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WATERFRONT NOTES YESTERDAY

ALESIA ARRIVES AND NICOMEDIA DEPARTS—ELDER ENTERS PORT 24 HOURS BEHIND TIME—WESTERNER CLEARS FOR THE BAY CITY—ODDS AND ENDS.

The fine Portland-Asiatic liner Alesia arrived in from China and Japan early yesterday morning and met her sister-ship, the Nicomedia, in the channel off the O. R. & N. pier, bound outward. Captain Ernst, of the Alesia reports a fairly quick passage over, with no untoward event to mark it. He was overheard to express himself, however, in no unmeasured terms, of the last cargo he took out of this port. It happened to be 190 tons of rich and redolent fertilizer, and from the captain's remarks yesterday, the farther he went to sea with it, the stronger it smelled, until it nearly drove him into the "sick bay", and he declared he never was so glad to see port in his career at sea as when he reached the destination of that small, but strong, segment of his great cargo, and he has been storm-driven pretty severely in his time.

The plucky little "Pup," the Della, will leave out for Nestucca today with a full miscellaneous cargo; and it is the intention of Captain Jones, to be in readiness to leave there for Astoria one week from today and come up the coast with the great flying squadrons of Uncle Sam. He expects to convoy the fleet as far as the Columbia bar, and having a good time in the doing of it.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder arrived in port from the California coast at 7 o'clock last evening, just 24 hours behind her schedule, owing to heavy head-winds all the way up the coast from Port Los Angeles. She went on to Portland after a short stay at the Callender pier.

The O. R. & N. people will open up the new schedule and run to Megler, their new port on the north-shore opposite this city, on the first day of June, when the Nahcotta and the Potter will do the Portland and Astoria stunts to that point.

The fine steamer Hassalo of the O. R. & N. service will come back to the Portland-Astoria run on the first of June, her repairs being completed at that time.

The French bark Edouard De Taille came down the river yesterday and will leave out for Europe on the first-tow line that offers, probably today.

The Westerner cleared for San Francisco from this port yesterday, with 600,000 feet of choice Oregon lumber.

The P.-A. steamship Nicomedia went over the Columbia bar at an early hour yesterday morning, bound for Hong Kong and Shanghai.

The German bark Urania was among the getaways from this port yesterday for Europe.

DONE BY DEED

Special power of attorney from the heirs of Fritz Englehardt to Imperial German Consul, at Portland.

George Ling et ux and et als to O. S. Brinswanger lots and blocks, Morrison Park; \$600.

Marie Drilling et ux to Ole Paulson land in S. H. Smith, D. L. C.; \$185.

W. H. Moore and wife and D. B. Howard to Delaura Beach Co, 278 acres, etc, in Clatsop county; \$1.

MUSICAL FORCES OF OLD ASTORIA

GRAND MUSICAL FESTIVAL, UNDER AUSPICES OF PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY TO BE GIVEN ON THURSDAY, JUNE 18, AT ASTORIA OPERA HOUSE

The Astoria Philharmonic Society was in session again last evening, with Dr. Emil Enna in the conductor's stand, and his baton carried the forty clever singers through the intricate and beautiful numbers that are to feature the splendid affair that is to be pulled off in this city on the 18th of next month. This is nothing less than a grand musical festival, for which the Astoria Opera House has been engaged and will be one of the real events of the year 1908; because in its pabulum of delightful offerings the musical culture of Astoria is to figure as it has never yet figured and to very pronounced advantage.

The affair will include among its great attractions the exquisite contralto voice of Mrs. Walter Reed, the famous vocalist of the metropolis, and J. Claire Montiech, the great Oregon baritone, together with a fine orchestra and the local chorus of forty people; the whole constituting the finest presentation of its kind in this city for many a long year, saving the big Sangerfest of last season.

The program of the evening will contain among other charming numbers, a new setting of Tennyson's "Sweet and Low," by Dr. Enna, to be heard for the first time in public, and admittedly the very best of this accomplished master's productions. Denza's "Garden of Flowers" with chorus and soloists, is also billed for the occasion, as is Grieg's "At the Cloister Gate"; all under the finished leadership of Dr. Enna, which is of itself assurance in full of the scope and perfection of the engagement.

Astoria is justifiably proud of the real advance made by her musical coterie under the impetus of the Philharmonic organization and the devoted leadership that has made it possible, and Astoria will demonstrate its appreciation and pleasure at this coming climax of study and effort.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Charles H. Abercrombie will go to Salem on this morning's train and while in Portland will pay his respects to Adjutant-General Finzer to whom was sent the names of Astorians who wish to form a company of the Oregon National Guard.

Mrs. Gertrude Osburne, of La Grande, is in the city, the guest of her friend, Mrs. A. A. Douglas.

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PROGRAMME FOR "BATTLESHIP DAY"

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 11, 08. THE PRESIDENT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: ASTORIA, ORE. BY DIRECTION OF THE NAVY DEPARTMENT YOU ARE INFORMED THAT THE ATLANTIC FLEET IS TO ARRIVE NEAR THE LIGHTSHIP, MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER AT NOON, MAY 20TH. (Signed), "SPERRY."

The foregoing was the first and best news of the day yesterday, and was posted instantly at the Astorian offices on its being made public by President Scholfield, of the Chamber of Commerce; and the next item of public interest was the announcement that Mayor Herman Wise would publish the following:

PROCLAMATION.

