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FOR AN OPEN RIVER

Sydney Dell Expresses His Sentiments on the Question.

SCORES THE WHEAT POOL

Believes That A. B. Hammond is the Moses That Will Eventually Lead the Movement for Establishment of Common Point Rates for Astoria.

San Pedro, Cal., May 22.
Editor Morning Astorian:

I notice that May 30 has been fixed for the opening of the Cello portage and that delegations from Portland and Lewiston will attend the "driving of the last spike." I have not, though, seen any account of Astoria's intention to honor that epoch-marking event. Why does not the chamber of commerce get busy? Why, indeed?

That Cello portage potentially liberates Astoria and the Columbia basin wheat growers from the thralldom of the railway, wheat pool combination that has long levied tribute by preventing a common point rate on wheat to Astoria. It now only needs harmonious action between Astoria and the wheat growers to secure results. Astoria wheat buyers and ship charterers, a line of river barges and railway station elevators east of the Cascades will do the business as should be plain to all observers.

But, some may say, if wheat will bring several cents more (through cheaper ocean charters) at Astoria, by barge delivery, why will not the wheat gravitate there on the law of self-interest in its owners? Why? Simply because a graft interest of the Whicox wheat pool (the sole buyer of Columbia wheat) induces that concern to deliver the wheat at Portland. That wheat pool, composed of all the regular wheat buyers of the basin, organized into six great corporations, owns all the elevators and can dictate to the wheat growers arbitrary prices so long as present common point conditions exist. What it loses as owner of the wheat it more than makes up in the reduced price it pays the farmer. The key to the situation for Astoria and for the producer is to secure a rival buyer at Astoria, a result made possible by the Cello portage.

I notice that A. B. Hammonds is courting a \$10,000 assessment on his Irving avenue blocks. He would not, I think, do this unless he were ready to fight for common point rates for Astoria, whereby her population (and renters) would soon be doubled and his investment justified. A. B., like Joey Bagstock, is "de-ve-lish sly." He has but to lead the movement for an "open river to the sea" through a barge and elevator company in order to secure this great boon, which would break the railway combine against Astoria. A half dozen big wheat growers can do the same thing that A. B. could do. Will Astoria "get a move on?"
SIDNEY DELL.

Wise's May Sale
Draws the Crowds.
Cut Prices Does It!

NOTED ARTISTS.

Delight Representation Audience of Astoria's Music Lovers.

A fairly good audience of the representative music lovers of Astoria greeted the noted Portland singers who gave a grand concert at Fisher's opera house last night. A vocal entertainment seldom draws so-called packed houses, but never do those who are in a position to judge music, miss an opportunity to attend a concert, given by well-known artists. That the seats in the lower floor were nearly all taken, was a surprise, probably, even to those who are used to the greetings of a good audience.

None who came went away disappointed. Some had come to hear perhaps only the former Astoria boy, Wm. J. Belcher, and were delighted to listen to Wm. J. Belcher, the artist tenor whose high-priced talent affords inspiration to Portland's churchgoers at the Jew's temple and the Roman Cathedral. Others had listened to the beautiful baritone voice of Dom J. Zam in Portland's White temple or at the synagogue and were anxious to hear him in concert. Glad were they, to have paid the price, for his rendering of the prologue from "I Pagliacci" was indeed alone worth hearing.

Kathleen Lawler has a soprano voice of unusual range, which was much applauded at last night's concert. Miss Lawler draws many to Portland's cathedral on the merits of her voice alone.

Mrs. Walter Reed is constantly heard in concert and never fails to please her audience, while Miss Grace Kemp, who was the accompanist of the evening, is well-known as the efficient organist of White temple.

Special credit is due all participants for the excellent program rendered, and for the fact that the program was

not stinted in any way, as is so often the case, when noted artists present themselves before an audience in a smaller city. The audience, too, was an evidence that Astoria's music lovers appreciate the efforts of foreign talent to give them a good program.

BASEBALL LEAGUE.

League to Be Formed of Local Teams on the Columbia River.

Arrangements are being perfected for the organization of a lower Columbia river amateur baseball league, the opening games to be played on June 4, says the Cathlamet Gazette.

Games will be played only on holidays and Sundays, each team of the league to participate in 16 match contests. At the end of the season the team having the highest standing in percentage will not only receive a handsome prize in cash or its equivalent, but will also be presented with a beautiful pennant. The participating teams are to be the Astoria Commercial, Cathlamet, Fort Stevens and Astoria A. B. C's. Clatskanie is very anxious to also put a good team in the race and it is just possible either Seaside, Cannon, Kato or Swaco will be taken in with Clatskanie and a six league team formed. The league is to be the best proposition yet put forward to assist the cause of baseball in these parts as it will insure regular dates for playing, a higher class of baseball, increased attendance at the games and a better feeling generally.

The proposition was spoken of a year or two ago, but the credit of perfecting same is largely due to C. A. Wise and a number of his members of the A. B. C team, which pushed the matter to a successful point during the past few weeks.

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PICTURESQUE ASTORIA.

Resident is Not Particularly Impressed With Ancient Relics.

Astoria, May 26.

Editor Morning Astorian:
It is a popular error to imagine that Europe alone is the proud possessor of architectural ruins. To the lover of the old and quaint, one could advise a stroll along Duane street for instance. The eye will at once be attracted by those remnants of an ancient period structure opposite the new hospital book store. How lovingly they rest one against the other, mutual support

in old ages. Gaze upon that peculiar structure opposite the new hospital wall; it protrudes over the pavement.

South of the Astoria hotel stuggers the last remains of a once noble pile, now used for the ignoble service of a barn. An artist could not gaze on the noble proportions of the interior (atrium is the classical word) without a sense of deep emotion.

Antiquaries would class these structures as Roman. The hole in the roof would constitute impluvium in Roman houses. A hole was made in the roof in order that the water entering would fill a basin or fountain. There is ample evidence of the location of the "bath" in both cases, the Astoria bath covering the whole basement. The architect will no doubt deeply regret the passing of these remnants of an ancient period. Modern progress demands them to move off. All they need is a gentle push and they would fall like Lucifer, never to rise again.
A RESIDENT.

To the Public.

The committee appointed from Cushing post, No. 14, G. A. R., to arrange for the proper observance of Memorial day, requests all patriotic citizens who can and wish to assist us, to leave all contributions, either in money or flowers, at the cigar store of Comrade D. B. Allen, on Commercial street, opposite the Ford & Stokes Co., where a list of all donors and amounts will be kept.

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