

TODAY'S WEATHER.

Fair, except rain along Washington coast.

AROUND TOWN.

SATURDAY.

We can give kindly speech. And ready, helping hand to all and each.

It's a good thing the Garnet Hill is lumber laden.

The Hute arrived yesterday from San Francisco.

The British ship Otterspool will leave up today for Portland.

Sheriff Williams went to Knappa last night on official business.

John Stuart Hitchen is down from Clifton on a visit of a few days.

Frank Pettie, a well known saloon man of Ilwaco, died yesterday of consumption.

Charles A. Meserve leaves this morning for Rainier, where he will visit for a few days.

Lumber is not going up. The Garnet Hill is settling lower and lower every day.

The trial of D. Malagamba on a charge of larceny of a net resulted in a verdict of not guilty.

The tug Escort coated at the coal bunkers yesterday and will go into commission on the bar today.

The National City, with freight and passengers from San Francisco and way ports is due today.

Well, what's the matter with the Garnet Hill? Aren't those barnacles scraped off her bottom yet?

Mrs. Strong and family have returned to McMinnville, after a month's visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holden.

Mr. Charles Heilborn entertained a party of friends at the family residence last evening in honor of his birthday.

Today is the last day which water rates can be paid to avoid the penalty of twenty-five cents additional charge.

The acceptance of the Eleventh street sewer was filed in the auditor's office yesterday. The cost of the improvement is \$1,022.

Don't take the time to go home when you can enjoy a fine merchant's lunch at Bartley's National. Beer or coffee served with lunch.

It's a doctor's business to study health. Doctors solidly recommend HARPER Whiskey. Sold by Ford & Stokes Co., Astoria, Ore.

It's pretty nearly time the people of Portland were getting tired of paying taxes to make channels for the benefit of a few warehouses.

A long-felt want—On Saturday George Bartley will begin serving a merchant's lunch at the National. Beer or coffee served with lunch.

Why not place a lamp on the Garnet Hill for the convenience of the river boats, and let it go at that? She'd make a fine lighthouse.

Mrs. C. U. Newman, a first class dressmaker, would like to sew in families. She can be found at 127 Twelfth street, or addressed at Warrenton.

Miss Nellie Cutbirth died at the home of her parents in this city yesterday, of consumption. Deceased was 13 years of age. The funeral will be held Sunday.

The Oregonian says the two dredges at that city will probably be operated all winter. Well, is that so? What for? The river fills up as fast as it is dredged out.

The next time a Portland middleman comes down this way to purchase logs ask him what he wants them for. It's dollars to doughnuts he won't say for shipment to the Orient.

Presbyterian church—Services as usual tomorrow. Theme of the evening sermon: "The Apostolic Benediction." Evening theme, "Self-assertion." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Congregational church—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. E. S. Bollinger. Morning theme, "Preplexity and Its Divine Cure," evening theme, "The Silence of Christianity on Some Things Behind the Veil."

There will be the usual services at the Baptist church tomorrow. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Macedonian Cry" of that in the evening "The Lord Giving Light." Come everybody.

Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran church—English Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; Norwegian school at 10:45 a. m.; text, Luke xvii, 11-19, "The Two Lepers." English services in the evening at 8 p. m.; subject: "Joseph in Egypt."

Appointments have been made for railway mail clerks on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad. Those securing positions are J. M. Howes, of the Portland-Spokane run, and William J. Hall, of the Portland-Huntington run.

Tom Barrows, Thomas Boyle, Westport; Jacob Frederick, F. Scheuaker, C. Curtis, H. C. Castorf, Fort Canby; R. Krebs, Nehalem; W. H. Flak, Chicago; John Bays, E. C. Rich, Flavel; James Brown, Knappa, are at the Parker House.

Attention is called to the fact that the Astor House dining-room will be reopened Sunday morning, and will thereafter continue to serve meals to regular boarders and transient guests at moderate prices. Corns & Boggs, proprietors.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, Jr., and Mr. Frank Williams, of Dubuque, Ia., are visiting at the home of their aunt, Mrs. William Douglas, at the United States buoy depot. They have just returned from a very enjoyable outing at North beach.

Carpenters have been at work for some days past making extensive repairs to the McClure school. A new sidewalk has been placed around the building and the steps have received needed repairs. The sidewalk leading to the school has also been repaired.

faible, on the Willamette, will make another shipment of gates, etc., today. Norman, McGregor & Fastabend have the contract for the grading at the locks.

The channel of the Columbia is naturally about 16 feet deep. It cannot be made of sufficient depth to accommodate vessels drawing more than that without an expenditure which would not be justified. This must be painfully apparent to Portland.

John W. Phillips, editor of the Pacific Journal, of Ilwaco, passed through the city yesterday en route to Portland, where he will visit for a day or two. Mr. Phillips says the primaries held in Pacific county Wednesday, passed off quietly, the republican ticket winning in nearly every precinct.

M. Oppenheimer, of Portland, was a passenger on the State from San Francisco yesterday. He has been in the Klondike country for the past year and frequently saw many Astorians there and reports all of them in good health. George Smith, he says, has an interest in several gold claims and can clean up probably \$25,000.

