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THE OREGONIAN MUST ANSWER.

The Oregonian has gone too far to avoid further discussion of the seaport problem of the Northwest. No delicacy of consideration for the prejudices and unfounded fears of its Portland readers should restrain it from following up the good work already done in opening their eyes to the true conditions. Its admission of the other day that Portland could not depend on the natural advantages of location to compete with the Sound should be carried to its logical conclusion. If Portland must reconcile herself to the inroads of the Sound cities on her naturally tributary trade; if she is to be denied the future off-set of her down-grade road against the deep-water and heavy tonnage advantages which are so rapidly building up Puget sound ports; if she is to be left thus helpless against the encroachments of her aggressive northern rivals, without the ability either to strike back or recoup her losses by retaliatory raids into Puget sound territory, what is to be Portland's future commercial position in the Northwest?

The Oregonian well knows that Portland has a remedy at hand for all these apparent disadvantages. It well knows that its Portland readers are totally ignorant of the true merits of the Astoria proposition. It well knows that it has always been one of Astoria's strongest contentions that the development of this port was essential to Portland's commercial supremacy. It well knows that the strongest argument of the Astoria proposition is the absolute triumph of the Columbia river through the development of the matchless seaport of Astoria over Puget sound in both the trade of the interior as well as the incoming commerce. Not only can Astoria put an end to further incursions of the Sound cities in Portland's local trade, but the better price which the products of the interior would bring if laid down at the first-class seaport of Astoria must force a large part of the trade now belonging strictly to Puget sound to follow these products on the way to the sea. Portland will be and ever remain the toll-gate through which the vast trade of the Columbian basin must pass, provided it follows the course of the river to the sea.

Aside from these considerations, the Oregonian cannot for other reasons and for the sake of its own self-respect, ignore the comments from Portland's enemies on its startling and significant declaration of the other day. It will not do to leave Portland in the position of having receded from her time-honored claim of advantage for the Columbia river, the down-grade route, over every other route to the sea. If the effects of railway combinations or railway competitions are to so change the natural transportation situation as to rob Portland of all benefits of her location, she must be provided with some other acknowledged weapon or means for reasonable self-defense and for war upon her existing enemies.

The Tacoma Ledger has been quick to see the effect of the Oregonian's confession of Portland's hopeless plight. The Oregonian must answer the Ledger. It will not do for Portland to allow the assertions of the Tacoma paper to go unanswered. In order that the matter shall not escape the attention of the Oregonian, the Astorian here prints the Ledger's comment in full. If the Oregonian should be so unwise as to ignore its plain duty in the present

issue, the Astorian calls upon some of its influential Portland readers to answer the Ledger through the Astorian's columns. A decent regard for not only Portland's interests, but those of the whole state of Oregon, demands a reply to the Ledger's remarkable statements. The Ledger's article is as follows:

In the lively controversy going on between Portland and Astoria as to their comparative advantages and future prospects as shipping points, facts are permitted to escape which are interesting to other communities. Both of these cities have, of course, been certain that the Sound country was not in the race in comparison with either of them; and while the cities on the Sound have been going ahead, increasing business and establishing control of trade, they have been favored with abundance and variety of reasons why they could not do what they were actually doing at that moment. The impregnable character of their position is now admitted in the heat of one disputant over the obstinacy of the other. Portland's favorite text has been its superiority as a shipping point over Puget sound. Thereupon rises Astoria to inquire why, if one engine on the O. R. & N. can haul as much into Portland as four can haul on the Northern into Tacoma, the former railroad should not be required to make a reduction in its freight rates. This is a fair question, says Portland, and shall have a fair answer. But, as it knows better, knows that it has no such superiority in competition as it claims, it points to the large expenditures of the O. R. & N. in improving its line, and follows with this interesting and honest confession:

"But of course no person who is acquainted with the railway business expects the O. R. & N. to establish and maintain lower rates to Portland than will be given to Puget sound by the railways that terminate there. In other words, whatever cut may be made by the O. R. & N. in freight rates on the products of the upper Columbia will be met by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific. \* \* \* We shall never, therefore, have lower rates to Portland and Astoria than they will make to Puget sound."

