

**THE MORNING ASTORIAN**  
Established 1873.  
Published Daily by  
**THE J. S. DELLINGER COMPANY.**

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES.**

By mail, per year .....\$7.00  
By mail, per month..... .60  
By carrier, per month..... .75

**WEEKLY ASTORIAN.**  
By mail, per year, in advance..\$1.00

Entered as second-class matter June 23, 1906, at the postoffice at Astoria, Oregon, under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879.



Orders for the delivering of **THE MORNING ASTORIAN** to either residence or place of business may be made by postal card or through telephone. Any irregularity in delivery should be immediately reported to the office of publication.

**TELEPHONE MAIN 661.**

**CORRESPONDENT IS PASSING.**

One of the interesting signs of newspaper evolution is the passing of the correspondent. The news gatherer has crowded him out. The public wants facts; it can get its own impressions is the view of the modern journalism.

But so many things happen that it is a physical impossibility to give all the facts, and there are many able editors who believe that the correspondent with splendid aptitude for collation and condensation will again have his innings. A few of the old time correspondents remain, and among the best known—probably the best known—is "Gath" George Alfred Townsend, a Marylander, who for almost half a century has told of great events epigrammatically and in many thousands of columns. In his style he represents a rare contradiction—the power to put facts in short, pointed scintillant sentences, combined with capacity to fill a big lot of space. A decade ago, Mr. Townsend, after capping his long career with two successful novels—"Patty Cannon," and "Kitty of Catoctin,"—retired to a beautiful home that crowns one of the Maryland mountains. He had made a fortune from his work and earned a good rest. At national presidential conventions his daily output was from 12 to 14 columns. After one particularly exciting session, when the correspondents drifted in late from their work, one of them said: "Townsend, what's the matter? You look tired." "Do I?" he asked. "You ought to see those three stenographers."

But there have been changes since Mr. Townsend was at his zenith, and we find them illustrated in the dispatches from Portsmouth reporting the peace conference. Very little fine writing was attempted in this work. Even though most of it had to be speculation, there had been a rigid heaving to the line. The newspaper has so many things for its space that it cannot afford to waste unless sentences even upon one of the greatest events in the history of the world. The best work at Portsmouth was done by the reporter and not by the literary man sent there to give distinction to his paper's dispatches.

It shows that is universally true that the most important man in the publicity of the day is the reporter who gets at the facts and states them in plain, terse English.

**INSTITUTION OF GAMBLING**

Another rich boy has been robbed by Canfield and his fellow gamblers. This time the scene is Saratoga, not New York city. The shorn lamb is highly commended by the gambling community because after having given them all his ready money, he raised thousands more from his family and friends and sent them that by mail, which he was under no legal or moral obligation to do.

Gambling is an ancient and dishonorable institution. It always has been and doubtless will be so long as some men are low enough to live on the weakness of others. But civilized communities should draw the line somewhere, and swindling fledgelings hardly comes under the accepted definitions of gambling. The law makes no restrictions of age or any difference in the penalty even the gamblers themselves and their approved code of honor does not approve stripping boys of their patrimony or unfairly adding to the mathematical certain percentage which in every gambling game ultimately absorbs the player's stake.

Only one degree removed from the souvenir postal cards is the vari-colored envelope advertising the agricultural fair.

**About the Fool Killer.**

"I wish," said Col. J. W. Laws, as he handed out a wash boiler to a Gray's River customer "that some great editor would get up an article telling the full and entire truth concerning the fool killer. Most people have in their minds a picture of him as a trusty giant, armed with a club, going up and down belting for victims. Such is not the case, and many people are inclined to think that the fool killer is dead and out of business because they don't hear his beltings nor see sidewalks splashed with the gore of those whom he has slain. They are greatly mistaken. The fool killer is alive and actively engaged. The corpses of his producing lumber the earth and living men stumble over them at every step. The young man comes out of college equipped to capture the earth, full of zeal and hope, he undertakes the task. The fool killer hands him the bread and butter problem and tells him he must solve that before he is ready to carry the world by storm. The young man goes down in a helpless mass by the roadside, a tribute to the unerring judgment of his executioner.

A bright young minister goes to a new church and begins a brilliant career. The path is smoothed before his feet, and he is grasping at honors within his reach. Some little thing, a woman's smile mayhap, is thrust before him, his head turns, he steps aside and tumbles headlong into a pit dug by the fool killer.

"A banker's clerk or a banker, or a trustee, or a cashier, is ambitious to be rich. He sees a sure thing in speculation, he dabbles, he wins; he tries again, he loses, once more he loses, he uses other people's money, and when the door of the pen slams behind him the fool killer chuckles in malicious glee.

