

**White Linen-Finished Duck....**  
**7 Yards for \$1.00.**

**Albert Dunbar**

**TODAY'S WEATHER.**

Fair weather, warmer except stationary temperature along coast.

**AROUND TOWN.**

The city council meets in regular session tonight.

The Rowing club holds its regular weekly meeting tonight.

The new Boston restaurant will furnish you a satisfactory meal. Try it.

A special meeting of the Finnish Brotherhood will be held tonight.

The steamer Columbia, en route to Portland, is due this morning.

Wanted to Rent—Neat cottage in good location. W. W. Payne, Room 30, Page Block.

The steam schooner Elmore crossed yesterday from Nehalem and Tillamook.

The best French cream bonbons and ice cream on the coast at the Spa candy factory.

Beam 15 year old whisky is the kind you read about. Lee Herring keeps it at the National.

Pacific Lodge, Degree of Honor, will hold a special meeting this afternoon in the A. O. U. W. hall.

Park Usher and Paul Trullinger have entered as contestants in the double scull race during the regatta.

Aster Union No. 2, Order of Washington, will meet Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Hawthorn hall.

A barkentine passed yesterday and went up the north channel to Knappton, where she will probably load lumber.

The place to get a tamale, oysters in any style, crawfish or clam chowder at any time of the day or night is at the National cafe.

The steamer Brunswick is expected in today from San Francisco. This is her first trip on the new run, and she expects to make regular trips hereafter.

Lost—About 200 fathoms of net, off the striped boat, near Great Republic wreck. Leads marked "A. M." Finder please leave word at Astorian office and receive reward.

Lost—A new net, 250 fathoms, lead line marked "H. A." License number 274 on buoy and on one of the cork, aboard McGowan's cannery, Thursday night. Finder return to Elmore's cannery. Reward paid.

The new telephone line has been completed to Warrenton and now residents of that thriving suburb can also call up the obliging "Hello" girl. Many business trips between this city and Warrenton can now be saved by the application of this most useful invention.

The steamer Fulton, from San Francisco via Coos bay, arrived here about noon time yesterday. Her cargo consisted principally of red wood lumber, a part of which was consigned to Charles Bain, of this city. She left for Portland to discharge the balance of her load.

Dotie Doe forfeited \$10 bail in the police court yesterday, she failing to put in an appearance to answer to the charge of appearing on the streets in abbreviated attire. J. Brown, who was out on \$10 bail for being drunk, did not appear for trial, and his bail was declared forfeited.

M. De Linn, one of the city's well known architects, advised the regatta committee yesterday, that he would contribute his services in superintending the construction of the grand stand for the carnival program in August. The same were accepted, with many expressions of gratitude.

The gentlemen who constitute the personnel of the local Rowing club stated that arrangements had been perfected looking to the early construction of the new club house on Youngs river. The site is an extremely desirable one and commands an enchanting view of the broad stretch of water.

The salmon run slacked up somewhat yesterday, although further up the river they were more plentiful than heretofore. The quality of the fish caught now is far above that of fish usually caught at this time of the year. What the run lacks in quantity seems to be partly made up by quality.

The Sunday school picnic of Grace church will leave at Fisher's dock by steamer Eulpaie and barge Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock for Olney. Come along with your rod and line and lunch basket and enjoy a day's outing in the woods. Athletic sports and games, with prizes. Tickets 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children.

**When Good Tea Big Presents Are Wanted Try Great American Importing Tea Co's Big Value Stores.**  
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The Hassalo is again on the Portland-Astoria run. Her shaft was cracked a short time ago and she was laid up while a new one was put in. The old shaft was too small, being only 11 inches in size. It was substituted by a 13-inch shaft. The R. R. Thompson was on the Hassalo's run.

William Larson, while riding a bicycle from this city to his home across the Youngs bay bridge, Tuesday, had an adventure which he will be likely to remember for some time. He rode into the open draw, and his wheel was lost in the river, but he, being a milkman, was quite used to water, so he made his escape.

It is said that the case of G. Wingate et al vs the city of Astoria to restrain the city from collecting street assessments, levied for the improvement of Grand avenue, will be appealed to the supreme court by the plaintiff. It will be remembered that the case was decided in the circuit court a short time ago in favor of the city.

A man with a sympathetic jag and currency gauge found his way to the merry-go-round last night, and deceiving about him the large crowd of children present, proceeded to banquet them with peanuts and candy until the revenues of the refreshment stand were nearly exhausted. The youngsters still swarmed around him as he moved leisurely south on Bond street.

