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Foundation Finished

The concrete foundation for the new Weinhard Hotel was finished last night and the contractors will at once prepare to remove to Portland where they have several similar jobs on hand.

Run to End of Line

The street cars are again running to the west end of the line, and the Union-town people, who have necessarily been inconvenienced for the past two months, are now happy.

Street Cleaning Progresses

The good work of the street department, in cleaning the streets, by flushing was extended yesterday to Bond street from Eleventh to Fourteenth and a good job done as shown by the improved appearance of the street.

Laid Off Tuesday

The driving of piling at Fort Stevens, was interrupted on Tuesday by stormy weather. About 15 piles per day are being driven, on an average, when weather permits the men to work and every advantage is being taken of weather conditions.

Will Relocate Here

Hans Hansen, who was formerly manager of the Central Hotel, in this city, and later in the hotel business in Portland, has sold his interests in that city, and is back in Astoria where he will relocate.

For Thirty Days More

Chas. H. Heilborn & Company will fall in line with the popular will so far as their 20 per cent discount sale is concerned, and the big advantage will belong to the Christmas shoppers as well as to the ordinary buyer.

Funeral of Karpenin Baby

The mortal remains of little Anna Alvena Karpenin were laid to rest in Greenwood cemetery yesterday afternoon. The interment was conducted quietly owing to the nature of the disease of which the little one died. The mother of the child, Mrs. Lilly Karpenin, is a widow in distressed circumstances owing to the quarantine to which she has been subjected for several weeks and the attention of our charitably inclined citizens is called to the necessity of this family.

Works Both Ways

The furniture house of Chas. H. Heilborn & Company intend to keep pace with the holiday wants of the people and have extended the benefit of their one-fifth-off sale through the month of December, in order that the real holiday buyers may have the advantage of the bargains.

NO REASON TO STOP IMPROVEMENTS

THE CONDITION OF THE MONEY MARKET NOT A GOOD REASON FOR THE DISCONTINUING OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

A petition addressed to the Mayor and Common Council was filed with Auditor Anderson today, signed by over 40 of Astoria's hustling citizens. The petition sets forth the information that "hard times" calamity howling is no good reason for stopping street improvements, and is in full as follows:

"To the Hon. Mayor Herman Wise and Common Council of Astoria, Oregon. Gentlemen:—There is a rumor afloat that a movement is on foot to stop all street improvements in this city, giving as a reason for stopping such work 'the condition of the money market.'"

"To close down street improvements now would mean, 1st: To deprive many resident laboring men of their work, not only on said street work, but on houses to be erected as soon as streets are improved so that materials can be hauled; 2nd:—To stop the making of pay-rolls, the very life of the community. 3rd:—To create idleness, poverty and a necessity of crime."

"There can be no good reason given for curtailing street improvements, we have the five-year plan of paying for it, whichever one who wish can avail themselves of."

"Men are easier obtained now than at any other time of the year for such work."

"We, the undersigned citizens of Astoria, who have faith in our city and its future hereby urge you to pay no attention to the hard-times croaker but as men who have the welfare of our city at heart to let all improvements be carried out, thereby creating pay-rolls and good all around."

Securing Rights of Way

Mr. Savage, right-of-way man of the Grays Harbor & Columbia River R. R., is in the city. He has about \$15,000 yet to spend, for the acquisition of rights-of-way along the north shore. He has a deal on with P. J. McGowan, for a right of way and Mr. McGowan insists that a contract be made guaranteeing that the road be built by a certain time under penalty of the contract becoming void. Mr. Savage agrees to this, so there is little fear of failure in securing the concession. He will remain here until his business is settled.

Anniversary Party

Tuesday being the ninth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Carlson, a number of their friends gathered at the family residence in social gathering on Tuesday night and enjoyed a splendid evening. Cards, games, and refreshments were the order of the evening, and jolly good humor prevailed. Among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lund, Mr. and Mrs. Mallar, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lundbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Wirkkala, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones, and Mr. Leander Lebeck.

They Extend the Benefit

So long as the people heartily approve the sale, Chas. H. Heilborn & Company will extend the 20 per cent discount sale of furniture, for the balance of December; therefore the buyers of Christmas things in their line, will meet with the valuable concession for that period.

DONE BY DEEDS.

Andrew Thompson and wife to Willard N. Jones, G. B. Hegardt and W. G. Brown, lot 1, in section 32, T. 9 N., R. 6 W. \$400
Solom Johnson to H. H. Zapf, lots 7, 8 and 10 and S. W. 1-4 of section 6, T. 6 N., R. 8 W. 10
Wm. Marekala and wife to H. H. Zapf, lots 2, 3, 4 and 5, sec. 6, T. 6 N., R. 8 W. 10
J. E. Higgins and wife to Chas. Niemi and John Harry, lot 7, block 11, McClure's Astoria 10
C. A. Carter to B. F. Allen, block 13, Chelsea, Clatsop County. 10

Now at City Hall

City Attorney Charles Abercrombie has removed from his old quarters at 59 1/2 Commercial street, and will, henceforth be found at his office on the second floor of the City Hall. 11-30-tf.

