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**SIGNAL SERVICE REPORT.**  
**YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.**  
Maximum temperature, 48 degrees.  
Minimum temperature, 41 degrees.  
Precipitation, trace.

Total precipitation from September 1st, 1896, to date, 42.82 inches.  
Excess of precipitation from September 1st, 1896, to date, 11.87 inches.

**TODAY'S WEATHER.**  
Portland, December 24.—For Oregon and Washington, fair weather, easterly wind.

**TO READERS.**—The "Daily Astorian" contains twice as much reading matter as any other paper published in Astoria. It is therefore more than twice as valuable as an advertising medium.

**State of Oregon.**  
County of Clatsop, ss.  
We, the undersigned, local managers respectively of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies, hereby certify that the "Daily Astorian" is the only paper published in Astoria which now receives, or at any time during our control of said offices has received, a telegraphic press report.

B. B. JOHNSON, Manager W. U. T. Co.  
J. B. CLARK, Manager Postal Tel. Co.

**AROUND TOWN.**

The bells are ringing, ringing. The day is bright with cheer. The world is rapt with singing. For Christ, the child, is here.

Uncle Tom's Cabin today.

Uncle Tom arrived in the city yesterday.

Yesterday was the ideal one for shopping.

Buy your Groceries at 10th and Duane street.

Just received—Lowney's chocolates, at The Spa.

Tom and Jerry and eggnog at The Office today.

Go to 165 Tenth street for the finest holiday goods.

You can get the best potatoes at 10th and Duane street.

The surprise of a gift really counts more than its value.

The leading stores and banks of the city will be closed today.

Miss Francis Holden will entertain her friends this evening.

Christmas without snow is almost like no Christmas at all.

Salted almonds, the original, fresh this morning, at C. B. Smith's.

The evergreens of the forest are in evidence today all over the city.

Andrew Holmes returned from Eugene yesterday to spend the holidays.

Pure sweet cream fresh every morning in the year around, at C. B. Smith's.

In the police court yesterday John Doe was again fined \$10 for being drunk.

J. Dillon, of Seaside, and R. A. Ab-

Good tea is extremely good—you may not know how good.

Try Schilling's Best; if you don't like it, your grocer will pay your money back in full.

Schilling & Company  
San Francisco

**On the QUEEN HEATER**  
appears in large letters, "Queen." None genuine without it. Beware of imitations. We are sole agents for the "Queen."

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**H. EKSTROM Jeweler**  
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A FINE LINE OF...

**Watches, Diamonds**  
GOLD AND SILVER JEWELRY, CLOCKS, EMBELLERS, PURSES, STERLING AND PLATED WARE.

Suitable for Christmas Presents, at Very Low Prices.

Every Article Purchased Engraved Free.

bot, of Skipanon, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. N. Boxler was in from Olney yesterday purchasing Christmas presents.

This week, dress goods remnants, all lengths, your own price. Low Price Store.

The Yellow Kid will be there. So will Terry McKean, H. Vidain and Geo. Smith.

Go to the Bonbonniere on Xmas morning for your salted almonds. Call early.

Miss Bessie Arndt went to Portland last night to spend the holidays with her aunt.

THREE SIZES OF QUEEN HEATERS now in stock and for sale only by Fisher Brothers.

The O. R. and N. dock will be closed today except for the arrival and departure of boats.

The big bloodhounds of the Uncle Tom's Cabin Company attracted much attention yesterday.

Miss Minnie Crow returned from St. Helen's Hall, Portland, yesterday, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. P. Carlson entertained a few friends last evening at her home on 9th and Commercial.

Some new-fashioned mothers do away with the Christmas tree and have a hamper in its place.

While the city was quiet yesterday it was full of visitors who were buying Christmas presents.

If you want any of those fine tree ornaments at C. B. Smith's you had better get them this week.

Miss May Denney, of Portland, is visiting for a short time in the city with her friend, Mrs. J. Gribler.

Dr. T. L. Ball, dentist. Teeth extracted without pain. Price reasonable. No. 562 Commercial street.

Bogus 25-cent pieces are floating around town, and merchants are cautioned to be on their guard.

Alfred Cleveland and Sigfried Young returned from college at Eugene yesterday to spend the holidays.

Hiram Leinenweber and Alfred Funge are home from Pacific University at Forest Grove for the holidays.

