

# BAR PILOTS SUSTAINED AT ALL POINTS

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#### EVERY CONDITION OF WIND, SEA AND TIDE FAVORABLE

Exact Results, Ascertained by the Most Competent Men Available Indicate that There is Less Water than is Claimed by the Pilots Themselves—Thirty-Eight Soundings Taken in Seventeen Minutes and the Record Kept—Engineers Must Come Once More.

The bar-tug *Tatoosh*, of this port, Capt. Charles T. Bailey, commanding, slipped her moorings at the O. R. & N. pier yesterday morning at 7:10 o'clock for a trip to the Columbia river bar. Beside her complement, Captain Bailey had one board as his guests State Pilot Commissioners A. V. Pendleton and George Noland, Bar Pilots M. D. Staples and Arthur Leighton, and a reporter of the *Morning Astorian*.

The object of the trip was to take low-water soundings on the bar and determine, under the immediate supervision of the State's official custodians of matters pertaining to pilotage and bar-water depths, the exact conditions there. A day was chosen when the tidal extremes were auspicious for the claims of the Oregonian and the rest of the Portland papers. And the favorable choice of time was augmented by conditions of wind and sea equally favorable. There was not a breath of wind and the sea on the bar was as smooth as a pan of milk on a pantry shelf.

The *Tatoosh* steamed swiftly down the bay and was soon close upon the coast margin of the bar. Captain Bailey was at the wheel himself and as he put her under a slow bell in the channel, Pilot Staples manned a lead-line on the starboard side and just at the forward break of her housing, with Commissioner Pendleton at his elbow, while Pilot Leighton took an identical position to port with Commissioner Noland at hand for oversight, and at the very edge of sounding grounds, both leads were put in action, with First Mate Swanson, of the *Tatoosh*, one of the finest leadsmen on Pacific coast, vibrating between the two, to note the calls, and confirm or protest them, as his experience dictated. In the seventeen minutes involved in crossing the bar proper, there were thirty-eight simultaneous casts and soundings made and reported, showing the following depths, across the bar between 8:05 and 8:22 o'clock, upon a flood run of one hour and ten minutes duration: In feet, 27, small 27, small 27, 27, small 27, small 27, 26, small 27, 26, 24, small 24, 24, small 24, small 24, small 24, 24, small 24, 24, 23, 23, 23, 23, small 23, (this call at the crest of the bar), 23, 23, 23, 23, small 24, 23, 24, small 25, 27. These depths were verified, as called, by the most competent men on board.

ed by those in charge of the work, yesterday.

Taking 23 feet as the basic low-water depth, an allowance of 1.7 feet must be placed against it for the flood run of one hour and ten minutes, which reduces it to 21.3 feet, and this again, in subject to further reduction allowed and published by the Government, known as the "admiralty allowance" for tidal variations, and is placed in the record at 31 minutes, or 0.83 feet, which fixes the actual low-water stage in the Government channel across the Columbia river bar, at 8:13 o'clock on the morning of Sunday, October 29, 1905, at exactly 20.47 feet, or 0.53 feet less than the pilots themselves have claimed for it.

The Government engineers have established the low-water maximum at 1.6 feet above zero, and, in order to further put the task of yesterday beyond dispute, Captain C. H. Gunderson, of the Bar Pilots' association, was sent to Fort Stevens to take careful reading of the tide-gauges there while the *Tatoosh* was crossing the bar, in order to check up the flood rise in the hour involved, and his readings, taken every ten minutes, (instead of every 15 minutes as followed by the Government experts there) show the following times and volume of flood:

- At 7:50 a. m. 0.8 feet above zero
- At 8:00 a. m. 1.0 feet above zero.
- At 8:10 a. m. 1.1 feet above zero
- At 8:20 a. m. 1.2 feet above zero
- At 8:30 a. m. 1.5 feet above zero
- At 8:40 a. m. 1.8 feet above zero
- At 8:50 a. m. 2.1 feet above zero

Taking the fairest average this table affords, it will indicate that the allowance of 1.7 feet for the hour and ten minutes flood run on the bar at the time the soundings were taken, is absolutely just.

