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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Meet Tonight—
The Fourth of July committee requests all who intend to take part in the chorus Saturday, to meet at the Methodist Church tonight at 7:30 for rehearsal.

Filed Yesterday—
A certificate was filed in the city auditor's office yesterday announcing the completion of the improvement of Twelfth street between Commercial and Duane street.

Burial Sunday—
The body of Matt Remes, who was drowned at the mouth of the Columbia river, will be buried Sunday afternoon, from Pohl's funeral parlors, with interment in Greenwood cemetery.

From Letter Carriers—
A communication was received in the city auditor's office yesterday from the Astoria letters carriers, thanking the city council for the use of the council chambers for the State Letter Carriers' convention held there recently.

Youngest Astorianne—
The pleasant intelligence reached this office yesterday morning of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. O'Brien, at their home No. 165 Thirty-seventh street on the evening of Wednesday. Mrs. and Miss O'Brien are reported getting along admirably.

After Eight Years—
H. B. Parker, Jr., who for the past eight years has been a driver for the Prael-Eigner Transfer Company, has left that company's employ and is now installed as day clerk at the Parker House. Mr. Parker is one of those men that fit in cleverly wherever they are assigned to duty and makes good friends in the doing of it.

Department Called Out—
Hose cart No. 4, was called out yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to a dwelling house roof fire in the rear of the Scow Bay Iron Works. Although the department were prompt to arrive on the scene, the fire had already been extinguished, by the occupants of the house. The damage is slight.

New Motor Boat—
The fast new Driscoll motor boat of which mentioned has been made in these columns, was launched yesterday and a trial spin made on the river. Mr. Driscoll was highly pleased with the showing made. It is understood that he is planning to take her up river to the Portland regatta on the Fourth.

Exempt From Taxes—
J. T. Ross, one of the officers of the Astoria Seamen's Institute, appeared before the county court yesterday and represented that inasmuch as the in-

stitution is entirely charitable in its nature, it should be exempt from taxation under the law. The court looked into the matter and finally ordered that its property be stricken from the tax rolls.

Buried Yesterday—
The funeral of the late William McCray, who was killed by having a decayed stump fall on him, several days ago, was held yesterday at Knappa, with interment at Knappa cemetery. A number of friends and acquaintances of the deceased from Astoria attended the services at the Knappa Church, Father Waters officiating.

District Attorney Here—
Hon. E. B. Tongue, prosecuting attorney for the Fifth Judicial District of Oregon, which includes this county, was in the city yesterday sounding the situation with regard to his appointment of his deputy for Clatsop. At train time last evening, when he left for the metropolis, Mr. Tongue had not quite closed the matter, but will do so in a very few days. The honor lies between Messrs. Howard M. Brownell and John C. McCue.

Enjoyed The Convention—
Miss Emma C. Warren, county superintendent of schools, who returned a day or two ago from the state teachers' convention at Eugene, reports that the meeting was a fine success in every particular. Particularly did the citizens of Eugene show an excellent hospitality to the visitors. There was only one other representative from Clatsop county, Miss Hess Spikanon, who has taught in the Spikanon district the past eight years.

Adrift on High Sea—
Yesterday morning's mail brought to Collector of Customs W. F. McGregor a letter from R. S. Wood, of Elk Creek, enclosing a communication just picked up by that gentleman on that beach on Wednesday morning, enclosed in a bottle, and which reads as follows: "June 1, 1908. On board yacht Skidoo, Captain Johnstone, in distress 40 miles off the mouth of the Columbia; have carried away spars and sails; yacht leaking; going to take to boat; four men, all told; whoever finds this report to custom house, Left Frisco on May 7th bound for Portland on a pleasure trip; wind S. W. and blowing strong. Wife and four children in Frisco. (Signed), Capt. I. Johnstone, yacht Skidoo."

