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THE WEATHER

Oregon—Fair, except showers in extreme west portion.
Washington and Idaho—Showers.

"SEEK, AND YE SHALL FIND"

The Morning Astorian has always had a cheerful word and quiet hope in the matter of boring for oil and gas in this county; there is ample proof of the existence of one, or both to make the problem manifest, and the solving of the problems of life and place constitute the best of man's work in this weary old world. If we had no fascinating problems our energies would die of inanition and we would pass, without history, to the bourne to which all animals are supposed to drift.

It is an excellent thing that Clatsop has the signs that warrant the full effort in this direction; there has been a steadfast faith in the oil and gas promises cropping out here; a faith that is likely to mature to realization of the largest range and quality; and any well directed effort to fathom the truth of the alluring mystery will be watched and welcomed with all the good will in the world. And those whose courage and sense make for the final revelation should reap handsomely from the venture. No one will begrudge them the limit of their findings, (unless it be the Standard Oil Company,) and the launching of another great industrial field here will enhance every other value we possess.

Go to it, gentlemen! and may you speedily realize that you have another gauge on fortune!

THE SPRING GRIND

We have passed the winter here in Astoria without any grave losses or startling discomfitures of any sort in a business way; the cheerless months are gone, and we are face to face with the gracious days of spring and summer and free to make the most of the sure developments they bring on their warm breath and energizing brightness. The old life-grind is pretty much the same at all seasons so far as its exactions are concerned, but there is an elemental freedom that comes with light and comfort and warmth and weather that does not hamper and hinder and discourage.

Astoria has no great sacrifice to report; she is all well, and better, off than she was last year and has more promises for the year than were hers last spring; her industries are all sound and solid; her businesses are all here and ready for the liveliest of her seasons; she has more people, more wealth, more reason for pride and thrift and active effort, than ever before and can face the new season with an equal show with any of her sister cities in the Northwest. This is the spring spirit, and it dwells here in abundant force, an asset and a credit of no small value when promptly and properly used.

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YOUNG WOMAN FALLS FROM STREET CAR

FRISCO SCHOOL TEACHER RECEIVES MYSTERIOUS INJURIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—Miss Mary Phillips, a teacher in the public schools of this city for many years, died at St. Luke's Hospital early this morning of injuries sustained in a mysterious manner according to her brief dying statement, by a fall from a street car Saturday night.

Miss Phillips had been to the home of a friend assisting in preparations for an Eastern festival. About 8 o'clock her mother heard a car stop at the nearest corner, but hearing no footsteps, concluded her daughter had not arrived. A few minutes later, she heard a moaning voice on the porch. She threw open the door and Miss Phillips, blood streaming from wounds on her head, staggered forward and fell into the mother's arms.

She gasped that she had fallen from a car, then lapsed into unconscious, a state in which she remained until death which was due to a fracture of the skull. No car crew has reported such an accident.

SONS FOLLOW FATHERS

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Sons of military officers to the number of 41 have been designated by President Taft to take the competitive examination for admission to the West Point Military Academy to fill vacancies in the cadets at large which will occur in 1910.

"THIS DATE IN HISTORY"

1780—The British opened fire upon the American batteries at Charleston S. C.

1788—The first power loom was put in operation in Philadelphia.

1831—University of Alabama opened.

1844—Treaty concluded for the annexation of Texas to the United States.

1850—Body of John C. Calhoun lay in state in the national capitol at Washington.

1861—Bombardment of Fort Sumter commenced by the Confederates.

1864—Fort Pillow captured by Confederate force under Ge. Forrest.

1865—Federals took possession of Columbia, Ga.

1873—William M. Tweed died in Ludlow Street jail, New York.

1891—Robert W. Waterman, ex-Governor of California, died at San Diego.

1898—Cardinal Taschereau, archbishop of Quebec, died. Born Feb. 17 1820.

1908—Greater part of Chelsea, Mass destroyed by fire.

"THIS IS MY 63rd BIRTHDAY"

D. Cady Herrick, a former Justice of the Supreme Court of New York and for many years one of the Democratic leaders in that State, was born in Schoharie County, New York, April 12, 1846, and was educated in the schools of Albany. He studied law and was admitted to the bar. Soon after he began practice he became active in the local politics of Albany and in 1880 he was elected district attorney. Four years later Mr. Herrick succeeded Daniel Manning as the recognized Democratic leader in Albany. In 1886 he was appointed to the Supreme bench, but he still retained his political leadership. In 1904 Judge Herrick was an unsuccessful candidate on the Democratic ticket for governor of New York.

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JAPAN'S FIRM GRIP

Her Intention Is To Control Railways of Manchuria.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—The intention of Japan to control the railways of Manchuria as completely as those in Japan itself is indicated in the dispatches from Former Ambassador Luke E. Wright sent to the State Department in 1906 and which were made public today.

The Japanese government subscribed to one half of the stock of the South Manchurian Railway Company. The remaining half was divided among Japanese subjects and the government, and subjects of China, thus insuring a preponderating portion of the stock in Japanese hands. Mr. Wright pointed out that the Japanese claim that the restriction of the sale of shares to the two nationalities was insisted upon by China.