The foregoing is a full, careful, and correct report of the morning's work in this behalf and certainly should have place in the consideration of interested people who are after actual, practical facts, ascertained under practical conditions by practical men, but, despite this reasonable hope, there is little to be expected from Portland but contemptuous derision and a lying refutation (!) of every statement made here, including the very fact that the *Tatoosh* made the trip. However it may be treated, the main fact will live on, until cured by nature, or by the enterprise of man and that is, there are but twenty-one feet of water, at low tide stages, on the Columbia river bar, under the best of atmospheric and sea conditions, and not twenty-four feet as reported by the Government engineers.

#### MINERS SUE FOR DAMAGES.

Charleston, W. Va., Oct. 28.—Forty-five damage suits for the eviction of miners last winter were filed against leading coal companies in the bituminous fields today. Damages asked are \$112,000.

Far Away—"You have a faraway expression in this picture," remarked the girl.

"Naturally," replied her friend: "It was taken in Africa. That's a long distance off!"—*Detroit Free Press*.

#### New Cure for Cancer.

All surface cancers are now known to be curable, by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Jas. Walters, of Duffield, Va., writes: "I had a cancer on my lip for years, that seemed incurable, till Bucklen's Arnica Salve healed it, and now it is perfectly well." Guaranteed cure for cuts and burns. 25c at Chas. Rogers' drug store.

#### LANDLORD PLAYS POSSUM.

Saves His Life When Threatened by a Drunken Man with Gun.

Napa, Cal., Oct. 29.—William Doss, a young man residing in Calistoga, shot at Fred Greenfeld today and barely missed killing him. Greenfeld keeps a restaurant in Calistoga, and Doss visited the place to get a meal. He had been drinking and Greenfeld refused to allow Doss to eat his meal in the main dining room.

Doss snored at Greenfeld and the latter knocked Doss down with his fist. Doss then backed off for a few feet, and, drawing a .38-calibre revolver, he fired at Greenfeld and the bullet just missed the latter's head by a few inches. Greenfeld fell to the ground and pretended that he had been shot, and Doss walked away thinking he had killed his man. Doss was captured soon after by Constable Ed Power and was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to commit murder.

#### PIONEER CITIZENESS RETURNS TO HOME OF HER YOUTH HERE

Mrs. Dr. Owens-Adair Again at Sunnymead Farm Near Warrenton—Absent Seven Years.

The local world of Astoria will find pleasure in the announcement that Mrs. Dr. Owens-Adair, with her husband, Col. John Adair, is again comfortably installed at the family home on Sunnymead farm, after an absence of seven years in North Yakima, Washington, where she practiced her profession with constant success and made worlds of friends.

Dr. Adair will remain at Sunnymead for some little time, until weather conditions become a bit propitious, when she will leave for California, where she will remain until she has finished the chosen task of her later years, that of writing a book, biographical and historical in character and as wide as the state in scope, and including much of her life in this city and county, all closely interwoven with the lives of other prominent pioneer families of this section. The following excerpts from the Yakima press will best serve to tell those who know and admire this sturdy and accomplished lady of her experiences there and of all she accomplished professionally and socially:

The Yakima Herald in a recent issue, says: "After over thirty years spent in the practice of medicine, Dr. Owen-Adair announces her intention of retiring and hereafter taking a well-earned rest. Dr. Adair is the only woman physician in the city, and she has built up a large practice during the six or seven years she has resided in Yakima. She will spend the remainder of her years on her Sunnymead farm of several hundred acres near the mouth of the Columbia river, where every boat that enters the river and every pound of freight that goes by rail to the ocean must pass her doors. Mrs. Adair believes she has earned a rest from the activities of her profession, and she knows of no more attractive place to recuperate than the old farm. The doctor still holds considerable Yakima realty, which she believes gift edged as an investment. The best wishes of a host of warm friends here will go with her."

