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of prompt and wholesome judgment upon matters of public morals and the potency and efficiency of the police force of Astoria. It takes something besides easy-going good nature and lax moral standards to make a proper and serviceable Police Commissioner.

**AGAIN, AND AGAIN, REGISTER!**

Again the Astorian urges the Republicans of this city to register. Do not fail in this imperative electoral function. You are disfranchised if you fail, for the man who is too careless to perform the easy duty now, will hardly have the ambition to go to the greater and more laborious length of swearing in his vote on election day. Now is the time, while everything is prepared and ready at hand. If you neglect this obligation, the election may go by default, of your creating, to the Democrats and their heterogeneous allies, a circumstance you will deplore ten times more in June than you will in December. Remember your own responsibility in this case, and don't growl at your neighbor if you have to stomach the onus of a miserable defeat in both elections. It is essential that the whole Republican strength be thrown to the ticket next month, in order to overwhelmingly defeat the first step of the Democrats in their program of capturing the City, then the County, and turning both over to the gambler and his kindred associates. Be warned, and do your duty NOW.

**DECEMBER "13TH."**

As a rule the "thirteenth," as a date, is ominous and has an eerie sound, as of defeat, or disappointment, or loss, or some other lugubrious element that enters into human affairs, and in deference to the foolish, but popular, superstition, we have been reading the Stars lately with a view to determining the nature of the disaster that is to ensue here on the 13th of next month; and a careful analysis of the stellar signs confirms us in the conclusions we had already come to, namely, that the Democrats are destined to lose the municipal fight, lock, stock and barrel. We are grieved to make this announcement so soon, but it is done on the kindly pretext of preparing our friend, the enemy, for the certainty they cannot escape. It may be taking a somewhat mean advantage, under the circumstances, but the absolute demonstration of the truth of the premise will go a long way toward mitigating the blow to those on whom it shall fall, as well as comforting the Republicans a whole lot. So mote it be.

**JUST AS IT STANDS.**

The Astorian here and now makes open and definite proclamation that it stands for the entire Republican ticket without exception: It desires to see every man upon that ticket elected and will work faithfully to that end, without faltering, favor or qualification whatsoever. It would rather see the whole ticket defeated than one of its personnel defeated by any dickering, swapping or selling out. That's where the Astorian stands in this campaign, and its best hope is that the same straightforward policy possesses every Republican voter in the city. The men named are good men and are entitled to the fullest consideration of the electors, one with another and the safety and reputation of the City of Astoria depends upon its full and unquestioned success at the polls on December 13th.

**WITH ALL HONORS.**

Lieutenant General Adna R. Chaffee, chief of staff of the army, is to retire. Shortly after Christmas he will give way to Major General John C. Bates who will become chief of staff with the rank of lieutenant general. The chief title having been reserved to the president under the reconstruction of the army. Chaffee's position has not the distinction it possessed when occupied by Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and Miles. But while Chaffee's record has not been international, he has been popular and capable and will retire with universal respect and real veneration from those who follow war. In many ways he reminds one of "Bobs." Like Lord Roberts he rose from the ranks without favor. Like "Bobs," he is quiet in manner, quick to act, devoid of display and intrepid on the battlefield. Last fall Lord Roberts planned a trip to America and in that event it would have been the pleasure of General Chaffee to entertain the conqueror of Kabul and Pretoria and America would have had the pleasure of seeing together two of the greatest and most modest soldiers of their time.

**TOP NOTCH PRICE.**

The highest price for lead in the past 25 years was reached yesterday when \$3.50 per 100 pounds was paid in Missouri. Copper price is in the vicinity of 18 cents, far above the average for a long period of years. The two metals,

quoted together, are in reality interdependent to a large extent. The present rise in lead is attributed to its now general use in constructing underground electric wires and cables. Those cables are of copper wire. The world's ordnance factories are turning out munitions and cannon as never before and both lead and copper are leading materials in demand for this work.—Butte Intermountain.

**LAW FOR ALL.**

The grand jury is getting closer to "the man higher up" in the election frauds. He is being traced very near to Charles F. Murphy, whose brother has been summoned to appear before that body and tell what he knows. Lawyer Dillon, an obstinate witness, who was supposed to know a great deal about the mysterious disappearance of the floater, Krup, has been compelled to testify. The first of the fraudulent voters has been sentenced to prison. Well, that isn't so bad for a starter, with the election only two weeks past. There is no success in the prosecution on the part of the Hearst supporters and no matter what motive inspires it the result is likely to be highly beneficial to the community and a severe shock to Tammany, whose methods in every election contest under the regime of bosses warrant the imputation of spoils and corruption.—N. Y. Tribune.

