

# The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1935

## ELECTING POSTMASTERS.

The people of a Texas town have lately been much agitated with regard to their postoffice. As the time for the former incumbent's commission to expire drew near, the faithful who were willing to sacrifice themselves in the interest of their country became anxious, nervous and what the women call "flurried," and petitions began to fly about the streets like snowflakes at Christmas. So zealous were the petitioners in the eager hunt for signatures that toward the close of the race it was discovered that three or four of the leading applicants for the office had secured the hand and seal of almost every citizen of prominence to their documents, and the prominent citizens aforesaid found themselves in the somewhat peculiar position of heartily endorsing several men for the place of stamps and salary, each being "the man of all others, best fitted to administer the duties of the community."

At this juncture several appointments were made by Mr. Cleveland and his cabinet avowedly with the purpose of rebuking the indiscriminate signing of petitions, the local seekers after place became uneasy, and lest they should all miss the appointment, agreed to have an election indicating the popular choice for postmaster, the successful candidate to be unanimously presented for the prize and the others to stand aside. The scheme worked well, everybody was satisfied except those who failed to get enough votes, and the appointment was duly made. Though the plan is not entirely new, it has sufficient novelty about it to make it interesting and at the same time fair enough to all parties most deeply concerned to commend it to the attention of other communities under the same circumstances. The postmaster of a town must by all means be a man competent to perform the duties of his office, but as these are seldom brain-wearing or such as demand marked ability, there are always numbers of persons who are entirely competent to do the work in a most satisfactory way.

But a competent man, so far as mere business qualifications go, will frequently be extremely distasteful to the community in which he lives, and as the government does not desire to force objectionable officials upon the people, the effort has always been to follow the expressed wish of the local population by giving respectful consideration to the petitions which are supposed to indicate the preferences of those concerned. The petition has long since proved a failure from the reasons already given, and the popular election of a candidate for the postoffice seems to be the best substitute for it that can be found. It is, of course, open to objection, as also is any other plan that can be devised, but it has the merit of designating, with reasonable fairness, the choice of the people, and this, of itself, is a point of no little consequence.

If Democrats were not so badly in need of offices, the adoption of some plan of this kind would be reasonably certain, but such is the intolerable gnawing at Democratic vitals, that while the consent of the administration might be given to some such informal designation of a desirable person for the place, the chances are that the votes of Democrats only would be allowed to determine the choice, and this restriction would be fatal to the end proposed. If the votes of a community generally were counted, a postmaster of the predominant political faith would be had for each community, but as this would involve the appointment of more Republican than Democratic postmasters, it will not likely be entertained, even for a moment, by the powers that be. The offices to the Democratic party are what the blood is to a living body, and no measure or policy that tends to take them from under the party control would be tolerated.

Commissioner Sparks has issued an order suspending final action in the general land office, and by this means he has got operations down to a basis by which fraudulent claims will be detected and canceled and honest claims given to honest settlers. In a word, if properly backed up and carried out his plan will save the lands for homes of honest settlers. This plan has already met with the violent opposition of all the tricksters and land sharks in the country. They are howling over it, because it breaks up their business; but it saves the public domain for men who propose to go upon and honestly settle

and cultivate it. The land system under the present auspices is showing wonderful signs of brightening up, and the work already accomplished is great. The jobbers are thoroughly scared. In the past, when they have been unable to either buy or scare the commissioner, they have brought influences to bear to cause him to resign.

The chief postoffice inspector has been informed that Postmaster I. N. Hibbs of Lewiston, Idaho, issued money orders to the amount of \$15,000 or \$20,000, payable to himself, ordered banks in different cities to collect them and forward the money to him, and then absconded. He was last heard from at Victoria.

ATTORNEY GENERAL GARLAND has decided that an Indian is not eligible to the office of postmaster. Indians have heretofore been appointed to many of the postoffices in Indian territory but the practice is to be discontinued.

In the old Testament revision the familiar proverb, "The way of the transgressor is hard," is made personally applicable to John P. St. John by a change to "The way of the treacherous is ragged."

The statement of the public debt shows that the decrease during May was \$4,225,000, about \$100 a minute.

