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GOOD WORK IS BEING PERFORMED

Astoria Progressive Commercial Association on Deck--The Range Light Question Sifted to the Bottom, and Temporary Lights Will Be Had--The Quarantine Station.

The important work being done by the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association is shown by the subjoined report from the committee on navigation, on the range light question, submitted at Thursday's meeting. If Astoria can't get the full range lights, it is well that a set of temporary lights, or gas buoys can be provided.

The subject of advertising Astoria on legitimate grounds and in proper channels is receiving attention, and the committees are working on the quarantine station, while at the same time smaller but no less important matters are being steadily pushed. Holiday decorations and the maintenance of exhibits in the exposition are daily looked after.

Astoria, Or., Dec. 9, 1897.

To the President and Members of the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association:

Following is a report of your committee's work on the range light question, being the result of an interview on Sunday, December 5th, with Commander J. P. Merrill, inspector of the Thirteenth Lighthouse district. The officer stated:

First--Ever since the completion of the jetty at Port Stevens the ship channel has gradually moved to the northward, as shown by the charts of 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896 and 1897 respectively. Though there is reason to believe that the present ship channel promises to be permanent, both in the depth of water and the location of the channel, yet, sufficient time has not yet elapsed to make this a certainty.

Second--In order that range lights may be placed in a proper range or position for the guidance of incoming or outgoing vessels it would be necessary, in the present position of the ship channel, to have such lights placed at Scarborough head, and the cost of two such lights, including towers, apparatus and keepers' dwellings, would amount to about \$65,000 or \$75,000. Furthermore, there is no likelihood of the government erecting such lighthouses or towers before the permanency in location of the channel is absolutely established. An appropriation by congress would be necessary, and such appropriation would not be made until the permanency of the channel was authoritatively established by the United States harbor and river engineers, and by the engineers of the lighthouse department. The reason why such expensive light-towers would have to be established, is accounted for by the fact that such range lights, to be of service to navigators at all, would have to be visible, during ordinary states of the atmosphere, as far as the whistling buoy or the lightship lying outside, a distance of about 11 1/2 miles from the nearest point of Scarborough head. This would mean lights of an average visibility of about 16 miles during clear weather, and be borne in mind, that Scarborough head is the only place where such lights could be placed and the range obtained. Sand Island, as a location for such lights is altogether out of the question, being too far to the northward of the range line; furthermore, as the inspector is not authorized to expend any sum exceeding \$500 in the erection of new lights, the power to erect such lights as first mentioned is wholly beyond his authority. Temporary lights might be placed at or near Sand Island, but such lights would be of no service, as their range of visibility even on a clear night, does not exceed two miles, and in addition, during stormy weather it would be impossible for any one to cross over to the island from the mainland and light the lamps.

Third--In regard to the proposition advanced by certain well-informed persons, viz.: To locate a lightship inside of Sand Island, so anchored and moored as to be within the Columbia river, and until ship outside the bar (which last vessel could be moved up to a point of the center of the present entrance)--the objection is, first, that such a lightship would cost at least \$65,000 to build, and in addition about \$500 for yearly maintenance; secondly, such a vessel would be swinging to her anchor, or mooring, and as a natural consequence, a perfect range could not possibly be obtained, so this method must be abandoned for the present.

Fourth--With a view of affording immediate and substantial aid to the navigation of the Columbia river, and until such time when the permanency of the ship channel shall have become established, the commander informed your committee that he had under consideration a plan of supplying the want of range lights by placing in the channel what are known as gas buoys. Such buoys are filled with gas, and by automatic machinery lights and extinguishes the illuminating jet. The supply of gas in each buoy is sufficient for three months, at the end of which time each of such buoys must be taken up and replaced by another filled with gas. This involves considerable work for the lighthouse steamers, but the commander stated that this would be no obstacle to their adoption, if it could be satisfactorily proven that such buoys would be able to perform the duty expected of them in rough water, and to be so constructed as not to be easily injured by driftwood. The government has a number of such buoys placed in the waters of Eastern rivers, and they have given eminent satisfaction. The commander stated that he had requested the authorities in Washington, D. C., for information regarding the efficiency, maintenance and general utility of such buoys and if it was proven that such lighted buoys could be successfully maintained and operated in rough water, he was in favor of placing such buoys at once in the lower Columbia river, from Astoria to the sea.

In conclusion the commander stated that in the near future the light now at Point Adams would be discontinued, and removed to a wooden frame tower to be built upon piling foundation on the shoal near No. 2 buoy. Further, that the present range light now shown from the northern end of the what is known as the Seaside cannery, would be removed to the northern end of the Union Fishermen's Co-operative cannery. The latter point being and affording a better range.