Complaints have been made to the county court that the Walluski bridge is out of order and it will be closed for travel today in order that the necessary repairs may be made. Parties going to Olney will be obliged to go via the old military bridge and the new bridge at Irving's. It is expected that the repairs to the Walluski bridge can be completed in one day.

John Laquist was arrested yesterday by Constable Wickman on a charge of assault and battery on Fred Engquist, the bartender of the Last Chance saloon. The row started over the pay for some drinks, and Laquist, becoming enraged, seized a chair and attempted to strike the bartender. The latter dodged and the chair struck the cash register, completely wrecking it. Laquist will come up for trial today in the justice court.

Beneath their large store at Commercial and Twelfth streets, Messrs. Poard & Stokes have a cellar measuring 16x100 feet. It is a storage vault for a huge variety of goods, and during the past few months has required more or less of repair work. Appreciating the necessity of a substantially constructed cellar, the firm has employed a force of workmen who are now engaged in tearing out the underlying wood work and replacing it with new material throughout. When completed it will be the most durable repository of its kind in the city.

The Nehalem valley is an attraction to Astorians, despite the rough condition of the roadway leading thereto. A jolly party has left for that vicinity yesterday morning, among whom were Mrs. Albert Dunbar and daughter, Mrs. Martin Poard and children, Mrs. Dr. W. C. Lewin and children, and Mrs. A. Hildebrand and son. Master Rudolph, a nephew of Mr. Poard, who hails from Alameda, Cal., was also one of the number. The tourists are having what they term their annual picnic, and will protract their absence for a week or 10 days. On Saturday evening next the several husbands interested will, for a day or two, toss aside business worries and follow their better halves for a brief period of recreation and pleasure.

Rabbi M. S. Levy, whose sensational stories of slavery in the Hawaiian islands have started the heart-brooding people of the United States, is a cousin of L. E. Selig, of this city. According to Rev. Mr. Levy's statements in the San Francisco Examiner, the condition of affairs in relation to contract labor slavery in the Hawaiian islands calls for the attention of the national government. The story is backed by irrefutable evidence in the shape of official documents and records. It shows that the cringing agents of Hawaiian plantations infest European ports, ready to sign needy men and their families into slavery, to be employed on the most severe and exhausting labor under a tropical sun and malarious conditions at a nominal wage of \$15 a month, the slave to find his own board, clothing and furniture for the wretched lodging provided by the plantation. These contracts are enforced by penalty of imprisonment in the penitentiary on the islands, where the prisoner does hard labor under the most degrading conditions and in the company of felons. That was the actual fate of Jacob Teper, a subject of Austria, and his 36 compatriots, who refused to continue in the service of the Oahu Sugar Company, deeming themselves unjustly treated. A corporation that traffics in human slavery has no rights in a civilized court of justice when it seeks the enforcement of its barbarous contracts. The supreme court of the islands is said to have announced that as the government of the country is in a transition state, the laws of Hawaii are still in force, even where they conflict with the constitution of the United States. If that is the position of the court it is time to bring this process of transition to an abrupt close, if human slavery is to be permitted and enforced by savage penalties under that pretense.

**YESTERDAY'S REGATTA MEETING.**  
 Several Substantial Cash Contributions Made to the Fund—A Number of New Prizes Donated.

The gentlemen having in hand the subscription fund for the regatta meet last night in the city hall, where they discussed the various matters connected with the regatta. It was decided that as the government of the country is in a transition state, the laws of Hawaii are still in force, even where they conflict with the constitution of the United States. If that is the position of the court it is time to bring this process of transition to an abrupt close, if human slavery is to be permitted and enforced by savage penalties under that pretense.

Telegraphic advices were received from Washington yesterday to the effect that the United States warship Badger might fall in reaching Astoria by the date specified. Every effort possible will be made to hurry her northward, although

she is now overdue eight days at San Francisco.

Secretary Allen reported that he was in receipt of \$25.00 from the Fourth of July committee, the same being a surplus left over from the holiday celebration.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be tendered the committee for the contribution. Carried.

J. G. Megier proffered the use of the steamer Edith for the August meet. The committee was also advised that the officers and crew of the vessel would supply their services gratuitously.

A communication was read from the Vancouver Racing club to the effect that the people of that city are manifesting an especial interest in the coming regatta, and that the several rowing crews have arranged a series of trial contests to determine the class of athletes who shall be selected to attend.

