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THE TIDES

OCTOBER, 1903.					OCTOBER, 1903.									
High Water.		A. M.		P. M.		Low Water.		A. M.		P. M.				
Date.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	Date.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	Date.	h. m.	ft.		
SUNDAY	4:11:41	7.4	11:41	7.3	SUNDAY	4:5:17	1.7	5:45	3.0	Monday	5:50	1.7	6:20	1.4
Monday	6:22	7.6	11:23	8.0	Tuesday	6:22	1.7	7:12	0.9	Tuesday	7:10	1.7	7:50	1.4
Tuesday	7:10	7.7	1:02	8.3	Wednesday	7:10	1.8	7:58	0.9	Wednesday	8:10	2.0	8:45	0.1
Wednesday	8:10	7.8	1:28	8.5	Thursday	8:10	2.0	8:55	0.2	Thursday	9:10	2.2	9:45	0.1
Thursday	9:10	7.9	1:54	8.8	Friday	9:10	2.2	9:55	0.2	Friday	10:10	2.4	10:45	0.1
Friday	10:10	8.0	2:21	9.1	Saturday	10:10	2.4	10:55	0.2	Saturday	11:10	2.6	11:45	0.1
Saturday	11:10	8.1	2:47	9.2										



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Objections Are Not Sustained

Board of Equalization Makes Few Reductions in Assessment of Timber Lands.

The county board of equalization adjourned last evening after having been in session during the entire week. A large number of heavy taxpayers called during the week to look over the assessments made against them and, with the exception of owners of timber lands, the roll proved satisfactory.

It will be sometime before the amount of the roll as equalized by the board can be announced. There have been some reductions and several additions, the latter being due to errors in compiling the roll. Several matters affecting the assessment have been referred to the county court, and until action is taken the equalized roll cannot be made up.

A representative of John E. DuBois, the wealthy eastern timber man, appeared before the board a few days ago but made no objection to the assessment. Representatives of the Astoria Company, the Charles A. Street Lumber Company, the Montana Lumber Company, D. A. Blodgett & Co., and other large firms have appeared before the board to offer objections to the assessment, but the board has declined to make any general reduction, the amount of the assessments being reduced only where it is shown conclusively that lands had been erroneously assessed. Yesterday, for instance, the board reduced the assessment of D. A. Blodgett & Co. by \$4765, on the showing that some of the lands assessed had been burned over. The Montana Lumber Company's assessment was also reduced, because some of the land contained hemlock timber instead of spruce or fir.

On the whole, however, the assessment of 40 cents per thousand feet for Columbia slope timber and 50 cents for Nehalem slope timber has been allowed to stand, and the total amount of the roll will not differ materially from that originally footed up by Assessor Cornelius. The board yesterday refused to make any reduction of the assessment of the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company.

HIGH JINKS FOR THE EAGLES

Will Hold Forth at 1:30 This Afternoon.

The Astoria Eagles will have high jinks in their aerial this afternoon. The occasion seems to be the return of Jim Laws from the east and the threatened return of Joe Gribler.

Worthy President Herman Wise has notified all the local Eagles that "what can't be cured must be endured" and that they may as well be prepared for the Jim-Joe celebration today. In his notification the worthy president says:

"The band has tuned its instruments of torture; the restaurant man will find us with 'what's left over'; the Unique theatre will be moved upstairs; there are a few presents to be distributed; a few fines to be imposed; a few wings to be fastened on recently captured buzzards; a few beers to be downed; a few cocktails to be clipped; a few bottles of soda, root beer, and ague water to be spilled; a few stories to be told; a few songs to be sung; and a few hours of side-splitting, hair-raising, indigestion-killing fun to be distributed; so come along so that we may hand you your package."

P. S., etc.—The trouble begins at 1:30 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, October 4, '03; after that it costs \$1 a minute.

COMMERCIAL CLUB NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Astoria Commercial Club is hereby called to meet on Tuesday, the 6th day of October, 1903, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m., to discuss matters in regard to putting the gymnasium in working order.

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SALMON PACKERS' BIG LOSS

Personal Differences Said to Have Cost Them \$1,000,000.