The commander during the entire interview showed your committee every consideration and assured the committee that he was anxious to establish all proper aids to navigation, as lights, buoys, etc., and requested your committee to assure the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association and the Chamber of Commerce as well as the people at large that he would at all times be glad to receive suggestions from them relating to his department, and hoped soon to be able to have the gasbuoys placed in the river from Astoria to the sea. Thanking the commander for the courtesy shown and information obtained, your committee retired at 1:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON NAVIGATION,
GEO. JOHNSON, Chairman.

THE LIGHTSHIP AGAIN ADRIFT

Ten Miles North of Where She Ought to Be.

MANZANITA TO THE RESCUE

Six Ships Outside Depending on the Lightship, Which Apparently Does Not Realize Her Position.

What promises to be a serious disaster occurred yesterday afternoon at the mouth of the Columbia river.

There are six deep-sea sailing ships lying outside waiting to come into the harbor. The bar is unusually rough and nothing crossed it yesterday except the Columbia. At 4 o'clock the following dispatch was received from the government lookout station at Fort Canby:

"The lightship has shifted from her position and is now considerably to the north and nearer to the bar. She is about three miles off the bar, west, south-west from here."

At 5 o'clock the Manzanita left down the river to go to the relief of the lightship. At 7:30 she returned and reported that the bar was very rough and when inside at buoy No. 4 she saw the lightship in what appeared to be her regular station with her big lights burning. It was reasoned that had she been off her station or away from her moorings, the signal lights would have been extinguished at once and the regular steamer lights hoisted.

At 10:28 o'clock last night the following additional message was received from the cape:

"The lightship is about ten miles north of where she ought to be with all her lights still burning. The tide has turned. She is commencing to drift toward North Beach. Guess they will find out and get up steam and keep off the beach. It is a clear night. Rockets have been fired to warn her of her position."

Much anxiety was felt upon the receipt of this message, both as to the fate of the lightship herself and the six vessels depending upon her for guidance.

At 11 o'clock Captain Gregory again mustered his crew and steamed down to the mouth of the river fully determined to cross out over the rough bar to the rescue of the lightship, whose officers are apparently unaware of their own danger.

Fort Canby, 4 o'clock, a. m. Dec. 12--At midnight one of the Canby fire crew went to the north head and burned signal lights. The lightship was then 12 miles north of her proper position and drifting in shore. At 1 o'clock this morning the ship's lights went out, showing that the crew realized their danger and had probably got up steam, started their propeller, and are probably safe. The Manzanita has not reported at 5 o'clock.

THE TRAILERS VICTORIOUS

Woo Handily From the Cricketers in the Bowling Match Last Night.

The Cricketers, heretofore invincible at bowling, went down in crushing defeat before the Trailers at the Astoria Football Club's alleys last night. Great interest was manifested and the voting could be heard two squares away. The scores follow:

Trailers--P. R. Sovey, 131; C. H. Cooper, 109; Herman Wise, 144; W. C. Law, 148; H. Pinnell, 131; Frank Woodfield, 127; W. E. Crosby, 106; B. P. Allen, 123.

Cricketers--R. C. F. Astbury, 119; H. Findlay, 149; Robert Gibson, 134; Frank Gunn, 112; A. S. Tee, 96; C. R. Higgins, 122; M. M. Picken, 131; F. L. Parker, 139.

The total scores for the teams follow:

Trailers--242, 219, 246, 243; grand total, 1050.

Cricketers--222, 221, 231, 279; grand total, 953.

The Trailers won out by 47 pins. C. H. Cooper was the star of the evening, making the best individual score, 90, and the best total, 160. Law, Findlay, Wise and Parker also played well, although there was but one good game--the second played by the Trailers, in which the total was 219, but one pin short of an average of 46. The defeat of the Cricketers makes it "game and game," and the "rub" will probably be played within a few weeks. Captain Astbury takes the defeat gracefully and hopes for better luck in the decisive game. The Trailers were "rooted" out of the third game, losing by five pins.

THE PEOPLE'S PARTY DOOMED

Peasoy Says There Is No More Use For It.

MUST GO BACK TO DEMOCRACY

And Under Its Wings as a Harmonious Whole Defeat the Solid Money Contingent.

Portland, Or., Dec. 11--An important meeting of the executive branch of the people's party state central committee was held today at the Hotel Perkins. Those present were John C. Young, chairman of the state committee; W. S. Uson, Clackamas county; Dr. Ernest Barton, Yamhill, and A. P. Nelson, Multnomah. Frank Williams, of Ashland; L. H. McMahon, Salem, and C. A. Finch, of Oregon City, were also present advising with the committee.