**BORN.**  
To Mrs. Minnie G. M. Spexarth, wife of A. G. Spexarth, at Astoria, Or., Monday, June 1st, 1935, a daughter.

**NEW TO-DAY.**

## ROSS OPERA HOUSE

G. W. & E. A. Ross, Props. and Managers.

## GRAND OPENING NIGHT!

The Great Event of the Season!

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 1935

## CASINO OPERA COMPANY,

Under the Management of A. S. GROSS.

Louise Lester, Louise Edgar, Neville Courtney, Harry Gates, Edwin Stevens, Frank Valera, Geo. Wilkinson, Frank Blair.

Full Chorus and Orchestra.

W. H. KINROSS, Musical Director

Popular Prices. Popular Prices. \$1.00, 75 cts. and 50 cts.

Reserved Seats to be had at the New York Novelty Store.

The following Operas will be produced:

Tuesday June 3.....The Masenet

Wednesday "10 Pirates of Penzance"

Thursday "11 O'Clock"

## STREET WORK SOLICITED.

Having removed part of our Grading Outfit from Portland to Astoria, we are now prepared to do all kinds of

Grading and Filling.

At reasonable rates, either by day or job

A Portion of the Public Patronage is Solicited

Office at Elmo Hotel.

## Hamilton & Cummings.

## A Well Furnished Table

ABUNDANTLY SUPPLIED

With the best and cooked in a neat and wholesome way, can be found at Mrs. G. W. Rucker's Private Boarding House, over Eason & Carnahan's, next to Old Fellows Building.

Terms: \$5 a week, \$22 per month, \$1 a day.

## Notice For Proposals.

OFFICE OF A. A. Q. M. I. FORT CANBY, W. T., JUNE 30, 1935. SEALED PROPOSALS IN TRIPPLICATE

with copies of this advertisement annexed will be received at this office until 12 o'clock p. m., June 13th, when they will be opened in the presence of bidders.

For the protection of this port against the waters of Baker Bay by a bulkhead of piles and rip-rap, as follows:

## THE ELMO Lodging House and Restaurant.

J. N. HAMILTON, Prop. No. 67 Water St., Astoria.

Nice, new, clean Beds, and careful attention to lodgers. The Table supplied with the best in season.

**THE BAR** Is supplied with an extra quality of liquors and cigars.

**OPENING TO-DAY.**



J. C. Trullinger

Than any other axe made. Hundreds of woodmen testify to its superiority. It goes Deep and Never Sticks.

CARNAHAN & CO., Agents Astoria, Price, \$1.50.

## FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT!

The fine A 1 Iron Bark "Haddingtonshire."

1119 Tons Register. Will be READY TO RECEIVE FREIGHT AT ASTORIA about JUNE 1st or earlier if required.

## SALMON

Will be taken at REASONABLE RATES. For particulars apply to SIBSON, CHURCH & Co., Portland.

Or to A. W. BERRY, Astoria.

## The Fine Iron Bark "REMONSTRANT."

Will be placed on the berth at Astoria immediately, for Salmon loading to LIVERPOOL.

Rate of insurance by this vessel is the lowest obtainable. For particulars apply to MEYER, WILSON & CO., Portland.

Or to GEO. W. SANBORN, Astoria.

## Net Lost.

OFF PEACOCK SPIT ON THE MORNING of the 28th inst., about 300 fathoms net old and new, old in two pieces, 40 Barbour's twine, corkmarked C. C. & Co. Leave with W. McAllister at Cook's Station, Sand Island.

## LADIES.

GO TO Mrs. Malcolm's Millinery Parlors FOR SPRING AND SUMMER HATS.

A large and well-selected stock on hand. NEW GOODS being secured every day.

A complete line of Ladies' READY-MADE UNDERWEAR, with prices to suit the times. CHEAP COSETS a specialty, also a large assortment of the Best Grade of COSETS. Children's SUNBONNETS, just received.

All the LATEST NOVELTIES in SILK SCARFS, GOLD and SILVER LACES and ORNAMENTS are kept at this.

