

**JOLLY OLD...  
SANTA CLAUS  
....IS HERE**

**GATES OF TOYLAND ARE SWINGING WIDE OPEN**

Half of our store has been transformed into Toyland. Toys, Toys everywhere. Such Wonderful Toys as you never saw before—Many that Santa Claus never saw before. Marvelous new things to make the little eyes snap and sparkle, things that every mother desires her boys and girls to have, that no father can pass by who has little ones at home to jump expectantly when he comes.

**Bring the Children  
Welcome alike to Parents & Children  
Come Early**

Every Toy is New and Fresh. To all we say make your selections early.

**Morse Department Store**  
Where Everybody Likes to Trade

**DEMAND POSSESSION**

The O. R. & N. File Suit Against Masonic Building Association.

**INJUNCTION WAS GRANTED**

O. R. & N. Co. Claim Title to Lot 3, Block 133, in Shivley's Astoria as Tide Lands.

The O. R. & N. Co. filed a suit yesterday afternoon against the Masonic Land and Building Association, and asked for a temporary injunction against the association and Anton Maringovich, restrainin gthem from moving a building on the north 55 feet of lot 3, block 133, Shivley's Astoria. A temporary injunction was issued by County Judge Trenchard.

As stated in the Astorian yesterday morning, the Masonic Land and Building Association leased to A. Maringovich the north half of the lot in dispute. Maringovich had purchased a house from the sisters at the hospital and had awarded a contract to L. Lebak to move the building on the property. In order to hold title to the property, the O. R. & N. Co. put a force of men at work on the lot Friday night, putting in a foundation, and erecting a small building thereon. The carpenters worked all night and had the building completed by daylight yesterday morning. This prevented Maringovich from moving his house on the property. They then filed a suit to secure title to the property. W. W. Cotton, A. C. Spencer and H. F. Connor are attorneys for the O. R. & N. Co., and Judge Bowly for the Masonic Land and Building Association.

A number of years ago, the O. R. & N. Co. purchased certain property from James Welch, part of which is the present site of the O. R. & N. wharf. In addition to certain lots, they purchased the water front and all riparian rights. At that time the tide lands extended to Duane street, although property has been sold there since. Having bought the tide lands and riparian rights, they still insist that the property in question is a part of the riparian rights.

**Ducks on Run.**

Today is going to prove a hard session for the ducks. Sheriff Linville, Frank Cook and Tom Tullinger, to say nothing of Siddon Linville, left on last night's train for their reserves up the river, and the sheriff's costume was enough to make any duck that ever wobbled his way down the Columbia drop dead of fright. It consisted of a shirt waist, gored and tucked, and a jacket, short behind and flaring in front. It was about the color of a bad dream, and Linville would never have gotten out of town if the quarantine officer had seen him first. He says he wore the coat when he shot 13 China pheasants, but he had his fingers crossed when he said it. Cook and Tullinger looked like Tom Tracy, and if there is any escaped criminal up the line the party will need their guns to stand off the posse long enough to prove an alibi.

**Schilling's Best, so far as it goes, means comfort and ease and economy.**

Moneyback; at your grocer's.

**A Nation  
A State  
A City**

That don't reward its workers cannot prosper.

If you would have Astoria grow don't forget your hustlers.

**Herman Wise**  
Astoria's Live Clothier

**P. S. A new supply of Xmas Handles and Detachable Umbrellas, also Fancy Vests just received.**

**CAT IS RULER**

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William Fowells, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; Willab J. Gray, Clatsop Mill Co., Astoria; Daniel Waterbury Crites, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; George Ellsworth Streeter, Clatskanie Lumber Co., Clatskanie; Charles Herbert Callender, Simpson Lumber Co., Knappton, Wash.; Harland Wentworth, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; Conrad Samuel Kuller, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; Frank Joseph Carney, Fisher Bros. Co., Astoria; John Samuel Magladry, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; James Bremner, James Bremner Logging Co., Astoria; James Mamary, Oregon Timber Co., Clifton; James Lincoln Lovell, Scow Bay Iron Works, Astoria; William Avery Pittenger, H. B. Hicks & Son Co., Portland; Edward Barton Hazen, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; David Gamble, Astoria Box Co., Astoria; John Joseph Leonard, Astoria Box Co., Astoria; Eli Ketchum Gustin, Astoria Box Co., Astoria; Asmus Briz, Grays Bay Loggins Co., Astoria; Louis Lars Paldanius, Clatsop Mill Company, Astoria; Francis Richard Stokes, Mutual Lumber Co., Astoria; Charles Plymale Zigler, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; Frank Lewis Morgan, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria; Frederick Joseph Oberer, Charter Oak Mill Co., Independence; William Thomas O'Brien, Railway Equipment Co., Portland; Alexander Jameson Saule, Tongue Point Lumber Co., Astoria.