Miss Katie Sinnott, who has been attending school at Monmouth, is spending the holidays with her parents.

We offer all our cast iron stoves at 10 per cent below cost. The latest air-tight stoves also on hand at 421 Bond street.

The steamer Columbine yesterday was decorated with evergreens, a Christmas tree appearing at each mast-head.

Christmas tree decorations, the finest assortment in the city. Candles, ten cents a box, all sizes, at Griffin & Reed's.

Mrs. L. C. Flavel left by last night's boat for New York, where she goes to meet her daughters en route home from Europe.

Captain Gregory and the Manzantia came down from Portland yesterday, after having spent a week in the metropolis.

Remember, that the Spring Valley Creamery butter, at Foad & Stokes', is the only fancy creamery butter in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bender, of Knappa, and Mr. Charles G. Stone, of New Coffee 5c, Woodcock's, 674 Com'l St.

York, were guests of the Parker House yesterday.

There was a big excursion up from Seaside yesterday, among those on the train being Messrs. Dillon, Steele and Elberman.

Miss Pearl Holden will leave this morning for Port Canby, where she will spend the day with Major Kinale and family.

Foreman Collins has a large gang of men at work repairing the roadbed and surfacing the track between Warrenton and Seaside.

In the county clerk's office yesterday afternoon Nels Nelson declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States.

Angelica, port, sherry, and claret wines. Best ever imported and brought to Astoria. Prices very reasonable. At Alex Gilbert's.

Books, all kinds, sizes and styles. In neat and tasty bindings, the finest assortment ever shown in the city, at Griffin & Reed's.

Indications last night were that Astoria would have something like Christmas weather today. Pat Observer Grover on the back.

The advance sale of seats for the Stanford Glee Club concert to be given by the Elks Tuesday night is one of the largest on record.

The sweetest present you can get for your lady friends today is a box of Gunther's celebrated bonbons and chocolates, at C. B. Smith's.

When making your selection for Christmas do not forget Griffin & Reed's Souvenir of Astoria. Fifty photographs for fifty cents.

A special program will be rendered Saturday evening at the Rescue Club for the benefit of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Admittance, 10 cents.

Mr. George Hussey and Miss Willema D. Mitchell were married yesterday at the home of the bride's father in Knappa by the Rev. Mr. Robertson.

The Elks' concert Tuesday night will be the event of the season. The Stanfords are noted over the entire country for their fine musical performances.

Call and see the Queen air-tight heater at Howell & Ward's before buying; they can save you money both on the price of the stove and wood consumed.

The masquerade dance at Seaside tonight promises to be one of the events of the season. A number of Astorians are going down to take part in the fun.

Astoria's quartet, H. G. Smith, R. Burnett, W. J. Belcher, and J. R. A. Bennett. In the latest successes of the day, December 21st, A. F. C. vaudeville.

Contractor Watta yesterday sent a carload of turkeys to the railroad camps above Tongue Point, and the boys will celebrate today in good, old-fashioned style.

Before purchasing, don't fail to see those celebrated air-tight stoves at Foad & Stokes'. They have them in a dozen different styles, and every possible size.

At 10 o'clock Saturday morning, in the town hall of Clatsop city, will be taken up the question of the final adjustment of the liquor license for that precinct.

If you have not decided on what to send your Eastern friends, a handsome calendar, booklet or Christmas card will fill the bill. We have them; Griffin & Reed.

Don't forget that the Low Price Store has the only perfect fitting wrappers, the handsomest line of jackets and capes, and is selling them at wholesale prices. 491 Bond street.

Mrs. Catherine Case, who has been visiting with her son, Sherman Case, of Seaside, and her daughter, Mrs. B. J. Stead, of Astoria, has just returned to her home in Altoona, Iowa.

Mr. Constantin Monnie was in yesterday from Gilbert's ranch at Olney. He purchased a team of horses, wagon, a lot of furniture, etc. Evidently he made himself a Christmas present.

The entertainments last night at Grace church and the Methodist church were largely attended and from the happy faces of the young people Santa Claus must have been in evidence.

The famous Freidlander Brothers are now at the Louvre, appearing nightly. They are two of the best specialists on the coast. Go and hear them. If you don't, you will miss a rare treat.

