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Moves Law Offices—Judge F. J. Taylor has moved his law office from 477 Commercial street to the second floor of the I. O. O. F. hall at the corner of Tenth and Commercial streets.

Another Delay—Owing to the absence of Attorney G. C. Fulton in Portland yesterday, the matter of the preliminary examination of C. Roy Fox was again delayed. It will probably eventuate today.

Make Good Use of It—There is an "odd and end" sale on just now at the popular shoe house of Chas. V. Brown. Don't fail to avail yourself of the unusual opportunity for bargains in footwear. It's up to you!

Below Zero—That's where you will be if you don't check that cold and cure that cough with Hart's Compound Syrup Tar and Wild Cherry. Sure thing. At Hart's drug store, corner 14th and Commercial streets.

School Board Meets—The board of directors of Astoria public schools met in regular session last evening. As a large quantity of routine work was as yet unprepared for inspection, the board adjourned after roll call to meet on Thursday evening, by which time the work will have been prepared.

Re-Opens Irving Hotel—William Reichman, formerly of Portland but lately of Chinook, has leased the Irving hotel and will open it up. He will conduct a first class hostelry for the accommodation of the public.

We are going to move into the Spexarth Building, Commercial street, between 8th and 9th, the end of this week. Stock much be reduced in that time; in order to do so, will positively almost give goods away. Don't wait, come at once, or you will regret this opportunity. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale.

Do you feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy and too hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light, appetizing wholesome things? You'll save money, too.

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AT HOME ONCE MORE.

Samuel Elmore, of S. Elmore & Co., Returns from Trip to the East.

Samuel Elmore was at his desk in the office of S. Elmore & Company yesterday morning, after an absence in the East of nine weeks. The trip was made partially for pleasure as he visited a number of his home people while there, but, practically, for business, as usual.

During his stay in New York, and at the Waldorf-Astoria he was in almost daily contact for nearly a month with A. B. Hammond, who makes that famous hostelry his regular habitat when in the great metropolis. Mr. Elmore says Mr. Hammond's health is, apparently, excellent, and that he still dispatches volumes of business with celerity and certainly that indicates anything but indisposition or lapsing faculties. However, he brought no word of confirmation, nor of discouragement, in the widely mooted matter of the alleged sale of the "A. & C." to Mr. Hill.

Mr. Elmore says he found a desultory market in the East, with corn a drug and scarcely moving at all at prevalent quotations; salmon, he said, were practically cleaned out and Columbia River products gone, altogether, what other brands were available going at prices, plus freightage, scarcely meeting their market figures here.

He looks well and hearty and is rested up from the big task of handling and marketing the immense salmon output of the Columbia canneries under his direction.

JUDGE PAGE'S VIEWS.

Gives Candid, Yet Reasonable, Statement of Vexed Issue.

An Astorian reporter yesterday called upon Judge Chas. H. Page, president of the Astoria police commission, to obtain, if possible, a clear-cut statement in relation to the apparent differences now existing between that board and the common council. He did not have much to say, but his deductions were candidly put, in the following terms:

"I have always deemed the police commission to be a co-ordinate branch of the city government; its duties are clearly defined in the act creating the commission.

"In relation to the subject matter of the alleged controversy, we can do absolutely nothing. It is of no use for us to order the arrest of anyone, for any cause, unless our action shall be promptly met and duly enforced by the judicial officers of the city and their legal adviser, under the ordinances of the city.

"As one of the police commissioners, I shall pay no attention to any remark made in course of debate in the council; in fact, not until the council shall manifest its real will and purpose in a definite resolution passed by that body.

"We have specific powers assigned us in the act creating and confirming the commission, none of which are judicial in any sense as anyone may see who will take the trouble to look them up."

Making a Demonstration—The very radical changes being wrought in the ground floor corner of the Flavel brick at Tenth and Bond streets, by the contractors, Messrs. Ferguson & Houston, are beginning to plainly demonstrate the purposes of the work, namely, the equipment of new and permanent quarters for the First National Bank of this city. The big window spaces cut in the Tenth street wall are all shaped up and make the room as light as day; the big vaults in the rear have been constructed and every detail now points to light, airy, handsome quarters. The work will be done by March 1, after which the drying out processes and furnishing will ensue, and by April 1, the bank people will be in full possession.

Probate Day—On the court calendars of Clatsop county yesterday was "probate day," though matters of estate are despatched almost any old day. Yesterday Judge Trenchard received, examined and approved the final accounts of Leon Mansur in three separate matters, as administrator of the estate of the late Mary E. Sabine; as administrator of the estate of Benson Sabine, deceased, and as joint-guardian of the person and estate of Anna Cecelia Christiansen (nee Sabine), with Mrs. Ethel May Wheeler (nee Sabine), and discharged him in both relations and exonerated his bondsmen throughout.

Your last chance at the old stand—goods that are left will simply be sacrificed or given away, as we must move what is left the end of this week. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale...

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank Baker, of Portland, was in this city yesterday on a business errand and was the guest of his brother, E. M. Baker. He returned to the metropolis on last night's express.

Andrew Lassilla and family of Gray's River were in the city yesterday on a shopping tour.

A. E. Heatherford of Albany is visiting in this city.

C. E. W. Hollister came down from Portland yesterday on business.

Mrs. H. Laskoskie of Fort Stevens was in Astoria yesterday.

Geo. Hibbert of the Chinook Observer, was in this city yesterday.

