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REWARD FOR SERVICES

When politics dominate the business services rendered or to be rendered, overburdened taxpayers payers. Political jobs, wholely unnecessary are given to political pets the expense.

The Astorian has frequently called out of their munificent salaries. the attention of the public to many items of unnecessary expense connected with the management of the city back it up, but it made no difference of the Christian faith. to other members when there was a

It wasn't a month ago that L. O. Saturday. Belland introduced a resolution in the the political excuse manipulators on a Friday, and that of the resurrecpay a man \$3 a day, or the city would States. be ruined by dishonest contractors trying to take advantage of the city in putting in inferior lumber. To hear

down and the city is still employing unnecessary assistance when the work could be done by city officials who are drawing salaries for doing nothing and hardly that. When there is another street to be the tax payers. No one knows where

was no foundation for such statements,

but the common council gulped them

and the common council was brought face to face with a statement of facts cure." Strictly scientific cure for A PRETTY FACE that made retrenchment absolutely Coughs, Sore Throats or Colds; sure Is envied by many. Do not grudge necessary otherwise they would have played out the entire string and the tax payers would foot the bill.

Another thing: The city is frequently charged more for supplies than is bill and some one makes a motion that | ton's drug store.

it be paid, and another political debt is naid at the expense of the tax payers. If the affairs of the city were run on business principles, an estimate of supplies needed would be made at the beginning of the year and bids invited the city yesterday. for furnishing the same. The state of Oregon does this way, the government the city yesterday. of the United States does this way, and the men in charge of both governments have nearly as much financial ability-but probably not as much poli-liter in the city yesterday. By mail, per year ...........\$6 00 tical chicanery—as the citizens party 50 of the common council. Half of the of Seattle, is in the city. members-yes, two-thirds of them, do not know what many of the bills presented are for. The supplies were pur-By mail, per year, in advance .. \$1 00 chased for some department; the price city yesterday on business. is never examined or inquired into, and the expenses of the city is con- city yesterday visiting friends, stantly increasing.

The city has been compelled to resort to extreme measures and may possibly have to economize in order to visiting with friends in Portland. tide the city over the shoals of threatened bankrupicy. It is compelled to terday morning on a business trip. issue \$16,000 in municipal bonds to replenish the general fund. The bonds registered at the Occident yesterday. run for five years and bear interest at the rate of 5 cent cent. In the five years the city will have paid \$4000 in interest on these bonds. In other words the city borrows \$16,000 and pays \$20,000. No business man in Asaffairs of a municipality, the tax pay- toria could do business in that way left up the river yesterday morning on ers are called upon to foot the bills. A and make a success of it. The comlarge portion of the expenses of a city mon council don't pay this interest, it is created by political rewards for simply comes out of the pockets of the The party in power strengthens its sweating large drops of blood every position at the expense of the tax time they see the assessors or the

There is always an end to every for their influence. Preference is road, be it a thoroughfare or a political sometimes given in awarding con- alley. There is an end to all things and tracts, and often times higher prices it looks as though the city of Astoria are paid as it insures the support of had run up against a brick wall obthe contractor at the municipal elec- struction in the shape of an indebttion. When objections are raised to edness aggregationg about \$225,000 what seems to be an unnecessary ex- with no immediate prospects of reducpense, there are plenty of excuses for ing it, unless they lop off some of the political pets and pay political debts

GOOD FRIDAY. Today is Good Friday, commemoratgovernment. It has from time to time ed by Jews and Gentiles as the day warned the common council that a upon which the Savior of mankind continuance of municipal extravagance was crucified in Gethsemina. There is would lead to municipal bankruptcy. no trace of the celebration of Good Some of the members of the council Friday or even Easter as a Christian have interposed objections to the em- festival in the New Testament or in ployment of extra men in the improve- the writings of the apostolic fathers. ment of streets, and for that one meet- The passover, enobled by the thought ing they would actually decide not to of Christ the true Paschal Lamb, the employ any more men, but at the next first fruits from the dead, continued meeting a resolution would be intro- to be celebrated and became the Chrisduced providing for the employment of tian Easter. Thus the human instinct some person to superintend the con- which everywhere craves for the comstruction of some street. One of the memoration of marked epochs in the members of the council even called personal, social, eclesiastical, or nathe attention of the members to the tional life, found its legitimate gratifact that such employment was wholly fication in the public celebration of unwarranted and without any law to the events which are the foundation