This is the situation in a nutshell. The hope of either of the Oregon cities that the natural advantages of the Sound can be off-set or overcome is a vain one. The great foreign business of the Northern Pacific will be done here, where the transcontinental lines of transportation converge, where the ocean comes up to our doors and invites the long water haul, free from dangers or obstructions to navigation. The business world knows it already, or the shipping trade of the Sound would not be what it is, and increasing with such wonderful rapidity. We have the advantages that nature gave us; and that no competitor can set them aside by artificial favor is secured by our ample rail connections. It is none the less pleasing to find the facts admitted by those whose interest has seemed to lie in denying them in the past.

RESOLUTION THAT FAILED.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 26.—At today's session of the missionary council of the protestant Episcopal church, Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri, asked permission to introduce a resolution. He read a resolution asking that the missionary council forward to the house of representatives a memorial praying its members to expel from the house Brigham H. Roberts, congressman elect from Utah. Bishop Whipple, the presiding officer, ruled the resolution out of order, saying that the council had met for a specific purpose and could not consider outside matters.

INCREASED IMMIGRATION.

Powderly's Report Shows a Decided Gain in Arrivals. WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—In his annual report to the secretary of the treasury, Commissioner General Powderly of the immigration bureau gives the total arrivals for the year ended June 30 last as 211,715, an increase over the next preceding year of 22,416 or 11 per cent.

The increase over the figures for last year is represented largely by the immigration from Europe, especially from Italy, Austria, Hungary and Russia.

HERMANN'S REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—The annual report of Commissioner Hermann of the general land office, made public today, shows a grand total of 929,598 acres of unappropriated and reserved public lands in the United States. The disposal of public lands during the fiscal year show an increase of 728,556 acres as compared with the aggregate of the previous year.

GEORGIA'S TRIBUTE.

ATLANTA, Oct. 26.—Georgia today paid tribute to her ranking hero of the Spanish-American war, Flag Lieutenant Thomas M. Brumby, of the Olympia, by the presentation of a handsome sword, in recognition of his noteworthy services at Manila. The presentation was made by Governor Candler at the state capitol.

GENERAL HENRY DYING.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—General Guy V. Henry is dying of pneumonia. The end is said to be a matter of only a few hours.

GENERAL HENRY DEAD.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Irregular General Guy V. Henry, U. S. A., late military governor of Puerto Rico, died a few minutes before four o'clock this morning.

READY TO START.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—A special to the Times from Washington says: Archbishop Chappelle is ready to start for the Philippines and will probably go by the transport Sherman, leaving San Francisco November 10. With Father McKinnon, the "Soldier Priest," who is to accompany him, he visited the state and war departments Wednesday and had interviews with Secretaries Hay and Root. The archbishop said that he was going to the Philippines with the warmest desire to assist both church and state.

FOR POLITICS.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 26.—An enormous meeting was held tonight at Music hall, the officers of which were members of the central labor council of Cincinnati and the speakers, Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation of labor and Edward Boyce, of Butte, Mont., president of the western federation of miners. The announced purpose of the meeting was to protest against the treatment of prisoners held in "a bull pen" in the Coeur d'Alene region.

KNOCKING SEATTLE.

SPOKANE, Oct. 26.—The Spokane red cross society decided today to invite companies A and L of the Washington volunteers to come by rail from San Francisco to Spokane as the guests of this city. Through the Spokesman-Review the ladies have raised a fund ample to pay the fares of the two companies, and give them a fitting reception on their arrival.

THANK HEAVEN.

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—William E. Mason, junior United States senator from Illinois declared today that he would resign if the republican national convention in 1900 did not declare against "criminal aggression" in the Philippines. Mason even went so far as to say he would resign if the convention favored offering the Philippines "cannal freedom" as he thought it might do.

A TERRIBLE FIRE.

MOBILE, Ala., Oct. 26.—Fourteen people were burned to death at Fairlee, Baldwin county, about 20 miles north-west of Mobile. Some time during Monday night last, fire destroyed the dwellings of Harry Goodnow and Samuel Smithson, cremating all the occupants of both houses.

FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

SPOKANE, Oct. 26.—English born residents of Spokane met tonight and decided to raise \$10,000 for the benefit of the widows and orphans of British soldiers killed in the South African war. Those present subscribed \$400.

How To Gain Flesh

Persons have been known to gain a pound a day by taking a ounce of SCOTT'S EMULSION. It is strange, but it often happens. Somewhat the ounce produces a pound; it seems to start the digestive machinery going properly, so that the patient is able to digest and absorb his ordinary food, which he could not do before, and that is the way the gain is made. A certain amount of flesh is necessary for health; if you have not got it you can get it by taking

Scott's Emulsion advertisement with logo and text: You will find it just as useful in summer as in winter, and if you are thriving upon it it don't stop because the weather is warm.

VELOCITY OF LIGHT.

The velocity of light is 192,000 miles in a second of time. From the sun light comes to the earth in eight minutes. From some of the fixed stars of the twelfth magnitude it takes 4,000 years for the light to reach us.

MEALS LIKE AT HOME.

When you are in Portland and want a really good home meal, just give Mr. Brown a trial, 108 Fourth St., near Washington. You will like it surely. This restaurant is open all night.

THE WORLD'S FISHERMEN.

There are 500,000 men in the world who gain a livelihood chiefly by fishing, making an annual catch of \$25 worth of fish for each man. The fisheries of the United States supply 800,000,000 pounds annually, and those of Europe 1,800,000,000 pounds.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between A. J. Megler and C. S. Wright, under the firm name of Megler & Wright, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Wright retiring. All the indebtedness of the firm has been assumed by Mr. Megler and all bills due the firm must be paid to him.

Dated October 26th, 1899. A. J. MEGLER, C. S. WRIGHT.

THEY CUT TO FIT.

Yes they do and the style and finish they give to men's suits, rank these gentlemen as expert practical merchant tailors. The material they use is also the very best and you will always find them busy at 289 1/2 Yamhill St., Portland. Get your next suit there, and get it right.

THE LOUVRE.

Strangers visiting in the city will find the Louvre an attraction of no small interest. The museum is still open to the public, and is a most interesting place to visit. The museum is still open to the public, and is a most interesting place to visit.

A POEM ON MANKIND.

Like what is man, but like a sprouting weed that grows and ripens but to cast its seed. Among the thistles and the tares of life and then to see it strangled in the life. Or like the clouds that wander with the breeze and pass unnoticed from a life of ease? Or like a mushroom, sprung to life, to starve or strangle in the tangled grass?

These are thoughts that are apt to come to many people at times, especially when they are sick and have to pay big prices for medicine. But there is one drug store in Oregon where you can save from 10 to 25 per cent on everything you buy, and that is J. A. Clendenen's Drug Store, at 227 Yamhill street, Portland, Ore. At that store you can get Hood's Sarsaparilla at 70c; Mellin's Food, 31c; Bromo Seltzer, 21c; and everything else at the same low rate. You can get red trading stamps there, and if you need the Natural Body Brace, you can get it there.

LOGGERS ATTENTION!

Headquarters for Cutters' Logging Shoes and Loggers' Outfits. THE RED FRONT, 269 Morrison street, Portland.

YELLOW FEVER IN THE ARMY.

It isn't the number of men that yellow fever kills that frightens you, but the unexpected suddenness of its attack, and the rapidity with which it kills. A man is well and hearty at 3 p. m.; at 4 p. m. he is deadly ill; at 6 p. m. he is dead, and at 8 p. m. he is buried. In much the same manner men will work day after day in apparent health, and then will suddenly appear a general weakness. The body is giving out. It needs something to strengthen it, to drive away the impurities of the blood, to tone up the stomach, and assist digestion. For this purpose Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is highly recommended. It will cure dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, malaria, fever and ague.

FOR SALE.

Improved ranch, consisting of 120 acres, on Young's river. Apply to John L. Hayth, Wise, Or.

LADIES' TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

Ladies who go to Portland and desire something especially fine in the way of tailor-made suits will do well to remember that they can be well fitted at I. D. Boyer's 177 Fourth street, in the Y. M. C. building.

