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Remove Decking.—The decking on Bond street between Sixth and Ninth streets is being removed by the contractors this week and the street will be improved with crushed rock, and cement sidewalks.

For eruptions, sores, pimples, kidney and liver troubles, constipation, indigestion, use Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Carries new life to every part of the body. Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. Frank Hart, druggist.

Dog Licenses Come.—Yesterday saw a further increase in canine life tickets, and before sundown, nine dogs had been provided with licenses. The new dog catcher will soon be out of a job if the present rate of registering the animals keeps up.

Shifting Titles.—Two deeds were filed for record yesterday at the office of the county clerk, namely: J. H. Remick and wife to the Whitney Company, quitclaim, \$1, for land in Clatsop county. The Kruse Catering Company to Joseph Polivka, warranty, \$175, lot 14, block 3, Kruse's First Addition to Gearhart Park.

Why don't you have your work done by the Eastern Painting & Decorating Company, 75 Ninth street? They do the work cheaper, quicker and better than any other firm. The Parker House which is being papered and painted from cellar to garret is being done by them. Go and inspect the work.

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GOOD GOODS.

Craftsmanlike Work.—The opening of the new and elegant saloon at the corner of Commercial and Eleventh streets, by Charles F. Wise, calls for especial mention of the quality of the work and materials which he invoked in the putting up of the concern. There is nothing of its kind in the city that approaches it, and the design and workmanship are attributable to the excellent skill and judgment of F. H. Allen, the contracting carpenter, to whom was entrusted the entire plans and their fulfillment. Mr. Allen's handling of the woods and their fitting and joining, are the best expressions of his craft to be found here; and he is closely followed in the scheme of good work by D. B. Allen & Son, who are responsible for the splendid specimens of painting, staining and graining throughout the establishment. The myrtle wood graining on the exterior at the corner entrance is without parallel in this city and not exceeded anywhere else, and the same high grade of work has been pursued in every detail of the interior. The plumbing and gas fitting is another feature of the composite excellence of the job, and was done by J. H. Hanson, and reflects abundant credit on him and his shop, whence came every detail of beauty and utility in this important department. The electrical appointments came from the shop of M. F. Hardesty, who has definite reason to be proud of the work and the effects he has wrought in the duty he was charged with. Only the latest and hand-somest devices and fixtures were employed by him and he should be as well satisfied as any man who has done expert work under the contract. The tapestries, floor coverings, and hangings, came from the well known house of J. J. Robinson, and are in complete harmony with the rest of the decorations, being in all things, the latest and richest in fabric and style. They are adapted wholly to the tones employed in the adornment of the room, and lend an added beauty of their own. The entire place is rife with examples of the highest class of skilled workmanship, in every particular.

Clash of Authority.—Night before last when the apparatus from No. 1 engine house was in attendance upon the chimney fire at the corner of Duane and Ninth streets, one of Ed. Llewellyn's horses got his foot in a hole in the street plank and in his efforts to extricate it, pulled so hard he tore off the shoe and part of the quick of the foot, laming the animal so that it was necessary to turn him out for a day or two to rest up. Ed put the animal in a vacant lot just back of the engine house yesterday morning and the big fellow fed around and enjoyed his outing to the full. At the noon hour Llewellyn went home to dinner, and on his return found the horse gone. Thinking he had broken out he started to trail him, and met a boy who informed him that Poundmaster O'Neil, the new appointee, had collared the horse as a stray, or vagrant, or something like that, and was marching him off to the city pound. The popular driver was long in overtaking him and the horse, and then the clash of authority arose. Ed demanded the horse in the name of the fire department of the city of Astoria and the poundmaster said it was in custody of the police department, and under arrest; but that wouldn't go down with the fireman, who declared that the police had nothing to do with fire horses; they were immune from the ravages of that department and he must have the horse at once, in case a fire broke out while they were talking about it. This seemed to convince the "impresario" of the dog-pound, and he relinquished the horse to Ed, who led him back to the lot in triumph. He is still lame, but he is in his own municipal pasture, all right, and he will stay there, police or no police.

Broke Her Neck.—A fine young gray mare, shipped from Portland to this city via the steamer Hassalo, and which reached here yesterday morning, broke her neck and died instantly on the dock, shortly after landing here, and while they were attempting to harness her. She reared and lost her balance, and falling backward, caught her head on an in-turn, and snapped the neck-bones like pipe-stems. She was the property of M. C. Mace, of Seaside, who came down on the noon train with the intention of driving her to that city.

CHANCE FOR ASTORIA CITY CHARTER IS IN NEAR YEARS

VERY PLEASANT INTERVIEW WITH CHIEF ENGINEER A. A. SCHENCK OF THE CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY, YESTERDAY.

A. A. Schenck, one of the noted civil engineers of the country, and at present at the head of one of the great divisions of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, with headquarters at Omaha, Nebraska, was in the city, a guest at the Hotel Occident, all of yesterday. He is on what he styles one of his "quadrennial" visits to Astoria where some years ago he was so constant a visitor as to be classed almost as a citizen. He is the proprietor of some choice acreage in the Hood River country, and had some beautiful orchards underway there, and expresses very decided and kindly interest in the broad development of Oregon.

He has an abundant faith in the future of Astoria and believes it will one day figure among the great ports of the hemisphere; but he is conscious of the necessity for patience on the part of the people here, and thinks they have lots to do on their own account to be in prime readiness for the opportunities that are sure to present themselves. They must keep in touch with all agencies likely to contribute to the expansion of commerce here and hereabout, and fall quickly into line with every scheme that means anything to the coast.

