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TODAY'S WEATHER.

Occasional rain.

AROUND TOWN.

Money to loan—Ferguson Bros. The Columbia arrived in Sunday from San Francisco.

Best 12-cent meal, Rising Sun restaurant, 62 Commercial street.

Best California wine 95 cents per gallon. Alex. Gilbert, sole agent for Astoria. Telephone 31.

Washed coal and coke is the best for domestic purposes. For sale by the Astoria Gas Light Co.

The British ship Troop arrived in tow from Portland yesterday. She carries 523 bushels of wheat, valued at \$50.121.

The Columbia left out Sunday for the lights. She will do busy work in Coos bay and the Coquille before returning.

A good, reliable boy wanted for the Uppertown Oregon route. A resident of Uppertown preferred. Inquire at Griffin & Reed's.

The Parlor now manufactures all its own chocolates. They are made only of the finest materials and are the most delicious in the city.

The steamer Fulum crossed out for San Francisco Sunday morning. Her cargo consisted of 15,000 feet of lumber and 4,575 sacks of wheat.

No scalding or boiling the clothes. A German ship Educator was towed to sea yesterday, what laden for Queenstown for orders. She carries 131,811 bushels, valued at \$4,250.

Large washing is beautifully done in half the time with Naptha Soap; 3 bars 25 cents at Rogers' Drug Store.

The balance drawbridge across the John Day will be finished by Ferguson Bros., the contractor, today. The draw was swung Saturday last and worked satisfactorily.

Among the crew of the steamship Monmouthshire, which arrived from the Orient Sunday, are 12 native Filipinos. In addition she carries 29 Chinese and 13 Europeans.

N. M. Kimball, administrator of the estate of N. S. Kimball, filed the final account of the estate in the probate court yesterday. The hearing of the case was set for Monday, May 1.

The members of Seaside lodge and their families, on next Thursday night, in the K. of P. hall, will celebrate the 20th anniversary of its admission into the A. O. U. W. A literary program will be presented and a lunch will be served, after which the members and their families will have a social dance.

The favorite whisky of famous men is Harper, because of its smooth, exquisite flavor; because of its matchless purity; because of its mellow age. No wonder it's the favorite! Every drop sterling Harper Whisky, sold by Poard & Stokes Company, Astoria, Oregon.

Postmaster McDonald gives notice that letters for the following persons remain uncollected for at the postoffice: Mrs. Ed. Hanze, L. J. Knapp, Charles Kotterman, P. P. McGetrick, M. Morris, Bina Patterson, Mrs. Lydia O. Rogers, Alice Saunderson, Miss Dorothy Wilson, James Wood.

In the police court yesterday H. Murray was fined \$2 for begging on the streets. Sentence was suspended on condition that the prisoner leave town which order he complied with. E. Johnson, charged with drunkenness, was fined \$5, and T. Peterson will appear to answer to the same charge this afternoon.

When the list of the Oregon killed and wounded in the Philippines was bulletined at the Astorian office Sunday night a large crowd gathered to scan the board. There are 149 four Astorians in the islands, two of whom—Richard Carruthers and H. W. Cyrus—are members of the engineers' corps. The others, Robert Harris and Samuel Keisher, are in the ranks, but were not injured. Many of the injured men have fallen in Astoria.

Articles of incorporation of the Columbia Electrical and Repair Company were filed with County Clerk Wherry yesterday. The incorporators are C. B. Harrison, A. Welch and S. T. Harrison. The capital stock is \$10,000, divided into 100 shares of \$100 each. The principal office is to be in Astoria and the purpose of the company is to deal in all kinds of mechanical and electrical apparatus, machinery, etc., and conduct a general repair shop.

On Saturday Governor Geer appointed a board of commissioners to represent Oregon at the Paris exposition. Alexander Gilbert, of this city, is one of the members of the board. The other members are Henry L. Pittcock and Mrs. A. de Fronz Smith, of Portland; C. C. Beckman, of Jacksonville; Mrs. Olive E. Johnson, of Salem; E. R. Melis, of Baker City. The latter was appointed at the request of a number of prominent mining men of Eastern Oregon, who have agreed to defray the expenses of his trip.

The teams of Cooper, Goodell and Finlayson made their fourth score in series at the A. F. C. alleys last night. Goodell's team had won twice and it was expected that it would make a good showing. The scoring, however, was poor. Cooper finishing high, with 103. Finlayson's team got 34, while Goodell's men scored but 18. Cooper made the best total hit, and the best single score 6. The teams of Laws, Sovey, Burroughs and Scrym will bow tonight. The goal of Cooper's team will doubtless be beaten.

A large number of people visited Postoffice hill Sunday and watched their eyes on the mighty Pacific. The bill commands a fine view of the mouth of the river and the steamer that passed in, and out Sunday afternoon could be seen plainly through the clear atmosphere.

Two of them, the Columbia and Fulton, passed each other as they crossed some once famous Columbia river bar. Outside a long stretch of the ocean was in view, and a full-blown Irishman, with all sails set, hove in sight, bound for some northern port. The view from there is unrivaled and Postoffice hill will doubtless become popular during the summer.

The Noble Dramatic Company opened its engagement last evening in the farce-comedy, "Our Strategists," at Fisher's theater, before a fair-sized audience. The many funny situations in the play were well brought out, the company being a very good one for a popular priced combination. Mr. George Noble, as Jack Rutledge, the chief strategist, was very good, as was also Kit Wilson, as Pat O'Flamm, and Barton Booth, as Rev. Milman. One of the best features of the performance was the music rendered by the Noble orchestra, which is a fine one. The opening overture last night, "A Trip to Coney Island," was especially good. Tonight the company appears in "A Gold Mine."

