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OUR

**January Clean-up Sale**

And Save Money.

**JALOFF'S**

"The Style Store"

**537**  
Commercial Street

**A Very Funny Skit—**

Rarely have 12 clever people ever succeeded so completely in the rather easy task of amusing the Astoria public, as did Frank Damsel's "Are You Crazy?" troupe on Sunday night last at the Astoria Theatre. The skit has no particular depth to it, but it serves admirably as a vehicle for the cleanest lot of rollicking fun presented here for a long while. It is one continuous laugh while the curtain is up, and of jolly gossip about the show, when it is down. Everybody on the you side of the footlights seems possessed to make the most of part and line assigned them, and there were no failures noted here. The singing was excellently chosen and splendidly rendered and the dancing of Miss Frances Farr and Miss Florrie Allen (especially, the former) was of the highest order and was the star feature of the evening's work. The company made friends by the score and will be welcomed heartily when they shall "bill the town" again. Without specifying

any particular people it may be said the whole troupe is thoroughly equipped, and delivers the "money's worth," cent for cent and dollar for dollar.

**You Don't Need to Send to Portland.** C. H. Orkowitz, 137 Tenth street, can cover your umbrellas just as good as they can any place on the northwest coast.

**No Teachers' Meeting—** Superintendent Clark announces that owing to the holidays interfering with the grade meetings, there will be no teachers' meeting tomorrow afternoon.

**When the doctor is called he asks: "How are the bowels?"** They are generally wrong. His visit might have been saved by a timely dose of Lane's Family Medicine.

G. P. Brown, of San Francisco, arrived in Astoria yesterday.

**ROAD SUPERVISORS APPOINTED**

**COUNTY COURT MEETS AND TRANSACTS MUCH BUSINESS—COUNTY POOR TO REPORT TO THE COURT IN FEBRUARY.**

The county court met again yesterday and, as at the previous session, transacted considerable important business. The following road supervisors were appointed: J. J. McDermott, Astoria; C. E. Clinton, district, No. 1; A. W. Duncan, No. 2; James Irwin, No. 3; J. W. Johnson, No. 4; P. A. Larson, No. 5; Christ Winters, No. 6; Lester Lounsbury, No. 7; A. B. McMillan, No. 8; Cornelius Hunt, No. 9; Carl Haglund, No. 10; Dan McLean, No. 11; John Nelson, No. 12; Gus Granel, No. 13; Henry Hill, No. 14; James Jameson, No. 15; John Takola, No. 16; Peter Gullickson, No. 17; Aug. Jurbs, No. 18; and John W. Welch, city of Astoria.

It was ordered that the election precincts be as laid out by the county court at the last election.

In regard to the unpaid balance due road district No. 1, from T. Oman, it was ordered that the district proceed at once to collect the amount due, and report to the court as soon as possible.

The clerk was instructed to write to those receiving aid from the county, in provisions, or otherwise, that they make a showing to the court at the February term, that the court may determine whether such aid shall continue.

The clerk was also instructed to ascertain the cost of furnishing 300 road poll tax receipts and report to the court.

It was decided that bids be received for publishing the county court proceedings. The court will meet again today.

**Is Recovering—**

Clarence Tyler, who has been suffering from an attack of la grippe, for the past week, has so far recovered to be able to be out on the streets.

**Would you give twenty-five cents to stop your cough? Then get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam and you will have enough for the whole family. It costs druggists 25c.**

B. L. Braddock, of Fort Stevens, was in Astoria yesterday.

**COMMERCIAL BODY MEETS.**

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Higgins had declined the nomination that was cordially tendered him at the instance of Mr. Dunbar.

This completed the elective work of the hour, and ex-President Welch appointed Messrs. John Gratke and A. N. Smith a committee of honor to escort the new president to the chair, where he was greeted most kindly by the retiring chief and inducted to the office with many friendly expressions of good will.

President Scholfield, in a brief, sensible and manly speech thanked the Chamber for the honor done him and pledged his faith and earnest desire to accomplish all that was expected of him. His address was most happily received, and at its conclusion, adjournment was taken.

