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**WEATHER.**  
 Oregon and Washington—Fair and warmer.

**SOUNDS THE KEY-NOTE.**

Resuming the long-drawn argument it has maintained for years, the Oregonian, of yesterday, proceeds to show that Astoria has the least to lose in the matter of sea-commerce of any of the three countries, Multnomah, Columbia and Clatsop, by reason of the fact that on that day the following was the exact distribution of vessels loading at the various "ports" en route from the Columbia bar to the metropolis:

"The reason for Clatsop's indifference to the fate of the Columbia River shipping may be found in the figures mentioned. These figures show that there were loading at Multnomah County ports yesterday, 17 vessels of 23,113 tons register. At Columbia County ports there were 5 vessels of 5516 tons register and at Clatsop County ports, two vessels of 398 tons register. There are times during the year when Astoria makes a more favorable showing, but she has long since fallen behind the Columbia County ports in shipping importance."

In going to the trouble to get up this schedule, the big paper has done us the favor to sound the very key-note of our "deathless contention," the miserable fact that Astoria, the second largest city in Oregon; the one real, logical and usable port on the whole Oregon coast, must be ignored and derided in the interest of Portland, whose hold on the commerce of the Columbia Valley is so weak and so uncertain that she is desperately fighting with such foul weapons as the "Port of Columbia" law to retain it; that this splendid harbor, among the finest on the earth, must have but two small craft loading at its wharves where a thousand, of any tonnage, might be served, because the wealth and influence of the metropolis lures them by and beyond this haven 112 miles up a couple of rivers so shallow that only the lesser bottoms of the deep can be utilized, the greater carriers going to the Sound in deference to the better channels and facilities; that this last outrage is permitted by the men of Portland, rather than exert their immense influence to keep that huge commerce in the Oregon port of Astoria, to the alleged discomfiture of the metropolis; that the one deadly fear that has possessed Portland all these years, the commercial ascendancy of Astoria should blind her to the merits of this port and urge her to baffle and cripple us at all times in all ways, lest we take on the natural and rational uplift inherent in our one magnificent quality; that knowing our great and righteous claim over all other places, inland, or on the seaboard, she uses her might to worst and defeat us always, in the maritime eye of the world, when she has proven her own inadequacy to maintain the place she assumed.

We have nothing to say against the little ports up the river; they are "ports" only because they have the good fortune to have certain mills well established on their meagre fronts, and send forth what of the world's wants they happen to have; they are not ports in the sense that usually applies to that term; no vessels ever clear from them under the marine laws of the country, Portland and Astoria being the only ports from which they can officially enter or depart; their success does not enter into the big, vital issue between the metropolis and this city; this is a city of 15,000 people and it has nothing to do with the intermediate business along the river, and the Oregonian knows it, but injects these landings for purposes of argument.

We have but one text, and plenty of time to argue it. We, of Astoria, are conscious of an impending change in

conditions hereabout, that means the long-deferred application of all attributes that we contend belong to us, and among them the realization of Astoria's marine supremacy, the final establishment of that for which she was ordained by the God of Nature; and this will come, at some propitious hour, Portland and all other powers to the contrary notwithstanding.

Our faith is ample to keep us warm with hope, despite the attitude of the Oregonian and the good people of Portland. No cause is so hopeless that it can be argued down or talked out. We are still in the ring!

**ALL HONORS PAID.**  
 The American world has paid its devotion to the dead of the nation and the family, according to the beautiful customs appropriate to Memorial Day. Here at Astoria the sun, the air, the flowers, the sea and the hills, were all ideal, and the last soul in the community was abroad, save those detained in doors by illness. Every business door was sealed for the day and all was given over to the sacred and sad obligations that were paramount.

There is much to be thankful for in these grave intermissions in the feverish schedule of our daily lives; the opportunity to call our thoughts back to the happier and holier quests of life; the demand upon the deeper and better inspirations of our natures, and the acquirement of newer and better impulses to actuate us and change the trend of our purposes; the harking back to the lives and histories of those in whom our pride and faith are centered, and whom we honor as we rarely honor the living.

It is well to check the swift course of our eager careers and think of something beside the dollar, absorbing, and absorbed. We are all the better for the momentary halt, and if there is no other refreshment inuring, we may count the largess of a duty done, to our credit, at least.

**EDITORIAL SALAD.**

We have no difficulty now in understanding what is meant by "persecution of capital." So much has been said adverse to the railroads and so many states have felt it their duty to trim their receipts that all the companies are in straits for means to carry on ordinary extensions and improvements under way. Instead of the customary loans they are compelled to issue short term notes at a high rate of interest. The railroad that settles down is lost. They must go ahead and they are doing it at considerable cost.

In the springtime the widowed actress' (or divorcee's) fancy firmly turns toward thoughts of double harness again and if she's of mature years and has the dough some man's sure to find her.

The temporary injunction against oratory in the streets of Boise, Idaho, ought to be made perpetual, and so expanded that it will cover every other outdoor point between the oceans.

Japan calls itself Nippon, and would be glad to see the latter name in use on the maps. The shortening of Nipponese to Nips would be a matter to consider in the case.

A Florida paper wants more immigrants. In that state the house has killed the senate's nullification foolery, and immigrants can afford to move in.

Railroad and express rates have been reduced, in response to a public demand. Something should now be done to reduce the cost of things to be shipped.

In 38 lake ports in March the ship clearances footed up 1183, with a tonnage of 1,213,084. Trade follows the deep channels like Astoria's.

The Jamestown exhibition is not as chaotic as it might be. Visitors say the charges are in a finished scale.

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 Of such a tree  
 Where I could get  
 My straw hat free

For I must find  
 One right away  
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 At some today!

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**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

at Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, May 20th, 1907.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$540,530.82
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	7,794.78
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	56,930.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,590.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	113,321.81
Due from State Banks and Bankers	31,776.16
Due from approved reserve agents	148,431.55
Checks and other cash items	33.65
Notes of other National Banks	100.00
Sickeys and cents	569.40
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	503,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation)	1,250.00
Total	\$1,130,839.17

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	100,000.00
Surplus fund	12,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	30,830.66
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to State Banks and Bankers	3,527.99
Individual deposits subject to check	\$727,920.61
Demand certificates of deposit	230,025.94
Certified Checks	1,625.00
Total	\$1,130,839.17

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop.  
 I, S. S. Gordon, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 S. S. GORDON, Cashier.  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of May, 1907.  
 V. Boelling, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
 G. C. FLAVEL,  
 W. F. MCGREGOR,  
 JACOB KAMM,  
 Directors.

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank**

at Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, May 20th, 1907.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$480,882.66
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	3,401.41
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	3,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	55,204.22
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	4,288.25
Other real estate owned	8,233.41
Due from State Banks and Bankers	5,306.68
Due from approved reserve agents	322,235.32
Checks and other cash items	7,788.88
Notes of other National Banks	2,450.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	128.24
Lawful Money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$88,523.70
Legal tender notes	1,095.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$1,055,624.67

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	40,000.00
Undivided profits, less expense and taxes paid	17,513.27
National Bank Notes outstanding	12,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$509,535.36
Demand certificates of deposit	75,421.07
Time certificates of deposit	300,654.97
United States deposits	50,000.00
Total	\$1,055,624.67

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop.  
 I, J. E. Higgins, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 J. E. Higgins, Cashier.  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of May, 1907.  
 M. C. MAGEE, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
 GEORGE W. WARREN,  
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