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Deputy Should Succeed Principal in Office.

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B. A. Seaborg Talks Interestingly on Succession in Fish Warden's Office—Changes Are Too Frequent. He Argues.

B. A. Seaborg, one of the pioneer salmon packers of Puget Sound, at present operating a cannery on the Washington side of the Columbia river, who introduced the bill in the state legislature creating the office of state fish commissioner, advocates less changes in the office, says the P. I. Mr. Seaborg takes the stand that if a new man is to be appointed to succeed Mr. Kershaw he should be selected from among the fishing business. He says:

"While a member of the state legislature in 1890 I introduced the bill, which was made a law, creating the fish commission, and taxing the industry direct for erection of hatcheries and the maintenance thereof.

The work of the commission, through its executive officer, has been carried on with varied success ever since.

"Aside from the police duties of the fish commissioner, his most important duty is to look after the propagation of the salmon, and also to properly locate new hatcheries.

On this depends the fish industry's future supply of raw material. Hitherto the result of the propagation has been noticed to a large extent on the Columbia river, while on Puget Sound it has been less apparent. As a whole, the results should have been better in both places. That better results have not been obtained can be charged to a large extent to the frequent changes in the office of the fish commissioner.

"After the first appointee, Mr. Crawford, had served faithfully and efficiently for some years, and reached a stage where his service would greatly have benefited the state and the fishing industry, he was relieved by a new and untried man.

"Mr. Little, his successor, gave his best efforts to the state, studied his work industriously and applied scientific methods thereto. By the time he had become reasonably proficient his resignation was demanded, and another new and untried man, who before his appointment was not known to have given any of his time to the fishing industry or to the study thereof, was placed in the office.

"The growth of the fishing industry during the last decade on the Pacific Coast, and especially in the State of Washington, has made the fish commissioner the most important office the governor is called upon to appoint. The investment in this industry runs into millions, and the output into many more millions, while thousands of men are employed every season. Indeed, it is destined to become one of the chief industries of our state.

"Mr. Kershaw, like Mr. Little, felt the importance of his position, and applied himself with energy to his work, and from personal observation I can truly say that he is today an efficient man as fish commissioner. Now the public press informs us that he is slated for removal. If this is in line with public policy, or if the good of the service demands that a new appointment should be made, the spirit of civil service should guide the appointing power in its selection of a new man.

"The office should not be a political one. No inexperienced man should have the appointment. There are several men in the service now holding positions as deputies or superintendents, with years of experience to their credit, and from their ranks a promotion to the office of fish commissioner should be made, and all employees in the department who have proved competent should be retained.

"If done, we can look forward to the time when the result of the propagation of the salmon can be mathematically proved."

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COURT OF LAST RESORT.

Youthful Washington Parricide Before U. S. Supreme Court.

Another order has just been received by County Prosecuting Attorney, J. K. Buxton from the Supreme bench of the United States in answer to an appeal filed against the judgment of Federal Judge C. H. Hanford of the Federal District for Western Washington in the case of Thomas Brown, the youthful parricide who killed his father in a fit of anger near Littell, about one year ago. The order cites Young Brown to appear before Melville F. Fuller, chief justice of the United States on April 19, 1906, and show cause why the judgment rendered by Judge Hanford as Federal judge of a lower court should not be corrected or amended. Appeal from Judge Hanford's decision was made in the name of Henry Urquhart, Sheriff of Lewis county.

It will not be necessary for young Brown to appear in Washington, D. C., as his attorney can do all that is necessary. If the case is decided against him, it will mean that young Brown will be remanded to the custody of the sheriff until further orders from the trial judge, the Hon. A. E. Rice of this county. The case is a test of the constitutionality of the statute of this state giving the trial judge power to imprison or commit persons acquitted of crime when acquitted on a plea of temporary insanity. Many lawyers of the state, including the Washington State Supreme Bench, have decided that the law is constitutional and that Judge Hanford erred in his decision. Whether the United States Supreme Court will uphold Judge Hanford of the State Supreme Bench and Judge A. E. Rice remains to be seen.

