



FIRST SALMON TRAIN, 1908

FORTY CARS OF SUCCULENT FISH DEPART HENCE TONIGHT

Pack of 450,000 Cases Broached for Transit

VIA THE "NORTH BANK"

Will Be Bannered to Tell a Story of Astoria's Real Activity

ONE OF SEVERAL INDUSTRIES

Great Northern Captures This and Other Big Shipments of This Product and Causes Stir in Southern Pacific Traffic Centers.

and one-half millions of pounds of salmon in the shipment; the sum of weight awaiting shipment being 31,500,000 pounds, or 787 cars, or practically 20 trainloads of the succulent foodstuff; all of which is worth getting into the field after; and the Great Northern and Northern Pacific people are after their share of it right at the point of departure, and what is more they are getting it.

General Agent G. B. Johnson, of the A. & C., is one of the busiest men in the city these days, and he is moving every agency to compass the

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ASTORIA LAWYER LOSES PAPERS IN CASE

WERE IMPORTANT COURT RECORDS IN THE CASE OF MRS. GATES

LOST WHEN BADLY NEEDED

But by Lucky Chance Her Attorney Happened to Have a Duplicate Certified Copy From Judge McBride and Once Again She Saves Child.

There are many in Astoria who will regret to learn that Mrs. Gates, the unfortunate woman who has been harassed by her husband over the question of their little boy, is still fighting to retain the possession of the child. She went to California from here several weeks ago, having been granted the custody of the child by Judge McBride, but hardly had she arrived there before her husband also made his appearance and, from what little is known of the matter here, evidently tried again to get the little boy. But Mrs. Gates is with her brother and his family there, and that she put up a spirited defense of her rights is deemed probable. At all events she wrote to Captain Abercrombie, who was her attorney here, asking him to forward her a copy of the court's order granting her the custody of their boy.

Captain Abercrombie says he went to the court house to get a certified copy of the order and was told that the husband's attorney, C. J. Curtis, had on August 8 taken all the papers in the case to his office, leaving his receipt for them. An effort was then made by the clerk to get the papers, when the attorney announced that he had "lost" them. They are still lost; at all events they have not been returned to the clerk's office to this

REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN BOOK JUST ISSUED

Volume Contains Speech of Taft, Sherman and Bryan

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—The republican campaign book was issued today, with a volume of 536 pages. The book contains the acceptance speeches, of Taft and Sherman, and articles on prosperity, publicity of campaign, contributions, the attitude of the two parties toward colored citizens, guarantee of bank deposits, President Roosevelt's administration, outline of the work of the sixtieth congress. The platforms of the two parties and Bryan's speech of acceptance.

day. Yet by great good fortune Captain Abercrombie happened to have a certified copy of the court's order in his possession, and this he at once sent to Mrs. Gates, and that is probably all she will require to show the California authorities that the husband has absolutely no rights in

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WILL VISIT DOUBTFUL STATES FIRST

Taft Getting Ready for His October Traveling Campaign

MIDDLE BASS ISLAND, Ohio, Sept. 5.—Taft will make his traveling campaign during the month of October devoting his time principally to those states which are materially considered doubtful, if the ideas of both the candidate and the national Chairman, Hitchcock, as expressed today are carried out. Taft indicated that although the greatest demand for his presence had come from the west this will not preclude his appearance in the eastern states and that when the tour is decided on he will undoubtedly reach both the east and west.

NEGRO LYNCHED.

ALBANY, Ga., Sept. 6.—John Towne, a negro, accused of the assault of Mrs. Joseph Wheeler last Thursday, was captured at Damascus, Ga., last night and was taken out and lynched.

OVER TEN THOUSAND HOMELESS BY MINNESOTA FIRES

TO AVOID ACCIDENTS. Aeronauts Are Discussing Law to License Balloon Men.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Actuated by the death of Charles Oliver Jones at Waterville, Maine, Wednesday, and the falling of his airship, the "Boomerang", leading aeronauts are seriously discussing the advisability of the enactment of a law to tend to prevent accidents of this character. It is proposed to make it illegal for any one not holding an aeronauts license from the recognized Aero Club to make an ascension.

HUGHES WILL HAVE BIG FOLLOWING

GOVERNOR FAIRLY MOBBED BY ENTHUSIASTIC HEARERS AFTER MASTERLY SPEECH

THINK BRYAN A DREAMER

Both Beveridge and Hughes Deal Kindly With Democrat, Whom they Refer to as a Dreamer of Impossible Things.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Sept. 5.—

Aside from formally defining issues of both national and state, at the opening of the republican campaign in Ohio here today, according to the republican critics, developed an important fact, namely that Governor Hughes, of New York will be in great demand outside of his own state during the national campaign. The Governor following a masterly effort by Senator Beveridge not only held the attention of thousands who had been listening to other speeches for hours, but moved them to a vigorous outburst of applause and was fairly mobbed when he finished by hundreds who pressed forward to shake his hands.

Senator Beveridge and Governor Hughes made impressive speeches dealing with the national issues while Governor Harris, re-nominated by his party devoted himself to state questions. Both Beveridge and Hughes dealt kindly with Bryan in personal capacity but insisted that he is a dreamer, a preacher, not an executive. Both speakers insisted on revision of the tariff from a protective to a maximum and a minimum basis in a line the policy of Germany and France.

