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THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington, and Idaho—Showers and cooler.

OREGON LIVESTOCK.

To have a state fair without a livestock department would be like a circus without horses and bareback riders or clowns. The Oregon State Fair, which will be held at Salem on September 14-19, next, will be a record-breaker in the matter of livestock exhibits if one may judge from the letters of inquiry for space, which the secretary, Frank A. Welch, is receiving daily at present. The usual large herds of former exhibitors will be on grounds and there will be new breeders numbered among those seeking honor and the ribbons. Harry West, the Jersey breeder at Scappoose, Columbia county, is going to be out in full force with his string of heavy cream producers, of which ten have lately been purchased by him in Indiana, the cost price being \$4000. They are of rich blood, and Mr. West will give all other Jerseymen a lively rub for the premiums. W. C. Morrow and A. F. Domes, of the Willamette valley, will be numbered among the Jersey breeders who will be showing their cattle for the first time at the state fair; and there are others, too. D. H. Looney, of Jefferson, is among the entries with his splendid Jerseys and Guernseys. The Kinsons, of Newberg, have made a requisition for space for their Jerseys, which were not at the fair of 1907 owing to others matters which prevented them making a display. The Holstein breeders will be right up in front, also, for P. A. Frakes, of Columbia county, and John L. Smith, of near Spokane, Washington, are coming with their black and white animals who fill the milk pails to overflowing.

BROAD CHARTER WORK.

The centralization of the charter work here within the radius of the Common Council, by way of membership, employment of counsel, and the naming of the seaway commission, is taken to be so much a stretch of councilmanic authority by a good many of our citizens, as to lend sharp emphasis to the Portland plan; that of appointing the mayor and two councilmen, to select five citizens each, to make up the final commission on charter provision.

The "inner circle" theory of public and organic work is worn threadbare these days, and the people are demanding broader systems and are going to have them. The tendency of all new municipal law, and in fact, of all law, is wider, freer, and lets the public in on the propositions nearest to its interest, and this principle is very pronounced in Oregon.

This without reproach in the present instance, and merely to apprise those who are not wise to the situation that there is such a feeling and such comment, and that it is likely to crystallize into independent charter action before the Ides of December. In fact there is strong talk of radical action among the taxpayers of a movement to force their own policies to the front this winter and check the alleged tendency toward extraordinary public expenditures until the community has, in part, overtaken its pending obligations.

With a new council of thirteen members in the new regime, it is felt that the chances for redeeming the city from more than she can stand in the way of burdensome engagements is not made any brighter; that the new organism will be unwieldy, less mindful of the economy essential, and rather unpromising of reform and retrenchment, owing to the desire of

the new members to do something distinctive for their constituencies, and of the old members not to lose any of their prestige along that line. The situation is taking on its grave qualities day by day, and it will surprise no one to hear of some plain, practical perhaps retroactive, amendments, being filed for submission to the people at the Astoria poles in December.

MR. BENSON'S ILLNESS.

The grave illness of Secretary of State Frank W. Benson is a matter of deep concern to the people at large as well as to the host of personal friends interested, and the hope is abroad that he may yet master the ailments against which he has contended for so long, and fill out, not only his term of office, but that larger and fuller term of life the ratio of averages permits to men of his age. He has the warm sympathy of many friends in this end of old Oregon, and if good wishes count in the scheme of effective, yet indirect, forces, he is certain to get well, with, or without, the threatened operation.

THE POLICE COMMISSION.

The resignation of T. F. Laurin as a member of the Astoria Police Commission, having been filed with, and accepted by, the Common Council, the matter becomes significant in view of the mooted abrogation of the commission at the hands of the voters at the December polls.

It will be a matter of rejoicing when the useless and obstructive department is ousted. It has always been more of an impediment than a utility and under the conflicting ordinances in force, will ever be a nuisance, if not a menace. It has always figured as a "fifth-wheel" and can safely and rationally be dispensed with, if only to leave the administration of this important element of civic government free and effective. With all due respect to the gentlemen at interest, the man resigning and the man succeeding, we hope the council will ignore the vacancy and thus put itself on record for the benefit of the voting public before whom the subject of its final ouster will soon come for settlement.

Minnesota announces that it could use 700 more harvest hands at good wages. This is a year of big crops and the job of saving them all is a matter of general interest.

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Trend Toward Unrighteousness In Our Politics.

By CARDINAL GIBBONS.

I WISH to say a few words upon political conditions in our country. I am much disturbed over these conditions. There seems to be a GRADUAL TREND IN SOME RESPECTS TOWARD UNRIGHT-EOUSNESS IN THE GREAT MASS OF OUR PEOPLE, and thinking men must realize that the problem must be met without delay.

POLITICIANS MUST BE PURGED. THERE IS NO POLITICS WITHOUT MORALITY, THERE IS NO MORALITY WITHOUT RELIGION, AND WITHOUT RELIGION THERE IS NO GOD.

In politics today men will sell their votes for \$1.50. Corrupt political bosses in many states and cities lead men to vote either way they choose. Men are nominated and elected who are unfit. **THINKING BECOMES SUBSERVIENT TO OBEYING THE ORDERS OF THE BOSS.**

Still, my confidence in the people is not shaken, and, whoever is elected to office, I do not fear for my country's welfare.

