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### WEATHER.

Western Washington, Western Oregon—Rain.  
Eastern Washington—Rain or snow.  
Eastern Oregon—Cloudy and threatening.

### HANDS OFF!!

Every Republican in Clatsop county, candidate and voter, is amenable to the policy adopted by the party at its recent meeting in this city, to refrain from pledging themselves, or the party, to any candidate for any office on the ticket in June. The fundamental idea of the primary law is the absolute freedom of the voter and the candidate in the selection of those for whom their votes shall be cast, and this spirit of political tolerance has been squarely met by the party here, and it is most essential that the candidate shall be left absolutely untrammelled, before, and after, his nomination and election. It is the only logical course to pursue, and since the consensus of partisan feeling in the matter was ascertained at the late convention here, it would be in bad taste, and faith, for anyone to commit himself, or seek to commit another, and that other candidate before the people, to any man or set of men. A square deal for all concerned is the existing idea, and any effort to bias, or allure, or convict, any man, or men from the straight-forward line of action to which all hands are committed, is tantamount to treachery.

### JUST ONCE, PLEASE!

The Astorian is as sick and tired of the old, incessant cry of "Ring", "Ring", as anyone else, in, or out, of the party, here, and welcomes the freedom of the situation imposed by the primary law in releasing men from the burden of pledges. For just once, at least, it desires to stand by and see the will of the voters expressed without the interference and away of interested influences, and count itself clear of the minor, but hampering, dictum of clique prestige and entanglement. Besides, it cannot, in good faith, adopt any other course, after the express adoption of this attitude on the part of the representatives of the party at the meeting in this city on the 12th. Any other promises carries a hint of treachery to established party rule, and will be so construed in and out of the councils of the party here.

### PROFESSOR KESTER'S CASE.

Professor Kester has emerged from the trouble thrust upon him by the patrons of the Alderbrook school in a manner that should cause him great satisfaction. He was confronted with six deliberate charges, presented to the board of school directors by a large and respectable element of the patrons of the school. They were "exhibiting a violent temper"; "punishing severely, without cause"; "refusing to help pupils in their work when it was needed"; "making too free with the larger girls"; "singing love-songs during school hours"; and "suspending pupils without cause". Conviction upon any one of these points would have been sufficient cause for his removal, but he stands clear of each and

every charge, save and except the one of "punishing severely without cause". And in this relation he is but tacitly guilty and technically responsible. There can be no doubt the good people who preferred the charges were convinced of his guilt upon each and every head, and so believing, did only what might be expected of them under the circumstances, but parents are as often victims of children's tales, as are teachers themselves, and both parties to this unpleasant episode, have acted under the impetus given by the youngsters. The principal took the word of several of his scholars upon a given matter, and punished another severely for an unmerited offense; and the parents, acting upon the reports of their children and other people's, took the necessary and proper steps to correct a situation they believed to be bad. The affair is closed by the prompt and wisely chosen action of the board in shifting Mr. Kester's sphere of activity and relieving the Alderbrook people of a real, to them, source of complaint. Both parties to the affair have been amply recognized and protected, and there is nothing left for them to do, but draw the inevitable lessons inherent in the situation.

### THE PRIMARY LAW.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of some Republicans to circumvent, if possible, the primary election law. It is no use to try, brethren, the primary election law has come to stay, and you have got to take your medicine. Of course it is hard on a few, those of you who could sit in your offices and drop a note to Tom, Dick, and Harry, "You must bring your delegation down to the convention for Bill Jones for representative, Tom Jones for clerk, Dick Jones for county judge; and say, if you think Abe Lincoln is going to kick on your naming the delegation, tell him that I have things fixed with Bob so that he will get to be supervisor; and, say, I believe I owe you \$30 on that last timber deal. Enclosed find check for \$15, will pay you balance when I see you at the convention," and run things, can do so no more. We feel sorry for you, and for the whole ones family, but rejoice that the people have at last come into their own, and will only have to vote for such yellow dogs as they may see fit to name.—Seaside Signal.

### ATLANTIC VERSUS PACIFIC.

Investigation by a United States marshal and a federal commissioner of conditions in the Atlantic oyster fleets have shown the state of affairs to be fully as bad as it has been described. One schooner master was arrested and held for a federal grand jury. The provisions for the health and safety of his men were frightful. In a cabin six feet wide and two-and-a-half feet high, four men were quartered. The cabin floor often was flooded and the men slept in the water. Stories of men shanghaied and when aboard beaten into submission were fully substantiated. The negro slaves were treated no worse on the gold coast in the days of the Arab raids. Yet this has gone on or many years in one of the most populous sections of the world.