**PAID THE MONEY.**

Among the best stories told by Russel, one of "The Scotsman's" former editors, was an instance of the innate cleverness of the newspaper boy. Russel had entered a train at Prince's-st. station, Edinburgh, on Friday, when a smart little newsboy immediately called out to him, "Scotsman, sir!" "How much?" said Russel, jokingly. "A penny, sir," replied the boy. "Oh," said the editor, "I don't want today's Scotsman; but if you could give me tomorrow's I would give you a sovereign for it." "Here you are, sir!" delightedly shouted the youngster, and handed him "The Weekly Scotsman," which bore the date of the following day. Russel paid the sovereign.

**DON'T DISTRESS YOURSELF.**

Panama has not enjoyed a revolution in a couple of years, and, according to old calendars, it is about time for six men and three loaded rifles to make for the mountains, declare the government is an anathema and incidentally lift a few cattle.

The complexion of affairs has changed, however. Since President Roosevelt turned his back for a moment, somebody said "Presto! Change!" and he wheeled about to give his "Bless you, my children," benediction on the new republic of Panama. Affairs have changed in that the party in power, the conservatives, feel that they have the Washington administration back of them morally, willy nilly, and they feel so strong in their grip on the power that no six men making off to the mountains can kick up any rumpus worth administration notice.

Our special correspondent in Panama says that it is no small sized rumpus that is being raised by the liberals, or "outs," for if given a chance to cast their ballots at the coming election they will outvote the administration ten to one.

The liberals insist that intimidation and violence will be used to prevent an honest election, and they ask Mr. Roosevelt. How about that square deal promised us? and is it "square" to snub the conservatives such favor that they are encouraged to take the great majority of Panama citizens by the throat and stifle public protest?

Very interesting queries. Especially so as it is intimated that failing an answer the mountains are not far off.—N. Y. Herald.

**CANDOR ITSELF.**

President Loubet says he will probably withdraw from politics altogether when his present term expires. He could have a reelection, but will not. "I could be of use," he adds naively, "as a member of the senate, but while my district would probably send me to the chamber of deputies, the department would not elect me senator. I am considered too conservative and not sufficiently republican."

**INBORN SUPERSTITION.**

The banzaits that greeted the Mikado on his return to Tokio from Ise, whether he went to inform the spirits of his ancestors of the final triumph of the Japanese arms, show that his subjects are once more loyal and serene. That is not, however, especially remarkable. It is always easier to recover from victory than from defeat, as the Czar could tell the Mikado.

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**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank**

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 9, 1905.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$319,730.05
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,144.34
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	73,380.00
Other real estate owned	6,000.00
Due from National banks (not reserve agents)	15,733.31
Due from State Banks and Bankers	76,837.56
Due from approved reserve agents	210,401.46
Checks and other cash items	493.36
Notes of other National Banks	405.00
Nickels and cents	60.65
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Specie	\$135,500
Legal-tender notes	155 135,655.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	625.00
Total	\$852,965.74

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	41,944.30
National Bank notes outstanding	12,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$530,968.33
Demand certificates of deposit	167,406.11
Certified checks	147.00
Total	\$852,965.74

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, S. S. Gordon cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November, 1905.

C. A. COOLIDGE, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
 W. F. MCGREGOR,  
 G. C. FLAVEL,  
 JACOB KAMM,  
 Directors.

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank**

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 9, 1905.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$298,334.02
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,194.55
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	750.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	46,897.98
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	4,485.25
Other real estate owned	29,375.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	15,943.49
Due from State Banks and Bankers	8,347.17
Due from approved reserve agents	133,740.40
Checks and other cash items	3,450.77
Notes of other National Banks	860.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,417.71
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Specie	\$61,486.50
Legal-tender notes	1,526.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$624,933.84

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	36,835.59
National Bank notes outstanding	9,700.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$265,749.65
Demand certificates of deposit	\$ 35,016.30
Time certificates of deposit	217,632.30
Total	\$624,933.84

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, 1905.

E. Z. FERGUSON, Notary Public.

(Seal)  
 Correct—Attest:  
 GEO. H. GEORGE,  
 GEORGE W. WARREN,  
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