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THE FIRST TRAIN

Astoria to Seaside Direct Over the Young's Bay Bridge.

A. F. C. Will Run an Excursion to Seaside and Inaugurate the Opening of the Line.

Under the direction of Superintendent Lester, of the Seashore road, the work of laying the rails across Young's Bay bridge is rapidly progressing. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning Engine No. 28 crossed the draw bridge and landed rails on the Astoria side of the trestle. The first iron horse made the passage in safety, and it is expected that tomorrow the rails will have been laid up to Kinney's cannery. Arrangements have been completed by the Astoria Football Club to give the first excursion direct from the city, all rail to Seaside, tomorrow. The club has taken an active part in the interests of the city at large, and in promoting all manner of sports and entertainments. They now propose to have the honor of running the first train on a regulation railroad out of the city. Tickets for the excursion may be had at the railroad office, Telephone dock, O. R. R. and N. Co.'s dock, or from Secretary F. M. Gunn, of the A. F. C. Arrangements have been made by the football club with the transportation companies, by which tickets held by visitors from Portland and other points up river will be good until Sunday night, thus enabling the visitors now in this city, to avail themselves of the opportunity to visit the beach before returning to their homes. Posters giving the time and place of starting will be printed today, and all the necessary information can be found in the afternoon papers, and in these columns tomorrow.

The railroad company will probably commence running regular trains between Astoria and Seaside Monday or Tuesday instead of via Flavel as at present. The new service will be appreciated by the thousands of people who visit the beaches, and by none more than Astorians, who have waited for years for proper railroad facilities. The energy displayed by the railroad company in laying the rails so promptly after the arrival of the Chelmsford, deserves much credit.

At Warrenton great improvements are being made daily. The new depot is about completed, and the north arm of the Y will soon be finished. Six thousand yards of gravel have been filled in and about the depot, and the thriving little town has taken on a business appearance.

Moany is the leading tailor, and pays the highest cash price for fur skins.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

Dun's Weekly Report Gives a More Hopeful Outlook.

New York, August 21.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say: The political events of the week had no definite influence upon the business prospects, for the phenomenal variations of sterling exchange and the beginning of imports of gold may be fairly attributed to the accumulating excess of merchandise over imports, to which attention has been repeatedly called. The exports from New York for the past two weeks have been 20 per cent larger and the imports 21 per cent smaller than last year.

The rapid movement of grain and unusually early marketing of cotton tend strongly to aid the banking syndicate which has undertaken to regulate foreign exchange.

GENERAL TRADE.

New York, August 21.—Bradstreet tomorrow will say:

General trade throughout the United States is practically confined to staple lines. The volume of business is no larger. Where orders have increased in number they are smaller in size. In almost all instances they are based on near by requirements. The feature of the week is the increased difficulty in making collections and the higher rates for mercantile discounts. Credits are being scanned more closely than heretofore and are granted less freely.

The total business failures in the United States is 244 this week, six more than last week, 72 more than in the third week of August, 1894, the period of extreme depression after the panic of 1893. The feature of the week's failures is found in the number of embarrasments among concerns of large capital. There are thirty business failures in Canada this week, 35 last week, 37 a year ago and 39 two years ago.

PENNOYER OVERRULED.

Portland, August 21.—General S. R. Shreffler, late commander of the Coxey Army, who a few days ago was given a position in the street cleaning department by Mayor Pennoyer, was today relieved of his position by the council committee on street cleaning. Ten others of the mayor's appointees were let out by the committee.

Would you have delicious cake, Or nice waffles always make? You will succeed if you will bake With Cleveland's Baking Powder. For sale by Gramms & Co.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

BOXING CONTEST TONIGHT.

Two Well Known Men to Fight Ten Rounds at the Louvre.