The Cheapest Millinery House in Astoria.

No charge for trimming when material is purchased at the establishment.

## For London Direct.

The Fine A 1 Iron Bark "ARCHER," 756 Tons Register.

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## SALMON

Will be taken at REASONABLE RATES. For particulars apply to SIBSON, CHURCH & Co., Portland.

Or to A. W. BERRY, Astoria.

## Holden's Auction Rooms

[Established January 1st, 1877.] E. C. HOLDEN, Real Estate and General Auctioneer and Commission Merchant, Chenamus Street, Astoria, Oregon.

Auction sale of Sundries every Saturday, 10 to 12 o'clock a. m., at my Auction Rooms. Will conduct Auction Sales of Real Estate, Cattle, and Farming Stock wherever desired.

Cash Returns Promptly made after Sales. Commissions respectfully solicited. Notary Public for the State of Oregon. Commissioner of Deeds for Washington Territory. Agent for Daily and Weekly Oregonian.

## San Francisco and Astoria PACKET LINE.

Carrying freight; running every ten or twelve days. The "JNO. G. NORTH" will leave San Francisco on the 30th inst.

Freight \$1.50 per Ton. S. H. HARMON, 216 Stuart St., San Francisco, Cal., CLATSOP MILL CO., Astoria, 1570 PRIMAGE.

## Bids for Building Pilot Schooner.

WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL JUNE 10th, time having been extended until that date to give all sufficient time to prepare and put in their bids. By order BOARD PILOT COMMISSIONERS, G. W. LOUNSBERRY, Sec'y.

## Empire Store to the Front

We beg to direct special attention to our LATEST IMPORTATIONS of NOVELTIES

Fine Dress Goods, Parasols, Hoopskirts, Etc., Etc.

Lawns, Corsets, Which we are selling according to our motto:

The Best Goods at the Lowest Possible Prices.

## PRAEL BROS.

## FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

Commencing to-day and until after the Tournament we offer to sell our Entire Stock of Dry Goods and Clothing

**FOR CASH** At greatly reduced prices. Not mere talk; we buy for Cash and are determined to lead in

**THE RACE.** We have been selling Goods right along cheaper than any other store in town, but we want to show our visiting cousins that we take no back seat from Salem or even Portland as regards

**PRICES.** All ye who are in need of Dry Goods or Clothing for little boys or big boys up to 100 years of age, are invited to a treat.

What'll you have? **"The Low Price Store"** (Next door to Van Dusen's)

**Is The Place.**

## CHAS. HEILBORN,

Dealer at Wholesale and Retail in Furniture, Bedding, Carpets, Matting, Oil Cloth, Wall Paper, Window Shades, Mouldings, Etc.

## Astoria Furniture Co.,

Furniture, Bedding, Wall Paper, Mirrors, PICTURES, Moulding, Carpets, Matting, Picture Frames, Window Shades, etc.

Cor. Chenamus and Hamilton Sts. H. DE BUSSON, Manager.

## Boat Building.

THE BEST STOCK AND WORKMANSHIP GUARANTEED. Boats of Every Description Built. Shop over Arndt & Ferchen's.

F. M. LEATHERS.

## P. Patterson, CONTRACTOR & BUILDER.

Shop on Concomly Street, opposite Kinney's Cannery. SASHES, DOORS, MOULDINGS, ETC. ON HAND.

Estimates given and all work warranted to give satisfaction.

## Private Boarding House.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY announces that she is prepared to furnish Ladies or Gentlemen with Board only, or with Board and Furnished Rooms at very reasonable rates. No extra charge for use of Parlor or Bath room, and every effort will be made to make her guests feel comfortable and at home.

Dinner served from 5:30 to 6:30 P. M. MRS. E. C. HOLDEN, 35 Cor. Main and Jefferson streets.

## Wood, Wood, Wood.

Order it now while it is dry and cheap of GRAGG & CO., Or FRANK L. PARKER, Telephone No. 36.

## SPECIAL NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Overland freight for all points East will not be received after 5 P. M. Shipping orders or bills of lading must be presented at the office not later than that hour. Overland bills of lading will not be signed after that hour. Local freight received until 6 P. M.

