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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair and cooler except near coast.

PORTLAND NO LOSER.

We confess we have never been able to account for the fierce ardor with which Portland clings to the shipping privilege of the Columbia. It is one of the problems that seem almost uncanny, and must be answerable solely on the score of communal greed, a phase of responsibility rarely attaching to communities of Portland's size and wealth. Suppose, for the sake of argument, that the grain and flour fleets of the world gathered, seasonably, in this harbor for their cargoes; that the grain came through from the great western belts in unbroken bulk and passed from car to ship in the first instance, at the docks of Astoria. What people, what wealth, what commercial organism, what sponsorship, would prevail in the traffic? Portland, and Portland almost alone, Astoria could not control the situation; she has not men and means enough to swing, nor guarantee, the great operations; she might have a fair, but small interest in the trade, and might grow to achieve a larger share, but the shippers and brokers of the metropolis, from their own offices there, or through their branch establishments here and hereabout, would still dominate the business, and what would accrue to this port by reason of the change, would be the simple and logical advantage of being the real port of Oregon; and from this sole and profitable circumstance we might grow rationally to a port of consequence and maritime favor. There is no other sensible deduction to be made in this connection. We should serve the whole state, as its one splendid, facile port and the metropolis would hold its natural commercial control, minus the annoyance, cost, fear and perturbation to which it is subject now.

And again, why should Portland shippers always be subjected to the onus of a burdensome differential, direct, or indirect, when by concession in this regard it could sway the huge business upon a SEA-BOARD rate basis or better yet, upon a differential operating in favor of Astoria.

It seems to us that Portland is standing in its own light in warding the shipping away from this port and nullifying the supreme influence of the natural gateway that lies within the radius of its own organic power; by insisting upon the loss of time, and relative cost, to ships, in the 200-mile traverse between here and there.

This idea has been held in Portland and in influential circles, and it might be wise to revamp the proposition and see what virtue it still possesses for the thoughtful and knowing ones who are free from the sheer stress of selfishness.

This is the Astoria view of the situation; and that she has indulged in any transgression of this simple doctrine, lies at the door of the metropolis whence all antagonism has emanated, on whatsoever line it has appeared.

A TEST OF POWER.

It will pay every American citizen to study closely the procedure and outcome of the gigantic test of power about to be pulled off in San Francisco, as between the courts and the law of the land on the one hand and the millions of money that hedge the rich and conspicuous grafters, on the other. It is going to be a sheer question of the mastery of money when pitted in a desperate emergency by men of brains and position and will be an exhibition of tremendous interest and far-reaching results. The best legal ability of the State of California will be engaged on

both sides of the huge controversy, and only that Francis Heney is on the ground and will be there until the issue is wrought, lends any saving grace to the situation.

There will not be a shred of applicable law left unused when the cases close, and some startling innovations and radical conceptions of original legal doctrine will have gone to the strange and hybrid record. Never, perhaps, will there be such an engagement again, since the effort at salvation by the grafters is actuated by extraordinary fear and desperation on the one hand and almost untold wealth on the other, while the general result will stand forever, and indubitably, for, or against, the crime of public theft. It is going to be a tryout that will leave nothing whatever unexploited in the way of jurisprudence, and the verdict will be practically impregnable. If these men can find refuge and immunity from the fate impending, then will David Field's aphorism "We have too much law" be justified beyond all shadow of doubt.

TOM RICHARDSON "EX."

The announcement is made that genial Tom Richardson, who has figured so long and so happily as the master-boomer for all things good in Oregon, and who is known in every hamlet and city in the commonwealth, is to abandon the general field and take up the specialty of "apples" on his own hook. Just how such an all-round rustler, who for years has talked up various and conglomerate things, with conviction, familiarity and fine success, can pin himself down to one meagre item, even the Oregon apple, is more than we can understand; but we are betting that he will make good and hoping while we bet.

The Oregon apple is a thing to conjure by and in the hands of a conjurer it should be invincible. At all events it has such a demonstrator as it never had before, and it will go to the forefront of the marketable marvels and soon occupy its once famous and undisputed pre-eminence, before the Oregon orchards were stricken with inanition for want of a ready market. Clatsop has only good wishes for the new company and hopes to see it soon commanding the world's admiration and traffic in its special line and "skinning" its way to the "core" of fortune; and that no "Apple of Discord" will ever find its way into the combine!

DID THE RIGHT THING.

The county court of Clatsop did exactly the right thing when it named a battery of attorneys to contest the Port of Columbia law in the courts of the land. If this peculiar Portland measure is to be forced upon us and we are to help support the shipping bills of the Port of Portland, we want to know that all the law available has been applied to the thing and made it judicially honest and practicable, and have some sop of justification for the dollars we begrudge.

