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The steamer Alliance arrived in yesterday with a good lot of people and freight from the Coos country. She brought up the crew of Chinamen that has been at work in the Timmons canneries down that way; and Captain Ben Olsen is still on her bridge. She went on to the metropolis after a short stop in this port, at the Callender docks.

The steamer Nevada, of the American-Hawaiian line, now at Portland, will be ready to sail on her outward trip tonight. The Nevada will stop at Astoria and take on 8000 cases of salmon for New York.

The Kamm flagship Lurline went away to Portland last evening in good time and with plenty of business. She took from here the following named passengers: J. W. T. Smith, H. Larson, T. E. Bradon, C. N. Gay, A. C. Phillips, E. H. Boudy, Mrs. H. R. Katger and Mrs. E. B. Harmon.

The marine reporter of the Astorian does, once in awhile, make a mistake in the handling of ships and their names, destinations, etc., but he has yet to call the British square-rigger Brablock, now in Portland, a "disengaged tramp steamship," as she was dubbed in the Oregonian of yesterday.

The French wheat drougers, the Gael, and the Sainte Anne, arrived down yesterday on the Oklahama and the Queen, respectively, and will go over the bar today if all is well down that way. Both are bound for Europe with grain.

The steamer Shoshone is finishing loading at Rainier and is due down here tomorrow en route to the Bay City.

STRAIGHT ARGUMENT ON SEAWALL QUIBBLING

JUDGE TAYLOR HANDLES THE "BUDGET" PLEA WITHOUT GLOVES AND WITHERS IT

"Astoria, Or., Dec. 2, 1908. "Editor Astorian—"

"The long article in this evening's Budget, which was evidently prepared by some 'non-partisan,' is, to say the least, very misleading. It discusses the seawall bill from the point of a one-mill and a one-half mill levy, when in fact, the bill authorizes a levy of five mills, and that is, no doubt, what the levy will be, if the amendment is adopted. "Another proposition. We are told,

The French bark Bossuet went to Portland yesterday afternoon on the tow lines of the Oklahama, and will load out grain from there for European delivery, after she discharges her cargo of coal. She left 1000 tons here for G. W. Sanborn.

The lively pilddriver of J. A. Monroe leaves out this morning for the Gray's River country, where Mr. Monroe has contracted to do a lot of pilddriving for the Meserve Brothers, on their upper boom.

The steamer Carmel is expected in from San Francisco momentarily, on her initial run to this port.

The big and handsome lighthouse tender Armeria went to sea yesterday morning on one of her coast quests, with supplies for nearby stations.

The oil tank steamer Asuncion went to sea and California yesterday morning.

The French bark Marechal de Noailles went over the bar yesterday morning on the steel hawser of the Wallula, bound for Europe.

The German ship Oregon went up the river yesterday on the hawsers of the fine old Harvest Queen.

in one breath, that the cost of keeping up the streets under present conditions is very great—more than it should be, and the building of a seawall will reduce the expense to the property owner. In the next breath we are told by the same persons that the building of a seawall will create a demand for labor. How can both assertions be true? Let us be honest about this matter and try to be truthful in discussing it. Both of the above propositions cannot be true. Which will our 'nonpartisan' friends stand by.

"We want factories, and along the waterfront is the place where most of them would be built. Our chief industries are fishing and lumber, and both require plenty of water frontage. We have some canneries and some sawmills, situated on the waterfront, and if we build a seawall and fill in back of it we will destroy the net racks of the canneries and the booms of the sawmills. If we are going to destroy the properties of those now engaged in the manufacturing business in our city, how can we expect others to invest money here?"

"The argument is made that only a portion of the frontage will be included in the seawall, at present, and that all of the \$300,000 provided for in the seawall bill will not be required, now. Mr. Hegardt estimated that a seawall will cost \$30 a running foot. That would build less than two miles of seawall, while Astoria has a frontage of more than four miles on the Columbia river. If a seawall is to be built along only a portion of the river front, why should all the property owners be taxed to it?"

"A five-mill levy is provided for to defray the expense of constructing bulkheads or retaining walls, to pay interest on bonds issued for that purpose and for redeeming such bonds, and to pay salaries of officers and general incidental expenses of the commission. The present valuation of the taxable property in Astoria is \$3,470,478, and a five-mill levy thereon would amount to \$17,352.39, while the taxes on the \$300,000, authorized would amount to \$15,000,000, leaving \$2352.39, to pay salaries of officers, incidental expenses and redeem bonds. After the officers and the incidental expenses are paid how much will be left to redeem bonds?"

"The man who has a home in our city has it mortgaged at the present time for only \$700,000, and, of course, it won't add much to put another \$300,000 on top of it. The interest tax on the city and the county, at the present time is nearly, if not quite, \$45,000 annually. The three amendments to the charter if passed, will authorize the levy of 12 mills additional, and 12 mills on the present valuation of the taxable property of the city would only amount to \$41,645.73. Of course, that is nothing.

"The laboring man is urged to vote for the seawall amendment on the ground that it will create labor for him. I think the laboring men of Astoria are too intelligent to take that 'sop.' Destroy the values of property and our manufactures and there will be little for the laborer to work for. If the money spent in building the seawall would build up industries that would require the employment of labor, there would be merit in the argument; but such is not the case. On the contrary, the building of a seawall will cause the expenditure of money thereon that otherwise in all probability, would be used in creating permanent payrolls for our bucket brigades.

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ACCIDENTAL DROWNING IS THE VERDICT

CORONER SUMMONS JURY FOR INQUEST IN MATTER OF DINDINGER'S DEATH.

Yesterday afternoon Coroner J. A. Gilbaugh, of this county, summoned the following named gentlemen to serve as jurors in the matter of the inquiry into the cause of the death of the late E. Milton Dindinger, whose remains are now at the undertaking parlors of Mr. Gilbaugh. Messrs. Thomas Corbett, M. F. Hardesty, J. D. Strauss, T. R. Davis, C. W. Rich and Martin Olsen.

The jury examined all witnesses and heard all evidence procurable in the sad premise and after deliberating on the matter carefully, returned the following verdict, which was duly filed by Coroner Gilbaugh: "Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 2, 1908. "We, the undersigned jurors, being first duly sworn by J. A. Gilbaugh, county coroner of Clatsop county, Oregon, and after hearing all the evidence obtainable in the E. M. Dindinger case who was found in the Columbia river, December 1, 1908, do find that he came to his death on November 30, 1908, by accidental drowning.

"(Signed),
"J. D. STRAUSS,
"THOMAS CORBETT,
"T. R. DAVIES,
"C. W. RICH,
"M. OLSEN,
"M. E. HARDESTY."

Early yesterday morning Coroner Gilbaugh got into telegraphic communication with the Dindinger brothers, at Marshfield and advised them of the death of their brother here, and received prompt instructions to take full charge of the proper disposal of the remains; and this he will do, as soon as the son of one of the gentlemen at Marshfield, R. E. Dindinger, shall arrive here, he being expected today. The Barbers' Union, of this city, will also take fraternal interest in the last sad rite due notice of which will be given in these columns tomorrow morning.

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