"An editor goes in for principal he tells the truth, he stands up for the right, he defends the poor and weak, he champions the minority, he defies tradition and power and authority; puffed with pride in himself he marches at the head of the procession—when the fool killer slips a knife into his hamstring and he flounders prostrate in the road and is trampled into the mud by those he but lately led.

"And so on through a list that is growing faster than the affidavits of a circulation liar. The fool killer exists, but people misunderstand him. He is no brutal and violent butcher, but administers his coupe de final with a noiseless and graceful skill that is the highest type of the art.

"At the present time I just want to let a few fellows know the kind of an individual the fool killer is for he is bound to get some of them in December.

The time recording camera lately patented in England takes a photograph of any rapidly passing object the exposures ranging from 1-25 to 1-1000 of a second, and at the same time photographs a watch thus giving the exact time. With two such cameras and synchronized watches the police can obtain a picture of a motor car at each end of a measured strip of road the exact speed being made easily obtainable from these data.

The precision of modern observations brings to light unexpected facts. At the Paris observatory Jean Mascart has noticed that the surface of a thin layer of mercury is not plane but undulated like water disturbed by the plunge of a stone; and has also detected another movement that proves to be a true tide due to the sun and moon. The measurements have been made repeatedly during a month with the six microscopes of the instrument. The tidal motion is slight, but greater than the possible errors.

**DR. CHARLES FLESH FOOD**



**For the Form and Complexion**  
Has been successfully used by leading actresses, singers and women of fashion for more than 25 years.  
Wherever applied it is instantly absorbed through the pores of the skin and its wonderful nutrition feeds the wasting tissues.

**REMOVING WRINKLES**  
As if by magic, one application often showing a remarkable improvement.  
Dr. Charles' Flesh Food is positively the only preparation known to medical science that will reach out hollows in the neck and produce firm, healthy flesh on the cheeks, arms and hands.

**For Developing the Bust**  
or breasts, shrunken from nursing; it has the highest indorsement of physicians. Two boxes are often sufficient to make the bust firm, large and beautiful.

**SOLD BY DEPARTMENT STORES AND DRUGGISTS.**  
Regular price, \$1.00 a box, but to all who take advantage of this SPECIAL OFFER and send us one dollar, we will send two (2) boxes, in plain wrapper.

**FREE** A sample box and our book, "Art of Massage," fully illustrated, will be sent free to any lady sending 10 cents in payment of mailing. Address: DR. CHARLES CO., 108 FULTON ST., NEW YORK.

**This is the kind of a Story for which the NATIONAL MAGAZINE is paying \$10,000**

**TOO DIFFICULT**  
In a Pennsylvania town where the friends of a young man who had in the course of his twenty-one years received much needed discipline at his hands.

The old lady was at her best on this festive occasion, and it is a pity in the wedding-bread that her young relative looked over at her with a beguiling smile.

"Tell us why they never married, Aunt Fannie?" he said, teasingly.

"That is none of your business," said the old Quakeress, calmly. "It was because I was not at all pleased as the wife was."

**Do you know of a better one**

We want little stories, anecdotes, bits of verse—any clipping from a newspaper, magazine or book that has made you

**Think, Laugh or Cry**

50 prizes will be given for the best selections. Ten piles of silver dollars as high as the first ten successful competitors are the first awards.

The only condition for entering this competition is that you send with your clipping for a six months' trial subscription to the National Magazine. Address:

**JOE CHAPPLE, Editor**  
946 DORCHESTER AVENUE,  
Boston, Mass.

The Astorian, 75 cents a month.

**Pears' Soap**

Pears' Soap has never offered premiums to induce sales. It is, in itself, a prize for the complexion.

Established in 1786.

**STUDY THIS**

It's Gregg Shorthand, the system of which every stroke is taken from longhand. No awkward crooks. Practice the above sentences. Gregg shorthand is modern. No shading, no position, no back strokes, no hard angles. Based on natural handwriting. Easiest to learn, easiest to read. Only authorized teachers in Portland.

LESSONS BY MAIL, \$15.  
Write for (free) illustrated catalogue.

**HOLMES BUSINESS COLLEGE**  
25-33 Y. M. C. A. Building, Portland, Or.

**IF YOU STAMMER WE CAN CURE YOU**

The Lewis Phon-Metric Institute and School for Stammerers of Detroit, Michigan. Established eleven years. Have cured thousands. Gold Medal awarded World's Fair St. Louis 1904. Recommended by physicians, educators, clergymen, and graduates every where. This institution has a Western Branch at Portland with a very large class of pupils in attendance—men and women, girls and boys—all ages, ten to sixty. Many have been cured in three weeks, but five to six weeks is the time usually required. Will close in Portland on October 15th. Will accept pupils until September 1st.

**POSITIVE, ABSOLUTE CURE GUARANTEED.**  
Write at once for particulars and terms. If you mention this paper and send 4 cents in stamps, to cover postage, I will send you our cloth bound, 50 page book, "The Origin and Treatment of Stammering," free of charge.