According to the Astoria correspondent of the Pacific Fisherman, an excellent Seattle publication, Columbia river packers have lost fully \$1,000,000 because of their failure to agree on opening prices for Chinook salmon. The difficulty is attributed to personal strife. The Fisherman's correspondent tells the following interesting story of the manner in which the enormous loss was suffered:

The Columbia river cannerymen now have their thinking caps on as they never had before. The fact that Alaska salmon opened at \$1.30, while the Columbia product opened at \$1.35 and the pack of the Columbia has been sold at that basis, has done more for the Columbia river salmon industry than anything else that could have happened, and it was a rude shock to the commercial intelligence of many men who had been in the business for years and have made fortunes out of it. Three years ago an effort was made to form a combination of the Columbia river cannery owners to establish a price on Columbia river spring pack on the basis of \$1.50 per dozen for talls f. o. b. Astoria, but it was not possible on account of the "personal" differences of a number of the cannerymen, and by the use of the word "personal" it describes the situation that existed. Last year and the present year similar efforts were made to establish a higher price, but as no agreements could be reached contracts were made on a basis of \$1.35 for talls. As a matter of fact very few talls are packed, except of the lower grades, and the choice fish in halves, flats and ovals were sold, twice over, contingent on the pack before the season opened.

The result of this "personal" strife has cost the Columbia river packers during the present year at least a million dollars, but next year this will not happen and there may not be any combination either. The quality of the Columbia river salmon is as good today as it ever was and the cost of packing is more thorough than ever before, although the cost of handling has not been much decreased, for the reason that many labor-saving devices are not used as in other localities because by such means the appearance of the canned article to the consumer is not as excellent, and as a matter of fact is not as perfect.

WILL BE MOST SUCCESSFUL

Library Entertainment Will Surpass Previous Efforts.

The library entertainment to be given on October 9 and 10 will, if the expectations of the hard-working ladies are realized be the most successful event of the kind ever held in the city. The rehearsals are proceeding quite satisfactorily and the 120 persons who are to take part are working faithfully for the success of the entertainment.

"The Mystic Midge" will be an especially pleasing performance by more than 100 persons. Miss Shively impersonates the queen of the fairies and Miss Sovey Prince Obdillius, ruler of the mystic midges.

Many interesting specialties will be presented. The Queen Louise gavotte will be one of the principal features of the evening, the following young ladies taking part: Miss Taliant, Miss Flor-etta Elmore, Miss Nowlen, Miss Blinn, Miss Brooks, Miss Magee, Miss Utzinger, Miss May Utzinger, Miss Olsen, Miss Morton, Miss McLean, Miss Morgan, Miss Jordan, Miss Holmes, and Miss Rannels.

The following young ladies will appear in the Florida sextette: Miss Hobson, Miss Fox, Miss Crang, Miss Elmore, Miss Wood, and Mrs. A. A. Finch.

There will be many pleasing vocal and instrumental numbers, and altogether the entertainment promises to be one of more than usual merit.

LITTLE WATER ON THE BARS

Tillamook and Nehalem Entrances in Bad Shape.

The steamer Elmore arrived in from Tillamook last night. She brought butter, cheese and salmon and a fair-sized passenger list. Among her list of passengers were H. Stapleton, a Salem capitalist, and Colonel Joe Baumgartner, paying teller of Bush's bank, at Salem.

The Elmore passed the Vosburg off Necanic mountain. The Vosburg had in tow a small raft of logs picked up at Nehalem, and, having a fresh wind to contend with, can not be expected before some time today.

Passengers on the Elmore report that the harbor at Tillamook is in bad shape there being only 12 feet of water when they crossed the bar yesterday. The same complaint is heard from the Nehalem. It is said the Vosburg was delayed in leaving that harbor yesterday on account of obstructions at the bar. The mills, it is said, have shut down on the bay for the reason that steamers cannot get in to carry the lumber away. Even sailing vessels have trouble in crossing the bar.

"The condition of the Tillamook and Nehalem bars should be presented to the Oregon delegation in congress with the request that it exert its influence to secure an appropriation for their betterment," remarked a man returning from these ports last night.

These bars in the past have been dependent on the northwest winds, which have kept the sound washed out so that shipping has been possible. This season, however, the winds have not blown so kindly for these harbors and shipping is thereby impeded.

MARINE NOTES.

The French bark Emile Galline arrived down the river yesterday and cleared for Ipswich, England, with 22,482 bushels of wheat, valued at \$16,500, and 90,426 bushels of barley, valued at \$50,000.

The steamer South Portland departed yesterday for San Francisco. She takes 16,100 sacks of wheat.