The main purpose of the meeting was to fix a time for the holding of the state convention, and after full discussion, an address was prepared and furnished for publication. The state convention was called to meet at Portland, March 23, 1898. The apportionment of delegates to the convention from each county in the state shall be one delegate at large and one delegate for each 400 votes, or the major fraction thereof, cast for Bryan and Watson at the presidential election in 1896.

The address says: Careful investigation of the alleged union party will reveal the fact that it is composed largely of self-appointed leaders and is better calculated to disrupt than to unite the reform forces of the state, and that all who went into it from patriotic motives are being misled. One harmonious whole Mayor Penneyer intends to unite these elements that at the last election supported Bryan and array it against all-comers under the gold standard.

That he insists on the instance of Mr. Jones, the national chairman of the democratic party, that this be done in name and under the leadership of the democratic party (of which he assumes to be the head and front in Oregon.)

In support of this position he claims that the democratic party has abandoned its false gods and therefore there is no excuse for the further existence of the people's party, either state or national. There can be no united action with the people's party under the banner of the democratic party, and its terms of capitulation, nor under the leadership of Mr. Cooper's so-called "union" party.

The address recommends that no county nominations be made until after the state convention.

A. O. U. W. SOCIABLE

Seaside Lodge Entertained Its Friends Last Night.

Last night A. O. U. W. hall was filled with an appreciative and well pleased audience upon the occasion of the social given by the lodge to its numerous friends. The program was well carried out and each one assisting in the entertainment earned well merited applause. Especial praise is due to Miss Day, Mrs. J. S. Dellinger, Mrs. Cook and Mr. John McCreary for their very artistic work. It speaks well for the order and the officers of Seaside lodge that such interesting meetings are held, and doubtless much benefit will result. The following was the program of the evening:

Instrumental trio--Two violins with piano accompaniment; Opus 106, Dancia. Prof. Fredericksen, Miss Myra Fredericksen and Miss Daisy Winton.

Song--Elsie from Kelsey; Miss Mollie Sator.

Recitation--Barbara Freitliche; Miss Ferchen.

Instrumental music--Star Spangled Banner; Miss Mattie Gregory.

Song, with guitar accompaniment--Last Night; Mrs. Frank Bosworth.

Recitation--Inventor's Wife; Miss Bertha Norton.

Instrumental trio--Good Evening; Miss Gertrude Kearney and Misses Irene and Rosa Parker.

Song, duet--How to Make Mud Pies; Beale Gregory and Mamie Doneka.

Recitation--Mollie; Miss Lucy Day.

Song--Out on the Deep; Bro. Samuel Elmore.

Instrumental music--First Waltz; Miss Lily Carlson.

Song, solo--Tirzah's Serenade, from Ben Hur; Mrs. J. S. Dellinger.

Recitation--Betsy and I Fell Out; Miss Katie Wirt.

Instrumental solo--Caprice Hongrois; Miss Gertrude Kearney.

Song, solo--Remember My Mother at Home; Bro. Louis Pulkat.

Instrumental solo--Old Uncle Ned; Miss Olga Noe.

Song, duet--From Our Merry Swiss Home; Mrs. A. A. Cook and Mr. John McCue.

U. P.'S ADDITIONAL PAYMENT.

New York, Dec. 11--The Financier says: The Union Pacific reorganization committee last week made an additional payment of \$2,500,000 on account and this sum passing into the depository banks, has increased the averages of clearing house institutions no less than \$9,000,000 in deposits. The increase in loans is connected with the same transaction but it has swelled the total loan item to \$67,725,000, which is by far the largest ever carried by New York banks.

MOTHER MCKINLEY DEAD.

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 11--Mother McKinley is dead.

ANOTHER ALASKA PROJECT.

Portland, Dec. 11--Parties are here contracting for the building of a schooner for the purpose of carrying supplies and machinery to Kotzebue sound, and thence to the gold fields around the lakes on the upper Kowak river. This is one of the Alaskan gold fields which has as yet attracted little attention, but it has been partially prospected and found to be as promising as the Klondike.

BILL TO DESTROY SEALS.

Washington, Dec. 11--Representative Johnson, of North Dakota, is preparing a bill providing for the complete extermination of the seal herd of Bering sea. Johnson says he has been demonstrated that seals are a worthless asset and that their destruction would be in the interest of peace among the nations and economy for the United States.

GOT DAMAGES.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11--Lenna Winslow, who sued the Knights of the Macabees for \$5,000 for dislocating one of his kidneys while inflicting him into the local order four years ago, was today awarded \$18,000 by a jury to Judge Gates' division of the circuit court.

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