PAINTERS' SOCIETY.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The twelfth annual exhibition of the Society of Western Painters opened yesterday at the Art Institute with a display of 148 paintings, the work of western artists. The exhibition will continue two weeks. Competition for the fine arts building prize of \$500 promises to be keen.

The Store for Women



Women Outfitters

Do Your Christmas Shopping

EARLY

The Local Newspaper Published a Few Days Ago an Editorial Concerning Christmas Shopping that was so Full of Good Advice and Sound Common Sense that we Think it Best to Repeat it in Preference to Anything We Could Say on the Same All-Interest ing Subject Just Now. Here it is:

Are you a prospective holiday shopper? Then remember that procrastination during holiday time is the thief of comfort. We say this not only on behalf of our clerks and shop girls, but for the benefit of the public. If you have Christmas shopping to do, you should go about it at once. The results will be more satisfactory to you as well as to the clerks who wait upon you. In this connection a few "dont's" will not be amiss for guidance of the shopper:

- Don't delay your holiday shopping any longer than you can possibly help.
- Don't put off shopping until afternoon when you can shop in the morning.
- Don't be impatient with the store employes.
- Don't jostle and push when by waiting patiently you can be as successful.
- Don't take your baby into the crowded stores lest in the crush it be injured.
- Don't expect the same attention from clerks two days before Christmas that you can get now.
- Don't expect to be waited upon at once, to the exclusion of other customers, and don't lose your temper.
- The young men and women who work in the department stores are obliged to stand on their feet from 7:30 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night, and it is not surprising that their tempers are often worn threadbare.

The Big Store in the Middle of the Block.

AUTOMOBILE ROAD IS NOT ABANDONED

ROAD WILL BE BUILT AROUND MILITARY RESERVATION INSTEAD OF GOING THROUGH AS FIRST PROPOSED.

A published statement concerning the proposed automobile beach road from Fort Stevens to Seaside, says that the road will have to be abandoned because Colonel White has informed the Astoria Chamber of Commerce that no route through the Military Reservation can be had because of building operations going on.

This is not as a matter of fact a correct statement concerning this important matter. Chairman F. A. Fisher on the Good Roads Committee of the Chamber of Commerce when seen about the matter yesterday afternoon stated that the road could be built just the same as originally planned. It was his idea and the idea of his committee if possible to build the road through Fort Stevens in order to accommodate the army officers who live there also, because the fort is a matter of great interest in this section and would have been one of the sights along this way. But now that the road can not be built through the reservation but will have to be built around the outside of it. There will be no particular inconvenience to anybody by the following out of this plan in the building of this road excepting to the officers of Fort Stevens who very much regret that the road can not be built so that they will be on the important highway leading to the outer world. Colonel White however has examined this matter carefully and at the present time does not see how the road can be built through the reservation but it may again be repeated that this does not preclude the beach road and the Clatsop County Court with Judge Trenchard presiding will as usual do all within their power to assist the Chamber of Commerce in carrying out this proposed good road and making it an assured reality for the coming summer.

SAD DROWNING.

James Edwards Lost From the Dredger W. S. Ladd Near Ft. Stevens.

James Edwards, engaged on the dredge W. S. Ladd as assistant engineer, lost his life yesterday by drowning. Just how the accident happened is not known, though it is thought that he fell overboard while engaged in his duties, aboard the boat. While the vessel was abreast of Fort Stevens, and the crew at lunch, Edwards went to tighten some nuts on the suction pipe on the port side and was not missed until he was needed at the pumps, of which he had charge, when he could not be found. A thorough search of the boat was made but no sign of him was evident, and the officers and crew sorrowfully concluded that he was lost, and, after drifting around on an unsuccessful search for the unfortunate man the boat headed for port. Edwards had been employed on the Ladd for over six years and was popular with the officers and members of the crew as well as in Astoria. He was a native of Scotland, aged 38 years, 20 years of which has been spent in this country.

A sad feature of the accident is that Mr. Edwards was to have been married, at Christmas time, to Miss Emma Wagner, who is now at her home in Drain, Oregon. He was a member in good standing of the Eagles, his membership being in the Dalles Aerie, and that organization will be notified of his sudden taking off. A reward of \$50 is offered, as advertised elsewhere in this issue, for the recovery of his body.

Up To New Year's Day

Since the sale seems to be so popular, Charles H. Heilborn & Company intend to keep their discount schedules going during December, in order to make it feasible for Christmas shoppers to get the benefit.

CONSUL TAKES CHARGE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Chozo Koike, the new Japanese consul general of San Francisco, yesterday took official charge of the office here which was simultaneously increased in rank from a consulate to a consulate general. Koike has recently been consul general of New York and was transferred here when it was decided to make this station a consulate general.

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