No rules as to the date of the Easter friend to reward or a political debt to festivals have been laid down by authority, Christians were left to follow When the question was brought up, their own instincts. These were nathere were plenty of excuses. Take turally different in the Jewish and the improvement of Franklin avenue, Gentile churches. The point at Issue as an illustration. There is no objec- really was the date of the termination tion to the gentleman employed to of the Paschal feast. With the Jewsuperintend the construction of the ish Christians, whose leading thought work as he is one of the most compet- would be the death of Christ as the ent men for the position, but it is the true Paschal Lamb, this fast would end principle of the thing. The city is im- at the same time as that of the Jews, proving just one street. The superin- on the 14th day of the moon, at eventendent of streets might possibly give ing, and the Easter festival would imone hour in the forenoon and the city mediately follow. With the Gentile surveyor one hour in the afternoon, Christians, on the other hand, unfetand they might possibly prevent the tered by Jewish traditions, the first contractors from putting inferior day of the week would be identified lumber into the street, as some of the with the resurrection festival and the members of the common council allega preceeding Friday would be kept as is being done, but they are actuated the commemoration of the crucifixion. more by a get even policy than by irrespective of the day of the month, the fast continuing till midnight of

This diversity of usage was graducommon council, sweeping in its in- ally brought to an end by the verdict tents and purposes, absolutely abolish- of the Church of Rome. The Roman ing the office of superintendint of Christians adopted the ordinary Genconstruction besides cutting down the tile usage, which, within certain limits fire department. Two weeks after, placed the observance of the crucifixion succeeded in having the superintend- tion on the following Sunday, and this ent retained and stated that it was an rule is observed by all the churches absolute necessity that the city should of Astoria, and in fact of the United

A. O. U. W. Meeting.

Astoria, Ore., April 17, 1995.-Each these great political leaders talk, one and every member of Seaside lodge would think that over nine-tenths of No. 12, is hereby requested to be presthe lumber furnished by the mill was ent at the lodge room next Saturday of the poorest possible quality and night, April 22, 1905, at the hour of 8 that they were sawing poor logs just o'clock p. m., as business of vital imto swindle the city. Of course there portance to each member is to be considered. Come one and all without fail. By order of the Master Work-B. L. CLARK, man,

Attest: F. D. WINTON, Recorder.

Last Hope Vanished.

When leading physicians said that at the California Restaurant, 546 Com-W. M. Smithart, of Peking, Ia., had in- mercial street, is popular among those improved, it will be the same thing, curable consumption, his last hope va- who know how good our daily 25c din-The citizens party is getting in shape nished; but Dr. King's New Discovery ner is. Soup, fish, entree, toast and for the city election and they are for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, dessert every day, On Sunday we trying to make votes at the expense of kept him out of his grave. He says: serve the finest maccaroni and cheese, "This great specific completely cured and oyster patties besides. Blue Point the system would have ended had not me, and saved my life. Since then, I Oysters in the shell sold over the counthe gambling revenues been shut off have used it for over 10 years, and con | ter at 35 cents a dozen. sider it a marvelous throat and lung preventive of Pneumonia. Guaranteed others their beauty, while face massage 50c and \$1.00 bottles at Chas. Rogers' by electricity is to be had at a reasondrug store. Trial bottle free.

a private individual. Political pap is blood. Makes new flesh and healthy aid you at your home to obtain exceldoled out to certain concerns, the bills men and women. That's what Hollisare presented to the council, the ter's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35 lor of Mrs. Martha C. Peterson, Pacial hireogliphics "O. K." marked on the cents, Tea or Tablets. Dr. C. E. Lin- Electrician, Manicuring and Massage

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mayor J. H. Johansen was up from Seaside yesterday. W. S. Burris of New York was it

H. F. Gaylord of Portland was in

A. M. Simpson, the saw mill man, was in the city vesterday.

J. H. Walker of Portland was a vis-F. L. Fisher, a prominent merchant

C. P. Jordan of Portland was in the

city yesterday on business, L. W. Barnes of Portland was in the

Mrs. Ferrell of Olney was in the Mrs. Samuel Peterson of Dockton is

in the city visiting with friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Palmberg are

W. E. Tallent left up the river yes-B. P. Knight of Colorado Springs

R. D. Fulton and wife of Portland were guests at the Occident yesterday. C. R. Morse returned from a business trip to Portland on last night's

J. T. Ross of Ross, Higgins & Co. a brief business trip.

#### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Occident.

R. D. Fulton and wife, Portland. L. W. Barnes, Portland.

B. P. Knight, Colorado Springs, R. S. Turner, Portland.

Chas. Kuthe, Portland.

E. R. Norris, Portland. J. L. Fisher, Seattle.

M. Friedenstal, Portland, L. Aligrohoff, Portland.

S. Sellingston, San Francisco.

E. Murphy, San Francisco, E. Murphy, San Francisco, George Black, Portland.

#### Parker.

J. A. Baldwin, Portland. Taos. H. Allman, Cathlamet.

F. C. Morton, Long Beach.

F. H. French, Portland.

A. W. Wahl, Portland. John Blossom, Portland.

C. G. Curtis, Portland. Mrs. Dunn, Astoria.

Geo. Hilliard, City. M. Johnson, Portland.

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