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### THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Rain.

### THIS PAPER'S ATTITUDE.

The Morning Astorian desires that there be no ambiguity, no misunderstanding, of its attitude in the current campaign. It is out for a sensible, business administration of the city's affairs; a careful, considerate, accurate, and constant gauging of the city's powers, purposes, and plans, for, and toward, all citizens, without reference to political persuasion; for the exposure and prompt correction of the last, and worst, thing that has been done in the council chamber, and out of it, in a civic way, for the past six years, no matter where the responsibility shall fall nor whose shoulders shall bear the weight of fault, folly or stupidity; and to this end it is going to fight, and fight for the people, against ring, gang and boss.

It has no personal enmities to urge in the matter; it is out for a radical change and a radical betterment of conditions and policies, because these must be had if there is to be safety and sanity and business security, along with rational relief from a dangerous extravagance that is threatening the city and its properties. It is for steady and healthful improvement along all lines, but it is diametrically opposed to the system of improvement now in vogue, and that pledged by the opposition, and would see the city once more run on the principle of simple business, as the best of its private concerns and interests are managed and maintained.

### ELASTIC DEBT-LIMITS.

No city may make a graver blunder than to permit the growth of the conviction that its property is good for any kind, and limit, of civic debt. Under perfectly normal conditions a municipal debt is likely to be close to legitimate limits, as to property values behind it and the causes that warrant it; there is but little danger of a city, modern, progressive and proudf, being without a regulation debt of greater or lesser dimension; but it is not needful, nor rational, that, having achieved an obligation commensurate with her ability to pay, a city must go on, and on, and on, stretching the last sources of authority, and civic credit, until she is so hypothecated to the future that her creditors command and gauge that future.

Astoria has twice or thrice expanded her debt-limit through legislative action during the past few years, and she has not hesitated to hover a little over the edge of that limit ever since it was reached. This must be stopped, or it will be impossible to live and do business here. Demagogic bluster, nor the lust of contracts, will account for the madness of submitting to financial depositions, such as this city is un-

against and which will froctify within the next two years if the recklessness of existing administrative policies are endorsed and perpetuated at the polls on the 9th of next month.

We warn the people, now, in all honesty, and with the sincerity that finds its guaranty in the sheer publicity of it, that Astoria must be held back from further non-essential indebtedness; that she must be brought back within the range of pure-business government and her development wrought with some regard for her public honor and her civic capacity to bear and pay her debts; else, she must go up against the critical and dangerous alternatives of a discounted budget and cold bankruptcy. It is time the people were opening their eyes to the actual conditions that are piling up against them and realizing that the people they have trusted with their government have never paid, nor reduced, the municipal obligations by so much as a dollar, but have piled them up inconspicuously, seeking added authority, time after time, to do it; and are now clamoring for new license to increase the record of exploitation by the election of men and measures that will ensure the disaster, that can be averted only by the naming of men who will conserve the remnant of the city's credit and build upon it, for her release and up-lift.

### THOUSAND-FOLD PROOF.

In the course of a short time, but probably not before the city election, there will be, approximately, 1000 deeds filed for record at the court-house, with an expense bill attached, aggregating \$1200, for the perpetuation of the proof that hundreds of citizens have been "squeezed" to the point of doing the uncitizen-like thing of foregoing a payment they simply could not make in behalf of street assessments on lots and property that had to be sacrificed.

This is one of the evidences of progress the majority of the present administration delight to boast of; it is the chiefest thing in their calendar of pride; the best they have to offer in the way of manifest proof of their ability to run the city; the highest expression of their business capacity and the limit of their skill in direction and government. For the past five years, the civic records of Astoria have consisted, almost exclusively of orders, resolutions, reports, ordinances, and other consecutive chronicles, appertaining to street improvements; little or nothing else has been done outside this deluge of prescriptive work, and the vast, endless, unchanging volume has begun to pall upon the citizen who realizes that he has something else to live for, and to do, and pay for, beside this.

