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The "Astorian" hereby offers to donate ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS to St. Mary's Hospital, payable on demand to Father Dielman, whenever legal evidence is produced showing that any afternoon newspaper published in Astoria has printed within the last ninety days expiring before this offer a single "special" or other kind of "telegraphic press report," received over the wires entering either of the telegraph offices in Astoria, from any point outside of Oregon.

Astoria, Or., October 15, 1896.

Some Portland zealot in the Oregon delegation at Washington, in his anxiety to cater to the prejudice of the section he so officiously and gratuitously selects to serve and represent, has badly overshot the mark in attempting to influence the government to send the Oregon to the lighthouse station near Tongue Point. He doubtless thought this a smart trick to keep all reference to Astoria out of the published accounts of the ceremony attending the presentation of the silver service to the ship. It would sound big, of course, to have the country infer that the Oregon sailed way up the deep Columbia to Tongue Point—a landmark assumed to be but a short distance below the Port of Portland;but,alas for his kindly meant plan, his Portland constituents so quickly recognized the absurdity and impracticability of such a scheme that they filed their indignant protests before the matter was even known or noticed in Astoria. The government has already been trapped into one costly experience with the pretentiousness of reputed inland ports in the North Pacific region, and it would have required only a quiet word or two of explanation from Astoria people to have effectually balked in due season this silly maneuver to exploit the supposed ship channel which leads to Portland. Tongue Point, it is true, is but a suburb of Astoria, but it is in the residence part of the city, and situated beyond the limit of safe navigation, except for pleasure boats, on the Columbia river. Unfortunate as it may be for Portland's reputation as a seaport in Oregon, the only place where the mighty battleship can ever be exhibited in her namesake, is at the deep and magnificent harbor constituting the docks and water front of the business and manufacturing portion of the city of Astoria.

The dedication of the magnificent mausoleum to perpetuate the memory of America's greatest soldier on yesterday was one of the greatest civic and military displays in the history of the world. It has taken twelve years to bring about the erection of a tomb for the remains of the warrior-statesman that would be accepted as a fitting acknowledgement of a nation's debt to a nation's hero, but the grandeur of the pile, on which the finishing touches were barely completed in time for this most appropriate celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birthday, is a sufficient answer to the cynical. It will furnish enduring evidence to the world that one republic, in one instance at least, has proved itself not ungrateful for the services and patriotism of a great leader. This beautiful tomb, in Riverside Park, the pride of America's greatest city, is a fitting final resting place for the remains of Ulysses S. Grant, but its erection was not necessary to prove his fame nor the reverence of his countrymen and their descendents for his memory. The luster of his name and the influence of his deeds will illuminate the path and be felt in the destiny of countless millions who will tramp the march of life long after the costy pile of marble dedicated on the banks of the Hudson yesterday shall have crumbled into dust.

The plains of Pharsalia, in Thessaly, where the Greeks purpose to make another stand against the Turk, is the memorable field upon which Caesar and Pompey decided their rival claims to the sovereignty of the world, nineteen hundred and forty-five years ago. Since that time a good many things have happened to change the mind of mankind. It is not likely that men will ever again devote themselves to mutual butchery at the dictates of personal ambition, however beneficial may be the ultimate results of such a policy.

The dreadful accident in Portland yesterday, by which a number of lives were lost and many severely, if not fatally injured, brings a lesson home to Astoria. While there are no steep grades on its single street car line, and no deep gulches are crossed by the track, yet almost the entire line is built on streets over the tide lands, which from their present decayed condition may give way at any time. Not only are the street cars in danger, but pedestrians, and all kinds of vehicles passing over these veritable death traps are in more or less danger. Some work has been done recently towards rebuilding these rotten streets, and more is contemplated, but thorough and general work cannot commence too soon, for in spite of the most careful inspection weak spots may develop and give way just at the wrong time, and human life will pay the penalty.

Will the police department and the justice of the peace aggregation please explain to the respectable people of Astoria why there are no arrests or convictions of offenders against the bawdy house ordinances and gambling statutes except the frequenters of houses kept by Japanese or negro women and Chinamen? Here is a field which will repay investigation by Rev. Mr. Walters' vigilance committee or municipal reform league.

A British Columbia landlord has seized a baby for rent. Even in its heartlessness the act is a refreshing sign. In these days of poodles and matrimonial deficiencies it is comforting to see one man laboring under the good old-fashioned idea that babies are desirable property.

Heavy plumes are seen on the airiest lace hats.

Jet coronets are seen on many of the spring bonnets.

The sound of the lawn-mower is now heard in the land.

Some disapointments one grows accustomed to in anticipation, others come like a slap in the face, and they are the ones hardest to bear.

Stilts are even more difficult to manage than a bicycle; that is the reason presumably that the small boy so thoroughly enjoys them.

Some especially spring-like purses are of white leather stamped with violets.

The green grass, the beds of tulips, the budding trees and the spinning tops are all evidences that spring is here.

A cough will get sympathy, but a cold in the head never seems a serious matter save to the person who has it.

A woman will meet emergencies without flinching, while men all too often give up in despair over them.

Never was there a time when the woman in mourning found so many delightful things for her adornment.

And now summer does not seem so very far in the distance.

The firecracker is the natural successor of the Easter egg.

And now the woman who thought she could go without a wrap over Sunday is debating which cough mixture is the most efficatious.

Long velvet sashes are seen on many of the new gowns.

Parasols are beginning to do their duty.

It seems very strange to read of fashion predictions for autumn now that the Easter modes are just determined.

It appears to be part of woman's nature to feel ashamed if the article she admires in a shop happens to be cheap.