FINE OPENING.

The North Pacific Dental College, whose advertisement appears in another column, opened its doors October 5, with 75 students on its roster. The college is well equipped with every facility to graduate students in all the latest knowledge of dentistry. A. R. Baker, D.D.S., is demonstrator in charge, and is well qualified to instruct all students who attend this college.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Fresh crucked crabs at the National Cafe. Sweet cream in any amount at the Parlor. Hire's root beer at the Spa candy factory. Burbank potatoes, \$1 a sack, at Pat's Market. Jeff's is "the only" restaurant. White cooks. Home made chocolates, 30 cents a pound at the Parlor. Best 15-cent meal, Rising Sun Restaurant, 412 Commercial street. We guarantee our ice cream to be made of pure cream. The Parlor. Chill our carne and fritolles at Lee Herring's National Cafe every day. Pleasant furnished room for rent, 242 Fourteenth street. In private family.

WHERE TO EAT.

Why at "The Eastern," of course, 170 Third St., Portland. You can get a good layout for 15 cents here, which will satisfy your hunger and bring you back again to the same place. Remember the Eastern.

THE LATEST IN THE CONFECTION LINE.

The latest in the confection line are those delicate Ice Cream Chocolates at The Spa.

Cold lunch, pickled pigs' feet, oysters, sheep's tongue, etc. at the National Cafe.

Our ice cream is warranted to be made of pure cream. The Parlor, next to John Hahn's.

Do you know Snodgrass makes Stamp Plates? Call and see them. They are all the go.

Cream Pure Rye, America's finest whiskeys. The only pure goods, guaranteed rich and mellow. John L. Carlson, sole agent.

For Rent—Furnished rooms, with first-class table board. Apply Mrs. E. C. Holden's, corner Ninth and Duane streets.

Buy Roslyn coal; the best coal for heating and cooking purposes on the market. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311.

Boquet de Cuba and Key West Gems are the finest 5-cent cigars that ever came to this market. Henry Roe, opposite brewery.

Roslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimney flues than any other. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311.

When in Astoria, transient guests can secure unsurpassed accommodations at the Astor House. Perfect cooking and nice, clean rooms. Rates, \$1 per day.

Visitors from Portland and elsewhere will find the pleasant rooms in Astoria at the Bay City house, 179 Tenth street. Mrs. E. S. Andrews, proprietress.

Roslyn coal is the best and most economical coal for use in Astoria. Try it once and you will have no other. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311.

I. W. Harper's Nelson County, Ky., whiskey. A gentleman's whiskey; a whiskey for the sideboard; a whiskey for the sick room. Sold by Ford & Stokes Company, Astoria, Ore.

Kelley's transfer wagons deliver box wood to any part of the city on short notice. All orders left at Zapf's furniture store, 630 Commercial street, will receive prompt attention. Telephone 2144.

Go to the Columbia Electric and Repair Company for all kinds of new and repair work from a cambric needle to a bicycle, boiler or engine. Quick work and satisfaction guaranteed. Logging machinery of all kinds a specialty. Shop opposite Ross, Higgins & Co.

The concert hall opened by Charlie Wise at No. 339 Astor street is the one and only popular resort of its kind in this vicinity. Mr. Wise is doing something new among concert halls. He is not only selling a class of pure liquors, but is giving his place a management which insures gentlemanly attention and treatment to his patrons. The good music and the crowd will be found at Charlie Wise's place.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

Do you want a good meal when you visit Portland? If so, go to the Portland restaurant, 205 Washington street.

If you want any Health Food that your grocer does not have, write Knapp Bros. Health Food Co., East Portland, Ore.

Knapp Bros. Health Food Company, East Portland, carry a full line of all the Battle Creek Sanitarium Health Foods.

E. House's Cafe at 125 Third street, Portland, is regarded by many people as the leading restaurant in the Pacific Northwest.

Encyclopedia Britannica, 23 vols., sheep, \$25. Best teachers' Bible, now, 90c. at Hyland's Bros.' Book Store, Portland. See advertisement.