Tonight at the Louvre Jimmy Ryan, of this city, and Oscar Wilson, champion water-weight of the Pacific Northwest, will fight ten rounds. The match was arranged nearly a month ago and the men have been quietly training, although it was known to but few. Both men are now in fine form, and an interesting go is expected. Ryan needs no introduction to the people of Astoria. He has had several fights and is considered wonderfully shifty with his "dukes." Wilson is a well known fighter, having whipped several good men and is said to be able to withstand great punishment. He is very clever. The fight will take place on the third floor of the Louvre. The price of admission has been fixed at fifty cents and it is expected the house will be crowded. For reserved seats \$1.50 will be charged. The bout begins promptly at 10:30 o'clock.

THE BALL.

The complimentary annual regatta ball tendered the visiting firemen and members of the Oregon State Press Association was held last evening in the gymnasium of the football club. The club had charge of the affair. Like all previous undertakings of the club it was a most decided success. The hall was prettily decorated with flags, bunting and evergreens and the music by the Astoria Military Band was certainly excellent. The following gentlemen had charge of the floor: Manager, E. G. Rogers; aides, Messrs. R. G. Prael, H. D. Thing, F. D. Shields, C. H. Callender, and W. W. Ridehaigh. There were fully two hundred couples in attendance, who seemed to find much delightful amusement in following fair Terpsichore until after the completion of the regular list of twenty dances.

ELECTED OFFICERS.

Saratoga, August 21.—The American Bar Association elected officers today. James Woolworth, Omaha, was elected president.

STATE BAR ASSOCIATION.

Portland, August 21.—The State Bar Association today elected officers. L. L. McArthur, of Portland, is president.

The thrifty housewife cleaves to all Good things that are allowed her, And in this land o' cakes she cleaves To Cleveland's Baking Powder. For sale by Gramms & Co.

Salton Sea Salt for baths at the Estes-Conn Drug Store, 10c and 25c per package.

FIREMEN IN SESSION

List of Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year.

Enthusiastic Convention and Business of Importance Transacted—Prizes Paid in Cash.

The Oregon State Volunteer Firemen's Association had its annual meeting and elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

President—Geo. C. Sears, of Portland, re-elected unanimously.

Vice-Presidents—N. J. Sinnott, The Dalles; R. M. Stuart, Astoria; W. H. Howell, Oregon City; C. McCarty, Vancouver; W. A. Wenig, Astoria.

Secretary, J. S. Fish, The Dalles.

Treasurer—W. H. Bultes.

Executive committee—F. J. Carney, Astoria; W. H. Bloss, Vancouver Barracks; R. B. Sinnott, The Dalles; Chas. Alisky, Portland; J. Trembath, Oregon City.

A strenuous effort was made by the convention to debar the Vancouver Barracks team from ever again entering the association after the close of this convention. Considerable argument was had on both sides of the question and the following resolution was finally adopted:

"Resolved, That the hose team belonging to the 14th Infantry, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, be allowed to join this association.

The Astoria team, the winner of the first prize, wet test—\$100—and the 14th Infantry, Vancouver Barracks, winners of the second prize—\$50—were paid the amounts due them.

The 14th Infantry, Vancouver Barracks team, winner of the first prize in the hub-and-hub speed race—\$75—and the Astoria team, winner of the second prize—\$25—were paid their prizes.

After the adjournment of the convention the members took part in the ball given in their honor and that of the Oregon Press Association at the A. F. C. Club rooms.

FAMOUS PATCHEN.

Rigby Park, Me., August 21.—The famous pacing stallion, Joe Patchen, lowered the world's stallion pacing record by one quarter of a second, going a mile in 2:03 flat on the Rigby track today. Two of the judges' watches showed the time to be one-fifth of a second less than 2:03. It was not a favorable day for going against a record, as a strong wind was blowing when the racing began. After a mile of warming up the black stallion was started down the

track at a lively gait with the runner known as "Little Friend," driven by Chas. O'Brien. A strong wind was blowing. The judges caught the quarter at 29 1/2, and with the wind at his back the famous stallion rolled over the second quarter in 29 1/2. The half was made in just 1:00. On the third quarter the time was 30 1/2, and at a two-minute clip Joe Patchen gathered himself up for the last quarter. But here he met a strong wind, against which he slowed down a bit, but crossed the wire in 32 1/2.