Address: **WILLIAM T. LEWIS**  
Western Representative, Associate Principal  
1 S. W. Cor. 18th and Raleigh Streets  
PORTLAND, OREGON  
Note—No pupils accepted at Portland after Sept. 1st.

**ASTORIA IRON WORKS**

JOHN FOX, Pres. and Supt. A. L. FOX, Vice Pres.  
F. L. BISHOP, Secretary. ASTORIA SAVINGS BANK, Treas.

**Designers and Manufacturers of**  
THE LATEST IMPROVED  
Canning Machinery, Marine Engines and Boilers,  
Complete Cannery Outfits Furnished.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED. Foot of Fourth Street.

**PRAEL & EIGNER TRANSFER CO.**  
Telephone 231.  
**DRAYING & EXPRESSING**  
LIVERY STABLE  
All goods shipped to our care will receive special attention.  
**709-715 Commercial Street.**

**Weinhard's Lager Beer.**

**First National Bank of Astoria, Ore.**  
ESTABLISHED 1886.

**Capital and Surplus \$100,000**

J. Q. A. BOWLBY, President. FRANK PATTON, Cashier.  
O. I. PETERSON, Vice-President. J. W. GARNER, Assistant Cashier.

**Astoria Savings Bank**

Capital Paid in \$100,000. Surplus and Undivided Profits \$33,000.  
Transacts a General Banking Business. Interest Paid on Time Deposits.

168 Tenth Street, ASTORIA, OREGON.

**Your Prescription: Rock Island**

If you are going East, I would appreciate your consulting me. I will gladly help you plan your trip and tell you all about Rock Island service. Just drop me a line—consultation free!

I will show you a Rock Island folder and our publication entitled "Across the Continent in a Tourist Sleeping Car." It is of considerable importance that you select the right route—there are many different ways to go. I'll tell you of the superior points about the Rock Island way.

**Rock Island System**

A. H. McDONALD,  
General Agent, Rock Island System,  
140 Third Street, Portland, Ore.

**Dangers of Defective Plumbing.**

Defective plumbing permits the entrance into the house of sewer gas bearing germs of contagious diseases to which the human system readily succumbs.

Sewer gas is not necessarily generated in the sewer, but is frequently created in the plumbing system within the home and enters the apartments through defective fixtures.

If in doubt, consult us regarding the piping and replacing defective fixtures with "Standard" Porcelain Enameled Ware—acknowledged as the best sanitary equipment.

**J. A. Montgomery, Astoria**

**AN ASTORIA PRODUCT**

Pale Bohemian Beer  
Best In The Northwest

**North Pacific Brewing Co.**

**Sherman Transfer Co.**

HENRY SHERMAN, Manager

Hacks, Carriages—Baggage Checked and Transferred—Trucks and Furniture Wagons—Pianos Moved, Boxed and Shipped.

433 Commercial Street Phone Main 121

**SA-MU-LAH BLOOD PURIFYING TABLETS.**  
MAKES RICH RED BLOOD, HEALTH AND STRENGTH.  
A BLESSING TO BRAIN WORKERS AND NERVOUS PEOPLE.

**A POSITIVE CURE FOR**

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| ECZEMA            | ERYSIPELAS       |
| SCURVY            | GOUT             |
| RHEUMATISM        | TUBERCULOUS      |
| NERVOUS DISEASES  | BLOOD POISON     |
| WEAK LUNGS        | KIDNEY TROUBLE   |
| CONSTIPATION      | IRREGULAR MENSES |
| NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA | LIVER TROUBLES.  |

SA-MU-LAH tablets are compounded from the essence of rare East Indian Plants, and are the perfected result of over 20 years of medical research. SA-MU-LAH acts promptly on the Lungs, Liver and Kidneys. These organs are directly responsible for the condition of the blood. SA-MU-LAH is a blood purifying medicine put up in tablet form, and contains nothing of an injurious nature. They are invaluable in cases of specific febrile disorders where the blood has a large excess of febrile or uric acid. Every disease or disorder that flesh is heir to can be traced to impure blood. SA-MU-LAH has helped thousands of sufferers. — It can help you.

**FREE.** A sample package of SA-MU-LAH tablets will be sent free to any person writing and enclosing 5c to cover cost of postage.

**ON SALE AT PRINCIPAL DRUGGISTS.**  
**PRICE PER BOX CONTAINING 25 TABLETS, 50 CENTS.**  
If your dealer cannot supply you, send price and order to  
**POWELL DRUG & CHEMICAL CO.,**  
140 NASSAU ST., NEW YORK.

**The MORNING ASTORIAN**

**75 CTS. PER MONTH**

**Astoria's Best Newspaper**