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TALKS IN PORTLAND ON SALMON

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW WITH SAMUEL ELMORE—SOME EXPERT IDEAS ON SALMON AND PEOPLE WHO CATCH AND CAN THEM.

The following interesting talk has been made up at the metropolis by Samuel Elmore, of this city, and is here quoted in deference to the old adage, "Go away from home to get the news," the Portland Oregonian, of yesterday, deals as follows with the noted Astorian:

"Stop fishing between August 25 and June 1," advises Samuel Elmore, of Astoria, who, as vice-president and general manager of the Columbia River Packers' Association, puts more Chinooks in tin cans and salt barrels than anybody on the river, who is salmon king of Tillamook, Coquille, Alsea, Umpqua and Siletz, who operates Tillamook's boat line and who is the newspaper power of Astoria.

"Give us also the closed Sunday, abolishing fishing above the Willamette river and regulate the size of the meshes, and we'll have all the salmon we want for generations to come."

"In such words did Mr. Elmore preach the salvation of the salmon industry yesterday. Asked what he would do with the canneries between August 25 and June 1, he replied, 'let 'em rust, as they are now doing.' Asked what that meant, he said:

"The salmon pack is between 30 and 40 per cent short—which means that the supply is still going from bad to worse.

"Mr. Elmore came to Portland to present to Colonel Roessler, United States Engineers, the case of the McGowans, packers of Chinook, Wash., who by planting their set nets in front of his seining grounds—for which he pays the government \$6000 a year rental—make the seining grounds worthless and the \$6000 so much waste money. Mr. Elmore outbid the McGowans for the seining grounds and thinks that they should retire from the premises and have regard for his tenancy of Uncle Sam's domain, just as Mr. Elmore retired from them three years ago, when outbid by the McGowans. But the McGowans now contend that their seven or eight set nets, being below tide mark, are outside Mr. Elmore's rental limits. But Mr. Elmore considers their obstructions to navigation, and beyond the power of the McGowan's to place in Uncle Sam's water highway. This dispute imposes on Colonel Roessler the duty of inspecting the premises, to determine whether the McGowan's are obstructing the highway.

"However, Mr. Elmore did not care to discuss this matter and he allowed the details to be pressed out of him unwillingly, yet, like a true salmon king, he has opinions about protection of salmon, which many other kings will not accept. That far, he is like King Seufert, King Warren, King Hume, King Talant and King Rosenberg.

"But as the biggest of them all King Elmore has opinions which are entitled to respectful consideration. He is willing to shut off April and May fishing and to close shop on Sunday. If salmon could be protected that much, there would undoubtedly be big gains. He would not bother the gill-netters nor the trappers nor the seiners, except to make their meshes bigger.

"But as for the wheelmen he would abolish their gear and prohibit all fishing above the Willamette river. Mr. Elmore's rivals say that is because he catches his fish below Willamette river, and this starts again the wrangle of the fish factions, which culminated last election day in enactment of conflicting laws, each proposed by a faction hostile to the one at which the law is aimed.

"Let that trouble rest for the present. It will not renew the wrangle to note that Mr. Elmore feels the pressing necessity of salmon protection, if the fish are to be saved from extermination, and that he urges two of the most important remedies—closed Sunday and longer closed season."

Country Dance.

Among the genuine attractions for the coming "Fourth," will be the famous "Country Dance" to be given on the night of Friday, July 3rd, and on the afternoon and evening of the "Fourth," in the Lurline Dock Hall, under careful management. The fire works display on night of Fourth will be in plain and close view of the ball room. 7-1-3

Notice Closing Barber Shops.

All the barber shops in the city will close for a half holiday on Saturday the Fourth of July. All the shops will keep open Friday evening the 3rd until 9 o'clock. Open Saturday until 1 p. m. after which will continue closed for the balance of the day. -By order Barbers' Union. 7-1-3t

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BUSINESS MEN MUST DECIDE THIS

AN OPINION FROM PORTLAND ANENT THE RIVER TRAFFIC ROW ENGENDERED BY THE COMING OF THE SPENCER.

