

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1920.

Misty nights and bright sunny days have been the rule during October.

Next thing in order will be the organization of the Astoria Railroad Terminal Co.

Parties from eastern Oregon and Washington look with delight on the green lawns and hill slopes in this vicinity.

The steamer Santa Cruz has been chartered to go from San Francisco to Alaska with machinery and cannery supplies.

The total vote of Washington on the 1st was 58,543. The total vote for John L. Wilson for congress is 34,039; that for Griffiths 23,492. Wilson's plurality is 10,547.

Thos. B. Loughery has opened a neat little store on Third street next door to Hughes & Co.'s, and stocked it with a fine assortment of cigars and confectionery.

At eight o'clock last evening there wasn't a breath of wind at the mouth of the river, but by eleven it began to pipe up strong from the southwest, blowing great gusts off shore.

There are now 304 convicts in the state prison, which is but one less than the highest number ever confined there. Last year there were 305 and for one hour there were 306.

A car load of fastenings and plates came last Wednesday, and another yesterday; 611 additional rails have also arrived. The work goes right on. A little freight bill of \$4,096 was paid yesterday.

The annual opportunity is offered by Griffin & Reed of getting all the bound volumes of Harper's Magazine, from the very first issue in 1850; also the Century Magazine, and at a very low price.

To-morrow throughout the length and breadth of the continent the A. O. U. W. will celebrate the 21st anniversary of the founding of the order. Seaside Lodge No. 12 has an elaborate programme for the occasion.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary L. Johnson, late wife of Capt. Eric Johnson, will be at two o'clock this afternoon. Services will be conducted at the residence by Rev. G. C. Hall. The interment will be on the hill.

A little venison is making its appearance. Canvasback ducks are still scarce, but mallards, wigwags and teal are in abundance. Pheasants and grouse are reported plenty up the valley, but are scarce in this latitude.

Counterfeit greenbacks are in circulation quite freely. The banks in the northwest are handling double the amount of greenbacks that they were two years ago. The large influx of eastern immigration is the cause.

The report of assistant Adjutant Sherman, of the U. S. A. R. shows that in the department of Oregon there is a membership of 1,632. This is an increase over the membership for 1888 of 81, with a loss of 33. The net increase is 48.

Prof. Pratt is introducing the Pollard system of reading into the school of which he is principal, and those interested in educational work are invited to attend at the afternoon exercises in Mrs. Busey's room at 2 o'clock next Tuesday to note its operation, it being the phonetic method systematized.

From our esteemed contemporary, the War Cry, it is learned that in Astoria five precious souls have recently been yanked from the burning pit and washed in the blood of the Lamb, that the devil is having a tough old time of it, and that the Salvation army has callouses on its knees from praying that Jehovah will not damn the police of this town. The War Cry claims to circulate 186 papers here. Like enough.

At 4:30 yesterday afternoon a wild goose flying over the land and water-cape when between Clifton and Westport, dropped suddenly to the earth, striking and snapping the telegraph wire, and leaving our 5,000 readers without their usual morning dispatches. When the Astorian and South Coast road is finished and 1/2 inch copper wire is strung along we'd just like to see any condemned goose break the wire and bust the connection.

The Grand Army of the Republic, department of Oregon, has issued circular letter No. 5. It deals with the national encampment held at Milwaukee last summer and in speaking of the Oregon exhibit says: "This exhibit occupied 1,000 square feet in the grand exposition building, and consists of grains, grasses, fruits and other products of Oregon. Our exhibit was visited by 27,000 people during the week. The following were distributed by our delegation, free of charge, during the encampment: 1,000 boxes of fruit, 50,000 small sacks of grain and 50,000 pamphlets descriptive of our state."

Secretary of state McBride, says that he has not yet received copies of the assessment roll from all the counties in the state. He estimates that the total taxable valuation of property will be over \$100,000,000, compared with \$85,000,000 for last year. "I see," he said to an Oregonian reporter last Wednesday, "that Washington territory boasts of a \$125,000,000 valuation, and looks down on Oregon. Washington has the figures, but not the valuation that Oregon has. Our pernicious assessment system is to blame for the smallness of our figures."