Admitting, for the sake of the honest pride that will actuate many a struggling citizen to redeem his property, at some later and more propitious day, that 500 of these con-

secrated lots and parcels of land, shall be brought back, with all the accrued interest and charges incident to the record, there will still be left a miserable margin of sheer forfeiture and dispossession, that will remain, forever, a monument to the stupidity, and worse, of an incompetent government, to whom this phase of administration appealed, as the only attribute of duty and responsibility. Think this over, poor man! The rich man has never had a chance to forget it; between you and me will be put to the outrage, next month!

### CHURCHES SUNDAY

**First Lutheran (Uppertown)**  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m., service in Swedish at 3 p. m. Luther League Circle meets at 6:30 p. m.

**Holy Innocents Chapel.**  
Services at Uppertown at 3:45 p. m.; Sunday school, 11:15 a. m.

**First Methodist.**  
Sermon themes for Sunday: Morning, "The Fullness of God." Evening, "The Beauty of Jesus." Special music at both services. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend. C. C. Rarick, pastor.

**Norwegian-Danish M. E.**  
Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mr. Albert Carlsen, superintendent. The choir will sing at the evening service. Scandinavians cordially invited. O. T. Field, pastor.

**Presbyterian.**  
Morning worship, 11 o'clock. "A Young Man's Mistake"; Sunday school, 12:15; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30; evening worship, "The Thankful Man." Miss Reba Hobson, choir director. Male chorus at night. All are invited. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor.

**Grace.**  
Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12:30 M. At the evening service Mr. R. F. Mitchell, Cornell College graduate, and a St. Andrews' Brotherhood man, who is just on his way home from Honolulu will deliver an address in the interests of the Brotherhood. All men will be cordially welcome.

**Christian Science.**  
Services in rooms 5 and 6, I. O. O. F. building, corner Tenth and Commercial streets at 11 o'clock. Subject of the lesson sermon, "Soul and Body." All are invited. Sunday school, 12 o'clock. The first Wednesday evening in the month, 7:30. Reading room same address, hours from 2 to 5 daily, except Sunday.

**Baptist.**  
Morning worship, 11 a. m. theme, "The Love of Music and the Music of Love." Evening worship, 7:30 p. m., subject, "The White Stone with a Hidden Name." Sunday school, 10 a. m.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.; Christian Stewardship 7 p. m. Everybody cordially invited. Conrad L. Owen, pastor.

**Gideon's Band Baptist Mission**  
In McGregor's mess house on Commercial street by the car line, has been opened a mission in which services will be conducted each evening at 7:30 o'clock by Pastor C. L. Owen of the Baptist church and Rev. S. C. Sherill, evangelist and singer. Everybody is invited to attend this mission.

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**Memorial Lutheran.**  
Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m.; morning service at 11 a. m.; theme for sermon, "The Image of Caesar or God." The girls' choir will assist at the service. Evening service a 7 o'clock, theme, "Women as Collaborers in the Gospel." The regular church choir assists at the evening service. All services held at the Congregation church, corner Tenth and Exchange. You are cordially invited to attend our services.

### AMUSEMENTS

#### GREAT COMEDY PRODUCTION

Elmer Walter's latest sensation, "A Millionaire Tramp," contains seven of the strongest comedy characters that have ever been collected in one play. Each one differs vastly from the other, and lends opportunity for variety and action. The ghost scene in the first and the dark porter's scene in the third act are two of the funniest imaginable. The dramatic scenes are fully abreast of the comedy, and the scenic mounting superb. The Church of the Holy Cross in the second act is one of the handsomest settings of this kind that has ever been attempted. The opera house in the third is a decided novelty, something entirely new and out of the ordinary; while the old hotel in the last act is the very embodiment of quaintness and originality. The play comes to the Astoria theatre next Thursday.

## DON'T BLAME HER



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