Immediately upon the falling of the gavel ex-President Welch invited the whole house to join him in an impromptu banquet he had devised for the occasion, in an adjoining room, and his summons was one of the things to which perfect unanimity was accorded; and for another hour the host and his friends indulged in coffee and sandwiches to their hearts' content. Speeches were made of the happiest and wittiest sort, and many good things were said on all sides, all having to do with the past and future work of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce; and chief of those pleasant intimations, was that made by Mr. Welch, when he frankly committed himself to the personal donation of a suitable site for the proposed Carnegie library for Astoria, the very gift, and sole requisite, needed to complete the negotiations now on foot for that prime advantage.

Taken all in all, there has not been a better nor livelier session of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce in long months and the impression is warranted that there is a broader and deeper spirit of progress in the membership than has been known in years. It was a prime success from all viewpoints. And the Astorian only regrets that pressure for space forbids an ampler exposition of all that was said and done at the first annual session of 1908.

Annual report of James W. Welch, president of the Chamber of Commerce, for the year 1907.

To the Members of the Chamber of Commerce of Astoria, Oregon.

Gentlemen:—The seventh year of this century and the thirty-fifth year of the existence of this Chamber of Commerce has in my opinion been a very notable one, and you may well feel proud of the work that has been accomplished by this organization in advancing the interests of Astoria, Clatsop county, the State of Oregon and the whole Columbia Basin during the year 1907.

I shall attempt no long report as our efficient officers, the secretary and treasurer, will show in detail the financial condition of the Chamber to be sound and no waste of money has been permitted. We have had liberal contributions of funds by a few of our most liberal minded and progressive citizens, which have been used under the supervision of your promotion committee who have succeeded in placing this historical spot on the map to stay.

**Membership.**

Our membership should include every person in our district, but also many of our citizens are slow to appreciate the good and benefit of a Chamber of Commerce to the community. Our membership consists of one hundred and sixty-seven progressive citizens, a gain of twenty in the last year. The number should be five hundred contributing one dollar per month for their own benefit, and I recommend that the committee on membership make an earnest canvass of the district with that end in view.

**Advertising.**

While there has been much done in the past nine months and the results have been phenomenal, having received over seven thousand letters in the last five months, and while we are receiving an average of fifty letters of inquiry per day all of which are promptly answered giving complete and correct information in relation to Astoria and its possibilities, there have been ninety million publications in different papers and magazines and we have also published and distributed about fifty thousand pamphlets. In my judgment this work should be continued. Please note the names of the liberal and enterprising persons who by their contributions have made this work possible:

Those who contributed \$25—Astoria Electric Co., Astoria National Bank, Fisher Bros. Co., North Pacific Brewing Co., Ross-Higgins & Co., Herman Wise, C. S. Brown, Astoria Title & Trust Co., City Lumber Co., G. C. Flavel, Peninsular L. & T. Co., Weinhard Brewery, Hammond Lumber Co.

Those who contributed \$20—George Warren.

Those who contributed \$15—Geo. W. Sanborn, M. S. Copeland, Astoria Iron Works, F. L. Parker.

Those who contributed \$10—S. D. Adair, Carlson Bros., Columbia Trust Co., A. Dunbar Co., Foard & Stokes Co., P. A. Stokes, Van Dusen Investment Co., G. C. Brownville W. M. Store, Callender Navigation Co., Aug. Danielson, Danziger & Co., Prael-Eigner & Co., Sherman Transfer Co., Kendall Can Co., Jas. W. Welch.

Those who contributed \$5—A. V. Allen, Astoria Crushed Rock Co., Theo. Braeker, Central Drug Co., A. R. Cyrus, Jas. Finlayson, J. A. Fulton, Edwin Hobson, Hop Gold Saloon, T. F. Laurin, W. O. Logan, Victor Miller, V. Boelling, Mrs. H. F. Prael, A. S. Scherneckau, Norris Staples, B. L. Ward, Erick Hauke, Allen Wall Paper Co., T. L. Ball, G. W.

**Patronize HOME Industry**  
and buy a box of choice  
**Clatsop County Apples**  
We have Fifty Boxes, selling from  
**75c. to \$1.25 the box**  
Good Cooking Butter 50c the Roll.

**Acme Grocery Co.**  
The Up-to-Date Grocers.

521 COMMERCIAL ST. PHONE 68.

Carnahan, John Chitwood, A. A. Finch, Mrs. G. C. Fulton, Heilborn & Co., H. Roeller, Imperial Restaurant, R. M. Leathers, Wm. Madison, Isaac Bergman, W. V. Palmberg, Scholfield Mattson & Co., J. H. and A. M. Smith, Dr. Jay Tuttle, F. L. Warren, C. R. Higgins.