And the *Daily Republic* speaks no less kindly when it says: "Dr. Owens-Adair has informed the Republic that she will close her office and retire from business here Oct. 10th. Dr. Adair has been in active practice for over 30 years, having been the first woman graduate in medicine in both Oregon and Washington. She has practiced in both states since the early '70's. It is the doctor's intention to devote the remainder of her life to literary work, and she hopes to have her first book for the press by early next spring when she will return to her home in Clatsop County, Oregon. The doctor will remain with her son, Dr. Hitt, till the morning of the 14th. After a visit of a month with Col. Adair and their son John at their ranch, she will go to San Diego, Cal."

On the eve of her departure from North Yakima, Dr. Adair was the guest of honor at a splendid banquet given by the Order of the Eastern Star, as represented at that place, and was made the recipient of a superb gold pen from the lodge, as a testimonial of the high estimate in which she was held in that city.

Mrs. Adair may well use this suggestive gift in the new volume she is about to write, thus giving a host of others some share in the beauty and utility of the gift.

**ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE.**

The well known newspaper man, of this city, Richard Lee, was an interested spectator at Saturday's football game in Portland, between the Multnomahs and the Astoria Commercial, and he declares there was nothing of exceeding roughness, nor anything deserving but technical penalty throughout the whole engagement, and that when the game closed, the Portland team bunched up and gave the Commercial three rousing cheers, and then did it twice more. The rumors current here on Saturday evening of "knock-outs" and "drag-outs" was rot, pure and simple.

#### Don't Borrow Trouble.

It is a bad habit to borrow anything, but the worst thing you can possibly borrow, is trouble. When sick, sore, heavy, weary and worn-out by the pains and poisons of dyspepsia, biliousness, Bright's disease, and similar internal disorders, don't sit down and brood over your symptoms, but fly for relief to *Electric Bitters*. Here you will find sure and permanent forgetfulness of all your troubles, and your body will not be burdened by a load of debt disease. At Chas. Rogers' drug store. Price 50c. Guaranteed.

The Astorian, 75 cents a month.

#### NO USE FOR IDLERS

Dr. Layson Preaches on the Parable of the Idlers.

#### ONE TALENT GIVEN TO ALL

Cheerful Disposition Is a Great Asset While the Man with a Sour, Disagreeable Temper Is a Bankrupt Whom People Avoid—Obedient Man Happy.

Dr. Layson preached on the "Parable of the Talents," at the Presbyterian church last night.

The parable shows that its master distributed talents to his children according to their general ability to use them profitably.

God has no place in the universe for idlers nor worthless people. Every person is assigned a task. The man who receives great gifts is thereby notified of great responsibility. Only one talent is distributed to all in equal portions and that is time. All are on equal footing here, no trust nor syndicate can accumulate seconds or hours. Only one second is distributed at a time, so economical and prudent is God. Yet much of that is wasted. He who would recoil from throwing away the whole life at once, will deliberately waste it all by degrees. Napoleon so valued time he rose at 4 a. m., Dr. Adam Clark rose at 4 a. m. Mr. Wesley and Daniel Webster rose at 5 a. m.

The Christian should value seconds as precious as diamonds and fear to lose one. He who properly uses time can be trusted with all earthly treasures. The man who wastes time robs God and man.

A cheerful disposition is great capital. It enriches the owner and all others. The world levies tribute on the happy man. He is worth more to a community than its real estate.

The man who looks sour and is disagreeable is a bankrupt who everyone avoids. His presence is noxious as a pest.



#### Special This Week

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tilence. What greater talent than gift of song? And yet how often stilled by a selfish spirit. It is exchanged only as a commercial commodity. We make merchandise of the noblest gifts of God—those given to bless others, what greater nuisance than a singer who refuses to sing?

The social instinct needs cultivation. Happy the person who cheers his fellows with kindly words and inspires with smiles. Men have become so selfish and unsocial that they grow to look like their thoughts—look more like the sons of God. The day is coming when every man shall render strict account for every deed, every word, every look, every smile.

The result of that accounting will be announced in one or the other of the following announcements:

"Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of the Lord" or "Take from him and give it unto the man who hath the 10 talents."