A good meal with meats rich in flavor and one you will enjoy with a relish, is just what you get at the Creamerie restaurant, 271 Washington street, near Third. Try it when you go to Portland.

If you are going up to Portland and miss going to the Creamerie Restaurant, 271 Washington St., you may consider that your trip will not be a success, as others will tell you, who do not miss it.

Holmes' English and Business College at No. 414 Yamhill street, Portland, is prepared to accommodate a large number of pupils this year. Already the classes are well crowded, a fact that indicates the excellent character of the institution.

Mr. N. R. Bridges, late of the Ellis Printing Company of Portland, has assumed the management of the Astorian job printing department, and is prepared to do all kinds of first-class, accurate, up-to-date printing. All work promptly delivered.

Why is Watson's restaurant in Portland patronized by thousands of people daily? Simply because it is the largest, finest and best equipped eating resort on the Pacific coast. Watson's restaurant has sixty-eight white employees on its payroll. Remember the location, 149-11 Fourth street.

All kinds of reading! There is only one place we know of in Portland where you can find all the latest books and pamphlets on the most advanced thought of the day, many books on subjects of advanced up-to-date topics not to be found in other book stores can be obtained here. It is worth your while to call when in Portland and see for yourself. Jones, 251 Alder St., Portland.

All Astorians who visit Portland and desire spending a pleasant evening in company with polite people and in the enjoyment of an unexcelled musical program, should go to the Fredericksburg. Besides vocal and instrumental selections there are many other attractions to delight the visitors. The new management is making the Fredericksburg a well-merited success.

A tailoring establishment of some pretensions, located on Washington street, Portland, claims to have made 47 suits for dressy Astorians during the past six months. This statement is denied by the firm of Povey & Birchall, at 327 Washington street, near the Imperial hotel, who are patronized by the great majority of outside customers. Povey & Birchall make the swell suits for most of the stylish Portlanders, and feel that they are not excelled by any Portland firm for out of town patronage.

WHY TO EAT. Why at "The Eastern," of course, 170 Third St., Portland. You can get a good layout for 15 cents here, which will satisfy your hunger and bring you back again to the same place. Remember the Eastern.

RADICAL LITERATURE. We know of only one book store in Portland where so complete a line of novels can be obtained, on all the radical subjects of the day under discussion as can be seen at Jones' Book Store, 291 Alder street.

The Leading Visiting and Wedding Card ... Engravers ...

J.W.G. Smith & Co. Card Engravers advertisement with logo and address: 22 & 23 WASHINGTON BUILDING, PORTLAND, OR.

NORGARD & PETERSON, Merchant Tailors advertisement with address: 269 1/2 Yamhill Street, Portland, Oregon.

MAGAZINES advertisement: Gather up those MAGAZINES. You have about your homes and have them made into Handsome Books.

P. M. Sharple's Cream Separators advertisement: Latest and Best.

FISHER BROS. General Supply House for Family Groceries.

Pacific Sheet Metal Works advertisement: Builders' Heavy and Shelf Hardware, Ship Chandlery, Etc.

MANUFACTURERS OF ... CANS ... and Syrup.

Lithographing on Tin a Specialty. San Francisco, Cal. Astoria, Ore. Fairhaven, Wash.

C. A. WHALE, Wholesale and retail dealer in.

Pianos and Organs advertisement with logo: Kransch and Bach, Schaffer, Schiller, and many others.

112-114-116 Union Avenue and 383 East Alder Street PORTLAND OREGON.

Instruments Sold on Easy Terms. M. C. MATTHELL, Manager. Head office 142 State St. Salem, Ore.

ASTORIA MEAT COMPANY. Telephone No. 32. Handles Only the Choicest Meats. 425 Commercial St., next Palace Restaurant.

Pacific Navigation Company. STEAMERS R. P. Elmore, W. H. Harrison. ONLY DIRECT LINE ASTORIA to TILLAMOOK.

Garibaldi, Bay City, Hobsonville. Connecting at Astoria with the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. for San Francisco, Portland and all points east.

COHN & CO., Agents, TILLAMOOK, Ore. Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co., PORTLAND, Ore.