Several forest fires are reported to be raging in the woods at each side of the Columbia by the river steamers. Millions of feet of lumber at Martin's bluff were consumed by the flames, and several homes destroyed. On the Oregon side fires are burning back of Westport, Columbia City, and Goble, and it is believed much damage has been done.

Charles Grady, a soldier from Fort Canby, was arrested Friday morning by Officer Stetten and booked on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. Yesterday Chief Hallack notified the commanding officer at the fort of his arrest and received a reply to treat the man as any ordinary offender. His trial will come up in the police court today.

Petitions to the legislature are being prepared for circulation throughout the county to amend the road laws so as to provide for the collection of poll taxes and to allow road districts to levy taxes for road purposes not to exceed 5 mills, and to amend the city charter so as to allow 10 per cent of the road money collected in the city limits to be used by the county.

J. O. Mezier and wife, Miss Tyrrel, F. W. Laney, Kenneth C. J. MacKossie, T. A. Williams, Portland; R. O. Hesson, Brookfield; A. W. Guthman, C. H. Bell, Clatsop; A. B. Fleming and wife, George H. Barnett and wife, Salent; A. J. Porter, Seattle; A. J. Weller, New Town, Oreg.; Christianison, Fred S. Kellog, San Francisco; A. B. Pillsbury, Fort Stevens, are guests at the Occident.

The second lumber raft built this season by the Inman-Paulson Company at Portland, for shipment to San Francisco, is nearly completed and will be ready to leave out the latter part of next week. Some slight improvements were followed out in the building of the raft, but in the main it is constructed on the same plan as the one previously shipped to San Francisco.

A report has been published to the effect that the Western Union office at Seattle has been closed for the winter. This is an error. The telegraph office of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad company has been closed, but the Western Union office will remain open all winter. Mr. Giles B. Johnson, formerly editor of the Nehalem Times, has been appointed as manager, and will remain in charge of the office hereafter.

A new tug for the Borthwick Lumber Company is being constructed near the Astoria iron works. The tug is to be about 75 feet over all, 5 feet depth of hold, and about 11 feet beam. The keel has been laid and the plating and the work of stanking will probably commence Monday. Among the bidders for the work of furnishing the machinery is the Astoria Iron Works, and it is likely that firm will get the contract.

Swedish Lutheran church—J. A. Edlund, pastor. Services in English at 10:30 a. m. Topic: "Were Not the Ten Cleaned?" Where are the Nine? Sunday school at 12:15. Mr. J. A. Levin, the traveling home missionary of the Columbia conference, will preach in Swedish at 7:45 p. m. The Fort Stevens in Swedish at 1 p. m., and in English at 7:45, if no one else has an appointment there.

The vacant lot at the northwest corner of Fourteenth and Exchange streets is used as the dumping ground for all the garbage in that portion of the city. The neighborhood is a disgrace to the city, and should be filled up. Old mattresses, tin cans and broken glass are piled high on the property, and the notice posted by the owner warning the public that the dumping of garbage is strictly prohibited, seems to be ineffectual. It is a disease-breeding hole and should receive the attention of the health officers.

A correspondent asks: "Under what conditions does Providence forgive profanity?" Really the Astorian isn't very well posted, but it will venture the following reply: The good Lord will overlook any profane outbreak on the part of a ship captain whose vessel is stuck in the mud. The disaster to the Garnet Hill does not necessarily mean that Captain Peterson has no chance of wearing wings in the hereafter. However, if he swears because his ship is not at present provided with wings, he might be charged up with it. Ask the Oregonian.

In the county court yesterday the petition of Gus Grunnell to open a road running through O. A. Cole's place, argument having been concluded, the matter was taken under advisement. In the matter of a bridge across Adair's slough, it being stated by Colonel Adair that it was impossible to complete the bridge within the specified time, it was ordered that the time be extended, as asked for, to the first day of the next regular term of the county court. Before adjournment the court was engaged in adding bills, and the appointment of funds for the several road districts will be made this morning.

Postmaster McDonald yesterday received a letter from a farmer in Kansas who is desirous of locating in Clatsop county. The letter contains many inquiries about the adaptability of the soil of this section for farming purposes, and the prices of different kinds of farm produce. They did not all intend to become farmers, and inquired in the letter as to the probability of obtaining a position as school teacher, adding that a good many people would like to locate in this section if the conditions of the country were suitable. Postmaster McDonald states that letters of this kind are received occasionally from eastern people. Many of them are referred to a real estate dealer, with a view to investing in real estate. Postmaster McDonald turned the letter over to the secretary of the Progressive Association.

REDUCTIONS IN PHOTOGRAPHS. Roadgrass, the Photographer, will make cabinet photos for \$2 per dozen for a few days only. Come early and avoid the rush. All work first class, as usual.

FINAL PLANS FOR THE CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY.

Farmers Will Meet at the Association Rooms Today to Decide Upon the Site for the Building.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the farmers interested in the proposed co-operative creamery will meet at the rooms of the Progressive Commercial Association for the purpose of perfecting organization. All the farmers interested will be in attendance, and the plans of operation will be laid out.

