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The Lurline was down in good season last evening to permit her departure on schedule time, 7 o'clock, and when she left up she had on board the following named people: J. B. Haines, C. C. Morton, J. B. Pape, J. Harren, T. A. Schultz, F. G. Stillwell, A. Warren, Miss Williams and G. H. Donnelly. She expects to be here on time today to permit her officers and crew to cast their ballots for the national election. It is said there are 24 votes on board, for "Genial Gene" Debs.

The British bark Lydgate, 30 days out from Santa Rosalie, entered port yesterday and is at anchor off the Tongue. She made good time and had an uneventful voyage up. Captain Law reports that he thinks he passed the British bark Balmoral, from Tacoma to Europe, and the British ship Brablock, en route to this port from the Australia, with coal. She will leave up for Portland on the first tow that offers.

There is a rumor abroad in Astoria that the first of the year will see a fine steel steamer, twin-screw, and able to stow a thousand tons of freight, on the Oregon coast line as between Portland and Coos Bay, touching every point of delivery out from Astoria that a 7-foot draft can reach. It is no waterfront dream, either!

The steamship Roanoke sent a wireless to the Callender office yesterday morning via the United Wireless on Smith's Point, that she would be in about 4 o'clock, and at 3:30 she docked there, as indicated. She left up at 4:30 o'clock for Portland.



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**JAMES J. HILL'S VISIT
TO ASTORIA**

WILL ARRIVE HERE THURSDAY AFTERNOON—CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PREPARING TO RECEIVE AND ENTERTAIN THE PARTY.

Confirming the news in these columns on Sunday morning last, the Astoria Chamber of Commerce is authority for the statement that James J. Hill and party are due to arrive in this city on Thursday evening and will be the guests of the Chamber and the business men of the city. Secretary Whyte was in communication yesterday with President Clark, of the North Bank system who was about to start for Spokane to meet the head of the Great Northern and his colleagues and friends, and accompany him to this city on Thursday, and it is settled that Mr. Hill will be here, and will probably have something of very definite interest to say.

Nothing that he will touch upon may be forecasted since he has expressed a desire for silence until he, himself, shall make the announcements in question and whether it shall be of immediate moment to this city and section or not, it is to be alive with large concern to Astoria and all the people at the mouth of the Columbia.

The Chamber of Commerce intends to mark the visit of Mr. Hill by a memento that shall always be of interest to him, to wit, a handsome album filled with all the best views of Astoria and beautifully bound and mounted; which will be, undoubtedly, appreciated by the great builder of railways.

The program for the reception of Mr. Hill and his party will develop today and tomorrow and will be given due publicity in ample time to advise the last man in interest of what is to occur, and when; and this is known, it is conceded that the results of the trip hither will be of extraordinary value to the city and county and section.

ATTORNEY SMITH

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ance was the question of the public wharf on 46th street. Dr. Henderson brought up this question, by referring to certain articles he had seen in the newspapers in reference to the matter; he said he would like to know if the papers were right in their presentation of the trouble that was evidently brewing. Mr. Lebeck, the contractor to whom was awarded the job, was in the room and he arose and said that they apparently were; that he was threatened with injunction proceedings and therefore that he would not go ahead with the job. Mr. Lebeck also endeavored to show that he is not bound by contract to proceed with the work, though his explanation of this matter did not seem to carry conviction with it.

Councilman Karinen made a short but rather strenuous talk. He said in substance that if the contractor or the Council was bluffed out of the work now, by one or more of the property owners, that the city might just as well "give up." Mr. Karinen thought the city might as well fight. "Let us make a test of this," he said. Dr. Logan also wanted the matter fought out to a finish, apparently on the theory that if the council is "bluffed" out of this work by a threat of injunction proceeding that they will have to take the same bluff in many other cases.

But Contractor Lebeck didn't become very enthusiastic over the question of "fight."
"I am quite willing to go ahead with the contract, providing the council will stand back of men in the legal proceedings," he said. "If the council will stand back of me I will go ahead otherwise I won't."