The French bark Rene was towed up the river yesterday to load grain.

The steamer Charles Nelson arrived yesterday from San Francisco. She brought a full cargo of general merchandise.

Inspectors Edwards and Fuller were in the city yesterday and inspected the steamer Eclipse. They expected to inspect the Elmore, but she was not in port in time to be examined. Messrs. Edwards and Fuller returned to Portland last night.

The lighthouse tender Heather will leave out tomorrow for Tillamook rock, where she will deliver winter supplies, good record.

CHINESE WILL BE DEPORTED

Demented Man Will Not Go to Insane Asylum.

Chee Dock, the Chinese who was adjudged insane by the county board on Tuesday, will not be sent to the state insane asylum, but will be deported. The county authorities did not wish to burden the asylum officials with the unfortunate Celestial and his friends were asked to deport him. They have promised to do so and he will be a passenger for China on the next outward bound steamer from this port.

The parents of John Johnson, the 16-year-old boy who was before the sanity board, have assured the officials that they will care for their son and keep him off the streets, and with this understanding he will not be taken to the asylum. Sheriff Linville left last night for Salem with 8-year-old Martha Brown, who was committed to the asylum for treatment.

Tried to Wreck Stevens Special

Vandals Place Obstructions on Track, but Discovery Prevents Collision.

Two attempts to wreck trains on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad were made Friday night and yesterday but both were frustrated by timely discovery of the obstructions that had been placed on the track for the purpose of ditching the trains. Both attempts were made on the West Side, and the impression has gone abroad that soldiers were responsible in each case. With this belief as a basis for work, the matter has been reported to the officials at Fort Stevens and a vigorous investigation will be conducted.

The first act of vandalism occurred Friday night at Hammond. A long rock train was being backed down the track from Warrenton when the brakeman observed a pile of logs and fence rails on the track. He signaled to stop the train and the engineer succeeded in preventing the collision that otherwise would have ensued.

Examination disclosed the fact that the track had been piled high with obstructions. The rails had been torn from the fence that surrounds Frank Cunningham's home at Hammond, and the logs had been rolled onto the track from the side of the road. Had the rock train collided with the pile it undoubtedly would have been derailed, with probable serious consequences.

The second effort of the trainwreckers was made yesterday morning, at almost precisely the same spot. A pile of logs and old lumber was discovered to have been placed on the track just before the passenger train which leaves Astoria at 7 o'clock came along. As in the previous case, the train was stopped in time to avert a collision and derailment.

The affair has created much excitement on the West Side, according to the statements of persons who came over yesterday morning, and every effort will be made to discover the perpetrators. The officers at Fort Stevens were at once acquainted with the matter and several of them yesterday made personal examination of the neighborhood. As yet there has been no discovery that would tend to disclose the identity of the men involved. Superintendent McGuire was not in the city yesterday, nor could a statement be secured from any of the officials of the railroad company.

Just what reason any of the soldiers could have had for attempting to wreck the trains is a mystery. Close watch will be maintained and recurrence of the attempt will doubtless result in the apprehension of the guilty persons. On Friday night several residents of Hammond were awakened by the noise created by men who afflicted the town with their presence, and some of the women there were badly frightened. The impression prevailed at the time that the disturbers were soldiers from the fort.

WORK AT COAST HATCHERIES

Indications Favorable for Increased Output There.

Deputy Fish Warden Webster arrived in the city yesterday from the coast streams, where he has been looking after hatchery work. He reports that indications are favorable for a large output, although it is too early as yet to make any estimates. At the Tillamook hatchery 670,000 eggs had been taken up to October 1 and there are 25 or 30 days remaining in which to take eggs. Last year the total output of this plant was only about 285,000.

Mr. Webster was indignant when he learned of the criticism that had come from Oregon City because of the alleged delay in getting work under way on the fish ladder. He said yesterday that the fisheries department had secured the necessary appropriation for the work and that there was no reason for the apparent belief that the officials had lost interest.

AN ERROR CORRECTED.

The Astorian erred yesterday in reporting rejection of offers submitted for government work at Ft. Stevens. The bids that were thrown out at Washington were not for the construction of hospital stewards' quarters, as stated, but for the building of field officers' and lieutenants' quarters. The lowest bid was that of C. G. Palmberg, \$38,745. New bids will be asked for in the spring.

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MARRIAGE LICENSE.

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