It will be remembered in connection with this case that young Brown, who is something of a degenerate, according to the evidence introduced at the trial, killed his father for beating a horse owned by young Tom. The case was brought to trial before Judge A. E. Rice and the jury, after deliberating for hours, decided that Brown was not guilty by reason of temporary insanity at the time, as he was subject to fits of temporary insanity. Judge Rice, acting under the statute, remanded Brown into the custody of the sheriff until he received further orders. Brown's attorney carried the case into the State Supreme Court and the verdict was unanimously against Brown. The case was next appealed to the Federal Court and Judge Hanford ruled in favor of Brown and ordered him released on habeas corpus proceedings. The attorney-general of Washington and J. R. Buxton then decided to test the law and carry the case up to the highest tribunal in the land. As a result the above order was issued.—Centralia News-Examiner.

NOTES FROM NEHALEM.

S. B. Holt presented his school with a beautiful souvenir card containing the names of the pupils and the school board. Thanks, professor.

The Nehalem Dairy Association has 100 cases of cheese on hand which they will probably lose, because they cannot get it to market, thanks to the Pacific Navigation combine. But then we voted to keep the trust system in power and we got what we voted for. So "say nothing and saw wood."

The Grange social was quite a success, the net receipts from sale of baskets was \$48.

Resolved, that the amount of land owned by one family should be limited to the amount they can actually cultivate; ownership should cease when they do not use it for themselves, is the subject for debate at the meeting of local Nehalem next Friday evening.

FORTUNE FROM TIDELAND.

Mrs. James Hamilton Lewis is on her way to Seattle. She is coming to this city for two reasons—first to make a formal start on what will be a tour of old Mexico and second to graciously accept the sum of \$45,000.

Mrs. Lewis will be accompanied by a party of local friends on her southern tour, and she is coming here to join them.

During the hard times in Seattle Mrs. Lewis paid taxes amounting to \$250 on a certain tract of tide lands that Judge R. B. Albertson had taken for a fee. That sum of money in those days was more to the average Seattle man than ten times that amount would be now, and the judge was only too glad to make the exchange.

The tract secured by Mrs. Lewis was sold during the recent tideland flurry, through her agents for \$45,000 net.—Seattle Times.

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FOR ASTORIA'S GOOD

What a Prominent Citizen Thinks Should Be Done.

OPEN THE NEHALEM COUNTRY

Railway From There to Astoria Bears More of Promise Than Any Project Now Discussed—Feasible, Easy and Profitable.

In a quest for something cheerful in relation to Astoria's near, or even remote future, a reporter of this paper yesterday called upon a prominent citizen who has given years of time and thousands of dollars to the various schemes that have all, more or less, materially contributed to her progress, and asked him, point-blank, to say what it was the city needed more than anything else, to promote its welfare and accelerate its commerce; the answer was prompt and decisive. Said he:

"We must have a railway, steam, or electric, into this city, direct from the Nehalem country. We should build it on our own initiative, if we can find outside capital ready for such investment; and waste no time in paltry calculation about it. It is absolutely essential and cannot help but be wholly satisfactory as a money-earner for its promoters, as well as a constant and generous feeder for the local activities of Astoria.

"There are immense resources in that section that are actually suffering for an open and quick market; there is lumber in inexhaustible quantities; dairy products of the finest qualities in extraordinary abundance; and stone quarries that have never been phased by drill and hammer, and fisheries that are as immense as they are various; there is population enough along the line to warrant ample returns upon the investment alone, and the fact that these would all expand immeasurably, upon the mere fact of the road being available, puts the issue very squarely before us for consideration and achievement.

"I am satisfied that a line could be constructed around Tillamook Head and over Necanicum Point, with, not to exceed an elevation of 100 feet, or a tunnel not longer than 200 feet, and the whole system, on either side of these points, would be upon a sea-level and could be built quickly and upon a safe basis.

