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**ASTORIA DAY.**

The management of the Lewis and Clark fair have set June 10 as Astoria day at the fair, at which time an opportunity will be afforded the wealthy people of this city to go to Portland and see the great fair at so much per sight. It will give the delegation from Astoria an opportunity to show the eastern visitors the Clatsop county exhibit. At the same time it will show our Portland cousins that we appreciate all of their indefatigable efforts to secure common point rats for Astoria; the resumption of work on the bar by the Chinook; and the efforts of the Portland press to keep the shipping away from the sound in order to build up a great and large shipping point at the mouth of the Columbia river. The people appreciate all this and no doubt, a dozen or fifteen representative men from Astoria will take advantage of the opportunity offered to visit the fair on Astoria day.

People who have returned from Portland since the hotel rates advanced 200 per cent, complain of the extortion practiced by the hotels and restaurants. Knowing this to be a fact, it would be advisable for people visiting the fair from this city to go up in the morning and return in the evening, as the railroad fare is much cheaper than a room at the hotel. In this way they can eat their breakfast and supper at home and will only be compelled to buy one meal in Portland and a fair meal can be obtained for \$2, although not as good as is charged 25 cents for in Astoria, but by taking a small lunch as a desert after the meal, there is no danger of anyone starving or going broke if they do not remain in Portland over one day.

Some men with families in Astoria are undecided whether to take their families to Portland for a day or two or use the money and buy a home. Others figure out that they can stay two months at Seaside for what it will cost two days in Portland. Of course the fair committee are not to blame for these extortionate charges. The hotel men are not to blame, as most of them rent the buildings they occupy and four months of the fair will give them an opportunity to make enough to buy the property and that is very commendable. If Astoria can't raise money enough to build a hotel at home the people ought to be willing to buy two or three for the poor hotel keepers at Portland and they won't miss the money very much. It may make them hard up for a year or two, but the indications are that the present prosperous times will continue and it will be but a few short years when they will have saved up enough to attend another fair somewhere else.

It is to be hoped that there will be a large outpouring of the people of Clatsop county on Astoria day, not only to assist in maintaining the fair,

but to show our appreciation of Portland's efforts in the interests of Astoria.

**GOOD ROADS.**

It will require but very little effort on the part of the people in the country districts tributary to Astoria to secure a rural mail delivery. That one is contemplated is evidenced by the fact that a short time ago examinations were ordered at Astoria for carriers. The marvelous growth of the rural free delivery system during the last three years has accomplished something valuable aside from the purpose for which it was established. It has given a substantial impetus to the good roads propaganda and good roads are an urgent necessity in Clatsop county. Its office in this latter respect should increase the esteem in which it is already held by both its town and country beneficiaries, since each will profit in a like degree by the improvement of public highways.

There is every reason why good roads and rural free delivery should make common cause.

Inadequate or impassable roads handicap the extension of the rural delivery service. Uncle Sam cannot supply the carrier and the road too, nor does he compel the carrier to discharge his duties when the roads are in no condition for safe or expeditious travel. If the carrier chooses to deliver his mail when his route is almost impassable from logs, holes, impossible grades or ditches, it is a voluntary heroism on his part. The government expressly stipulates that dangerous or impassable roads relieve a carrier from obligation to deliver the mail entrusted to his care until such time as his route is so repaired by man or nature as to permit the performance of his work with no more than ordinary difficulty.

There are three routes in Clatsop county where a free rural delivery could be established. One is the road to Olney, one the road to Warrington and Seaside. If they were established on these routes there is no doubt but people, seeing the great benefit and convenience, would be willing to put the roads in their district in a condition for the establishment of a rural free delivery. This eminently just provision has doubtless already operated to improve appreciably the status of the roads along the old routes. It has, too, resulted in the construction of new highways, since the government holds out the inducement of rural free delivery as the reward for such enterprise. In some instances it took the people living at some distance from a postoffice a few months to discover the manifold advantages of having their mail delivered at their doors, with the additional return privileges. Gradually, however, they found that it meant a radical economy in time, a rapid dwindling of the disadvantages of rural existence and incomparably closer contact with the mental and physical stimulus of the outer world.

Simultaneously with the building of good roads and the establishment of rural free delivery, the farmer will enjoy an easier and less costly access to the markets. Uncle Sam is willing to help those who show some disposition to help themselves. The building of good country roads in Clatsop county will have a tendency of bringing in many new farmers, and there will none come in as long as the roads are in their present condition. The census returns from the farming districts show a falling off in population in every precinct of from 10 to 25 per cent. People have become disgusted with trying to live in a country where it is impossible to make their produce to market. There is no use in trying to advertise the great possibilities from agricultural and dairy pursuits in Clatsop county when it is almost impossible to take a man out and show him a farm. The people of Clatsop county are laboring under a wrong impression. Eastern farmers are not coming to Clatsop county to buy farms and build roads to the markets. They are accustomed to living in a

country where there are good roads and when they locate in the west they will buy farms in countries where they have good roads. This is the reason why Clatsop county is losing population in the rural districts.