BUT THE DUTY THAT CONFRONTS EITHER MR. TAFT OR MR. BRYAN, AND BOTH ARE VERY ESTIMABLE GENTLEMEN, IS PLAIN. IT IS THAT THEY SHOULD LEAD PUBLIC SENTIMENT INTO THE CHANNEL OF A HIGHER AND BETTER PUBLIC MORALITY.

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ALL KINDS OF GIRLS.

Opera Season Gives The Chorus Beauties A Field Day.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Chorus singers had a field day yesterday in the Manhattan Opera House and for five hours tall, short, brunette, and blonde girls sang to prove their ability to become members of the grand opera chorus. An accompan-

ist sat at a piano and Oscar Hammerstein sat at his desk and between these two the voices were tried, one after another and at length.

But that was not all, for the impresario had decided to find out why those who failed were lacking in voice and to this end Dr. Frank E. Miller a specialist on the throat, was there. He sat in a darkened room fortified by a light, a reflector and numerous instruments and the unsuccessful applicants filed in before him and his reflector. He examined throat after throat, catalogued defects and explained why the voice was impaired in its effectiveness and was robbed of its beauty. It was a novel experiment for most operatic impresarios are content with knowing that there are bad voices without trying to find out why they are bad, but it may have been balm for the rejected applicants to be told that some ailment of chord or tonsil stood in the way of their singing. Dr. Miller also accounted for the voices of the successful ones. It was a new idea of hunting a grand opera chorus along scientific lines.

Diarrhoea Cured.

"My father has for years been troubled with diarrhoea, and tried every means possible to effect a cure, without avail," writes John H. Zirkle of Philippi, W. Va. He saw Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy advertised in the Philippi Republican and decided to try it. The result is one bottle cured him and he has not suffered with the disease for eighteen months. Before taking this remedy he was a constant sufferer. He is now sound and well, and although sixty years old, can do as much work as a young man. Sold by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

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REGATTA NOTES

August 27-28-29



ROOMS WANTED—All persons having rooms to let on Regatta days, please write or telephone street number, price and number of rooms, to the secretary of the Regatta Committee. Phone 2901, Main.

Look out for Macbeth's Wild West Show on the last night of the Regatta Saturday, August 29. Pie-eating monkeys, two-legged tigers, freckle-faced lions, camels that never drink water, trunkless elephants, howless hyenas and a number of other animals peculiar to Astoria only.

Friday night, August 28, will occur the grandest illuminated marine parade ever seen on the Oregon Coast. Liberal prizes for the boats participating. Plenty of music and fireworks. Secure grand stand seat early.

Country Dance at Armory Hall, Flavel Dock. The only Dick Davies, inventor of the Regatta Jig, in charge of this show.

Tug of war during the three days of the Regatta, between Finland, Sweden, Norway, Greece, Austria, America, Italy, Germany, France, Ireland, England and other countries too numerous to mention.

Arnold's great street shows unparalleled attractions day and night with fair treatment for all.

Three or four bands of music continually playing popular airs, including De Caprio's famous band of 31 pieces from The Oaks.

Farmers' Fair and industrial exhibit, including flower show in the base-

ment of the Court House in charge of Expert Dow.

Queen of the Regatta and Admiral Shepherd will do the honors customary on the occasion.

Best decorated float in grand parade Thursday Afternoon, August 27, will receive first prize of \$60; second prize, \$40, and third prize, \$20. The society or union making the best appearance in this parade regardless of number will receive a beautiful pennant inscribed "Banner Lodge, Regatta, 1908."

Athletic program by members of the Coast Artillery, Fort Stevens and Columbia.

A baby show at which all the mammas will be pleased.

Italian Cruiser, "Puglia," will honor the occasion with their visit.

Scandinavian Saengerfest, Saturday night, August 29, and Sunday afternoon, August 30.

Log-rolling contest. Yacht, motor boat, shell, fish boat and other water sports, including international single shell race between Laing of British Columbia, and Gloss of the United States.

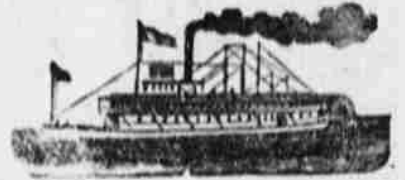
Officials of Portland, The Dalles, Rainier, Vancouver, Ilwaco, Chinook, Cathlamet, Skamokawa, and other cities will be present.

No bills will be paid unless accompanied by requisitions signed by Chairman and Secretary of the Regatta Committee.

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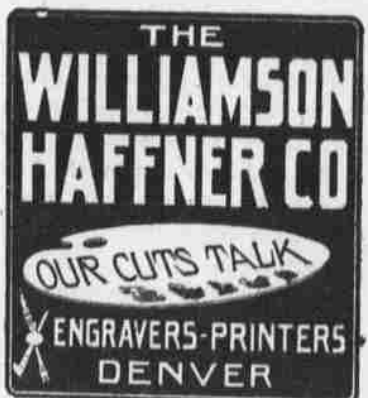
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