"Of course, we can sit still for years to come, and wait for these things to come to us; they may come, too, but it is not as though we turned to and did it ourselves; showing the world that we know our own good things and how to make the most of them. That is what counts for a community in the semi-isolated condition that Astoria is in. To realize her advantages and work them into practical realities and make the world around us feel that we are alive, that we mean business, and do it, and reap our own profits from it.

"I wish this concern that is about to build the Astoria-Seaside interurban line would project its surveys fifteen or twenty miles further south on the coast; and tap this same splendid Nehalem country. They would husband rich returns from it from the day their rails and engines entered that valley and would bless the enterprise that prompted them to extend their present system.

"No matter who does this thing (and you need not doubt it will be done soon, by someone) there is one prime necessity that must be provided for, and that is, that the rates, passenger and freight must be put to a level that will not be prohibitive nor burdensome; they must not be taxed with monopolistic changes, beyond reason and requirements, just because they have been given an op-

portunity to do a bit of expanding. The tariffs must be within the limitations of the contributors; and this can be done easily and leave a splendid margin of profit to appraise the most sordid member of the road's directory.

"You have asked me to state what I believe to be the most expedient thing for Astoria. I have told you. Build a railroad between this city and the Nehalem, or negotiate its building. The rest will come, easily and quickly. It is time we were doing something, anyway!"

HAS NOT RESIGNED.

The Astorian yesterday morning stated that A. Leberman had resigned his position at Fisher Bros. Co. This was a mistake, as he has not resigned and has no intention of doing so. The error was caused by the fact that at present his family is living in Portland.

DIES IN TACOMA.

Mrs. A. B. Dalgity yesterday received the sad news of the sudden death of her sister, Mrs. Rose Hanley, at Tacoma.

WHERE ASTORIAN'S EAT.

Quick service, combined with cleanliness, and high quality, is what the majority of people desire when they eat, and the restaurant where all these accommodations can be obtained is where they go. The Palace Catering Company on Commercial street, just opposite the Page building, is known by every Astorian as the place to obtain what they want. Here they all go and having gone, no other restaurant will satisfy. A specialty is made by the Palace restaurant for banquets, and party service. Open at all hours.

S. B. Klakn, traveling representative of The J. S. Dellinger Co., left last night for a month's business trip through Eastern Oregon and Idaho.

Carl Fisher of Svensen was in Astoria yesterday for a brief time visiting friends.

W. L. Dudley arrived in yesterday from Portland for a brief stay.

L. McLaughlin of Hammond was a visitor in Astoria yesterday with friends.

H. F. Connelly arrived here yesterday from Portland on a business trip.

In every clime its colors are unfurled Its fame has spread from sea to sea; Be not surprised if in the other world, You hear of Rocky Mountain Tea. Sold by Frank Hart.

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LEST YOU FORGET.

Is it not about time you were getting that buggy fixed up? It may need new rubber tires or perhaps some other repairs. If so, take it to Andrew Asp & Company. They also do all kinds of blacksmithing and repair work.

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"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm an able one more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company's steamer Hassalo arrived down from Portland yesterday morning at 8:20 o'clock, exactly eight hours from the metropolitan dock, making all the usual way landings, and providing herself the same old swift reliable boat. She will stay on the run for the balance of the year, the T. J. Potter will "go and get ready" for her summer traffic between Portland and the north-shore beaches. The Hassalo is officered as follows: Captain, J. J. Anderson; First Officer, Jack Pearson; Pilot, Andrew Johnson; Purser, Harry Blanchard; Chief Engineer, C. W. O'Brien; Second Engineer, P. Ellison; Steward, Jack Richmond. Mrs. Bernard Lindenberger was among the Astoria passengers to come down on the Hassalo. The steamer is not changed in her general appearance to any noticeable extent, the ten foot of new hull grafted into her just forward of the fantail, making no radical difference in her. Captain Anderson reports that she handles thoroughly well and is just as fast as ever, and wholly satisfactory from the standpoint of a commanding officer.