And now they have invented a de-

vice for fishing by electricity. A tiny motor worked by a pocket battery has been invented to run the reel in front fishing and to play the fish until it is tired out. It seems hardly fair for the fish, but it will save the strength of the angler, and very likely in time the machine will be perfected so that the fisherman can remain at home reading Isaac Walton while the electric contrivance does the whole thing. Indeed, it is difficult to see why it may not be sent by express to the far-away salmon streams while the angler remains inexpensively and restful in town. Truly, this is a wonderful age.

If THE ASTORIAN rightly understands this matter of exchange of school books, the time allowed for each exchange does not expire until the school superintendent is satisfied that every child is supplied. It has been stated that the time expired October 31st, but it is not so nominated in the bond. Doubtless it would suit the publishers very well, who succeeded in saddling this thing on to the state, to have the time expire on that date, so they could begin charging a good round price for the new books, which are not a bit better than the old. But, till every boy and girl in the county is supplied with the new books in exchange the time does not expire, notice of such expiration to be given by the school superintendents.

The Astorians who put up \$200 for the page and a half of a "write up" in a recent pamphlet, which THE ASTORIAN gave value to by giving it circulation yesterday morning, ought to get a rebate, a draw down. The Dalles was offered a page for \$50. Our sapient citizens gave \$200 for a page and a half. The Dalles folks concluded to help the local press and surprise their home newspapers. Now if a page can be had for \$50, a page and a half ought to be secured for \$75. Granting that the stuff was worth \$50 a page in a pamphlet that will lie on the shelves till sold for a cent a pound for waste paper, even then there ought to be a rebate to our Astoria friends of \$125. Great is humbug! Yea, verily. That makes four this year. The fifth will show up by Christmas, and will, if a stranger without a dollar's care for the place, catch a fresh lot to bite at the same bare hook.

From the county assessor's assessment list it is learned that the number of acres of land assessed in the county is 123,967, valued at \$1,995,777, an average value of \$16.20 an acre. Town lots are assessed at \$2,602,507; improvements, \$884,515; merchandise and implements, \$660,008; money, notes and accounts, \$630,478; household furniture, carriages, watches, etc., \$123,338; horses and mules, 548 in number, worth \$26,090; 3,821 cattle, worth \$88,107; 876 sheep, worth \$2,201.50; 522 swine, worth \$871. Gross value of all property, \$7,013,943; indebtedness, \$1,040,580; exemptions, \$74,028; total taxable property, \$5,898,735. The county commissioners have another final remark to make, and may cause a horizontal reduction of 28 per cent, scaling the aggregate down to \$4,000,000. Even then, Clatsop would be paying three times as much, proportionately, as her sister counties.

Since last Monday the writer has noticed that two flags have been flying on the roof of the custom house—the usual revenue flag with the eagle and above that flag, flies the flag that for a hundred years has never known defeat. Upon inquiry he learned that by order of the secretary of the treasury the stars and stripes shall henceforth fly during business hours above the federal buildings in this broad land. It's a good idea. We don't see enough of that flag that the Chicago anarchists hissed the other day. Now here is another suggestion. Let collector Hobson, or some other philanthropist see that a suitable flag pole is provided. Appoint, for instance, Capt. Hustler a committee on flag pole. The flag with 42 stars on it shouldn't be made fly from a measly little pole that already has a flag reeved to it. Let it have a pole of its own. Give the loyal winds of Oregon a chance to fill its folds as it flutters in the free air. A requisition for one flag pole from Washington, D. C. is in order. That is, the requisition is wanted from Washington, D. C. The flag pole itself can be furnished from a handy bit of timber in this neck of woods.

Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla if you want an honest, reliable medicine. Do not take any other which is alleged to be "about the same" or "just as good." Insist upon having Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is peculiar to itself. Sold by all druggists. Try it.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY. Of the Founding of the A. O. U. W. Following is the programme of the exercises at the A. O. U. W. hall to-morrow evening, on the occasion of the 21st anniversary of the founding of the beneficial order of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, by Seaside Lodge No. 12, of this city.

TABLEAUX. J. T. Ross. SOLO. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS. By Hon. C. W. Fulton. Miss Myra Stevens.

SPEECH. By H. A. Shorey, P. G. M. W., of Massachusetts. Prof. Millard.

SPEECH. By F. D. Winton. Solo. Miss Katie Flavel. Miss Gusie Gray. Pianist. Miss Nellie Flavel.

The doors will be open at 8 P. M. The exercises will begin at 8:30. The public are cordially invited to attend. G. W. RUCKER. S. T. MCKEAN. B. F. TRICKER. Committee of arrangements.

Weinhard's Beer. And Free Lunch at the Telephone Saloon, 5 cents.

The latest style of Gents' Boots and Shoes at P. J. GOODMAN'S.

MARINE NEWS AND NOTES.

The British ship *Crown of England*, previously reported, came in yesterday.

The *Eclipse* is doing a good business between here and Gray's river carrying passengers and freight.

The steamer *Wide West*, which has done years of service on the Columbia river, is being remodeled and will be fitted up as a mammoth steam barge, which will be used for slow freight work on the Sound.

The steamer *City of Topeka*, which has been in Oakland creek for two years past, since its withdrawal from the Mexican route, has been sold to the Oregon Improvement company for \$86,000. The vessel will be immediately put in first-class condition, and be placed on the route between the Sound ports and Alaska. She will leave San Francisco for the north about November 2. The *Corona*, upon being relieved, will return to that port, and will be assigned to one of the coast routes. Captain David Walker, of the wrecked steamer *Ancon*, will command the *Topeka*.

The Oregon Pacific Company is sued to recover \$115,000, this being the purchase price of the steamer *City of Palatka* afterwards named the *Eastern Oregon*. The steamer was purchased of the Florida steamship company, they representing that the steamer was capable of making so many knots an hour and to consume only so many tons of coal. When the vessel reached San Francisco she was immediately placed on the Yaquina route and made but a few trips generally from one to two days behind time and in the manner in which she consumed coal was a caution. The Florida company was notified of this fact and the steamer taken from the route and has been lying idle for nearly two years.

PERSONAL MENTION. W. J. Ingall is back from a missionary trip among the Danites.

True Leinenweber is up from the Nestucca, and will remain for a while. H. D. Thing is visiting friends at Hillsboro, and is expected back today.

Jake Arndt, who has been cruising in Alaskan waters for the last six months, is expected home today.

W. A. Sherman returned yesterday from a brief sojourn in the mist and fogs of California. He says it feels good to get back again in the land of warm sunlight.

Real Estate Transfers, Oct. 24th. P. L. Cherry and wife to H. F. Band, lots 3, 4, 5, 6, blk 82, McClure's; \$1,400.

United States to A. P. White SE 1/4 sec. 1, T. 7, N. R. 6 W. United States to Geo. Shirley, SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 1, T. 7, N. R. 6 W.

G. C. Hall and wife to H. W. Strickler, lot 10 blk 6, Columbia addition, \$60.

A. R. Kanaga and wife, quit claim deed to H. W. Strickler, lot 8, blk 151, Olney's extension; \$75.

Charged With Cutting Timber. O. L. Stanley, of Lake county, charged with cutting timber on government lands had a trial in the U. S. circuit court yesterday. The complaint alleged that between the dates of July, 1873, and 1886, Stanley had at various times entered upon the timber land and cut therefrom enough trees to make over 700,000 feet of lumber, which was worth on the whole \$13,142. During his examination defendant admitted that he had cut timber sufficient to make 500,000 feet of lumber, which was worth \$7 per thousand, and that he knew the land on which the timber was cut was government land. The jury were inclined to tax the damages at only the value of the standing timber, but the court instructed them that as defendant had admitted that he knew the land on which the timber was cut was public land, he had committed a willful trespass and they must find damages for the value of the lumber made from the timber. They accordingly returned a verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$3,500.—*Oregonian*, 24.