K. E. Andrews is in Astoria on business.

Hans Peterson, the Altoona canneryman, was in this city yesterday.

William Woods of Bay City is visiting in Astoria.

He Got a Telegram—He had not been married very long and was getting along happily, when the pleasant tenor of his life was warped by the receipt of a telegram from his warlike mother-in-law, announcing her arrival on a certain train. He met her dutifully; and carried her load of bundles up home, smiling, but vengeful, and she no sooner got there than she assumed entire command of the establishment, including herself. He bent every faculty to devising ways and means of ousting her and at last skillfully paints himself to a life-like image of a small-pox patient; goes to bed and the scheme works like a charm. For lifelike details of the story, see the new moving-picture-films at the Waldorf.

Cathlamet Election—The following city officials were elected at Cathlamet Monday: Mayor, A. F. Cooper; treasurer, C. H. Warren; councilmen, J. F. Nassa, J. R. Burke, M. Gorman, A. D. Birble, A. F. Brown. There was a struggle for control of the city council between the Citizen party and the saloon men, resulting in a victory for the latter by a narrow margin. The citizens were almost unanimous in their desire for incorporation as a city.

County Court Today—At 9:30 o'clock this morning the county court of Clatsop will convene its regular February session and the full membership is expected to be on hand, since the signing up of the new court house contract with Hastie & Dougan, of Seattle, is among the principal features of today's business program. Mr. Hastie arrived from Seattle on last night's express.

Was Bound Over—Frank Holbrook, the young man brought to this city on Monday night from Svensen, by Sheriff Pomeroy, was arraigned in Justice Goodman's court yesterday, upon a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, and was held to the circuit court in the sum of \$200, in default of which he went over to the Hotel Clatsop until term time.

Henry Laxell Dead—Henry Laxell died at 2 o'clock yesterday morning of blood poisoning after a prolonged illness. The deceased, who has been a resident of this city for a number of years, was a member of the order of Eagles and will be buried under the auspices of that order.

Astor Temple No. 25, Rathbone Sisters, will give another popular social dance at Logan's Hall Monday, Feb. 11. Admission, 50 cents.

DISCUSS GRAZING LANDS. Livestock Association Committee Will Consult with Federal Authorities.

DENVER, Feb. 4.—The committee of public lands and forest reserves appointed at the recent annual meeting of the American National Livestock Association, has been called to meet at the Willard Hotel, Washington, on February 11. The meeting is of great importance to stockmen throughout the West. The use of public lands for grazing will be considered, and the best method of controlling these lands for all concerned will be talked over with the federal authorities. An invitation has been extended to all stockmen interested to be present.

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A. E. Allen to Alice M. Allen, lots 4 and 5, block 1, First Add. Ocean Grove ... 1

J. E. Payton and wife to T. H. Curtis, 14.40 acres Section 18-8-10 ... 10

Astoria A. T. & T. Co. to A. M. Holter, sectional lands in Clatsop county ... 5

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Panama Canal Construction Company Formed in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—J. B. McDonald of this city, the contractor who built the subway, was today elected president of the Panama Canal Construction company. This company was formally organized today for the purpose of building the Panama canal in the event the contract is awarded by the government to William J. Oliver. Oliver was made general manager. McDonald said after announcing the formation of the company that everything was ready for the actual work of digging the canal. He said after the Oliver and Bangs bid was rejected Oliver was given ten days to associate himself with at least two reliable contractors to take up the work under the terms of his contract. The time allowed him would have expired tomorrow.

REFUSES TERMINAL RATES.

Santa Barbara Has No Water Competition to Secure Them.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 5.—Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane today heard the testimony bearing upon the protest of Santa Barbara merchants against the Southern Pacific, charging that corporation with unjust and unlawful discrimination against Santa Barbara in maintaining local freight rates to this city on shipments from the East, instead of making in a terminal point. The Southern Pacific resisted the contention, claiming that Santa Barbara had no water competition, hence was not entitled to terminal rates.

REACH NO DECISION.

Indian Appropriation Bill Not Yet Amended by Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The Senate spent the entire day considering the Indian Appropriation bill, but without concluding the question of amendments. The Army appropriation bill was reported to the Senate and will be taken up as soon as the Indian bill is disposed of. The bill carries \$81,500,000.

YOU CAN GET IT AT THE 10 CENT STORE

Reed Building, on 11th St., Between Commercial and Duane Streets.

5 pairs of Sox, good woolen to cotton Sox, regular price 25c to 3 for \$1.00 at Wise's removal sale 5 pairs for \$1.00.

HATS, formerly \$2 to \$4 now 55 cents at Wise's removal sale.

All new Neckwear and Suspenders worth from 50 to 75 cents now 35 cents at Wise's removal sale.

Boys' Suits reduced from 75c to \$2.00 at Wise's removal sale.

25c caps for 15c at Wise's removal sale.

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Umbrellas reduced to 85c at Wise's removal sale.

Men's Suits reduced from \$2.50, \$5.00 and \$7.50 at Wise's removal sale.

Winter Overcoats as well as top coats reduced almost one-half at Wise's removal sale.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Clatsop county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the court house as follows:

For State Papers—Commencing on Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 16, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, physical geography, reading, psychology.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civic government.

Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, algebra.

Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, and school law.

For County Papers—Commencing Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 15, at 4 o'clock p. m.

First, Second and Third Grade Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.

Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, school law, civil government.

Primary Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, arithmetic, reading.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.

MISS EMMA C. WARREN, County Superintendent.

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