

THE SMOKE of DECISION

By Frank B. Wells

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"Move on there!" Bondell pulled heavily at his cigar in studied abstraction of the limb of the law. The policeman advanced a step nearer, bellowing hoarsely: "I tell you to get a move on you! You've been obstructing travel on this corner for a quarter of an hour. Now—"



"HOLD ON, SIR!" DEMANDED THE OFFICER. "WHAT'S UP?"

he fails to show up in time he doesn't get her. That's the long and short of it."

The policeman surveyed Bondell with mute astonishment. "It occurs to me," he said, "that you have a rather fickle grasp of human destiny. What kind of an errand did you send this young fellow on?"

"Not much of anything. Just told him to go down and ask the Stillmans for quotations. They're gone today and the office is closed. It hadn't ought to take him long to find that out."

"Now, see here," exclaimed the blue-coat, "that ain't fair! If that young man is any good he will hunt all over the Empire State before he will come back to you without the information you wanted. You will have time to grow baldheaded smoking cigars before you set your optics on him again. That's my opinion."

"You might as well go about your business," retorted Bondell. "This is my affair, not yours. I like to see a young man act promptly, and I'm giving him this for a test. He's good enough for the most part."

"He is, is he? Did you ever see him before?"

"Of course I have. He is one of my clerks. I'm a broker."

"Oh," sighed the officer. "I supposed by your actions that he was some stranger you had picked up on the street. You are more intelligent than I thought you were."

"Now clear out!" blustered the broker. "Give me any more of your impudence and I'll report you."

"You will, eh? Not till you've got through with that cigar, I presume. By the way, you ain't puffin' as fast as you might, seems to me."

The officer wandered down to the next block ruminating. At the turn of the corner he met a young man dashing breathlessly along the walk. He promptly laid a heavy hand on the young man's shoulder.

"Hold on, sir!" demanded the officer. "What's up?"

"Nothing—nothing. Don't detain me. I'm going in an awful hurry!" struggled the youth.

"How do you know you are?" asked the policeman mildly.

"How do I—you blamed fool!"

"There—none of that! I'll pull you in," threatened the officer.

"I have!" The youth glared at the officer like a wild animal. "Then let me see 'em," the policeman demanded. "I—that is, the message is verbal," explained the other. "I told you you hadn't got any die patches. You didn't even see the parties you were ordered to see."

"I do." "How long would it take you to have the matter straightened out, ceremony performed, and all that?" The young man calculated rapidly. "Two hours would be sufficient," he announced. "Then get about it quick. I'll tend to the old man."

COULD NOT REST NIGHT OR DAY With Irritating Skin Humor—Whole Body Affected—Scalp Itched All the Time and Hair Began to Fall Out—Wonderful Result From APPLICATION OF CUTICURA REMEDIES

RECOMMENDED TO ALL MOTHERS "I have used Cuticura Ointment for chafing of infants, and as they grow older all skin diseases were given treatment with that and the Cuticura Soap, I never found it necessary to call a doctor, as these Remedies are a sure cure, if used as directed. I am glad to recommend them to all mothers." Sincerely yours, Mrs. F. A. Kennard, June 21, 1905. St. Paul Park, Minn.

THE MORNING ASTORIAN QUICK RETURN COLUMNS

The supplying of any want that may arise domestic or commercial life may be readily and quickly accomplished at a nominal cost by the publication of the want in the "Want Ad." columns of the Morning Astorian.

A necessity which may arise for buying or selling horses, carriages, furniture, pianos, real estate, sewing machines, bicycles, safes, watches, jewelry, typewriters, or thousands of other articles, can be met at once by the insertion of a suitable advertisement in the morning Astorian.

To secure help of any sort, or situation of any kind, to find lost articles, to secure board or boarders, lodging or lodgers, borrow money, obtain any kind of security; any of these wants may be supplied by using the "Want" columns of The Morning Astorian.