INGALLS FOR PRESIDENT.

Cincinnati, August 21.—The Times-Star announces that there is a movement to press M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four and Chesapeake and Ohio Railroads, for the nomination of the National Democratic party for president.

PIANOS WELL REPRESENTED.

A good piano manufacturer can always find a good representative, and it is not necessary to peddle in Astoria or elsewhere their own pianos. Have you seen the "Ludwig" pianos with the new "mandolin attachment"? This piano needs no paid testimonials. It sings its own praises and is fully warranted not alone by the manufacturers, but also by their representatives here, The Wiley B. Allen Co., the oldest and largest music store in the Pacific Northwest. For a few days this piano and other good makes will be on exhibition at both Griffin & Reed's and at the store located at the corner of 10th and Duane streets. Special low prices are quoted and inducements given such as no other concern here or elsewhere can give. Now is the golden opportunity to get a piano.

AROUND TOWN.

Don't forget the clam bake at Gearhart tonight.

The merchants during the past few days have been as full of business as an egg is of meat.

Despite the excitement and largely increased population this week, the courts have been notably short of business.

Col. John Adair's athletic performance at the impromptu picnic of the Press Association yesterday, excited the admiration of all the ladies present.

Mr. James Crawford, the Washington fish commissioner, who has been in the city for several days, yesterday made a trip to Seaside with the press association.

The track-laying gang on the railroad bridge are the busiest people in town.

down the river to Astoria. The cars are coming and Mr. Campbell looks for the big depot soon.

Mrs. F. W. Ferguson left yesterday for Cannon Beach where she will spend two or three weeks at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Griffin.

Editor White, in his efforts to emulate Col. Adair's feats at the Press Association picnic yesterday morning very nearly brought on apoplexy.

At Gearhart Park they are providing for the accommodation of excursionists tomorrow when the first train will be run from Astoria to the Clatsop beaches.

It was suggested yesterday that the official time of each race today be given to the Western Union Telegraph Company as quickly as possible in order that bulletins may be sent out over the wires.

It was rumored the other day that certain parties in Portland had made an effort to secure for use in that city the custom house wharf boat, but owing to the approaching regatta season, Astoria's customs collector did not think he could spare the boat from here.

The steamer Thompson in making a landing at Flavel wharf yesterday evening ripped up the planks of the dock, almost resulting in the severe injury of a little girl. The wharf was not very solid just at that point, and the current of the ebb tide was setting in very strongly.

This evening, at the request of the water commissioner, a hydrant test will be made by the fire department. Several streams of water are to be thrown, and a demonstration made to the insurance companies of the protection to property now had in this city. It is suggested by those interested that some photographer take a snapshot of the test in order that some tangible evidence may be presented to the insurance companies.

When the announcement was made yesterday afternoon of the winning of the wet test by the Astoria team, Joe Hoch sent a box of cigars to them with his compliments.

Tonight at Gearhart Park there will be a big clam bake under the auspices of Dr. Alfred Kinney, who extends a cordial invitation to everybody to participate.

WALL STREET NEWS

Reported Distress Among Merchants for Want of Money.

Clearing-House Certificates Will Not Be Issued, However, and No Necessity Exists for Them Now.

New York, August 21.—Considerable uneasiness prevails in Wall street today, on account of the report of distress among merchants and the urgent need of financial assistance. Estimates of a reduction of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 in tomorrow's reserve in the bank statement and a corresponding heavy shrinkage of deposits, encouraged the expectation of an early issue of clearing-house certificates by the banks.

It was reported that a meeting of the clearing house company had been called to take action. A careful canvass of the leading bank officials elicited the unanimous opinion that there was no need for the issue of certificates at present and that such issue will only be made in case of extreme necessity. No meeting has been called to consider the issue of certificates.

A banker in close touch with the mercantile situation says that undoubtedly some merchants need money, but most of the large maturities passed off all right with the first of the month, and most of the weaker concerns have already been weeded out.

A limited market is reported today for choice grades of mercantile paper at 8 per cent. Time money is an unknown quantity at 6 per cent and commissions.

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