Mrs. H. M. Royce, of Portland, Mrs. L. D. Harris, of Montana, and Miss Bertha Goulter, who has been attending school at Monmouth, are spending the holidays with Mrs. H. A. Franklin.

Don't forget that the railroad company has made a change in its system of collecting freight charges on goods shipped to stations where there are no agents. The change goes into effect on January 1st.

You will never be able to buy a good watch or clock or anything in the line of jewelry or silverware for as little money as you can now at the Palace Jewelry Store, as the entire stock must be sold by January 1st.

It seems strange that the railroad company has to send up the Columbia river almost to Portland, to get wood for its locomotives, when there are thousands of cords on the Lewis and Clarke and Young's rivers.

Mr. Wise could not get the dance hall

The doubters when they read the call for bids in this issue, must be convinced that the Astoria and Columbia River Railroad Company will run its trains into the city soon, whether there is any connection between the new depot and the city or not.

Through a misunderstanding it was announced a day or two since that Dr. Finch would shortly enter into partnership with Dr. J. S. Bishop. Dr. Finch will open an office soon in the city, but neither of the physicians contemplate entering into partnership with any one.

Postmaster Wise reports that there are a large number of packages in the postoffice, and that it might be well for recipients to call for them today. The office will be open from 9 to 10 a. m. and 5 to 6 p. m. There will only be one mail delivery today, in the business portion of the city.

Among the Christmas festivities last night the entertainments at the Presbyterian and Congregational churches were most conducive to fun for the little people as well as instructive and edifying for all. Santa Claus is still a reality with the children, if the grown people have learned where his home is.

Cashier Higgins, of the Astoria National Bank, the boys allege, has had a fashion of using everybody's pencil except his own. So yesterday the clerks presented him with a pen and pencil, each of which was about the size of a railroad spike, and chained them down to his desk with regulation log chains. It is safe to say that Mr. Higgins will not have to borrow any more pencils.

Grille and Smith yesterday completed their work at Kopp's new brewery. Eight miles of pipe have been placed in the refrigerating and steam plant of this magnificent modern manufactory. Mr. Kopp expects to start the machinery next Tuesday, and will in a few days thereafter entirely abandon the old plant. The capacity of the brewery will be something over 200 barrels per day.

Stanford University Glee, Mandolin and Specialty Clubs vie with any organization on the road and yield to none in popularity. The combination this year particularly in its specialties, is stronger than ever. The Chicago Saturday Herald says: "It is rare that one meets a young artist who shows the wonderful versatility and polish that Mr. Frank Branch Riley displayed in the varied numbers of his recital last evening." The clubs play one night at Fishers on the 29th.

Engineer Dillman yesterday returned from the line of road near Rainier and reports that four hundred men are now at work near Mayers' and the Clatskanie, and that the two big dredgers are hard at work day and night. Good work is being done, and when the force is increased to a thousand men all along the line, and will be shortly, rapid progress will be made, and before another Christmas rolls around, the iron horse will be traveling between here and Portland.

The Stanford University Students' Glee, Mandolin and Specialty Clubs are on a grand holiday tour of the coast. No professional company on the road compares with the high class music and minstrelsy of these well known clubs. The San Francisco Call says: "The Club is especially fortunate in the possession of Charles L. Dillon. He is a clever comedian and especially strong in dialect eccentricities. In the Costermonger's song, 'The Little Nipper,' he vied with Albert Chevalier, who has made these ditties popular."

At Knappa Wednesday evening was held one of the most enjoyable parties of the season. Mr. Callender sent his launch Wenona over for the guests from Astoria, and the trip across the bay was one of the most delightful that could be imagined. The moon shone brightly and the waters were as quiet as a mill pond. During the evening music and dancing occupied the time.

The party returned to the city about 11 o'clock in the morning. Among those present from Astoria were Messrs. Pruel, Rogers, Carruthers, Higgins, Gunn, Rogers, of Portland, Sherman, Thine, Burnett, Bennett, Dr. Finch, the Misses Talant, Reed, Upshur, Smith, Heilborn, Nickerson, Holden, Bennett, Leinenweber, Lomberger.

**BILL OF FARE.**

Oyster Soup, Chicken Soup, Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Boiled Turkey, Oyster Sauce, Roast Duck, Oyster Sauce, Chicken Pot Pie, Oyster Patties, Jelly Tartar, English Plum Pudding, Home Made Mince Pie.