Mr. Schenck is of the opinion that Astoria's day will come with the completion of the Panama canal; that from the moment the Horn commerce is deflected to that great cut-off, the superb, close-range marine facilities Astoria will be able to offer, in comparison with Portland or the Sound ports, will cut an immense figure in the calculations of the great shippers from the Atlantic seaboard, both in America and in Europe. He says the trip around Cape Horn is so huge now, that the mere addition of 100 or 500 miles is but a bagatelle in the business measurement of the voyage out and back, but when the Panama canal shall have shortened the distance down ten or twelve thousand miles, the owners will begin to shave down all extra distances and avoidable costs and the time and towage and loss incident to all such inland hauls as are obligatory in the use of Portland and Seattle will be called off and the deep water cities like Astoria will fall heir to the patronage now denied by reason of the influences that prevail in those important centers.

Mr. Schenck is of the opinion that Astoria should stop stringing out along her big waterfront and begin to build back on her elevated sifes, and put in lifting systems of transportation that will make the hills available, not only for homes but for commerce, and lessen the extraordinary cost of maintenance in an administrative sense. It would be economy, and at the same time add materially to the appearance and general attractiveness of the city. He deprecates the policy of cutting down the hills and declares that Astoria will yield one of her chief claims to beauty if she does not save her hills and establish quick-transit communications between the high and low levels of the city, as has been done in hundreds of other cities like Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, all whose lofty sites are among the priceless properties of those places.

He remarks the steady progress of the city and is pleased with it and hopes to see an access when he shall come again as he is certain to do. Mr. Schenck left last evening on the Portland express for his Hood River farm and will go from there to his professional desk at Omaha.

Probably a Canard.—There has been a good deal said during the past few days about the untoward actions of Andrew Hannula, the Astorian who was lately discharged from the insane asylum at Salem, and who had returned to this city, and again disappeared, and whose whereabouts were a mystery to his family and friends. Yesterday there was a yarn going about that he had been seen at the Arnold "merry-go-round," on Monday evening last, and that he was hatless, coatless, and armed with a revolver; that when he was approached he fled over the Fourth-street hill and disappeared in the brush on its summit. This story is not believed at the sheriff's office, as the man is practically known to have been in Portland on Sunday evening, and in quiet, healthy condition. At all events no search will be prosecuted until there is something more definite reported in relation to the affair.

Licensed to Wed.—A marriage license has been issued to Mr. George H. Koefed, of Ilwaco, and Miss Grace Russell of this city, by County Clerk J. C. Clinton.

CITY CHARTER IS DISCUSSED

CHARTER COMMISSION MEETS LAST NIGHT AND ARGUES OVER THE VARIOUS POINTS—AMENDMENTS ARE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED.

The charter commission met last night in the city hall with 13 members present. A number of important matters came up for discussion, and adoption. The amendment relative to municipal ownership of certain public utilities was adopted unanimously.

An amendment making the office of city physician elective instead of appointive was withdrawn.

An amendment specifying when an office in the city shall be deemed vacant, was adopted, and also one providing for appointment by the council of men to fill any vacancy in an office caused by failure of the one elected to qualify.

An amendment changing the present charter so that the mayor shall have the right to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie in the council, was withdrawn.

Probably the most important amendment which has arisen thus far is the one introduced by City Attorney Smith giving the council the right to make an assessment of not to exceed 2 per cent. As at present 1 per cent is the amount permitted that body with an additional 1 per cent for special taxation. The amendment as interpreted by Mr. Smith would give the city ample funds for meeting its obligations in a financial way, without resorting to the present iniquitous system of fines and forfeitures. The amendment was opposed by Judge Taylor on the ground that the people were heavily enough taxed as it was, and any additional taxation would work a hardship on the citizens. He was not speaking for an open town, which was declared necessary by a number if the present tax was kept, but thought that the city could get along on the present tax, and raise the shortage by other means than from gambling, etc. The discussion was quite warm at times, and proved interesting. A vote on the amendment showed 12 for and 1 against. Judge Taylor voting no, but insisting that his negative was not by any means to be interpreted that he was in favor of an open town.

Three amendments were introduced relating to the government and proper regulation of saloons, gambling, etc. They were laid over until the next meeting. One introduced by Judge Taylor, limited the number of saloons in a block to one, except in the case of where more than one saloon already exists in the same block.

Regarding the fixing of the boundaries of the city two amendments to the charter were proposed. The principal difference is that one takes in the site of the Tongue Point Lumber Company's property, and the other does not. It is understood that the mill owners object to being included in the city limits. Both amendments were laid over until the next meeting.

Slashing Finished.—All the 11 acres on the site of the new reservoir have been slashed of the brush on them, and the contract is now finished. Next in order will probably be the calling for bids by the water commission for excavating the site. This will in all likelihood not take place until the commission has decided on whether a consulting engineer shall approve the plans and specifications for the work.

Will Play Seaside.—The Brown baseball team will play the Seaside nine next Sunday in this city. A good game is anticipated.

To Nehalem.—Dr. W. C. Logan will leave this morning for the Nehalem country, where he expects to do some hunting and fishing. He will be absent about three days.

Arrested on Suspicion.—The police yesterday arrested R. C. Ball, a man employed on the section crew, on the railroad here. The arrest was made in compliance with a request from the Sheriff of Clackamas county, who wired his description and stated that he was wanted on a charge of seduction. A deputy sheriff will probably arrive today to take Ball to Oregon City. The prisoner denies the charge and says he was never inside Clackamas county.

Paid the Costs.—Constable John Sayre, of Justice Goodman's court, returned from Portland with R. F. Beatty in custody, who was charged with assault with a deadly weapon by J. M. Adams. Beatty was placed under examination, and with the concurrence of the complaining witness, was allowed to pay the costs, and was released. He returned to Portland on the evening express to resume his duties as deputy sheriff in the office of Sheriff Stevens.

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