The committee of alley warriors who had in charge the initiation of the kittens was:

Joseph W. Surprenant, William F. Winter, Harry D. Gray, Fred W. Hardy, Robert B. Campbell, Theo. Lindes, L. A. Mansur, William P. O'Brien, Norris S. Staples, August T. Sleverts, William R. Hume, Herman F. Prael.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

Captain Goodell was in Portland yesterday.

J. R. Burke of Cathlamet was in Astoria yesterday.

H. W. Hansen of Westport was in the city yesterday.

George H. Taylor was a visitor in Astoria yesterday.

C. W. Carnahan was up from Clatsop yesterday morning.

Sidney Campbell of Warrenton was in the city yesterday.

H. C. Stockwell of Los Angeles was in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Zigler will spend the holidays at Roseburg.

Miss Anderson of Skamokawa visited in Astoria yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. Moore of Portland is visiting friends in the city.

Howell Lewis, mayor of Fern Hall, was in the city yesterday.

Henry Dese returned yesterday noon from a business trip to Portland.

Chas. H. Carey passed through Astoria yesterday en route to Seaside.

Jay S. Hamilton of Portland was in the city yesterday attending the Hoo Hoos.

F. D. Keutner, who has been indisposed the past few days, was out yesterday.

Dan McLean of Westport, who had his leg broken some time ago is improving.

Louis Hauffe, the Chinook trapper, has gone to St. Martin's hot springs to prepare for the hereafter.

Arthur C. Spencer, a prominent attorney of Portland was in Astoria yesterday on legal business.

George Cornwall of the Oregon Timberman was in the city yesterday in attendance on the Hoo Hoos, of which he is an honored and respected member.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

**Parker House.**

H. W. Hauson, Westport.  
A. Young, Youngs River.  
George C. Dufur, Kalama, Wash.  
C. Lindquist, Portland.  
C. J. Whyte, Portland.  
Melvin B. Lund, Fort Columbia.  
R. B. Magrader, Portland.  
A. Olson, Deep River, Wash.  
C. N. Jones, City.

The Occident tonsorial parlors and bath facilities are equalled by none. Everything modern and up to date. See Peterson.

Our headache tablets will quickly and gently cure you, no matter how violent the headache. If they fail return bottle and get your money. Charles Rogers.

**CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT.**

Reopened Under New Management. John Blasich has leased the California Restaurant and Oyster House and is now prepared to serve the public. The best oysters and meals in the city. Family trade supplied. Good cooks, polite waiters and prompt service.

**The Best Restaurant**

**The Palace Cafe**

Regular Meals, 25 Cents  
Sunday Dinners a Specialty  
Everything the Market Affords

**Palace Catering Company**

**Smoke the New Size**

**LA IMPERIAL CIGAR**

ALL HAVANA. (No imitation goes with us.)

**Save the Bands**

And get the diamond in Seymour's window, or the \$20 gold piece or a fine suit of clothes.

**J. V. BURNS,**

**SHOE TALK**

There is nothing more acceptable as a gift than a pair of nice slippers. We are prepared to show you a complete line of these goods:

- Ladies' Kid Fur Trimmed Juliets, \$1.15
- Ladies' Felt Fur Trimmed Juliets, \$1.00
- Men's Plush Embroidered Slippers, 60c
- Men's Vici Kid Slippers . . . \$1.35
- Children's Red Felt Fur Trimmed Slippers 60c to \$1.00

Shoes are needed every day of the year and therefore should be perfect in style, wearability and price.

- Ladies' Shoes from \$1.00 to \$3.25
- Men's Dress Shoes from \$1.50 to \$3.50
- Working Shoes from \$1 to \$4.50
- Boys' "District '76" Shoes, \$1.10, \$1.35, \$1.75 to \$2.00
- Boys' "Good for Bad Boys" Shoes, .90 to \$2.25

**SALE**

In our Cloak and Suit Department. Owing to

the lateness of the season we will close out our Suits, Cloaks and Coats at greatly reduced prices. Now is your Golden opportunity to save money in Suits or Cloaks. This is a real bargain sale. We make no misrepresentations. Millinery—We are closing out all lines of Ladies Hats at cost, including Gage Hats.

**HOLIDAY GOODS**

Our store is crammed full of beautiful goods for the Christmas season. Things ornamental and useful: Stamped Linens, Doylies, Fancy collars, Picture Books, Dolls, Doll Carriages and Beds. All varieties of mechanical toys.

You can always buy cheaper at

**THE BEE HIVE**