The whole thing, from its very inception, has been so flagrantly and specifically a local lever for Portland; its course in the legislature was so rawly dominated by the Portland lobby, that no man with the discriminatory faculty of a rabbit could fail to place and brand it; and its purpose, to thwart the natural ambition and right of Astoria to the commercial prestige of the Columbia basins, so overwhelmingly plain, we are arrayed against it from the one poor hour Ed. Wright spent in this city with the original draft of it, acquainting this populace with its beneficent program, and we have not relinquished an iota of our disgust, and will not, though it pass muster in every tribunal from the Willamette to the Potomac, though, of course, we will obey the last legal injunction that reaches us in this relation. We simply want all hands to know we are not altogether malleable to the dictation of the Portland shipping ring of which it is the arch-expression.

Will Cure Consumption

A. A. Herren, Finch, Ark., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar is the best preparation for coughs, cold and lung trouble. I know that it has cured consumption in the first stages." You never heard of any one using Foley's Honey and Tar and not being satisfied." T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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Let us eat, drink and be merry, With never a thought of ache or pain, Let us forget every sorrow that might be,

For we still have Rocky Mountain Tea, Frank Hart.

BADLY CRIPPLED

Operators Claim Companies are Hard Hit.

MUST ULTIMATELY YIELD

Operators Concede the Strike Will Last Several Weeks and Say Strike Zone May Be Extended—Efforts Toward Settlement Being Made.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—President S. J. Small, of the Commercial Telegrapher's Union appealed yesterday directly to Clarence Mackay, head of the Postal Telegraph Company. Small wrote a letter directed to offset the one written by Mackay to the officials of the Postal Company in which Mackay commended the operators who refused to turn out and condemned the men who struck.

President Mackay and the officials of his company have enjoyed the esteem of the telegraphers, who said yesterday that they hoped that Small's exposition of the case, from the standpoint of the employee might be productive of peace.

A possible step toward a settlement was made yesterday when the striking operators appointed a conference committee of seven members, including President Small, with a view of opening negotiations with the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies. Although the powers of the committee were not announced following its appointment, it is thought that the committee will be clothed with authority to arrange a basis for the settlement of the strike. One of the instructions of the board will be to place the demands of the strikers before the heads of the companies. The operators declare that the companies are seriously crippled and must ultimately yield to the demands for a twenty-five per cent increase in wages. It is conceded generally that the strike was likely to continue for several weeks and the possibility of extending the strike zone was also admitted.

Officials of both companies declared yesterday that they were handling expeditiously all the business that came to them. Both claimed gains in their staff of operators.

TENT TRUST.

Five Members of So Called Trust Arrested on Grand Jury Indictments.

DENVER, Colo., June 26.—Five other members of the so-called "Tent trust," William H. Brooks, B. H. Brooks, Robert S. Guthall, Alfred A. Proctor and Charles C. Ross, all of Denver, were arrested yesterday on federal grand jury indictments, charging them with combining to raise the price of tents to the government. Each gave bond for \$2,500.

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To Have a Real Swell Time



You Need To Be Dressed Well

The conservative prices and excellent goods that the shoppers find at our store have brought many outside shoppers to us—good treatment, the best that money can buy for the price, has always been our motto, and it pays. A word to the late Fourth shoppers: On the main floor of the big store you will find excellent and real bargains. We call your attention to the Fourth's "present need" department, Shoes, Boys' Suits, Millinery and Suits.

Shoes The famous Hamilton-Brown: American Lady..... \$2.00 President Gent 3.75	Shoes White and Black Kid Sandals for ladies and Children 85c to \$1.25 Ladies \$1.50 to \$1.85	Boys' Suits Many kinds of Buster Suits and others from 50c. up.
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In the Millinery Department

Your special attention is called to our Millinery Department. A new shipment of Late Trimmed Sailors has just been placed on exhibit. All shades of the popular sailor, dainty and neat, the finishing touch to the well-dressed summer girl, from 75c to \$1.75

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You will find a fine and complete line of linen suits to choose from in greens, blues, and natural tans, from \$1.50 to \$12.00.

Lingerie Shirt Waists in all the late | Eaton Suits at popular prices. In various shades and patterns, \$1.25 to \$4.50 | various colors

Are you going away this summer? Do you need a trunk, dress suit case or valise? Trunks, \$4.50 to \$12.00; suit cases, \$4.00 to \$10.00; leather and imitation valises, \$1.45 to 2.50

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The Big Store Where You Get Satisfaction

The Magic No. 3

Number three is a wonderful mascot for George H. Parris, of Cedar Grove, Me., according to a letter which reads: "After suffering much with liver and kidney trouble, and becoming greatly discouraged by the failure to find relief, I tried Electric Bitters, and as a result I am a well man today. The first bottle relieved and three bottles completed the cure." Guaranteed best on earth for stomach, liver and kidney troubles, by Charles Rogers, druggist, 50c.

Ancient Rome

is now merely a memory of the past. Ballard's Snow Liniment is the family liniment of the twentieth century. A positive cure for Rheumatism, Burns, Cuts, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc. Mr. C. H. Runyon, Stanberry, Mo., writes: "I have used Snow Liniment for Rheumatism and all pain. I can't say enough in its praise." Sold by Hart's Drug Store.

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