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THE WEATHER

Western Oregon and Washington—Cloudy with probably showers.

FIXTURE ON THE MAP.

There are those in Oregon, and in her metropolis, who would erase the little old city of Astoria from the map of the State and the Northwest if it were possible; but as the days go by and the questioning end of humanity keep up its interested inquiries about this country, it is becoming more and more manifest that we are still on the map, indelibly, in black-face type and settling into our place with firmer poise and sharper grip, all the time. Even Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, U. S. N., admits this in his elaborate article on prospective wars in the Pacific in the June Cosmopolitan. We are not so hard to find as some people think; and we are cultivating our quiet conspicuousness steadily, and propose to accentuate it whenever the chance is given us.

We realize the tremendous leverage employed by the Hill and Harriman systems in this relation; we discount nothing that contributes to our negation and we have long since learned the traditional policy of barrier and denial fostered at Portland in placation of her ever-present dread of Astoria's commercial rise; we have ceased to blame her for the nursing of this doctrine of antagonism, and are seeking other avenues of adjustment that are more to our liking and fuller of promise.

We are going to work with Portland for the actual development of the Columbia, bar, river, valley and tributaries, believing that in the course of that program Astoria will find her exact and justified prominence and play in the new commercial line-up; that is, provided always, we are given a free hand in our own sphere, and that the metropolis does not permit her abnormal and cherished fright of our success, to array her against us even in so broad an engagement as this.

There is a program under formulation at present here that contains the germ of real success for Astoria, and which may prove the entering wedge of her steady advancement, if only her own people will lay aside their selfish and conflicting policies and unite for the common good JUST ONCE, and long enough to give the proper impulse to the venture. We are not at liberty to declare the nature of the enterprise as yet, but it will unfold at no late day and recommend itself peremptorily.

THE SPRING RAINS.

The spring rains are upon us. We Astorians do not exert ourselves, unduly, to differentiate between the winter rainfall and the deluges of spring; indeed, we have been twitted, frequently, with our utter incapacity to draw any parallels marking the changes in the seasons or hiatuses in their coming and going; but these reproaches are, for the most part, emitted by people from over the State who are jealous of our complete and regular climatic regimen.

There is always a difference in the downpours of winter and spring, here, even if it does take years of residence and close study to catch on to the essential variations; they are delicate, hard to ascertain, by the stranger mind, and it is given to us oldsters only to discern, and comment intelligently, upon the fluctuations.

We glory in our rains down here; we revel in the records they make each year and we publish them with fulness and candor, never stooping to the vain tricks employed by other towns to mimic their deluges by volume and duration. We are in Oregon, we are, and on the Oregon coast at that, where the rains are as honest as we are and will not stand for stultification of any sort; and we are not

getting so much rain as some other Columbia ports well inland, either, but we are getting our customary and appreciated allowance.

We know the present copious showers are spring rains because they are falling in the spring month of May; and we had a solid week of exquisite sunshine about a month ago that came as the regular interlude between the two seasons in question; and the warmer temperature now prevalent signifies their character; while the final, and triumphant, proof that they are spring rains will come when they cease, altogether, to make way for the perfect summer days that will surely follow them; the summer follows the springs as surely as Portland doctors her weather report for the year, and we know when the summer arrives at Astoria, by the incarnate glory of it, ideal, perfect, charming the oldest inhabitant of Clatsop now just as it did in the olden days when it first lured him here, and still luring other thousands for its brief recurring seasons. Yes, we have our share of old Oregon's precipitation, but we are not attempting to qualify it any; we can't!

ROESSLER THE MAN.

In response to the resolution of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce asking for the retention of Col. S. W. Roessler, at the head of the jetty work at the mouth of Columbia River, the department officials at Washington, as usual, attempt to placate the situation by assuring us that if this able and conscientious officer is not permitted to remain on the work, his place will be filled by an officer and expert quite as satisfactory, etc., etc.; but, while we can readily understand that the Government has plenty of use for the exceptional service Colonel Roessler is certain to give it, at other points of enterprise and development, the completion of this great public improvement is made doubly imperative by the nearness of that climax, and his mastery of the situation is among the best guaranties of its consummation; a conclusion that may be made ever so remote if another, and less competent officer is sent there. We have all recognized Colonel Roessler as the one essential man in this crisis, and have hoped he would not be interfered with until he had accomplished the huge task and given the people of the great Columbia Valley the assurance and practical benefit that inures to them on the closing up of the work on the jetties. He has made splendid progress, markedly in advance of what has been done by any other officer in late years, and he should be let alone until he has wrought the thing, of all others, most imperative to the commerce of this great territory of the Northwest.