Those who contributed \$2.50—Chicago Dental Co., Townsend Creamery Co., Gus Schoenbaechler, J. W. Babbidge, Dr. H. L. Henderson, W. C. A. Pohl, A. J. Taylor, C. V. Brown, J. A. Eakin, Hildebrand, Mrs. J. E. Gratke, \$1.00. Clatsop county for year, \$1000.

**Exhibits.**

We made a partial exhibit of the products of our county at the State Fair which attracted much attention, and favorable comment. I would recommend that this be continued with a full and complete exhibit of everything grown or manufactured in our county.

**Astoria Harbor Improvement.**

The Chamber should insist on the government establishing an improvement and harbor district of our own. This important subject should always be kept in mind, as it is the only way that we can safely guard all interest for the betterment of commerce both local and interior.

**Harbor Lines.**

The matter of curvatures have been discussed to some extent. This is an important matter and should be settled for all time at the very earliest date possible.

**Upper Harbor.**

Is in fair shape and seems to be equal to the commerce of that part of our city, but I think we should ask the government for an appropriation sufficient to remove what is known as the Gilman and Silva de Grasse ledges so as to accommodate a larger class of ships.

**Lower Harbor.**

Has been shoaling for some years caused by the dumping of debris by the Ladd in the middle of the channel. We also called the attention of Major S. W. Roe-sler to this shoaling and he kindly replied by saying that he would have the Ladd dredge at this point, which has been partly done, but needs much more work to place it in its old condition.

**Bar.**

I am pleased to report that the conditions on the bar are improving every year, and we believe with the completion of the jetty and the aid of a good modern dredge that sufficient depth of water will be obtained to accommodate and admit any ship that floats to the only fresh water harbor within 15 miles of the ocean in the United States. This should attract commerce.

**Roads.**

This chamber at all times should keep in mind that no city of any importance can or will exist without good roads into the country and should encourage the county in the building and maintenance of roads and I suggest that you keep a watchful eye on them. In my judgment nothing will advertise your county as much as a road from Portland to Seaside by the way of Clatsop beach.

**Public Buildings.**

We can point with pride to our new court house and city hall. They are equal to any in the state.

**Mills and Factories.**

This should be made the greatest lumber manufacturing center of the Columbia river. We have more timber in our county and adjacent to Astoria than any city on the coast. We have quite a number of mills with capacity of about 1,000,000 feet per day but there is room for more and I would recommend liberal encouragement to all mill men and factories.

**Fishing Industry.**

The salmon industry should be fostered by adequate laws to stop the destruction of all fish that enter our waters. This industry is worth about \$3,000,000 per year to our city and state. I urge early action on the part of the Chamber as soon as possible.

**Common Point.**

Astoria as a commercial city is entitled to a common point on wheat and other produce with Seattle and Tacoma. The Columbia River is the natural outlet for the commerce of the Columbia Basin. The distance from the wheat center, Pendleton, to Tacoma is about 330 miles; to Seattle about 351, in both instances over mountains and heavy grades; to Astoria about 314 miles on a water level and practically no grades, where you can haul three times as many cars with one engine as you can to Seattle or Tacoma. Freight from Pendleton to Seattle or Tacoma is about \$3.50 per ton; to Astoria about \$4.60 per ton. Astoria should have the same rate as Seattle or Tacoma which I am of the opinion she will get on the completion of the North Bank road when we

become the actual terminus of a trans-continental road. While Astoria is only 15 miles from the sea, Seattle is 150 and Tacoma 180, and with everything in our favor as to grades and distance, I fail to see why Astoria should not become the one great seaport of a territory that can and will in the near future support a population of thirty million.

**Seawall.**

I still retain the idea that Astoria can never be a place either sightly or beautiful until she has built a retaining wall and filled in her mud flats, thereby giving confidence to would-be citizens. There is nothing in the way of the consummation of this great improvement but the lack of energy and progressiveness on our own part.

**Railroads.**

Our railroads are in good condition and well managed. The North Bank or Hill road will be finished by the first of August, the Lytle Road be under actual construction, and preliminary work begun on the Ried road. I would suggest that all roads be liberally treated and encouraged as we need them in our business.