With our Christmas Dinner, at the Tremont Restaurant.

R. POWERS, Prop'r.

**UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.**

No play ever written has so strong a hold in our hearts as this play; it shows the bright as well as dark spots of human nature, and no company has ever presented it like it is put on the stage by the Cook Twin Sisters Company of stars.

This beautiful play will be presented at Fisher's Opera House in a magnificent manner on Xmas night and matinee, admission at popular prices; members of the same excellent company will also give an entertainment for the benefit of Herman Wise's customers at Fisher's Opera House Friday forenoon from 9 to 12 m.

Every customer holding a ticket to Herman Wise's Xmas dance will be admitted free of charge to this forenoon entertainment during which the Xmas presents will also be distributed among Herman Wise's customers.

Mr. Wise could not get the dance hall

# Warrenton Is the Best...

**Columbia Harbor Land Co.**  
CORNER...  
**BOND and ELEVENTH STS.**  
Maps on application.

Everybody knows that Warrenton values will soon be doubled. It is distinctly the best property on the market.  
Fine large level lots, surrounded by many improvements, at very low prices.  
Is it not a fine investment?

Whatsoever you do between now and Christmas be sure and see our beautiful novelties in perfumes before buying any gifts for your friends. Mind you, we do not say buy of us. We merely say, see what we have before you buy, and then do as you choose about the place you purchase. Of course we have an idea about what the result will be after having examined our varied stock, but that need not in any way influence your choice. We are showing our goods with the understanding that we wish no one to purchase unless we make it their best interest to do so. We have in stock an elegant line of novelty perfumes in cut glass bottles, all new styles, never put on the market before, and filled with the choicest perfumes made by Adolph Spuler and Solon Palmer, the best manufacturers of perfumes in America; also a full line of imported extracts by Lubin, Roger and Gallet, Ed. Finaud of Paris and the Crown Perfumery Company of London, who are known to be the leading perfumers of the world, and some of their entirely new orders in our stock are Metuskita, Orchida, Peau de Sprague, L. Iris Blanc, Bouquet des Amours, Vera Violetta, Violet de Parm, Parquinta Lilly, Aurora Lily and QUEEN OF VIOLETS.

We also carry the largest line of toilet soaps of any house west of the Rocky Mountains (that is not a wholesale house.) We have forty gross ranging in price from 40 cents per dozen to \$11 a case, 12 gross of tooth brushes at from 5 cents to 50 cents each. Our 50c hair brushes at from 15c to 47c each; bath brushes from 50c to \$2 each; also an endless variety of lather brushes and other articles too numerous to mention, and all at the lowest cash prices. We take pleasure in showing goods, whether you buy or not, knowing, after examining our stock and prices, you will call when in need of anything in our line.

**CHARLES ROGERS,** Druggist,  
Odd Fellows' building, Astoria.

on account of Uncle Tom's Cabin being presented at Fisher's Opera House on Xmas night, therefore he gives this entertainment in place of the dance.

**NOTICE**

There is called a special meeting of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association No. 70, at their hall Saturday evening, December 26th, at 8 p. m. A full attendance is requested.

R. A. HENDRICKS, Pres.  
Chas. T. Smith, Secretary.

**NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.**

After January 1st, 1897, freight charges must be prepaid to all stations on the A. and C. R. R. where the company has no agents.

C. F. LESTER, Superintendent.

**FOR HOLIDAY GOODS.**

Useful as well as ornamental, at the Eastern Clock Co.'s, 186 Tenth street, a few doors from Case's bank. Goods sold for cash or easy payments.

Some of the dolls purporting to be exact reproductions of the real baby have faces that might easily scare their juvenile parents into fits.

**ROYAL Baking Powder** has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

The woman with the scrawniest neck and arms generally wears the most décolleté gown.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.**

Take laxative from Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Men planning duck-shooting expeditions are growling at the weather.

