

ASTORIA, OREGON: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1908. PUBLIC WATER WORKS.

AMONG the most interesting and authoritative literature on water works, is the Manual of American Water Works, published by the Engineering News Company.

It is in the matter of water works that public ownership of what might be classed as a natural monopoly is most extensively illustrated.

As having a bearing on this subject, a comparison of the rates charged by public and private corporations may not be devoid of interest.

The comparison points to a cheaper service by public than by private corporations, the charges being based on the average family rate charged by 745 works in the United States.

It is only fair to note here that the rate for a family in this city is \$24 a year, or \$2.88 less than the average for the whole country at the public works.

As regards the building cost of public versus private works, the comparison is shown to be slightly in favor of private works.

Has Astoria the resolution and power to unite on a proposition to establish public water works of her own?

CALIFORNIA is forty years old to-day, and Admission day is being celebrated with unusual pomp and splendor.

They are having a regular carnival of four days, and the enthusiastic citizens of that noble state are surpassing their record in regard to grand and imposing ceremonies.

Our Seaside Office is closed for the season. We have a few fine lots left in Railroad Addition in Grimes Grove, and on application at our office in this city will take pleasure in sending a man down to show the property.

WHATSOEVER other business the council may transact this evening, the order to purchase an improved hook and ladder truck should certainly be passed.

PRESIDENT HARRISON yesterday appointed the commission whose duty it will be to select a site for the dry dock which is to be located on this coast, north of California.

THE Reveille, which has for seven years been published as a weekly at Whitcomb, Washington, commenced as a daily on the 23d instant. It is a neatly arranged and well-filled folio of six columns to the page, and presents a remarkably fine appearance.

NEW TO-DAY. TIME SCHEDULE. Astoria & South Coast Railway.

Notice to Gas Consumers. FROM AND AFTER SEPT. 1ST, 1908, the price of gas will be reduced from \$1.25 to \$1.00 per 100 cubic feet.

Disfranchisement of Illiterates.

The Constitutional Convention of Mississippi has for some time been considering a plan for the disfranchisement of illiterates. The educational qualification finds great favor.

It appears that the act by which Mississippi was readmitted into the Union provides that the state constitution shall not be changed in such a manner as to establish public or educational qualifications. Just how the constitutional convention is to get around this act does not appear.

There is a disposition to ignore it altogether. In that event some thousands of voters would be disfranchised. Even that might serve as a stimulus to the blacks to become qualified by education for the elective franchise.

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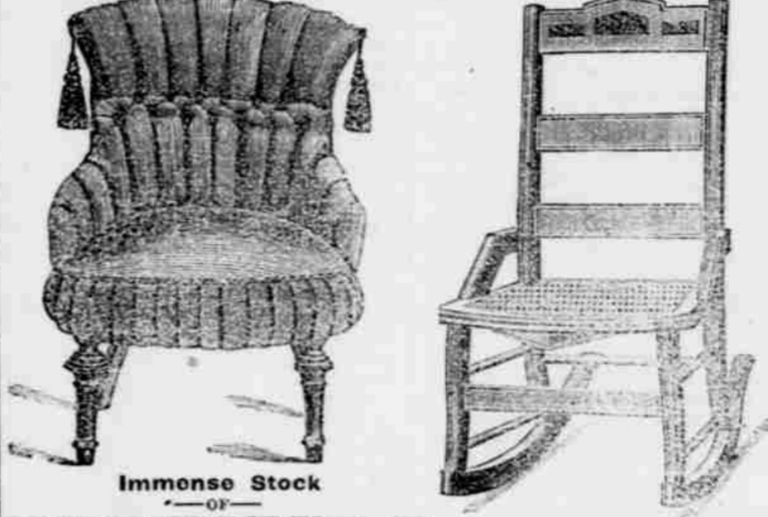
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