THE PEOPLE DESIRE IT.

Editorial Reproduced From Yesterday's Oregonian Upon Very General Request.

That the instance of very many of its readers the Morning Astorian gladly reproduces, in full, the editorial published in the Portland Oregonian of yesterday, covering its deductions from the ruling made by Hon. Thomas A. McBride, of the Fifth Judicial District, of Oregon, in the matter of the quashing of the peremptory writ of mandamus recently issued by that jurist in the local option cases arising in this city. The editorial read as follows:

"Opens the Way to Fraud.

"In a decision in Clatsop county, Circuit Judge T. A. McBride has held, so the news dispatches inform us, that signers of a local option petition may withdraw their names after a petition has been filed and thus the petition be made insufficient because of the lack of the required number of names.

"It must be apparent to every one that law of this kind not only permits but invites deception and fraud. A brief illustration will show the effect of such a ruling. Let it be supposed that in a certain county or district 1000 signatures are necessary on a petition for the submission of the liquor question. Under the law as declared by Judge McBride, any number of enemies of the movement may sign the petition, aiding in making up the required number. Then when the friends of the movement, finding that they have signatures enough, and to spare, file the petition in the County Court, those who have signed it with fraudulent intent may have their names stricken off and thus may render the petition null and void.

"The injustice and viciousness of such a proceeding are readily apparent. When men sign a petition, whether for a vote upon the liquor question or for any other purpose, there is an implied agreement that each who has written his name upon the document has in good faith asked that the objection expressed therein

be attained. Each signer has a right to the aid of every other signature legally placed thereon. To permit a petitioner to withdraw his name, after a petition has been filed and after it has become too late to add new signatures, is like permitting a member of the Legislature to change his vote on a bill after it has been passed by the Legislature and the Legislature has adjourned.

"Every man who signs a petition or any other document must be presumed to know what he is signing and to intend the legal effect of his act. If he is to be permitted to withdraw his name at all, that withdrawal should take place before the time has expired for the adding of new names. The forms of legal procedure are made snares and pitfalls when one may use them for fraudulent purposes and with the approval of law. The methods of the liquor element have always been those of deception and trickery. By such methods they have brought themselves into disrepute. Though they may have gained for themselves a temporary advantage from time to time, they have been making more certain the ultimate abolition of their business. When the day shall come upon which the last of their doors has been closed, they may turn to useful and honorable occupations with the knowledge that neither preacher nor reformer wrought their downfall, but that their own vicious conduct forced upon a long-suffering people the extreme remedy of prohibiting that which will not submit to regulation."

DANGER IN DELAY.

Kidney Diseases Are Too Dangerous for Astoria People to Neglect.

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PRACTICAL POINTS

ON BANKING NO. 4.

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BEACHAM MURDERER.

Will be Turned Over to Civil Authorities by Military Authorities.

MANILA, May 15.—The military authorities will surrender Beacham, the Stoenberg murderer, to the civil authorities, who will put him on trial for the murders. It is claimed that Beacham is insane but inquiry shows that the crime was premeditated and carefully planned. The prisoner showed no remorse until he heard the regimental band playing the funeral march at Private Clark's funeral, when he broke down and wept.

DELICIOUS BANANA CREAM

This recipe is highly recommended by one of our correspondents; try it for desert tomorrow.

Peel five bananas, rub smooth with five teaspoonfuls of sugar. Add one teacup sweet cream beaten to a stiff froth, then add one 10c. package of Lemon JELL-O dissolved in 1* teacups boiling water. Pour into mold and when cold garnish with candied cherries. Serve with whipped cream, or any good pudding sauce. JELL-O is sold by all Grocers at 10c. per package.

CONFESSES MURDER.

SALT LAKE, May 15.—A special to the Herald from Kanab, Kane county, says Alvin F. Heaton, Jr., a school boy, has confessed that he murdered Mary Stevens of Orderville on April 20. According to the confession Heaton lured the girl to a lonely spot in a ravine about two miles from Orderville where he fired four shots into her back and then covered the body with earth and stone. Although but 19 years old the girl was very large, weighing 200 pounds. Heaton had been attentive to the girl but desired to be rid of her.

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