The man who does not profess, cannot continue stationary. It is either profit or loss.

Time, reason, opportunity being furnished a man responsibility instantly attaches and God exacts profit for himself at once and continually. The man who thinks he can cheat God all his life and rise in favor in the next life by some unknown law, has failed to study the parable of talents. Man's duty must be discharged as a condition precedent to God's judgment of approval. We grossly deceive ourselves when we work on any other theory. What an inspiration for energetic and honest service for the master! How rich the world would be in things of true value, if all were exercising all their talents as the master wishes. Happy the man who is obedient and trustworthy.

#### PERSONAL MENTION

R. W. Custard was over from Knappa yesterday.

W. B. Chase, of Portland, was a guest at the Occident yesterday.

A. Dunbar will leave for Portland on this morning's express.

Walter Stokes returned from a business trip to Portland Sunday.

H. J. Langoe returned from a business trip to Portland yesterday noon.

Mrs. J. A. Fulton was a passenger to Portland on the train last night.

Councilman Belland returned this morning from a business trip to Svenson.

Rev. G. E. Ridquist returned from a trip up the line on the noon train yesterday.

"Har" Esterbrook was down from Portland yesterday shaking hands with his many friends.

R. C. F. Astbury returned from a hunting trip to Cullaby lake yesterday morning, well laden with game.

Sheriff Linville and James E. Ferguson returned from a hunting trip last evening, well laden with game.

Miss Laura Anderson returned from Svenson this morning where she was the guest of her sister, Miss Sophia Anderson.

H. G. Van Dusen, State Fish Warden, left, last evening, for Portland, on the A. & C. express.

Mrs. Anna Vige returned yesterday from a visit with friends at Knappa. She was accompanied by her daughters.

H. C. Wortman, of Olds, Wortman & King, at Portland, was an over-Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dunbar, returning to the metropolis last evening on the train.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gunn, after several months stay in Astoria, left on last night's express for Portland and other points in the state.

R. P. Bonham and T. S. McCullough, connected with the immigration service, came down on the Alcoa Friday and returned yesterday evening to Portland.

Chris Christensen of Alderbrook returned from a week's visit to Woodburn, and other points in Oregon yesterday morning. He visited his brother at Knappa while absent.

K. J. Johnson, of the Astoria Grocery, returned from a trip along the upper Columbia river yesterday noon. He also witnessed the production of Ben Hur at the metropolis.

#### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

- Occident.
- F. S. McCullough, Portland.
- Raphael P. Bonham, Portland.
- L. B. Cahill, New York.
- V. B. Cahill, New York.
- F. E. Ford, Portland.
- Frank S. Gray, Portland.
- Gordon C. Robson, Portland.
- E. C. Hallman, Portland.
- Nat Sebarlin, Portland.
- E. W. Davies, SS Oquano.
- A. G. Thompson, San Francisco.
- C. A. Woodruff, Chicago.
- C. C. Hall, Portland.
- J. C. Ott, Portland.
- Fred M. Zilley, Portland.
- I. Rosenthal, Portland.
- E. P. Murphy, Portland.



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#### THOUSANDS OF SHEEP SHIPPED FROM OREGON

Prices Show a Considerable Advance Over Last Spring—Sales Mount Into Millions.

Baker City, Ore., Oct. 29.—This year has been most prosperous for the sheep men of Eastern Oregon. It is estimated that they have received something over \$3,000,000 for the sales of them to buyers in Wyoming, Montana and Eastern points.

The sheep shipments from the different shipping points in Eastern Oregon as given by the inspectors are as follows: Elgin, 200,000; Meacham, 10,000; Pendleton, 100,000; Shaniko, 100,000; Heppner, 100,000; Baker City, 100,000; Ontario, 100,000; Huntington, 30,000; Echo, 20,000; North Powder, 12,000; Durkee, 10,000.

Good prices are the rule this year. The average price has been anywhere between \$2.25 and \$3.50 per head though lower sales have been recorded. Last May and during June prices were as low as \$1.75, but since then the price has steadily risen.

#### NOTICE.

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