**Pilot Service.**

There is a well equipped pilot service on the Columbia River bar with 10 of the most widely experienced men on the coast as Pilots in charge who give quick dispatch and no disasters or delays are caused except by conditions of the bar and elements.

**Quarantine Station.**

Is in good and efficient service as far as it goes and is carefully managed, but the buildings and grounds are not equal to the growth of our commerce. This organization should make a careful investigation of this important adjunct to commerce and health and push the request we have already made through our delegates in Congress for an appropriation.

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**NEW TO-DAY**

**New Grocery Store.**

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables. Badollet & Co., grocers. Phone Main 1281.

**The Commercial.**

The Commercial, Commercial street, near Eleventh, as everyone knows, is one of the most popular resorts in Astoria. Drop in at any time and see the class of people who patronize this popular place and you will be satisfied that in entertaining a gentleman friend, you have found the right place. A pleasant game of billiards, a little refreshment, and a quiet talk helps to pass a pleasant evening.

**Now at City Hall—**

City Attorney Charles Abercrombie has removed from his old quarters at 591 to be found at his office on the second floor of the City Hall. 11-30-tf.

Columbia and Victor graphophones and latest records at 424 Commercial street. A. R. Cyrus. tf.

Oliver typewriters and automatic stenographers at A. R. Cyrus, 434 Commercial street. tf.

**Palace Restaurant.**

A successful year has just closed for the Palace Restaurant and a new year opens. This year will, no doubt, be as successful for this popular restaurant as the past if not more so. The manner of treating the guests pursued there cannot but tend to hold the trade and bring those who have never heard of the Palace.

**JUST RECEIVED**

a fresh shipment of

**Lowney's Candies**

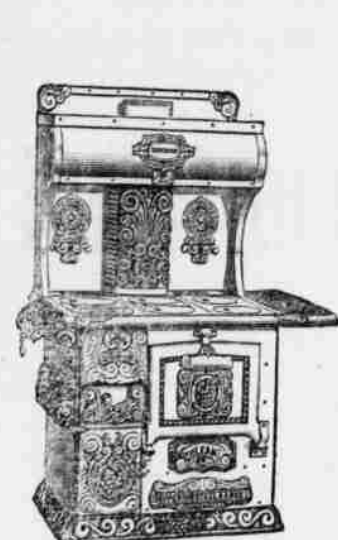
Pound Boxes 50c and up. Boxes 15c to \$2.50

**Tagg's Parlors**

483 Commercial St.

**33rd Annual Clearance Sale**

Twenty per Cent. Discount on Each and Every Article in Our Stock.



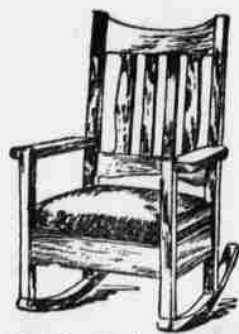
Special sale of Steel Ranges. This range is all blue steel body, drop door feed, full nickel trimmed and asbestos lined. **Special \$25**



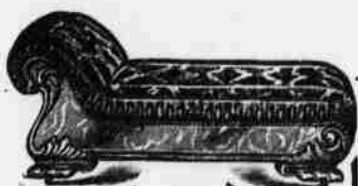
We are overstocked on Heating stoves and as special inducement we are offering 25 per cent discount on all of our heating stoves.



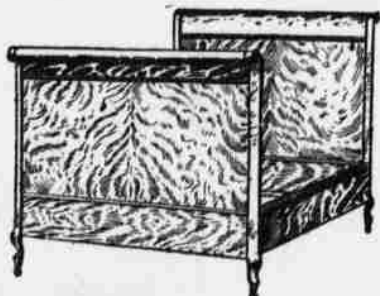
Our endless stock of Rugs in all sizes and qualities are now offered at reduced prices.



Straight Chairs and Rockers. Our full line of delayed holiday stock is now on display at the usual 20 per cent discount.



A full line of Couches, upholstered in leathers and velour are now on display at sacrifices.



Napoleon Beds in oak, mahogany and birdseye maple. Prices range from

**\$17.50 to \$75.**

Thirty-three Years in Astoria



Established in 1875.