Deputy Fish Commissioner Cathcart returned to the city Sunday with the patrol boat Juneau. Near Rainier last week he confiscated 200 pounds of salmon. Acting under instructions from Commissioner McGuire, Mr. Cathcart proceeded to Portland, where he offered the fish for sale at public auction. Owing to the scarcity of salmon, the bidding was spirited, and the salmon netted \$34, being sold for 17 1/2 cents a pound. On the trip down the river no illegal fishing was observed, the fishermen having learned of the intention of the commissioner to strictly enforce the law. Mr. Cathcart was at his office yesterday and during the day issued a number of licenses. He left last night for Portland on official business.

The British steamship Monmouthshire arrived Sunday morning from the Orient via Honolulu after an uneventful passage. She had but 10 tons of coal in her bunkers, and had she been at sea a day or two longer, would have been in a rather serious predicament. The Monmouthshire brings 2,182 packages of merchandise, principally silks, consigned to eastern cities. She has 100 sacks of sugar for Astoria, which will be discharged at Portland and shipped back to this city. She had a large passenger list of Chinese and Japanese. Her manifest showed 118, of whom 99 were to land at Portland and 19 at San Francisco. Fifty-five were booked for Victoria and will go there in boat in charge of a government inspector. L. T. DeLaven, a returning United States soldier from Manila, was also a passenger. The Monmouthshire left up for Portland at once.

There is trouble in store for the bicycle commission. Already the kickers are grumbling at the \$2 license which the new charter authorizes the commission to levy, and some even go so far as to assert that they will go to Portland to secure licenses, the amount in that county being only \$1.50. Whether this scheme to beat the law will successfully operate, or whether the commission will devise ways and means to collect license taxes from the belligerents, is an open question. The idea of the bicycle tax is to build a bicycle path, and it is not plain how a cyclist can conscientiously refuse to pay the tax. The commission is empowered to seize wheels for non-payment and sell them, so the law can be enforced very successfully. It can be determined better after April 1 whether the kickers will make good their threat to secure licenses in Multnomah county.

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night there was a good attendance. The question of further advertising the city came up for discussion. A report was made by the committee that one of the ways of charge on the envelopes of businessmen of the city, the businessmen to furnish the envelopes. It was decided to send an invitation to the National Editorial Association, which meets in Portland shortly. A committee from the chamber reported that they had seen Mr. Mayo in regard to transportation. Mr. Mayo consented to give reduced rates over the A. & C., providing the city would do the entertaining, which was agreed to. The secretary was instructed to extend an invitation in the name of the chamber to the president of the association. A motion was passed instructing the secretary to write to the hydrographic office relative to placing sailing lines on the charts from the mouth of the Columbia to Oriental ports. Other matters were discussed relative to the welfare of the chamber before the meeting adjourned.

OPPOSITION STEAMSHIP LINE TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Wholesale Grocers' Association Wants the Assistance of the Push Club in Securing the New Line.

The regular weekly meeting of the Push Club was held last evening. President Hamblet presiding. The most important matter to come up was the following self-explanatory communication to Secretary Lyman from H. D. Loveland, general representative of the Associated Wholesale Grocers of California:

Through the kindness of H. C. Thompson, I have been invited to the position you occupy in the club, whose objects are to further the interests of your city. For some time the wholesalers of San Francisco have been trying to get an opposition line of steamers on the Astoria run. My object in writing to you at this time is to learn from you, if possible, whether the Astoria merchants are in time contracts with any line of steamers, and how they would feel about getting an opposition line of steamers on."

Upon receipt of Mr. Loveland's letter, Mr. Lyman referred it to the association which H. C. Goodell is chairman. The committee recommended to the club that the secretary be instructed to secure further information from Mr. Loveland as to the proposed new steamship line, and also to inform him that the merchants of Astoria were not bound to any company by time contracts, but that they were heartily in favor of the project and would assist in every way possible any worthy efforts to secure another line between Astoria and San Francisco.

Mr. Lyman stated that he had replied to Mr. Loveland's communication, informing him that the association would doubtless assist in securing the new steamship line, but that he was unable to state whether or not the merchants of the city were tied up with time contracts. The recommendations of the committee were adopted and the two associations will begin work at once to secure the new line.

Two propositions from outside lumbermen came up for action. One was from T. J. Gilbert, who has been operating a mill in Washington. He asked the assistance of the association in securing a site. President Hamblet stated that he met Mr. Gilbert, who said it was his intention to locate here or in Portland. He preferred the location. Mr. Hamblet said that while Mr. Gilbert's mill only saw only 30,000 feet of lumber a day, it was worth while securing, and he expressed the opinion that the association should take hold of the matter. On motion of Secretary Lyman, the president, Mr. Scherneck and F. W. Newell were appointed a committee to take charge of the matter.

The other proposal came from a San Francisco lumberman, who also had conferred with President Hamblet. The company which he represents has a large tract of timber land in the country. It is the intention to locate there, and in the timber and flume the lumber to a point on Young's river where it would be possible to land a schooner. The company desires to run a six-mile flume from Young's river falls and asks the assistance of the association in securing the necessary right-of-way. The desired assistance will be given the company.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Joseph Strauss returned to the city last night. Sam Madlock, of Seaside, spent yesterday in town. Mrs. W. S. Kinney arrived in the city last night on a short visit. Deputy Fish Commissioner Cathcart left for Portland last night. P. W. Newell left last night for Salem. He will return this evening. Mrs. Holt returned last night from a short visit to Portland friends. Hon. John Hume was a passenger from Portland on last night's express. Harry Bell, who has been visiting in Portland, returned home last night. Albert Funge, who has been quite ill with a grippe, is able to be around again. Mrs. George Shields returned home Sunday from a visit with friends in California.

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