The steamer Alliance arrived in yesterday morning from Eureka and Coos Bay points, with a good list of people in her cabin, and some freight for this port. She left up for Portland at once.

The steamer Whittier arrived off the bar yesterday morning and met her consort, the oil tank Santa Paula outside. The tow was delivered to her by the bar tug Wallula, and they left for San Francisco immediately.

The steamer Despatch came in from the Bay City yesterday morning and after a brief stay at the Callender pier went on to the metropolis.

The steamship Columbia got away for the Golden Gate at 6:15 o'clock Saturday evening.

The steamer Aurelia did not leave port until yesterday morning early.

The revenue cutter Commodore Perry made it out yesterday morning, on her cruise to the west coast of Vancouver island. She will be gone ten days.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore went to sea yesterday morning bound for Tillamook City and bay points.

The steamship Senator is due to arrive from San Francisco this morning, en route to Portland.

The steamer Harvest Queen came

down yesterday with the British ship Falls of Dee on her hawsers. The latter is anchored in the lower harbor, and will take the earliest despatch for Manila, with her big cargo of lumber.

The only bar-bound now in port are the ships C. F. Sargent, General Gordon and Falls of Dee.

The German steamship Numantia is due down from the metropolis en route to China and Japan.

The steamer Northland is due in sometime today from San Francisco.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn should dock here from San Francisco today.

The British steamship Nairnshire is the next tramp to enter here, and should be in during the next ten days, from Australia.

WELL CONDUCTED OFFICE.

J. R. Whitney, State Printer, in asking a renomination at the hands of the Republican voters at the primary election in April, is following a well-founded custom of the party in Oregon, that when a state officer performs his duties acceptably and makes a creditable record he is given a second term.

Mr. Whitney is a life-long Republican and edited the Albany Herald for nearly twenty years, a paper known throughout the State for its unwavering course in behalf of the Republican ticket and candidates nominated by the party. He is a native Oregonian, a graduate of the University of Oregon, and a practical printer.

Since assuming charge of the State-printing office he has devoted his entire time and attention to the affairs of the office, and with his long experience in the printing business he has been able to give the State a good, clean, business-like administration.

Mr. Whitney is conducting a straight forward primary campaign, and his many friends are confident that he will be renominated by a large majority.—Tillamook Headlight.

HERE FROM SEATTLE.

Louett M. Wood, editor and proprietor of the Trade Register, of Seattle, arrived in the city yesterday, and will do business here for several days. Mr. Wood is gathering data on the prospective fisheries output and business generally, for his paper, which is one of the leading journals of the coast in its especial line. Mr. Wood has no hesitation in saying that it is the common opinion that James J. Hill is preparing to come down to the mouth of the Columbia from the Gray's Harbor terminals of his system in Washington, and that such action on his part, would mean the biggest sort of a good thing for Astoria in the way of development.

THEIR OWN FAULT.

The Tillamook Headlight complains of the inertia of the prohibitionists down there, thusly: "The local option law has been in force fourteen months, and the first fine was imposed on Tuesday last in Tillamook. It amounted to \$100. The county or city could and should have collected several thousand dollars in fines had the law been properly enforced. Corvallis added several thousand dollars to its city treasury on account of the local option law, and so might have Tillamook City had it been awake to the city's and not individual interests. Now one person has been fined, it is to be hoped others who are violating the law will be fined likewise."

TAX COLLECTIONS.

The total tax collections including the rebate of \$2944.16 received to date at the sheriff's office now amounts to \$68,968.02. Subtracting the rebate the total amount collected is \$66,023.86. This rebate is made to all who pay their taxes before March 15th.

Has Moved.—J. Q. A. Bowly has moved his law office from Bond street to rooms 1 and 2, upstairs, in the Odd Fellows' building.

New Popular Song Books—Svenson's.

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