**CASTORIA.**

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

**Something Unique and Quite Appropriate FOR PRESENTS**

Bamboo Paravents in Tasteful and Artistic Designs Novelties to order at reasonable prices

**Rising Sun Bamboo Store**  
608 Commercial Street

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.**

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned at the office of the A. and C. R. R. in Astoria, until noon of January 10, 1897, for the construction of certain trestlework and platform, at "Snow Day," in the city of Astoria. Also, under separate cover, for the construction of the trestlework on the line of the A. and C. R. R. E. between Tongue Point and Knappa. All the above in Clatsop Co., Oregon. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the company in Astoria, after December 25.—Approved bonds will be required of the successful bidder. The undersigned reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

**NORTHWEST CONSTRUCTION CO.**

**PROPOSAL FOR A BRIDGE.**

Notice is hereby given, that sealed Plans, Specifications, Strain Diagrams, and Bids will be received by the County Court, of the State of Oregon, for Clatsop county, until Wednesday, February 24, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the building, erection and construction of a draw bridge across Young's River, in Clatsop County, Oregon, according to such plans, specifications and diagrams. Said bridge to be located at one of the following points, and herein designated as locations Nos. 1 and 2.

Location No. 1.—Being a point on the north bank of Young's River, at the intersection of the east line of the town of Case's Astoria, with said river. Said point and direction of crossing being located and described upon the map of said river on file in the office of the County Clerk. The bridge at this location to be an Iron or Steel Draw, with 90 foot openings, and 16-foot pile trestle approach on each side thereof.

Location No. 2.—Being a point on the north bank of Young's River, at the intersection of Seventh street, of the City of Astoria, extended south to said river. Said point and direction of crossing being located and described upon the map of said river on file in the office of the County Clerk. The bridge at this location to be an Iron or Steel draw with 120 foot openings, and 16-foot pile trestle approach on each side thereof. Each bidder shall deposit with his bid cash or certified check, payable to the order of the County Clerk, to the amount of ten per cent of his bid, which shall be forfeited to the county, in case the award is made to him and he fails, neglects, or refuses for a period of two days after such award is made, to enter into contract and file his bond in the manner required by and to the satisfaction of said County Court.

The plans, specifications and diagrams, selected by the County Court, will be subject to the approval of the Hon. Secretary of War of the United States. The payment for said contract to be made by warrants on the Special Road Fund of the County, one half upon the completion and acceptance of the contract, and one half one year thereafter. The right is hereby reserved to reject any and all bids.

By order of the County Commission-ers.

F. I. DUNBAR, County Clerk.

December 23, 1896.

**BIDS FOR SPILES WANTED.**

Bids will be received at the office of Elmore, Sanborn & Co. in Astoria, Oregon, until January 5, 1897, for the following spiles:

100 spiles 15 inches at butt, 5 inches at top, 45 feet long.

100 spiles 12 inches at butt, 5 inches to 7 inches top, 45 feet long.

100 spiles 14 inches at butt, 7 inches to 9 inches top, 45 feet long.

200 spiles 14 to 18 inches at butt, 10 to 12 inches top, 45 feet long.

All of said spiles to be of good fir timber, peeled, bored and sharpened. Contractor to furnish all chain necessary for the proper rattle thereof, and all to be delivered at the station of the American Star Packing Company, at the mouth of the Chinook River, in the state of Washington, during the month of February, or part in the month of March, 1897. The right being reserved to reject any or all bids received.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have duly qualified in the county court of the state of Oregon for Clatsop county, as executors of the last will and testament of John Hobson, deceased, and all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased must present the same, duly verified, to such executors at the office of Fulton Brothers, Attys., in the city of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, within six months from this date.  
Astoria, Dec. 15th, 1896.  
C. W. FULTON,  
G. C. FULTON,  
Executors.

Use Webfoot Corn Cure. No cure no pay. For sale at Estes-Conn Drug Store.

# NORTH PACIFIC Steamship Company's STEAMER CHILKAT.

Will be dispatched from Portland, Oregon on or about November 8, 1896, on the route from that point to the Coquille River, touching at all intermediate points as inducements offer, and will remain permanently on that route making regular trips.  
For rates or other information apply at office of the company, Worcester Block, Portland, Oregon, or 121-123 Davis street, San Francisco.  
NEIL GILMORE, Agent,  
Main Street Dock, Astoria.

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Served to Order or Sold at Retail  
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Fine Music, Games of All Kinds, Two Magnificent Bars.  
EVERYTHING FIRST-CLASS  
Good Order and Everybody's Rights STRICTLY OBSERVED.