A woman is not apt to idealize a man whom she sees riding a bicycle with his coattails flying out behind.

Women are as fussy about their collars and neckties nowadays as their brothers and husbands possibly can be.

The modish maiden adorns her dog with a rosette collar of ribbon to match the color of her spring hat.

The girl who is anxious to develop her muscles does not order eclairs and ice cream for her luncheon.

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS WANTED.

PROPOSALS for fresh beef and fresh mutton: Office Chief Commissary, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., April 1, 1897. Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received here and at offices of Commissaries at following named posts, (for fresh beef and fresh mutton to be delivered at that post only), until 12 o'clock noon, May 1, 1897, then opened, for furnishing and delivery to subistence department, U. S. army, the fresh beef and fresh mutton called for by the Commisary at post to be supplied during six months, commencing July 1, 1897: Boise Barracks and Fort Sherman, Idaho, Forts Canby, Spokane, Walla Walla and Vancouver Barracks, Wash. Fresh beef shall be good in quality and condition fit for immediate use, and from fore and hind quarter meats proportionally, including all best cuts thereof. Fresh mutton shall be of good, fat and marketable quality, from wethers over one and under three years old. Beef and mutton to be dressed and trimmed and delivered in bulk, as prescribed in circular of instructions to bidders. Proposals will be also received stating price at which bidder will deliver fresh beef or mutton of character above stated, and to be delivered at temperature not greater than 50 degrees Fehrenheit. Government reserves right to reject the whole or any part of any or all bids. Information furnished here, or by Commissary at the several posts. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals for Fresh Beef (or Mutton) at ——," and addressed to undersigned or to Commissary at posts to be supplied. W. H. Nash, Lieut.-Col., A. C. G. S.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF COMMERCIAL STREET.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, State Oregon, have decided and determined to extend Commercial street, in the City of Astoria, the beginning, terminus and intermediate points, and the land to be condemned being hereinafter described and set forth, and as more fully appears by the report, maps, plats and surveys of said proposed extension of Commercial street, now on file in the office of the Auditor and Police Judge, and embraced and described in Ordinance No. 2231, entitled "An ordinance confirming the report, plat of survey, of the proposed extension of Commercial street," approved March 22, 1897, and the Common Council of the city of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, having ascertained by investigation and inquiry and an examination of the records that J. H. Mansell, C. W. Stone and T. O. Trullinger are each disinterested freeholders of the City of Astoria, and no kin to any of the owners or persons interested in any property to be appropriated for the extension of Commercial street as provided by Ordinance No. 2231, entitled "An ordinance confirming the report, plat of survey of the proposed extension of Commercial street," approved March 22, 1897, and that each of said persons possess the qualifications of jurors of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clatsop, in that they and each of them are white male citizens of the United States and of the State of Oregon, over the age of 21 years, and are and have been residents and legal voters of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, and of the wards in which they now reside, for more than one year last past, and each of their names are on the tax roll of said Clatsop county, and that each of them are subject to jury duty, and that each and all of said above named persons, after investigation made, are entitled and qualified to act as viewers as required by the charter of the City of Astoria, and possessing all the qualifications necessary therefor as fully and satisfactorily appears to the Common Council, after the investigation made aforesaid, and each of said named persons having by a written statement, filed in the office of the Auditor and Police Judge, having declared that they possess the necessary qualifications to act as viewers aforesaid, the said J. H. Mansell, C. W. Stone and T. O. Trullinger be and they are hereby appointed viewers to view the proposed extension of Commercial street in the City of Astoria, as described by the Surveyor and embodied in his said report, which said report was adopted by the Common Council of the City of Astoria in said Ordinance No. 2231, and are hereby authorized and empowered to make the assessment of benefits and damages in opening and condemning of said Commercial street, as required by the coarter of the City of Astoria, that said viewers herein appointed are hereby required and instructed to meet at the office of the Auditor and Police Judge in the City Hall of said city of Astoria on the 30th day of April, 1897, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and then and there to qualify as such viewers as required by the charter of the City of Astoria.

That the boundaries, beginning, terminus, intermediate points and description of the property to be entered upon and condemned for the proposed extension of said Commercial street are described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point marked by a tack in the east line of Seventeenth street, at its intersection with the south line of Commercial street, which point is 700 feet north, 4 degrees 28 minutes west and 30 feet north, 85 degrees 32 minutes east of a stone monument at center of the intersection of Seventeenth street with Franklin avenue, in Shiveley's Astoria, which tack is also the northwest corner of block 133, in Shiveley's Astoria; thence running easterly and parallel with the north line of Exchange street to the west line of Twenty-third street, extended, a distance of 2100 feet; thence northerly and at right angles to the north line of Exchange street 60 feet; thence westerly and parallel to the north line of Exchange street 2100 feet, to a point of intersection with the east line of Seventeenth street, 60 feet, northerly from the place of beginning; thence southerly 60 feet to the place of beginning. Said strip of land north of and adjacent to lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 132; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 131; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 130; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 129; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 128, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 127, all in Shiveley's Astoria, and also lying north of and adjacent to Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets. That all of said described real property and all of said lots and blocks are situate in the district embraced in said proposed extension of Commercial street and all of said portions of said lots will be condemned and an appraisement of the benefit and damages resulting to the owners of said property will be made by said viewers aforesaid. All persons owning or interested in any of said property to be condemned for said proposed extension of Commercial street are hereby duly and legally notified of the actions of the Common Council pursuant to the resolutions and ordinances heretofore adopted by said Common Council for said extension of Commercial street.

This notice is published by order of the Common Council and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of the City of Astoria relating thereto.

Dated at Astoria, Oregon, April 18, 1897.

H. E. NELSON,
Auditor and Police Judge.