The City Attorney: "The council can't stand back of Mr. Lebeck in any legal proceedings he may get into."

Dr. Logan: "Go ahead and do the work, and then present your bill to the council. Leave it to us to make it right."

Dr. Henderson: "Is this council afraid of a bluff?"

The sentiment among several of the council indicated that they were very near if not quite spoiling for a fight, to see if a property owner could work such a bluff, but when the meeting adjourned nothing definite had been done. Mr. Lebeck still had persisted in his position of be-

ing willing to go ahead if he was backed up financially by the city.

What seems to be the real legal question involved was not touched upon during the discussion, though it seems well worthy of consideration before litigation is jumped into. But if Mr. Lebeck persists in refusing to go ahead with the work it will evidently be necessary to sue him for failure to perform the undertaking he ostensibly entered into, or to get some other contractor who will take the job plus a threatened law suit.

Meantime Mr. Lebeck states that his attorney advises him that he is not bound by the contract to perform the work, and if this be true, there is no contract let at all.

ANOTHER SHACK.

Dr. Logan brought up a matter of no little importance. He stated that he has been informed that a one-story "shack" is to be put up on Commercial street near the depot, and he asked if the council is willing that such a structure be permitted to go up. Several replied no. Someone suggested that it may be too late to stop its construction, as it might be built before a proper ordinance can be passed. To this it was replied that a building permit must first be obtained, and that it will be possible to refuse the permit. With this the subject was dropped for the time being. On all sides there seems a persistent demand that some proper building ordinance be adopted, one that would at least cover the building of shacks in the heart of the city, and the council is likely to do something. It may be somewhat doubtful, however, that a permit can be refused by the auditor for this structure, if one be demanded.

SEWER REQUIRED.

Councilman Hansen said that he has frequently been appealed to of late in regard to a sewer on West Commercial street. Two new buildings have gone up there, he said, and there is imperative need of the sewer as asked for. A motion to have the city engineer and city attorney prepare the proper plans and papers for the building of such a sewer was adopted.

SEWER CONTRACTS.

Contracts were also let for the construction of sewers on Irving avenue, at Eleventh street, this contract going to C. E. Johnson at \$348.50; and for a sewer on 51st street, Cedar street to the beach, this going to the same contractor at \$484.

WANT GRADES.

The Oregon Coast Electric line, through F. L. Evans, asked the council to establish grades on numerous streets, over which the line will pass out of the city if it be established. The petition for this work is a long one and touches upon many streets, and probably it would be well for property owners along the proposed route to go to the city hall and become familiar with the grades proposed.

Mr. Evans wanted the council to take some immediate action whereupon one of the councilmen wanted to know if the street car company had yet deposited its \$1000, which is required of it in accepting the ordinance granting it the franchise over certain city streets. It was found that the money has not yet been deposited. The time for depositing it has not yet expired, however. Others of the council thought that everything possible should be done for the proposed line, and the question of the grades was referred to the proper committee.

NEW PETITIONS.

Flora H. Gilman petitioned to exchange burial lot in old Hillside cemetery for one in Ocean View. Referred with power to act.

Seventeen petitioners call the council's attention to what is termed the "disgraceful, dangerous and impossible" condition of the sidewalk on the east side of Seventh street, between Franklin and Grand. It is stated that the sidewalk is used by hundreds of school children. Request is made that it be repaired at once. Referred with power to act.

W. A. Smith petitioner for a license to sell liquors at the Standard saloon, Astor street. Referred.

Henry Jones petitioned for license at the Mint saloon, Commercial street. Referred.

Wm. Beck petitioned for license for Board of Trade saloon, on Bond street. Referred.

H. M. Lornsten and three others petitioner for sufficient material to construct a stone step on stairway to connect with existing walk on 33rd street at its intersection with Irving avenue. Referred.

Jane K. Smith and nine others petitioned for an arc light at First and Commercial street. Referred.