**OUT OF THE ORDINARY.**

**Epitome of Anecdotes and Incidents With Comments by a Layman.**

Astoria day at the fair. Take your lunch basket and come back on the first train. It will be unnecessary to take a bottle, as there are 76 saloons surrounding the fair grounds.

They are trying to close the saloons in Los Angeles and San Francisco is anticipating an increase in population.

There is a project on foot to restore the Garden of Eden and this time they promise to grow nothing but grapefruit.

A class of Yale students have been taken to New York to study wicked social conditions. It will be sort of a review for most of them.

The hears drivers in Chicago are threatening to strike. This is on the dead.

It is reported that there is a monkey in England that can speak three words, and it is an English monkey too. Some of the same right here in Astoria and the words are "Chawmed, bah Jove."

A Nehalem cow returned to her home after an absence of 18 months. It is no stated whether she was still bossy or just beefsteak.

It is stated that there are hundreds of people in Portland who live from the garbage heaps, and they consider themselves lucky to escape the Portland restaurants.

Astoria is not troubled much by being compelled to get out the way of automobiles, it's the man who always walks on the wrong side of the sidewalk that creates the trouble.

A man in Delaware has become crippled by kneeling too much in prayer. There is no danger of the epidemic striking Astoria.

Mr. Garfield is about to investigate the tobacco trust. It is probable that the tobacco trust has a nice little set of books all ready for Mr. Garfield's inspection, with the footings mostly in red ink.

"Here's a bill for a ha', John; \$25. "Gee whiz! No wonder we're poor. Where did you get that lid?" "I didn't get it. It's for your last Panama."

"Hello!" exclaimed Mr. Smith through the telephone. "Is this the milliner?"

"Yes," answered a feminine voice. "I received a bill from you this morning for a bonnet; for Mrs. Smith. The amount stated was \$45. Is that right?"

"Yes, sir." "I didn't know but that in the hurry in making out the bill and the looks of the bonnet; but you had got the decimal point one figure too far to the right. I guess that's all."

**CLATSOP COUNTY CENSUS.**

Later Returns Increase the Population to Over 18,000.

While the census enumeration in Astoria has been practically completed, all of the enumerators still have lists which they have not turned in. Only a few precincts have been reported from the country districts. Unofficial returns have been received from Seaside, Hammond, Knappa, Clifton and Warrenton and official from Walluski, John Day, Melville and Chadwell. From the returns received and from reports sent in the population of Astoria and Clatsop county will be approximately as follows:

Astoria, No. 1, 2100; No. 2, 1150; No. 3, 1795; No. 4, 2250; No. 5, 1765; No. 6, 1612; No. 7, 825. Total, 12,962.	
The following table is made with comparison with the United States census of 1900 for the entire county:	
1900	1905
Astoria .....	8,381 12,962
Chadwell .....	246 128
Clatsop .....	284 300
Clifton .....	425 450
Elsie .....	77 70
Jewell .....	143 150
John Day .....	167 109
Knappa .....	400 400
Melville .....	160 65
Mishawaka .....	51 90
New Astoria .....	268 250
Olney .....	217 233
Push .....	55 55
Seaside .....	417 1,200
Svensen .....	227 202
Vesper .....	159 170
Walluski .....	136 120
Warrenton .....	495 300
Westport .....	192 206
Youngs River .....	206 216
Total .....	12,765 18,024

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**DAYS OF DIZZINESS.**

Come to Hundreds of Astoria People. There are days of dizziness; Spells of headache sideache backache; Sometimes rheumatic pains; Often urinary disorders. All tell you plainly the kidneys are sick. Doan's Kidney Pills cure all kidney ills. J. Carson employed at the Portland Lumber Co., foot of Lincoln street, who resides at 364 First street, Portland, Ore., says: "I was feeling miserable with a depressing lameness around the small of my back all last summer. At first I did not pay much attention to it, but it continued to grow worse and finally became so bad that I thought I would have to lay off work. To bend or move quickly caused severe twinges. I was often attacked with dizzy spells, specks appeared before my eyes and I had no ambition or energy. In the morning I arose a tired as when I went to bed. In fact, I had all the symptoms of a very severe case of kidney trouble. When I was suffering the worst I read about Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box. I soon noticed an improvement in my condition, and the pain and aching across my back soon disappeared. About six weeks ago I was laid up with a siege of the grip for two weeks. Symptoms of kidney complaint made their appearance again and I resorted to Doan's Kidney Pills a second time. They just as thoroughly freed me of the trouble as in the former case. I cannot express what a change they have made in me. I simply feel like a different person."

Plenty more proof like this from Astoria people. Call at Chas. Roger's drug store and ask what his customers report.

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 French Sailors with rolled edge, turned up in back.  
 Prices from  
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 To our customers who know the character and quality of our goods, the prices quoted below will appeal very strongly. To those who are not our customers we can only say this is a good chance for you to become acquainted with us and our goods and save yourself money. Just notice the prices we have made.

Women's Tan Oxfords in calf skin, made with welt, new lasts, \$3.50 and \$3.00  
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