Several Towns Near Duluth Wiped Out

TREMENDOUS LOSSES

Flames Sweep Property Worth Many Millions of Dollars—Railroads Out

FOREST FIRES CLOSE IN

Chisholm, Town of 4000 Inhabitants, Suffers Biggest Loss—Dozens of Smaller Settlements Completely Destroyed—Covers Many Counties.

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 6.—The forest fires that have been burning for three days closed in on several towns and small settlements near Duluth today wiping them out, rendering ten thousand homeless, destroying property valued at several million dollars, and sweeping over lands in many counties in Northwestern Wisconsin and Minnesota. It is believed some lives have been lost.

CHISHOLM, Minn., Sept. 5.—The town of 4000 people on Mesaba Iron Range, 90 miles north of Duluth, is completely wiped out. Hibbing, five miles from Chisholm, is surrounded by fire tonight and the city was in grave danger until the wind shifted. The entire northern portion Douglas county, Wis., is on fire and several small settlements have been destroyed. Renshaw, a village 25 miles west of Duluth, is surrounded by fires tonight, with no hope for the town. Hundreds of farmers driven home and passage along the roads is difficult owing to the heat and smoke. At Bayfield, Wis., the property damaged is \$700,000.

Fire descended Chisholm almost without warning or consternation. Hundreds sought refuge in flight without attempting to rescue their effects. All conveyances pressed into service and tonight the Great Northern, the only railroad running into Chisholm, took 15 box cars crowded with homeless people to Hibbing.

Nashwauk, 50 miles northwest of Duluth, is surrounded and tonight the outskirts of the town is burning. Buhl, Minn., 12 miles east of Chisholm is cut-off by fires that are burning down to the town.

Wrenschall, 20 miles northwest of Duluth, appears doomed.

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CHINK OF POKER CHIPS MAY BE HEARD ONCE AGAIN

Astoria Saloons, Too, Are Said to Be Open Sundays, While "Blind Pigs" Are Flourishing

GAMBLERS ARE RETURNING TO THE CITY

While Police Have Suppressed Serious Crimes Against Persons With Stern Hand, Yet Sheriff's Office and Police Haven't Managed to Handle Saloons and Games of Chance

Hark, hark, the dogs do bark. The beggars are coming to town. —Mother Goose.

During the past few weeks there has been a noticeable return of a lot of the gamblers who left Astoria something less than two years ago when the city suddenly woke up to its moral delinquencies and became a "closed town." The gamblers had no use for a town that wasn't a wide-open one and they scattered, some to Seattle, some to Portland, and some up in the wilds of Nevada.

But meantime it is evident that they have not forgotten that dear old Astoria, and yet all these months they carefully remained in their distant exiles, until something must have happened to suddenly bring them back. To a man viewing the field from a vantage point up in a tree it looks as if there must have been something to bring them back. It looks as if the word has gone out that there is to be "pickings" in Astoria once again. The word must have gone out among them that there are plans on foot to open up Astoria once more; and more especially the tip must have gone forth that gambling is not interfered with here under the present police and shrievalty regimes.

That gambling is going on in Astoria is known to every one who has half an eye. Any policeman will tell any enquiring citizen so. Any cigar store man, if he thinks he is talking to a "friend," will tell the same story. Chinese lottery men have been growing so careless that they don't even make any "bones" about

their games, and when the Celestials become emboldened it usually indicates that they deem themselves quite safe behind the protecting skirts of some one "higher up." But while there has been gambling going on for the past year, it has been mostly done in a quiet and timid way. The important fact now is that, within a few months of the coming municipal election, these gamblers have the temerity to return to the city. That must mean something. It evidently means that they have some reason to think that the town is once again going to "open up" in the manner that will best please them. That there are "quiet" and "gentlemanly" games going on in saloons and in the back rooms of cigar stores is information that everyone knows, but the presence of these men evidently means that there is to be something more than this.

How bold some feel in their wishes to have the town wide open once again was well indicated during the Regatta. One man who keeps a saloon near the waterfront wanted to run a "country dance" in opposition to the country dance under the auspices of the Regatta committee. This dance would have been simply a recrudescence of the old dance-hall orgies, and worst of all, under the widely advertised and innocent guise of a "country dance" it might have enticed many an innocent and guileless girl to its shameful grasp. Mayor Wise had to take decisive steps to prevent this. He went to the

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DOUBLE TRAGEDY FOLLOWS HIS RUIN

Massachusetts Man Murders Wife and Commits Suicide After Losing Half Million

EAST BRIDGEWATER, Mass., Sept. 5.—The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Kimball Sheldon were found at their residence today. The body of Mrs. Sheldon was on the bed with a deep wound in her head while the body of Mr. Sheldon in an adjoining bathroom

with the gas jet wide open. The opinion of the medical examiner is that Sheldon killed his wife and then committed suicide. Mrs. Sheldon is 70 years old. According to friends he lost a half million dollars in unfortunate investments in the past few years.

LOSS AT RAWWHITE ABOUT \$800,000

Provisions Arrive From Surrounding Towns, Relieving Suffering—Rebuilding Started

RAWWHITE, Nev., Sept. 5.—Provisions arrived today from many points and relief has already been donated probably sufficient to last until the stock telegraphed for by local merchants arrive. The report that

two bodies have been found is untrue. The work surveying preparatory to re-building is progressing. The estimated loss by fire is \$800,000. Total insurance about \$30,000, at the rate of 15 per cent having been prohibitive.