The Fred T. Merrill Cycle Company, of Portland, has donated a handsome wheel for the bicycle contest.

The A. & C. Railway Company advised the committee that the road would contribute \$200 to the expense fund.

A communication was received from the Columbia River Packers Association to the effect that that Company would subscribe \$50 to the regatta fund.

The vote for queen is daily increasing in interest, and at the closing of the polls yesterday stood as follows:  
 Miss Louise Tallant ..... \$480  
 Miss Isabel Trullinger ..... 477  
 Miss Susie Elmore ..... 235  
 Mrs. Harrison Allen ..... 166  
 Miss Amy Lenora ..... 47  
 Mrs. Ella Skarpetin ..... 348  
 Miss Maud Stockton ..... 228  
 Miss Clara Lounsbury ..... 23  
 Miss Norbna ..... 18  
 Miss Elsie Larson ..... 17  
 Miss Mamola ..... 17  
 Mrs. John Nelson ..... 17  
 Miss McConnell ..... 17  
 Miss Lucy Morton ..... 17  
 Miss Beale Shefferman ..... 17

**ENJOYABLE RECEPTION.**

A very delightful reception and tea was given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Curtis Trenchard at her residence on Franklin avenue. A large number of friends were in attendance, and lastly decorations were much in evidence. The parlor was decorated with sweet peas, the drawing room with California poppies, and the reception room with red poppies.

A short musical program was much enjoyed by the guests, vocal solos being rendered by Mrs. Maddock, Mrs. George, Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. Taylor and Miss McConnell, and instrumental solos by Mrs. McInnes and Mrs. Houston, which were thoroughly appreciated.

The game of hearts was indulged in by the ladies, and Mrs. H. G. Van Dusen won the first prize. Mrs. Ryrie the second and Mrs. Lighner the consolation prize.

Very delicious refreshments were served and the guests, on departing, expressed themselves as having greatly enjoyed the afternoon.  
 Among the invited guests were the following:  
 Mesdames Tallant, Frank Taylor, Sanborn, Ed. Taylor, H. G. Van Dusen, Christensen, Rivie, Parker, Lighter, G. C. Flavie, Richardson, C. R. Thompson, C. Brown, Ed. Ferguson, Del. Ferguson, J. Smith, Hetch, Griffin, Newell, Osborn, H. G. Smith, Alfred Kliney, Wilkinson, George, Megier, McKenna, Berry, Robb, Houston, Olsen, Maddock, Lounsbury, Ting, Worstley, Bostfeld, Will Warren, Albert Allen and Chatter, and Misses McConnell, Boelling, and Westdahl.

**IMPORTANT CONFERENCE OF RAILWAY MAGNATES.**

On the Result Probably Hinges the Question of the Northern Pacific's Building a Direct Line Into Portland.

Last night's telegram:  
 An interview fraught with importance took place today between President Melien, of the Northern Pacific system, and E. H. Harriman, president of the Chicago & Alton, chairman of the board of directors of the Union Pacific, and one of the most prominent railroad men of the day.

Mr. Melien arrived in his special car from the Sound at midnight. Mr. Harriman, who is patron of the Alaska scientific expedition, arrived in the city yesterday.  
 It is said that Mr. Melien came here specially to consult with Mr. Harriman and that the resulting interview took place in the presence of President Mohler of the O. R. & N.

While the officials concerned are reticent regarding the objects of the consultation, it is understood that related to future traffic arrangements between the O. R. & N. and the Northern Pacific. Now that the O. R. & N. is practically controlled by the Union Pacific, the Northern Pacific feels uneasy about future traffic arrangements. During his visit last week, Mr. Melien declared that unless the Union Pacific gave the Northern Pacific traffic arrangements over the O. R. & N. to Portland, his road would build a direct line into Portland. Mr. Melien's well known conservatism and the fact that he never loses a chance to clear that the Northern Pacific is not trying to "run a bluff," but means business.

This accounts for Mr. Melien's anxiety to see Mr. Harriman and understand clearly the future policy of the Union Pacific towards the Northern Pacific as regards the granting of traffic privileges via the O. R. & N.

Mr. Harriman is in a position to give those assurances, but should he refuse to do so, it is probable the Northern Pacific will begin building down the Columbia immediately. On no account does the road intend to be cut off from Portland.

