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WEATHER.

Oregon and Washington—Increasing cloudiness, followed by rain along coast.

ETHICAL LIMITATIONS.

Human weaknesses are more or less deplorable in any of their phases and the grosser of them become infinitely bad when they are made conspicuous in the man of large affairs, and especially when those affairs are of a public nature.

MATTERS OF PRIDE.

Without prejudice to her other public institutions it can be said of Astoria, that her water and school systems are among the best handled in the northwest.

AN INTER-STATE RESORT.

By the time the coming summer is full upon us, or at the farthest, by the succeeding season, Astoria should be known over the whole coast, as an inter-state summer resort.

REPUBLICANS, ATTENTION!

You have got just sixty hours in which to divest your minds of all political uncharitableness and misunderstanding, and re-charge them with the bitter faith and loyalty that becomes an honest man in your party.

POLITICS BARRED.

It is said on good authority that the system of by-laws that is being compiled for the use of the new improvement clubs of this city, will contain an iron-clad prohibition against politics and politicians.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Public gambling is a private trust.

Marriage, like murder, will out.

The daily stock reports of late indicate that Mr. Thomas W. Lawson is running a corner on oblivion.

In the game the odds are with the professional gamblers, but in the law it's different.

If a lock canal is decided on, the next step should be to pick it vigorously.

The railroad wars that result in faster mail trains are one of the triumphs of peace.

The beef trust's plea is innocence, which goes to show how deceptive are appearances.

Even matrimonially, the French count does not figure up very high, according to the American count.

Well, if Mr. Belmont wants to talk about subways, nobody is interrupting him.

Possibly the fact that Senator Patterson, of Colorado, lives at such a high altitude explains his inclination to esteem his country as above his party.

The Treasury deficit, now reduced to \$3,372,725, shows signs of disappearing. In its case every one will gladly speed the parting guest.

When he decided to surrender one of his two big salaries, Mr. Shonts again manifested his prudence and foresight by surrendering the smaller one.

There will be sympathy for Jean de Reszke on the wiping out of all his Polish estates by a band of revolutionary peasants or ferocious press agents.

Also there could be spared the male and female persons who crowd about a bride and groom and then abuse them for being conspicuous.

The fast mail train boom shows how big a town St. Louis has become, and how great are the advantages of occupying the most central place on the map.

In Sweden the school children, led by their teachers, plant 600,000 trees annually. It is a simple lesson in the science of government economies, with all the fun of a picnic.

Mr. Longworth is mentioned for governor of Ohio, which somehow brings to mind the old caution that if a man begins as lieutenant governor in the domestic circle he can never be promoted.

Instead of being a torpid body the Senate is becoming quite active. At a single session during the past week it passed forty bills, besides listening to a lot of speeches on the Moroccan and Dominican issues.

Congress is a forum of debate, and the Washington hotels are centers of gossip and intrigue; but when the President wants to hear the unvarnished truth about men and measures he attends a meeting of the Gridiron Club.

They are now calling the cook who made coffee on Casto's boat a hero, and he really seems to have the metal of a hero in him. Not infrequently, however, greater heroism is shown by those who drink coffee than by those who make it.

Town Topics will find it necessary to issue a few extra editions to convince any large number of persons that Col. Mann has found it necessary to decline an invitation to the Roosevelt-Longworth wedding on account of the vulgar wording of the missive.

Owing to a new understanding and friendly agreement between Senators Spooner and LaFollette the question of who shall be postmaster, at Mequon, Ozaukee county, Wisconsin, will not be made a national issue in 1908.

Mr. Choate, as guest of the Canadian Club at a banquet at Ottawa, agreed with his Canadian hosts that the twentieth century is Canada's. That little question of proprietorship having been satisfactorily settled, it remains to be seen what Canada will do with the century.

Fortune is thrust on some people. A Canadian, with the aid of divers, is recovering from the bottom of a lake a huge raft of white oak logs that belonged to his great-grandfather and was sunk by a flood. The increase in the value of the raft amounts to a large sum.

Is it still admissible for a policeman to say "You're pinched"? A language has rights in its purity as well as morality.

There is no consensus showing that the groundhog saw his shadow, but he found mankind just as much interested in weather as ever.

Continental professors of music are in the holdrooms over the inroads made by the frock coat on swallow-tails at daytime functions. They would have the frock-coat relegated solely to funerals, with the swallow-tail good form day or night elsewhere.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, January 29, 1906.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, and Capital stock paid in.

Total \$600,106.85

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, 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.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of February, 1906. M. C. MAGEE, Notary Public.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, January 29th, 1906.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, U.S. Bonds, and Capital stock paid in.

Total \$793,500.02

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, 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.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of February, 1906. V. BOELLING, Notary Public.

POLITICAL COLUMN.

Announcements of candidates for office will be published in this column at reasonable rates for men of all parties.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Republicans of Oregon are hereby informed that I am a candidate for the nomination of Governor at the primaries to be held April 20th.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Secretary of State, and ask the support of all Republicans.

FOR STATE PRINTER.

The undersigned announces himself as a Republican candidate for re-nomination for State Printer at the forthcoming primaries.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-nomination for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and solicit the support of all Republicans at the primaries, April 20th.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The undersigned hereby announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Attorney-General, subject to the approval of Republican voters at the primaries.

NOW IN OUR NEW STORE COR. BOND AND 11th. STREET

WE ARE BUSY GETTING SETTLED BUT CAN FIND TIME TO SHOW YOU HOW COMPLETE AND EXTENSIVE IS OUR STOCK OF WALL PAPER, PAINTS, OIL, GLASS, MATTINGS, MOULDINGS, ETC.

B. F. Allen & Son, Cor. Bond and Eleventh St.

Advertisement for J. A. Montgomery, Astoria, featuring an illustration of a woman and text about a 'That All Important Bath Room'.

Advertisement for Astoria Savings Bank, listing officers and capital.

Advertisement for Astoria Iron Works, listing products and contact information.

Advertisement for First National Bank of Astoria, Ore., established 1886.

Advertisement for Sherman Transfer Co., listing services and contact information.

Advertisement for Smith Premier typewriter, featuring an illustration and text about the machine's quality.

Advertisement for North Pacific Brewing Co., featuring 'Pale Bohemian Lager Beer'.

Advertisement for Santal Midy capsules, for kidney and bladder troubles.

Advertisement for Devere's Golden West spices, coffee, tea, and baking powder.

Advertisement for Stammering and Stuttering Cured, featuring The Pacific School for Stammerers.

Advertisement for Accordion, Sunburst and Knife Pleating, listing services and contact information.