SHOT GUN CONTEST

Chicago And Kansas-City In Long Distance Contest.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Chicago shotgun experts defeated a Kansas City team in a telegraph match yesterday, the local marksmen competing at the Chicago Union Club and their opponents at Blue River Park in Kansas City. Scores were exchanged by wire and Chicago came out on top, 419 to 361 out of a possible 500 targets.

High winds affected the scores of both teams.

Team shoots by Telegraph are to be made a feature by Secretary Fred Teple of the local club, from now on as interest in the sport is rapidly developing on account of the grand American, which is to be held here this year. One match is set with an Indiana team for April 24, and another with Milwaukee for April 25. Five men on a side will shoot in the Indiana contest.

COSTLY BRIDAL GIFT

A \$1,000,000 Mansion For A Pittsburg Young Woman.

PITTSBURG, April 12.—William N. Frew, the wealthy personal representative of Andrew Carnegie in Pittsburg, is building a mansion as a wedding present to his daughter Virginia Frew, whose engagement to Thurston Wright, a young bank clerk formerly of St. Louis, has just been announced.

The house will cost, it is estimated, about \$1,000,000. This brings about the report that wealthy Pittsburg residents, having noted that a number of rich young people have deserted this city to live in New York, have entered into some sort of agreement to erect houses for their children as they marry, also offering them other inducements to remain in Pittsburg. One of the first to take up this idea was Mrs. Darlington. Another big house has been built for Mrs. Hugh Laughlin who was Miss Marjorie Rea of Pittsburg.

WOMEN ON BASE BALL

Frank Chances' Wife Makes Some Interesting Remarks.

CHICAGO, April 12.—At the opening of the baseball season, Mrs. Frank L. Chance, wife of the world's champion leader is out in an interview declaring that it is upon women—not the flighty, volatile kind, but the steady home variety—that the future of the National game depends.

To prevent the game from becoming a rowdy pastime, only for bleachers full of men to watch, she believes that more women should occupy seats in the grand stand.

"If more women would forsake bridge whist and pink teas sofa cushions and kimonas and turn out to watch the cleanest sport in the world, there would be more robustness and fairmindedness among our sex," said Mrs. Chance. "If women would only come out and expand their lungs to the fresh air by 'rooting' for the home team there would be less work for the doctors."

The Human Appetite.

Of all the whimsical, shifting, unreliable, treacherous, exacting things in the world, the human appetite for the right thing to eat is, perhaps, the most unreasonable and imperious. There are those who humor it; others who defy it; and all men are more or less inclined to treat it with consideration. To find a place where these varying attitudes may be fostered, at the least cost in each case, and yet keep the appetite in proper and peaceful subjection, is always desirable information. One place that is conceded as perfectly adapted to this, is the Palace Restaurant, just opposite the Page building, on Commercial street, in this city. Try it once, and patronize it always; that is the rule of the Palace.

BLACK HAND SLAYS ITS THIRD MAN THERE

THREE ASSASSINATIONS OCCUR IN TAMPA, FLA. DURING PRESENT YEAR

TAMPA, Fla., April 12.—The assassination of Giuseppe Ficarotta, a wholesale grocery merchant and one of the most prominent and wealthy members of the local Italian colony, has added the third to a series of murders which have been charged to the black hand here during the present year.

Ficarotta was going to his home from his place of business at a late hour and was shot by two men from ambush with shotguns loaded with heavy slugs. He was instantly killed and the assassins, dropping their weapons fled.

Ficarotta's relatives say they know no cause for the murder.

The killing has aroused the city and Americans will join with the better element of the foreigners in hunting down the murderers.

SUFFRAGISTS ACTIVE

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 12.—Advocates of woman suffrage in Illinois have taken the capital by storm in anticipation of the hearings to be given this week on the suffrage bills now pending in the Legislature. Every arriving train today brought its quota of equal rights advocates from various sections of the State. Several hundred women are making the trip from Chicago on a special train, which is to stop at the principal towns en route to give the women an opportunity to make suffrage speeches from the rear platform, after the methods of the presidential tours.

One feature of the week's program in this city will be an oratorical contest in the State House for cash prizes offered by Mrs. Elmira Springer of Chicago. The legislative hearings on the suffrage bills are to take place Wednesday afternoon, when about twenty women will speak four or five minutes each. In the evening Governor and Mrs. Deneen will give a reception to the delegates and visitors.

MASONIC CONVENTION

ATLANTA, Ga., April 12.—Scores of Masons of high degree, including the highest ranking officials of Scottish Rite Masonry in the South, assembled in this city today to take part in a four days' convocation held in celebration of the recent dedication of the magnificent new Masonic Temple of Atlanta. Heading the list of visitors is Sovereign Grand Commander James D. Richardson, of Tennessee. The convocation will include the conferring of all the degrees of the rite from the fourth to the thirty-second degrees, inclusive.

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