To the Public: Admiral Sperry wires that he will bring the Atlantic fleet close by the mouth of the Columbia river at noon on Wednesday, May 20. There being a general desire on the part of the public to view the splendid marine spectacle, the like of which the people living along the Pacific Coast may not soon again have the opportunity to witness, I most respectfully and earnestly request that all business houses suspend business on that day so far as the same may be practicable. Given under my hand this 12th day of May, 1908. HERMAN WISE, Mayor of the City of Astoria.

FREIGHT RATES

Moderate Advance in Rates Would be Beneficial

SUGGEST JOINT CONFERENCE

The Committee Decided That the Proposal to Advance Freight Rates Had Not Yet Been Placed in Tangible Shape for Formal Consideration.

NEW YORK, May 12—Committees of the Merchants Association and of the Board of Trade and Transportation held meetings yesterday to consider the proposed freight rate increases in the trunk line territory which it is expected said have been practically agreed to and are effective October 1. The management of the produce exchange also has under advisement the attitude which that association will assume toward the movement. In neither case, however, has any definite decision been reached.

The executive of the merchants' associations had before it the invitation to a joint conference on the matter issued last week by the Illinois Manufacturers' Association and a special meeting of the Board of Managers has been called for tomorrow to consider the subject.

The committee on railroad transportation of the Board of Trade and Transportation decided that the proposal to advance freight rates had not yet been placed in sufficiently tangible shape for formal consideration and yet another meeting will be held on May 22 by which time the committee thought more specific information might be had as to what railroad propose in the way of freight rate increases.

While in neither case was a vote taken, it seems probable that the board of trade's committee is opposed to any increase which the executive committee of the Merchants Association inclined to regard the question as an open one. It is known that some individual members of the association regard the proposed increases as reasonable. May business men, it is said, in well

These interesting declarations have cleared the air of all doubt as to the coming of the fleet and the time of its arrival in these waters, and goes a long way to ensure a genuine holiday for the people of the city and county.

It will be one of those days that rarely come into the communal life and may be classed with the "red-letter" days all refer to when they recall some potent and charming incident and its time. And in this spirit the general impulse throughout the business world of Astoria is to close on the 20th of May and send everyone who desires to go to the coast to see that which they may not look on again for many a long year. The banks, the schools, factories, every institution that may close without detriment to the public service is billed to shut its doors for the day; and in such an event there will be a mighty and jolly exodus to the waterfront of the old Pacific.

The Roanoke will take her hundreds out over the bar for the closer view of the great squadrons; the lesser craft of the bay and river will foregather at their docks in the morning and carry other hundreds to many points of advantage along the lower margins of the bay; the railway trains will take still other hundreds to the resort points along the southern line and by 10 o'clock on "BattleShip Day" there will be a tremendous host out to see all that may be seen with comfort and success. And that they will be compensated amply goes without saying for they will see the ships on their own immense field in full sailing order and trim, the most realistic picture obtainable, of such a scene.

informed quarters are impressed with the claim of the railroads that the business of the country at large would be greatly improved by a moderate advance in freight rates, which would add materially to the purchasing power of the railroads and enable them to order freely all classes of supplies, which they are buying now only in hand to mouth fashion. The railroads, it is estimated, purchase at least half of the iron and steel output of the country and more than half of the rough lumber.

STRIKE NOT DECIDED UPON.

Both Sides Claim to Be in the Right Conference to be Held today.

CHICAGO, May 12.—The fight of the employees of the North and West side street car lines whose dismissals were demanded on a threat of a strike by the members of the division union number 421 held a secret meeting yesterday. It said steps were taken to secure legal assistance looking toward an injunction forbidding the company from discharging them.

It was reported that the grand jury will be asked to investigate the case with the object of securing the indictment of the officers of the union on a charge of conspiracy.

Union men, however, believe they already won the fight and that within a short time the matter will be amicably settled. They think that within a short time the company will either compel the 19 men to rejoin the union and pay their back dues, or that it will discharge them.

A committee was chosen which will call upon President John M. Roach of the Chicago Railways Company and inform him of the result of the recent strike vote. Unless satisfactory arrangements are made his reply will be reported to the union after which a strike may be called. Union official say they will not recede from their demands be discharged or else forced back into the organization.

MEXICO CITY, May 12.—The war department last night announced that it has no information relative to the reports from Sonora of the surrender of Yaquis and inclined to minimize the importance of any action taken by the local military authorities. The Yaquis are regarded as outlaws and any prisoners taken will be treated judicially according to the depredations in which they have participated. Troops will be kept in the Yaquis country and the deportation policy of the government will be continued.

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SERIOUS FIRE IN TONOPAH.

TONOPAH, Nev., May 12.—Fire which completely laid in ruins the Palace Hotel block in Tonopah started in the hotel at 10:30 a. m. and at 1 o'clock this morning, a damage of \$150,000 is entailed. The fire is under control after a valiant fight of the entire fire department and what threatened to wipe out the entire business section of the city was averted only by the most heroic efforts of the firemen and the wide streets of the city which prevented the flames leaping a gap. A fortunate shifting of the wind at an opportune moment also contributed to sparing Tonopah a more serious conflagration. There was no insurance as the burned block was of such an inflammable nature the insurance companies would not take the risks. The origin of the fire is unknown and individual losses cannot be estimated this early.

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The Commercial.

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The Clean Man.

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NEW TO-DAY

The Palace Restaurant

The ever-increasing popularity of the Palace Restaurant is evidence of the good management, and the service, at this popular dining room. For a long time the reputation of the house has been of the best and it does not wane as time progresses. The system used, that of furnishing the finest the market affords, and all can be obtained, in season, is a plan that will always win, coupled as it is with the best of cooking and prompt service. A common saying nowadays is "Get the Palace habit."