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ONE INSERTION ONE CENT A WORD THREE LINES THREE DAYS, 30 CENTS Count Six Words to a Line. 30 Cents a line a week.

"SITUATION WANTED"

For the benefit of persons out of employment, ads under the head of "Situation Wanted" will be printed three days free of charge.

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WANTED—GIRL TO WORK IN PRIVATE family of 3. Inquire at Astorian office.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A WHITE AND RED HEIFER; has small bell; finder notify G. Tomberg, Seventh street and Young's Bay.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—2 FINE GRAY HORSES; 1400 pounds; 8 years old. Apply this office. 8-5-7t.

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THE LEYDE. Rooms with or without board; rates reasonable; good accommodation for transients. 14th and Commercial.

TWO OR THREE ROOMS WITH board at the Holden House, 405 Duane. 8-2-4t.

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FREDRECKSON BROS.—We make a specialty of house moving, carpenters, contractors, general jobbing; prompt attention to all orders. Corner Tenth and Duane.

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DRY MILL WOOD.

ALL KINDS OF WOOD—BOX WOOD from Humes Mill a specialty. Ben Ekos. Tel. Black 2436. 1828 38th street.

WOOD

Cord wood, mill wood, box wood, any kind of wood at lowest prices. Kelly, the transfer man. Phone 219; Main, Barn on Twelfth, opposite opera house.

LAUNDRIES.

The Troy Laundry

The only white labor laundry in the city. Does the best work at reasonable prices and is in every way worthy of your patronage.

10th and DUANE Sts., Phone 1991.

SEASIDE ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Full line of drugs, souvenirs, stationery, confectionery and soda waters. Office of Dr. Lewis at drug store, Bridge street end of the bridge.

SEASIDE, OREGON.

New building, New Furniture, 100 Rooms

COLONIAL HOTEL

LINDSLEY & SON, Proprietors Modern and Up-to-Date Electric lights, hot and cold water; free bus to all trains. Rates, \$2.00 per day and up.

SEASIDE, OREGON.

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that the regatta committee will receive sealed bids for the printing of the programs for the regatta, up to noon, Thursday, August 9, 1906. Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

ASTORIA REGATTA COMMITTEE.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

CHAS. H. ABERCROMBIE, Attorney-at-Law.

General Practitioner, Notary Public. Rooms 35-36—Phone Main 2951. Page Block, Cor. Commercial & 12th St.

F. D. WINTON, Attorney-at-Law.

Practices in all United States and State Courts in Oregon and Washington. Notary Public. Phone Main 941. rooms 2 and 3. Logan Building, corner Commercial and Sixteenth streets opposite O. R. & N. Company dock.

OSTEOPATHISTS.

DR. RHODA C. HICKS OSTEOPATH

Office Mansell Bld. Phone Black 2045 575 Commercial St., Astoria, Ore.

DENTISTS.

DR. T. L. BALL, DENTIST.

524 Commercial St Astoria Oregon.

DR. VAUGHAN, DENTIST

Pythian Building, Astoria, Oregon.

Dr. W. C. LOGAN DENTIST

78 Commercial St., Shanahan Building

NURSES.

MRS. JULIUS DAVIS (late of Portland)

Graduate Nurse Royal London (Eng.), Hospital. Maternity cases requested. Hammond, Oregon.

MUSIC TEACHER.

WANTED—THREE MUSIC PUPILS. Inquire at Astorian office.

MANDOLIN LESSONS GIVEN—MRS. C. D. Stewart, 127 Seventh street.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

RESTAURANTS.

FIRST-CLASS MEAL

for 15c; nice cake, coffee, pie, or doughnuts, 5c, at U. S. Restaurant. 434 Bond St.

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OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.

Corner Ninth and Astor Streets.

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HOTEL PORTLAND

Fines Hotel in the Northwest. PORTLAND, ORE.

WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS.

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Eagle Concert Hall [320 Astor St.]

