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are a novelty. We have just received a shipment of Gold Nugget Brand Granulated Soup Vegetable, put up in 1-pound cans. It is prepared at Dayton, Ore., and is warranted high grade.

Each can of it is composed of seven different varieties of soup vegetables, prepared and blended in such manner as to make a most delicious vegetable soup.

Two ounces make 1 gallon of soup, easily prepared.

PRICE: Each Can 30 Cents

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623 Commercial St.

Phone Main 681

A shoe to fit,
And a shoe to wear
Must be selected
With taste and care

HOLD UP

Any of our shoes and investigate every part thereof. You will find that they stand the test.



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High and low shoes, by toe, Good-year welt, military heel, in tan. None better, at \$3.50.
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Peterson & Brown
521 Commercial Street.



The Season for Shells Souvenirs

has begun. We have just received a large shipment, plain and fancy, polished so as to show nature's gift in all its beauty. Some are hand painted. Others are made into pretty paper-weights, ink stands, etc.

The shells are cheap this season, running from 10 cents up. We have a very pretty one at 20 cents.

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A quart bottle 25 cents
Heinz's Preserved Sweet Gherkins, a bottle 30 cents
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\$1.00 a week
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Gentleman's high-grade watch, 21 Jewel, Crescent St., Waltham embossed gold filled, 25-year hunting case.

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RELIABLE JEWELERS
and LOAN BROKERS.
581 Commercial Street.

ASTORIA SWINDLED

Portland Commission Merchants
Raise Price of Fruit.

INFERIOR FRUIT IS SHIPPED

Commission Merchants Sell the Best
Fruit to Portland Retailers and Ship
the Inferior to Astoria at an Ad-
vance of 20 Per Cent.

Complaint is made in Astoria by consumers of the poor and inferior quality of fruit received here and the high prices at which it is sold. Astorians who visit Portland come back with the statement that they can buy fruit of all kinds cheaper in Portland than in Astoria and in many instances this is true, but it is not the fault of the Astoria merchant as to the amount of profit they make. Merchants claim, and it is probably true, that there is very little profit in fruit, taking into consideration the close margin at which they are compelled to sell it, and the amount that spoils on their hands. It is a well known fact that during last winter and this spring it was almost impossible to get a good apple in Astoria, while the fruit stands and groceries of Portland were well stocked with the choicest fruit raised. The best apples could be bought just as cheap in Portland as the inferior grade in Astoria.

A prominent fruit grower of Hood River was in the city this week, and states that Portland buys a large percentage of the fruit raised in that section, while a large amount is shipped east and foreign. Hood River apples have been purchased in London nearly two years old. He states that Astoria merchants make a mistake in buying their fruit of the Portland commission houses. They receive the choice grades of fruit, but the best is sold to the retail trade and restaurants of Portland and the inferior grades are shipped to Astoria and other outside cities and are charged about 20 per cent more than is charged the retailers of Portland. This enables the Portland retailers to sell fruit at retail at the same price the Astoria merchants pay at wholesale which accounts for the people who visit Portland claiming that fruit is sold cheaper in Portland than in Astoria and is of a better quality.

This being true, it would be policy and the exercise of good business judgment, for the Astoria merchants to buy direct from the growers. Every grocery store in Astoria is a substantial concern and ought to be in a position to buy fruit direct instead of through the commission sharks of Portland who charge them 20 per cent more for an inferior fruit than is being charged the home concerns for choice fruit. A large number of Astorians have no objection to paying a good price for fruit, provided they get the best, but they do object to paying a high price for inferior fruit. If it was any other commodity, something that would keep and could be brought to Astoria conveniently, it is safe to say that Astoria merchants would sell very little fruit. Arrangements can be made just as well by the Astoria merchants to purchase Mr. Tabor or Hood River strawberries as by Portland commission merchants.

The same is true of California fruit, which comes in the market earlier than the Oregon fruit. Local merchants can buy direct from the growers and secure the better grades at the same price at least, as they pay the commission merchants for the culled fruit. It is a frequent remark that California growers sell the best fruit to the canners, the second grade to the retailers and what the hogs won't eat they ship to the Portland commission merchants, and judging by some of the fruit seen in Astoria, there must be something in the statement.

