and shows such ignorance of the subject at hand.

First. He gives as his leading reason for opposing a Coffee club, that we need a modern hotel. We will grant that it is a pressing need, and that the lack of a first class hotel is a great injury to Astoria. But why do we not have such a hotel? Who is to build it? Will one, or a dozen Coffee clubs have any effect in preventing the building of a hotel?

Mr. A. Citizen can you answer these questions? Get down from your pedestal and let me whisper in your ear, the fact that it takes money to build and operate a good, modern hotel and none of our local capitalists seem to feel that they are called upon to invest their funds in that way. So how can a Coffee club affect the building of a hotel? Then again, I know of capital that has come here seeking investment, and after looking the situation over, has gone again with this explanation:

"I like your location, and nature has done a great deal for Astoria, but your town is dead, and its morals are at such a low ebb, that no money would induce me to bring my family here to live."

Mr. A. Citizen knows this is no idle dream. Again, a Coffee club on the plan proposed, instead of hindering, will assist very materially in getting the hotel he talks about, for everything that tends to improve the morals of the town helps to attract capital to it, and a shrewd hotel man is looking for the place where the better class of people wish to go for their furnish, to a large extent, the hotel patronage.

Second. Mr. A. Citizen is worried lest this Coffee club should attract some young man away from home. My



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dear sir, are you worried about the young men, aged from 16 upward, who are so frequently attracted to the saloons because there is no other place for them to go for amusement, and who so frequently go home in a more or less intoxicated condition?

Third. He asks, why have they never started a Coffee club in Portland? This exposes his great ignorance of the whole subject that he is trying to argue. Portland has a fine Y. M. C. A. building that is fitted up for the very purpose that this Coffee club is intended, only it is on a much larger scale, and who ever heard of a Y. M. C. A. hurting any town? Why, it is pointed to as one of the attractions to induce prospective settlers to locate there. The promoters of this club were anxious for a Y. M. C. A. in Astoria, but they ascertained by a quiet canvass that it could not be started yet, so the next best thing was the Coffee club, which is the Y. M. C. A. on a smaller scale, more suitable for the smaller places.

Fourth. Mr. A. Citizen says: "You are probably aware that the A. A. club has always given the young men the use of their grounds and gymnasium." Please tell us, where does the A. A. club meet? The Chamber of Commerce, Push club and Commercial club are all right, but there are a great many young men who are not able to get into the Commercial club or to keep up their dues should they get there; what will you do with them? It is true, the ladies of the W. C. T. U. have opened a reading room for young men to spend the evenings, but they are not able, along with their many other cares and duties, to furnish the necessary attractions for young men, and they will gladly merge their efforts with the Coffee club.

A. R. Cyrus.

**TO THE PUBLIC.**

Notice is hereby given that the Northwest Construction company, a private corporation organized under the laws of the state of Oregon, has, pursuant to the laws of said state, executed and filed supplementary articles of incorporation for the purpose of authorizing said corporation to engage in new enterprises, as follows:

"That in addition to the business enterprises and pursuits in which this corporation proposes to engage, as set forth and provided in its original articles of incorporation and its supplementary articles of incorporation heretofore made, executed and filed, the following shall be added to and form a part of Article II of said articles of incorporation, now on file, and this corporation proposes to engage in the following business and enterprises, to-wit:

"Also to do, carry on, and engage in a general contracting business, and to make, enter into, execute and perform contracts for the erection and construction of buildings and structures and all manner of works, public and private, and as well to furnish and sup-

ply materials for any and all such works."

This is published by order of the board of directors of said corporation. Dated this first day of May, 1903.

NORTHWEST CONSTRUCTION CO.,  
By T. H. CURTIS, President.

Attest:  
F. D. KUETNER, Secretary.

**LIST OF LETTERS**

Remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Astoria for 30 days, May 4, 1903.

- Ahl Wm
  - Anderson E Wm
  - Case Catherine, Mrs
  - Conley James
  - Craig Robt H
  - Eagle Woolen Mills
  - Elliott Geo R
  - Evanoff Henry
  - Hanson Jakob
  - Harder Chas
  - Henderson Fred
  - Johnson Eddie
  - Johnson M
  - Johnson Katie Miss
  - Marincooh V P
  - Miller Cehette
  - McDonough D A M
  - McDonald Joe
  - McDougal J J
  - McGuire J B
  - McRay Dillie Miss
  - McKay Dollie Miss
  - Nyholm K
  - Parker Jennie
  - Penano R
  - Peterson V
  - Smith J W Mrs
  - Peterson Hans
  - Smith W J
  - Springer B
  - Stone C E
  - Tanner Henry Rev
  - Tarvonen Orvo
  - Vire Margarette Miss
  - Wilson Mr
  - Wilson J C
  - Will John Mrs
  - Yocum Josephine
- Foreign.
- Boekvist Hermann G
  - Heufeler Willy
  - Matson Mat Herr
  - Olsson Math

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