JOHN MUIR, Traffic Manager. E. A. NOYES, Agent, Astoria May 22, 1935.

## M. STUDZINSKI, PRACTICAL WATCHMAKER.

Watches, Jewelry, Clocks, OPTICAL GOODS. ASTORIA, OREGON. All Goods Best Quality, and Low Prices.

## The Seaside Bakery

FRESH BREAD Delivered in any Part of the City.

FINE CAKES A SPECIALTY. Home-Made Candy Made Daily: The Trade Supplied: Fine Pastry: A First Class Establishment. Prices to suit the times.

F. B. ELBERSON, Prop'r.

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BENTON STREET, NEAR PARKER HOUSE, ASTORIA, - OREGON. GENERAL MACHINISTS AND BOILER MAKERS.

## LAND and MARINE ENGINES

Boiler Work, Steamboat Work and Cannery Work a specialty.

CASTINGS, Of all Descriptions made to Order at Short Notice. A. D. WARR, President, J. G. HUSTLER, Secretary, I. W. CASE, Treasurer, JOHN FOX, Superintendent.

## YOU CAN GET THE FINEST

Family Groceries, Provisions and Freshest Vegetables

## FRANK L. PARKER'S

Low Down Prices!!

Corner Benton and Chenamus Streets. Opposite Custom House Square.

## H. B. PARKER,

DEALER IN Hay, Oats, and Straw, Lime, Brick, Cement, Sand and Plaster

Wood Delivered to Order. Drayage, Teaming and Express Business.



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RANGE CAN BE HAD IN ASTORIA ONLY OF E. R. HAWES, AGENT

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E. R. HAWES is also agent for the Buck patent Cooking Stove. And other first-class Stoves. Furnace Work, Steam Fittings, etc., a specialty.

A FULL STOCK ALWAYS ON HAND.

## John A. Montgomery,

DEALER IN Tin, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware. A General Assortment of HOUSEHOLD GOODS. Agents for Magee Stoves and Ranges. The Best in the market. Pumping goods of all kinds on hand. Job work done in a workmanlike manner.

## PLUMBING, GAS FITTING, AND CANNERY WORK

Attended to Promptly on Reasonable Terms. Chenamus Street, Next to C. L. Parker's Store.

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M. OLSEN, J. GUSTAFSON, A. JOHNSON. MARTIN OLSEN & CO. DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND BEDDING

Corner Main and Squemoqua Streets, Astoria, Oregon.

## WINDOW SHADES AND TRIMMINGS; WALL PAPER, ETC

A Complete Stock. PRICES AS CHEAP AS QUALITY WILL AFFORD. ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE REPAIRED AND VARNISHED.

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We have appointed MR. O. F. MORTON Our Selling and Collecting Agent at Astoria.

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The Singer Mfg Co., 12 Morrison Street, Portland, Or.

## Carnahan & Co.

SUCCESSORS TO I. W. CASE, IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE

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## FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT!

The Splendid Iron Bark JANET McNIEL, 100 A. 1. 858 Tons Register. Will be at Astoria shortly and will take SALMON IN LOTS TO SUIT SHIPPERS.

For rate of freight and insurance apply to BALFOUR GUTHRIE & CO., Portland, Or. Or to L. RUSSEL, Astoria.

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VAN DUSEN & CO. DEALERS IN Hardware and Ship Chandlery

Pure Oil, Bright Varnish, Binnacle Oil, Cotton Canvas, Hemp Sail Twine, Cotton Sail Twine, Lard Oil, Wrought Iron Spikes, Galvanized Cut Nails, Agricultural Implements Sewing Machines, Paints and Oils, Groceries, etc.

## HAVE YOU Anything to Sell?

IN THE MATTER OF Rags, Bottles, Old Metal, or Junk of Any Sort, FOARD & STOKES Will give you the best price for it.

Do You Want to Buy SHIP MATERIAL, From a Delaying Pin to a Hawser; from Block to an Anchor. You Can Get what You Want at FOARD & STOKES. Headquarters at building, east end of Water Street.