The following communication reached this office yesterday, and is published, not for its commendatory opinion of the Astorian's ideas of caution given out the other day, but because it is one of many and various notions that are prevalent in regard to the interesting matter at issue; and because it hails from Portland, which is far enough away, perhaps, to make it disinterested:

"We note your editorial of June 30th, 'Will it Pay Astoria.'"

"This question is worthy of repetition by every business man in Astoria. Three regular boats on the Portland-Astoria route cannot pay expenses at the present rates. No company or steamboat has any lease on the navigable waters of Uncle Sam, but when a company or steamboat line has put its money into equipment, and has maintained a service for years with but little profit, and this service is adequate to the demands, and the rate as low as like points on other routes, they are deserving of the consideration of their patrons.

The two regular lines operating on the lower river consider themselves fortunate during the winter months if they make expenses; if then during the summer months, when there is a chance to make a little profit, some outside steamer comes in and cuts rates and thus diverts the business from the regular lines, can you expect more than that they should take steps to preserve their business? In such a case there are only two things to do: one is to quit, the other is to protect themselves. Let the business men of Astoria ask themselves, 'which will the companies do?' and whether it will pay Astoria to encourage transportation that draws off when the receipts show a loss?"

"Yours truly,"
"OBSERVER."

From Far Ketchikan—

The Astorian is just in receipt of a copy of the Ketchikan Miner, up in distant Alaska, the paper that enjoys the advantage of the skillful service of Wilfred S. Pomeroy, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Curtis, of this city, as managing editor; and it speaks

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Seaside House Robbed—

Sheriff Pomeroy went to Seaside yesterday in response to a telegram from J. J. Camp, a resident there. The message stated that Camp's house has been entered and robbed, and the sheriff found upon his arrival there that a trunk had been opened and \$50 in bills stolen. Camp believed that he knew who the thieves were, but the evidence was not such that Sheriff Pomeroy felt he could act upon, and he returned here without making any arrest.

Must Be Civil—

In the records of the county court's proceedings yesterday there appears a note to the following effect: "That if any more complaints are received by the county court of incivility on the part of the bridge tender of Lewis and Clark bridge No. 2, that he will be subject to dismissal." Several complaints were made of certain incivilities that befell travelers at this bridge, and other complaints have also been made of lack of courtesy on the part of other public officials.

Four Years Good Service—

Yesterday, with the adjournment of the county court, Commissioner William Larson closed four years of faithful and appreciated service on that bench, and retires to the simpler duties of private citizenship with the abundant good will of his colleagues at the court house and the people he has served with zeal and excellent judgment. Mr. Larson will take up the improvement of his farm home and property, but will always be available for anything that contributes to the good of old Clatsop.

Steamer Nahcotta leaves O. R. & N. docks at 6:45 a. m. daily. Round trip fare to any point on North (Long) Beach, \$1.00, Sunday's only. 6-23-tf

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. C. T. Crosby and little daughter were passengers for Portland on the steamer Charles R. Spencer yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Day left up last evening for Portland on the steamer Undine, to spend the "Fourth" with friends and relatives.

Miss Emily Thatcher, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jack Ryan for some time past, returned to her home in Salem on the evening express yesterday.

Miss Clara Saunders, the 14-year-old daughter of George Saunders, of 545 Exchange street, is seriously ill at her home.

County Commissioner Fred H. Moore, of Seaside, was in Astoria yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moeser, Miss Emma Harding and Mrs. Alva Hembach, of Cincinnati, are in the city, the guests of Mr. Prael and Mrs. H. S. Prael.

Summer Excursions.

During the months of June, July, August and September the Ilwaco R. R. Co. will sell round trip tickets daily from all points on North (Long) Beach to all points on Clatsop Beach at rate of \$1.75. Return limit thirty days. 6-23-tf

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