Dan Hannula asked permission to construct a water tank around and over a spring on Columbia avenue 50 feet south of intersection of Columbia with Alameda, and to conduct

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water therefrom to his house. Referred with power to act.

FORMER PETITIONS.

At the last meeting the petition of John Riley was referred; he wanted to know why lot 3, block 55, Shively's was assessed higher than lot 2 on same side of street and lot 3 across the street. Ordered filed, being virtually denied.

At the last meeting petition of Ida K. Thompson was referred; she claimed that her assessment of \$66.94 on improvement of Lincoln street, is too high and offered \$10 in full payment. Petition ordered filed, being virtually denied.

At last meeting petition of J. Jackson was also referred; he offered \$15 in full payment of assessment against his property in Taylor's Astoria for improvement on Columbia avenue; stating there is a house in the street in front of his place. Petition not granted.

Petition granted to Oscar Rentsch, John Laine and Harry Christensen, and transfer granted to B. E. Lester to Eighth and Astor streets, all saloon licenses. C. J. Bertleson's petition was not acted on.

Petition of S. A. Gimre and others for a street arc light in Hinman tract was granted.

Petition from P. A. Berglund and others for arc light in vicinity of 44th street. Granted.

Petition from Charles Laity and others for arc light at 28th and Franklin. Granted.

Petition of John Dahl and two others asking that they be exempted from assessment against their properties on account of Irving avenue improvement on the grounds that they had already been assessed for improvement of Harrison avenue. Granted.

CLAIMS PASSED.

Various claims of Astoria Budget; J. C. Clinton, \$3.50; Asmus Brix, C. C. Utzingers and A. S. Tee, street assessors, \$50; J. C. Clinton, \$8.50; J. C. Clinton, \$3.50; J. C. Clinton, \$9.50; J. C. Clinton, \$9.25; City Lumber & Box Co., \$56.48; A. S. Tee, freight paid, \$7.00; Pacific T. & T. Co., for 21 poles, \$21; Saarinen & Haga, supplies, \$18.55; Charles Rogers & Sons, supplies, \$5.65; O. R. & N. Co., freight, \$5.25; Scholfield & Mattson, supplies, \$21; Kelly Transfer Co. coal, \$2; W. G. McPherson, furnace supplies, \$14; Saarinen & Haga, supplies, \$16.30; S. Elmore & Co., coal, \$41.80.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Assessment roll of Kensington avenue improvement Eighth to 11th, was confirmed.

Assessment roll for Ninth street improvement, Jerome to Kensington, confirmed.

Henry Lumpus stated in a communication that he had built a sewer through his lot on Irving avenue. The old sewer had rotted out and it was necessary to build a new one. He put in a claim for about \$19 and asked if the city would pay for it. Referred.

John Juntilla also built a sewer through his lots in Adairs, and put in a bill of \$12.60 to the city. Referred.

WATER COMMISSION.

Report for quarter ending September 30 was submitted, signed by C. S. Wright, chairman, and G. S. Lounsbury, secretary showing a total cash balance on hand of \$36,835.20.

ORDINANCE PASSED.

Accepting improvement of 12th street Exchange to Grand.

Confirming assessment of improvement of Exchange street, Tenth to Eleventh.

Confirming special assessment for improvement of 14th street, Main to Franklin.

Accepting improvement of Exchange street, 10th to 11th.

Confirming special assessment of improvement of 12th street, Exchange to Grand.

Extending time for improvement of Kensington avenue, 8th to 11th, to June 1, 1909.

Appropriating \$350 for Attorney A. M. Smith for services in drawing up seawall amendment to city charter.

No Registration—

There will be no registration in the city auditor's office today, it being a national holiday because of the presidential election. Besides, Judge Anderson needs the day to check up the work he has already gone over, as his office has been overwhelmed with work lately.

NEW TO-DAY

Chinook and Ilwaco.

The launch Hulda I. will leave on the tide, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, two round trips, for Chinook. Landing at Lurline dock for freight and passengers. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, for Ilwaco, with freight and passengers.
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