The leading amusement house. Agency for Edison Phonographs and Gold Moulded Records. P. A. PETERSON, Prop.

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416 BOND ST., ASTORIA, OREGON

Carries the Finest Line of

Wines, Liquors and Cigars

CALL AND SEE US

"Pale Bohemian Lager Beer"

THE BEER FOR THE HEALTHY AND WISE

on draught and in bottles

Brewed under sanitary conditions and properly aged right here in Astoria.

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ASTORIA, OREGON.

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Yokohama Bazaar

625 Commercial St., Astoria.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

The Board of Equalization of Clatsop County, Oregon, will attend at the office of the County Clerk of Clatsop County, Oregon, on Monday, August 27, 1906, and daily thereafter until and including Saturday, September 1, 1906, to publicly examine the assessment roll for the year 1906, and correct all errors in valuation, description or equalities of land, lots or other properties and it shall be the duty of all parties interested to appear at that time and place for the purpose of correcting any errors that may appear in said assessment roll.

T. S. CORNELIUS, Assessor, Clatsop County, Oregon.

Astoria, Oregon, August 6, 1906. 8-5-28t. (D. & W.)

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Odd Fellows' Land & Building Association will be held on Thursday, August 23, 1906, at 2 o'clock p. m., at Odd Fellows' Hall.

JOHN HAHN Secretary. 1-8-4t.

RECEIVER'S NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah. Eleanor Olmstead, plaintiff, vs. The Traders' Insurance Company, et al, defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above-entitled court in the above-entitled cause receiver for the State of Oregon, of the defendant, The Traders' Insurance Company of Chicago, Illinois, and that by order of the said court, all persons having claims against the said defendant, The Traders' Insurance Company, arising on policies issued in Oregon, are required to present the same to the undersigned, at the address below given on or before the 31st day of October, 1906, and if not so presented, the same will not participate in the distribution of the funds of the said defendant company in the hands of the receiver.

Notice is further given, that all return premiums will be computed from the 5th day of May, 1906, the date of the insolvency of the said The Traders' Insurance Company, and all policyholders of the said defendant company are urged to reinsure, if they have not already done so, and to present their claims properly verified promptly to the receiver with the surrender of their policies.

Forms for proofs of claims may be had from the receiver or from the former agents of the company.

A. H. BIRRELL, Receiver. Address McKay Building, Portland, Oregon.

Dated June 25, 1906. A. F. FLEGEL and BEACH & SIMON, Attorneys for Receiver. 7-16-30t.

CITY NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Committee on Streets and Public Ways, the City Surveyor and the Superintendent of Streets have filed a certificate of the completion of the 18th street sewer, from a point 15 feet south of the north line of Grand avenue to the north line of Exchange street, by W. A. Goodin the contractor, in accordance with general ordinance No. 3234 and the contract therefore. That unless objections are filed against the same, the same will be accepted at the next regular meeting of the common council by ordinance.

OLOF ANDERSON, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria.

Dated, Aug. 2, 1906. 8-2-3t.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Committee on Streets and Public Ways of the Common Council of the City of Astoria, the City Surveyor and the Superintendent of Streets have filed a certificate of the completion of the improvement of 10th street, from the south line of Commercial street to the north line of Duane street, by E. A. Gerding, the contractor, in accordance with general ordinance No. 3254 and the contract therefore. That unless objections are filed against the same, the same will be accepted by ordinance at the next regular meeting of the common council.

OLOF ANDERSON, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria.

Dated, Aug. 2, 1906. 8-2-3t.

NOTICE.

There is money in the city treasury to pay all warrants endorsed from the 20th day of July to the 8th day of August, 1905. This call includes a warrant drawn on the city hall fund in favor of Emil Schacht for \$853.36. Interest will cease after this date.

THOS. DEALEY, City Treasurer.

Astoria, Or., July 31, 1906. 8-1-3t.