### HONORS WERE DUE.

American astronomers are pleased to know that one of their number has just been honored by the Royal Astronomical Society of Great Britain. A gold medal was presented last week to the American Ambassador for transmission to Professor W. W. Campbell, of the Lick Observatory, in recognition of his studies of the motion of stars directly toward or away from the observer. Though the full value of this work can be appreciated only by experts who are themselves engaged in stellar researches, its very nature makes a quick appeal to the imagination of the uninitiated. Professor Campbell has determined the velocities with which a great many stars that appear to be stationary are moving. He has also demonstrated that some which had been regarded as single have one or more companions that cannot be detected by the most powerful telescope. The discovery that the Polar Star is a triple system is one of these remarkable revelations. Professor Campbell's investigations were made possible only by the use of a spectroscopic, unique in size and capacity, which was presented to the institution. Upon the possession of such rare facilities for study he has been repeatedly congratulated by his professional brethren. They will now feel sincere pleasure in the homage paid him by the foremost astronomical society of the world.

### Lame Back.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

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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, January 29th, 1906.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$315,275.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	8,536.62
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	63,000.00
Other real estate owned	6,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	10,878.75
Due from State Banks and Bankers	70,919.28
Due from approved reserve agents	190,465.90
Checks and other cash items	224.00
Notes of other National Banks	380.00
Nickels and cents	55.49
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Special	\$114,850.00
Legal tender notes	50.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	625.00
Total	\$793,560.62

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	60,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	26,698.73
National Bank notes outstanding	12,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$509,633.93
Demand certificates of deposit	144,677.46
Certified checks	50.50
Total	\$793,560.62

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 1st day of February, 1906.  
V. BOELLING, Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest:  
G. C. FLAVEL,  
W. F. MCGREGOR,  
J. WESLEY LADD, Directors.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank

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

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$293,802.55
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,767.56
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	600.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	49,977.82
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	4,000.00
Other real estate owned	29,375.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	6,787.91
Due from State Banks and Bankers	870.13
Due from approved reserve agents	137,671.10
Checks and other cash items	1,288.55
Notes of other National Banks	615.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	1,631.13
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Special	\$53,441.10
Legal tender notes	1,254.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$600,106.85

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	35,118.63
National Bank notes outstanding	11,300.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$249,310.10
Demand certificates of deposit	32,163.79
Time certificates of deposit	212,224.33
Total	\$600,106.85

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 6th day of February, 1906.  
M. C. MAGEE, Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest:  
GEORGE W. WARREN,  
GEO. H. GEORGE,  
A. SCHERNECKAU, Directors.

### 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.

JAMES WITHYCOMBE.

### FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

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

F. T. WRIGHTMAN.

### FOR STATE PRINTER.

The undersigned announces himself as a Republican candidate for renomination for State Printer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election, April 20.

Now serving first term. The same courtesy that has been accorded to State officers generally, that of a renomination, would be greatly appreciated.

J. R. WHITNEY.

Albany, Oregon.

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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

J. H. ACKERMAN.

### 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.

A. M. CRAWFORD.

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### CHATEL MORTGAGE SALE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of March, 1904, Robert Gibsen executed and delivered to Chas. H. Page, Trustee, his certain Mortgage Chattel, mortgaging unto the said Chas. H. Page, Trustee, the following described personal property, viz:

1 large printing press,  
2 small printing presses,  
1 wire stitching machine,  
1 paper cutter,  
1 electric motor,  
2000 pounds of type, more or less, of all descriptions,  
5 composing stands,  
3 writing desks,  
1 linotype machine,  
All cases, stands and office fixtures.  
That the conditions of said Chattel Mortgage have been broken and there is now due, owing and unpaid on the indebtedness secured thereby the sum of \$414.27.  
That pursuant to a demand made by the said Chas. H. Page, Trustee, and by virtue of the power in said mortgage given, I have seized and taken possession of the above described mortgaged property and I will, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1906, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the whole of the above described mortgaged chattels, as an entirety or sufficient thereof to satisfy said sum of \$414.27, together with the costs and expenses of the foreclosure hereof.  
Dated at Astoria, Oregon, this 10th day of February, 1906.  
THOS. LINVILLE,  
Sheriff of Clatsop County, Oregon.

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