A representative of the Astoria grocers ought to go to eastern Oregon or the Willamette valley every fall and engage all the apples they will require for the winter and spring trade. In this way they can secure the very best grades and save the middleman's profit. In this way they can compete with the Portland retailers. It is a fact that the Portland retailers sell fruit to home consumers just as cheap and some times cheaper than the Front street merchants, wholesale it at. It is a well known fact that last winter not less than 200 boxes of apples were bought in Portland by Astoria families, because they could not get a good quality in Astoria. There is no reason why the best grades of fruit should not be shipped to Astoria and the merchants of Astoria have it in their power to do so, and by so doing, there will not be so much fruit spoil on their hands.

GREAT EVENT TOMORROW.

Norris & Rowe's Great Circus Will
Pitch Tents at Alderbrook.
Norris & Rowe's great circus will

The history of the foundation, steady growth and marvelous progressiveness of the Norris & Rowe greater circus is one of romantic interest. Eighteen years ago, Messrs. Norris & Rowe started a small show. By the strictest attention to their affairs and with the dogged determination to advertise nothing more than they honestly presented—to always give even more than was claimed in advance and each season to enlarge the various departments—by adding to their collection of wild and rare animals; to engage more and better performers and to put a premium upon sensational mid-air feats; trained animal acts and expert horsemanship; to purchase none but standard bred, registered horses and most important of all, to allow under no circumstances whatever, games of chance nor gambling in any guise upon the show grounds.

A street parade will be given immediately upon the arrival of their train and the tents will be pitched in Alderbrook. The street car company will put on sufficient number of cars to accommodate all who desire to attend.

LUMBER ASSOCIATION.

All of the Mills of Oregon Have Not
Joined the Association.

Whether the Oregon Lumber Manufacturers' Association will be unanimously supported by local mills is a question puzzling those interested in the industry in one way or another. That the association will gradually endeavor to advance prices is taken for granted, and with this arises the question if this can be brought about with several large producers operating without the rules of the combine.

That missionary work is going on to bring them into the folds of the association is conceded by the secretary, and it is understood that none was overlooked when invitations were issued for the meeting held in the parlors of Hotel Portland last Saturday. Neither the North Pacific mills nor Inman, Poulsen & Co. were represented at the meeting. It is understood that at least the first mentioned firm does not intend seeking or accepting membership.

"I don't know anything about the association," said Mr. McKay, of the North Pacific Lumber Company, "and we have had no intention of joining it. I think all the mills have been invited. The association may have for its object to advance prices, but that would not interfere with us, for it has always been our purpose to get as much as possible for our product."

A representative of Inman, Poulsen & Co. said the mill had not joined the association so far, but did not intend to say what course the company would pursue in the future.

ASTORIA SOCIETY.

Several Parties and Receptions Held
During the Week.

Miss Elsie Larson of Portland was the guest of Mrs. Jennie Bussey during the past week.

Mrs. F. A. Fisher and Mrs. Oscar Wilson and daughter have returned from a short visit to Mt. Tabor.

Miss Retha Fowlert, who assisted with the Epworth League concert on Thursday evening is a cousin of Mrs. William Schofield of East Astoria and during her stay in Astoria she was Mrs. Schofield's guest.

A few of the intimate friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor spent Thursday evening with them in honor of Mr. Taylor's birthday.

Mrs. Norman Marrs entertained the young ladies of the Thursday Afternoon Club this week. Euchre was the game played by those present and the fortunate prize winners were Mrs. Charles Heilborn, Miss Alice Wood and Mrs. John Rogers of Portland.

Mr. Fredericksen entertained a number of young people on Monday evening at his home in East Astoria. Music and refreshments were enjoyed by those present and they were Miss Eva Holmes, Mrs. Clara Reames, Mr. Micks, Will Laws, Mr. La Blanc and Dr. Frederich.