President Melien intended to go east from the Sound, but upon learning of the prospective visit of Mr. Harriman to this city he changed his plans and came here direct. The facts that he has made such a close study of Portland and surroundings while here, and that his party includes the chief engineer, Mr. Henry, besides most of the other executive officials of the Northern Pacific, are significant in themselves.

Whatever the character of today's interview, the result will be made apparent in a very short time, for if Mr. Harriman refuses to give Mr. Melien any satisfaction, there will soon be gangs of men grading a railroad line down the west side of the Columbia river.

The fact that Mr. Harriman has sent his party, which includes his wife, east, while he has remained behind, shows that there are interests here which need his immediate attention. It is not known how long he will remain.

**THE N. P. TERMINALS AT SEATTLE.**

President Melien Announces the Policy of Northern Pacific.

Tacoma News:  
 "Then the Northern Pacific will continue to make Tacoma its main terminus on the Pacific and the place where the Oriental commerce is carried on?"

"Yes, as long as we have our docks and terminals here. If we had the same terminals in Seattle we could do the business here at just as good advantage as here. With the Palmer cut-off completed the distance to Seattle from the tunnel will be just as short as the distance to Tacoma, and we could run in here just as well. . . . ."

"Will the traffic of the Orient be divided up with Seattle if your company ever acquires terminals over there?"

"We have already acquired large terminals in Seattle. The deal has been closed, though it has not been given to the public. But we have closed a deal for a large tract in Seattle. We shall naturally utilize the land. We have terminals here and shall continue to do business here, however, and as I said in the first instance, Tacoma is our favorite coast city, and here we expect to do the main Oriental and wheat shipping business."

"Where is this land you have purchased in Seattle?"

"That is again coming too close to our private affairs. We don't care to give that information out just at present."

"Could the Oriental business be done as cheap at Seattle or Portland as at Tacoma, provided you had docks and terminals at the other places as you have here?"

"If we had the facilities in Seattle that we have here we could as well do the business there as here. The distance is no greater. But here we have the terminals already built and here we shall continue to do the main bulk of our Oriental business, as long as we can keep room enough to handle it."

**THE BALSTON CULTURE.**

Professor T. A. Stoddard, One of the Teachers of That Famous System, in Astoria for a Short Time.

T. A. Stoddard, a lecturer of Balston physical culture, arrived in Astoria on Tuesday evening's train from Portland, and spent yesterday sightseeing around the city. Mr. Stoddard comes here at the request of several of the local Balstonites to look the town over and establish classes here during the summer. He has had several years' experience in this line of work, having assisted Professor Hoover in Los Angeles, Cal., where he taught over 500 pupils in one year. He has also successfully conducted classes in Santa Barbara and Portland. Balston physical culture has become quite a fad in California and throughout the eastern states and it well deserves all that has been said in its favor, as it contains the best of the Emersonian, delarte and Swedish systems of culture.

The people of Astoria will hardly permit this opportunity to escape them for securing a term of lessons in this famous system of culture, for it may be a long time before they will again have a chance to be thus favored.  
 Mr. Stoddard announces that he will return to Portland by September 15 to open his fall classes there.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

R. S. Payne, of Quincy, is in the city. Max Gillette, of Seaside, was in town yesterday.

T. J. Coleman, of Portland, was in the city yesterday.

John Turple, of the John Day, was in Astoria yesterday.

Victor Bergman, of Warrenton, was in the city yesterday.

F. A. Wanderer, the South Bend merchant, is in the city.

A. Borsion registered at the Occident last night from Grays river.

H. S. McGowan, of Chinook, registered at the Occident yesterday.

Mrs. Leavy, of Portland, is the guest of Mrs. S. Danziger, this week.

R. L. Knapp, of the Warrenton Tribune, was in Astoria yesterday.

C. H. Pemberton, of Gray's river, is in the city and is stopping at the Parker house.

Dan McAfee, of Portland, was looking after business interests in Astoria yesterday.

Billy Swope, of the Portland Mercury, passed through Astoria yesterday, bound for Seaside.

L. W. Scott, one of the editorial staff of the Oregonian, registered at the Occident last night.

Judge George Allen and son, of Denver, are in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Allen.

Mrs. Ben Campbell, wife of General Traffic Manager Campbell, of the O. R. & N., passed through the city yesterday on her way from Portland to the beach.

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Ladies Pine Kid Ties, . . . . . 75 worth 1.50	Babies Shoes, . . . . . 25
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