All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices at J. W. Conr's drug store, opposite Occident hotel, Astoria.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS. Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Remember the Austin house at the Seaside is open year round. Try the Chase & Sanborn Seal Brand coffee—best in the market—at Thompson & Ross.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

A SCENE OF HORROR.

The Dreadful Fate of John E. Feeks.

The following is a description of the death of lineman John E. Feeks, from an electrical shock on October 11, taken from the *New York World*:

With the utmost deliberation the man began his work. In his right hand he held the "pliers," he had already selected the wire he intended to cut. It was fastened to the extreme end of the crossbar, and was therefore several feet away from where he was hanging. He was forced to reach out and catch the wire in his right hand, clinging meanwhile to the crossbar with his left hand and left arm.

The wire slipped in between the middle finger and the ring finger. There was one quick convulsive movement, a shiver through every fibre, as though the man was about to spring straight out into the air, and a cry went up from the little group on the corner.

And then there was enacted a scene the like of which no man in this city has ever seen before; whose awful horror will be burned and stamped into the memories of all who saw it for many a long year to come.

When the man with that first movement sought to fly from the mysterious and deadly current which was pouring into him and passing through every fibre, his head was instinctively raised. There were two wires running parallel to him and just above him. When he threw his head up it passed through these wires.

One of them fastened itself under his chin and the other was pressed against his mouth. A tiny blue flame like that which a candle emits when the wick has been burned to the socket and the breath of a dying girl can extinguish it, hovered about the right hand of the man. It was followed by a puff of smoke. There was the same tiny blue flame hovering for a moment about the left foot, also followed by a puff of smoke.

The man was roasting to death! It seemed but a moment till the corner group was lost in a sea of faces, all turned in horror to where the ghastly tragedy was being enacted. Thousands blockaded Chambers street from Broadway to a block beyond Centre street. From all the side streets within view there peered out other faces—thousands upon thousands.

It all looked like a nightmare, grisly, horrible, ghastly, unreal. There hanging in mid air, lay the smoking body. The untold agony of the face you might even see from the street below, looking straight ahead with eyes which saw nothing, the rigid form with the burning hand, like a torch, the outlines never moving. Some men cried out. The horror was more than they could bear.

Every few moments there came a flickering blue flame shifting along the body, and always followed by the smoke, which told the hushed thousands the dreadful thing which was going on under their very eyes. Every moment the crowd grew greater. Every house-top for blocks on either side held its awestruck spectators. There was time enough for all to get a good view, for the man lay there with that awful look of mortal agony on his face, slowly burning within that network of red-hot wires, for forty-five minutes, while every detail was watched by countless thousands of his fellowmen.

Their Business Booming. Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at J. W. Conr's Drug Store as his giving away to the customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying by getting a trial bottle free, large size \$1. Every bottle warranted.

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ONLY A QUESTION OF TIME. You may doubt it, but in course of time you will approve the popular verdict by going yourself where the commercial tide sweeps the trade to; you may trade elsewhere because habit makes it natural; you may dismiss this from your mind because, well, perhaps, because you don't think it worth while to remember it; but in course of time the cold truth will force itself upon you, that while you sweat and save in one way, you are extravagant in another, and as soon as you realize this fact you will turn a new leaf and investigate before you spend your coin, and that is all I ask of you. Investigate!! Give me a chance to prove to you that you can get fresher goods where goods are sold quick, and that you can buy goods cheaper where the enormous quantities sold justify a comparatively small profit and consequently low prices. Perhaps it is unnecessary to state here what place I refer to, because the great majority of Astorians do say that Herman Wise's Is The Place.

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