The members of the Semi-Monthly Euchre Club spent a delightful evening on Friday with Dr. W. C. Logan and Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. McGowan at Dr. Logan's residence in this city. Washington wild flowers were used for the decorations of the rooms and at the close of the card playing a delicious luncheon was served. Mrs. Charles Callender, Mrs. Carlton Allen, and Dr. A. A. Finch were the fortunate winners of the prizes.

Mrs. P. A. Stokes gave an afternoon tea Wednesday, participated in by over 50 of the leading society people of Astoria. The decorations were roses and added a charming effect to the spacious parlors. Mrs. Charles Callender and Mrs. Thayer won the first and second prizes, and Mrs. A. V. Allen carried away the booby prize. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

It is no small comfort to
have Schilling's Best on call
at your grocer's; a pity one
can't get everything such and
so!

ORIENTAL LINER IN

Steamship Nicomedia Arrives
from China and Japan.

29 DAYS FROM HONG KONG

Brings From Hong Kong Miscellaneous
Lot of Chinese Freight—Steamer
Elmore Arrives from Tillamook—
Movements of Other Vessels.

The German steamship Nicomedia, 29 days from Hong Kong and 15½ days from Yokohama, arrived in yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Capt. Wagner reports very heavy weather almost all the way across, but for all that she made a fairly quick passage. No war news was brought across as the captain states nothing can be learned in Japan.

Despite the fact that the steamer lost no time in making the run from Japan, she is several days behind her schedule, Tuesday being fixed for her departure from this port. Everything will be done, however, to bring her back to schedule as closely as possible.

Among the freight brought out this time is a couple of carloads of new crop tea, a lot of fireworks for the Fourth, and what may be put down for general Chinese merchandise. The outward cargo of the Nicomedia will consist mainly of flour for Japan, and all told she will carry away about 4000 tons. Efforts will be made to get her ready for the sea during the latter part of the week.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The steamer Redondo is due from San Francisco today.

The steamer Toledo is due from Grays Harbor today and will leave out on Tuesday.

The steamer Columbia is due to arrive this morning. Heavy weather outside may delay her for a few hours however.

Heavy dolphins were driven yesterday on each end of the Callender dock to protect it from the vessels bumping into it.

The barkentine Amazon is expected down today. In moving into the stream at Portland yesterday she went aground but came off at high tide. She is bound for Manila.

The steamer Harrison which has been on the dry dock at Portland arrived down yesterday and will take on a cargo of water pipe for the new water works at Tillamook.

The steamship Roanoke on arrival at San Francisco went on the dry dock and will leave San Francisco today for this port. She will probably sail from here about the 21st on her return.

The schooner Transit arrived down from Portland yesterday and will probably go to sea today. Her destination is Hilo, Sandwich Islands, and cargo consists of 625,000 feet of lumber.

The light house tender Manzanita will return from Portland tomorrow, and if weather permits she will go down to the mouth of the river with Weather Forecaster Beals, who will make an effort to splice the broken cable.

The schooner Gerald C arrived in yesterday from Nehalem with a cargo of cheese and lumber. As soon as the weather permits, she will sail for Siletz with a cargo of general merchandise and on the return trip will call at Nehalem and take on a cargo of lumber for this port.

The steamer Jordan will make a special trip Monday to bring down the people desiring to visit the circus. The steamer will leave Cathlamet at 5 p. m. and return the same night. This will afford the people living along the north shore a fine opportunity to visit the circus.

Deputy Collector and Inspector McCue returned yesterday on the Elmore from Tillamook and Nehalem, where he went to look after duties connected with the custom service. While there he inspected the two steamers on Tillamook bay and two gasoline boats on the Nehalem.

The schooner Jimmi Stella finished loading lumber at the Oregon & Washington mills at Vancouver yesterday and will arrive down probably tomorrow. She goes to San Francisco. The steamer Dee and the schooner Endeavor have finished loading lumber at the up river mills and will arrive down today.

The steamer Elmore arrived in yesterday afternoon from Tillamook with a cargo of cheese, butter and other farm products. On Thursday she towed the schooner C. T. Hills, which has been loading lumber at the Truex mill to sea and Friday she towed in the schooner San Buena Ventura, which will take on a cargo of lumber at the same mill. She had a rough trip up as she got out in time to catch the storm.

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