The meeting will be addressed by Mr. E. J. Seely, manager of the Albany Creamery Association, who is one of the best posted dairymen in Oregon. He will explain to the farmers the results derived from practical experiments made in Albany, and will offer many valuable suggestions. The creamery under his direction is a most successful institution, and the object of his visit to Astoria is to make the local creamery a success. His address promises to be of great interest and assistance.

At today's meeting the committees appointed for the purpose of determining upon a site and the cost of a building and plant will submit their reports, as will also the committee selected to determine upon the number of cows which can be secured to supply the creamery. Nothing definite is known as to what has been accomplished by the several committees, although they are said to have met with some success in formulating the plans. The site selected is within the city limits, probably along the waterfront, thus enabling dairymen to bring milk here either by boat or rail without inconvenience. It is said the building will be erected on the site of the old Hume cannery, at the corner of Bond and Fourteenth streets.

The farmers, it is thought, have secured between 1,200 and 1,500 cows. This insures the success of the industry.

Recently, when Professor Kent addressed the Farmers' Congress in this city, he spoke at length on the advantages of Clatsop county as a dairying country, and predicted unequalled success for the proposed co-operative creamery. He laid special stress on the point that every attention should be given to cleanliness, saying that upon this would depend to a great extent the success of the creamery. He suggested that pastures be invited to visit the creamery and view the operations, and he said, if everything is neat and clean, the demand for home-made butter and cheese would always exceed the supply.

The excellence of the pasturage in this vicinity is another condition which will aid toward making the creamery a big financial success. When Botanist Coville, the government expert, was here he said he had never before seen such a fine growth of grasses and clover. The pasturage here, unlike that in other sections of the country, is good the year around, enabling farmers to feed their stock at the very lowest figure. Where other dairymen are compelled to spend thousands of dollars for hay, those of Clatsop county can feed their stock on much better food, and that, too, without the expenditure of a dollar. Of course some bran must be fed to stock, but the big hay item will not appear on the expense account of the Clatsop county dairyman. We indeed have been favored by nature.

FALL FISHING SEASON OPENS. The fall fishing season opened at 12 o'clock last night. A large number of fishermen went out. Indications point to an exceptionally good season, and it is thought the river is full of fish. The several canneries have offered 15 cents a pound for steelheads and silverides, and this has caused much dissatisfaction among the fishermen, who claim the canneries had formerly agreed to pay 20 cents to the justice of this complaint nothing is known, except that the fishermen are not at all satisfied, saying they cannot afford to fish for that price. However, in the hope of a rise in the price many are now fishing. The cold storage company, it is said, will pay half a cent more than the market for all the fish that may be delivered at its docks, and this, if true, will doubtless have the effect of causing a rise in the price. The quantity of salmon taken will also have much to do with the price paid. If the run is good the price may not go above 2 cents, but if the fish are scarce 3 cents may be offered before a month. With three exceptions all the lower river canneries will run. The Elmore, Hume and Cutting Packing Company's canneries will not operate.

OTTERSPOOL CHARTERED. The British ship Otterspool was chartered yesterday by Biscoe & Kerr, of Portland, to load wheat and will leave up the river today. The Japanese crew of the vessel will be landed at Portland, the custom authorities at that place, it is understood, allowing that to land.

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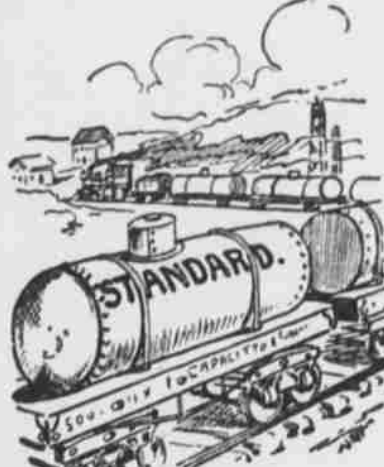
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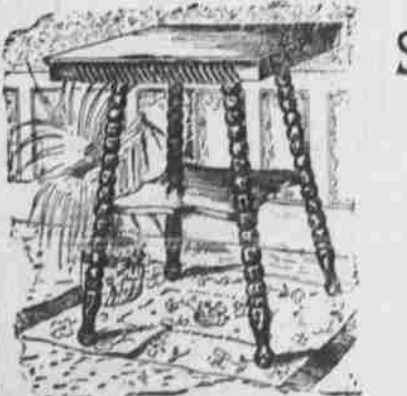


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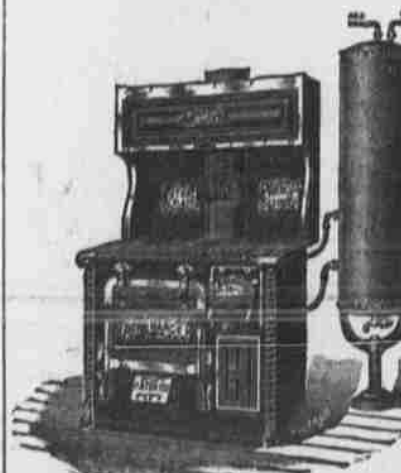
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