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### The Daily Astorian.

TELEPHONE 461.

#### THE WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 1.—Western Oregon and Washington probably showers.

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The only living Aborigine at the midwinter circus.

Charles Oja, a native of Finland, was made a full citizen yesterday by Judge Trenchard.

The four masted schooners Fred J. Wood and Virginia left up the river yesterday after lumber cargoes.

The clerks' union will hold its annual meeting tonight, when officers will be chosen for the ensuing year.

The county court meets in regular session tomorrow. Several matters of importance are to be brought up for action.

Mrs. H. Oberg received by express yesterday a choice lot of mittens, which will be on sale at the Methodist fair today.

The Alliance arrived yesterday from San Francisco and way ports, after a rough passage. She brought very few passengers.

During the heavy storm Sunday several false alarms were rung in at the central fire station. The alarms were due to the crossing of wires.

I have just received a line of perfumes from the Imperial Crown Perfume company; also a shipment of Solon Palmer's choicest odors, Rogers, draught.

Deputy Collector Parker yesterday paid off the crew of the revenue cutter Perry, disbursing \$2000 in salaries, as well as an additional \$1000 for incidental expenses.

Persons who vote legally at the forthcoming city election must have resided in the city 30 days preceding the election, and 10 days in the precinct in which they vote.

The American schooner Forester cleared yesterday for Tsing-tau, China, with 775,000 feet of lumber and a quantity of slashwood. She is waiting a chance to get to sea.

Having purchased a large quantity of the toilet soaps direct from the eastern factory we are in a position to offer some very attractive goods at very low prices. Call and see them displayed at our store. Johnson Bros.

Superintendent Calbreath of the state hospital has notified Judge Trenchard that Grant Marshall, who was committed from this county August 13, was discharged as cured November 22.

The German ship Nesala, 38 days from Tsing-tau, China, arrived in port yesterday. The trip in over the bar was made during the morning, when the weather was comparatively quiet. The vessel is under charter to load grain.

Hobina D. Miller, wife of C. R. Miller of Warrenton, died Saturday in this city, after a short illness. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock from the First Presbyterian church, and the interment will be in Oceanview.

The British flag was raised over the consulate yesterday in honor of the anniversary of the birth of Queen Alexandra, than whom no more deservingly popular monarch ever lived. To some the flag had the appearance of being at halfmast and much speculation was created in consequence.

E. M. Baker of this city and Mrs. M. A. Baker and F. S. Baker of Portland have purchased the property at the northeast corner of Commercial and Fourth streets and will erect a fine business block on it. The improvement will add very much to the appearance of that portion of the city.

Collector of Customs Cobb yesterday received word from the treasury department at Washington that the fine of \$5000 imposed on the British ship Riversdale for violation of the quarantine regulations had been reduced to \$5. The Riversdale came from Hamburg and neglected to bring a consular bill of health.

A courtmartial was convened at Fort Stevens yesterday for the purpose of trying Private Ernest Thompson, the alleged incendiary, and other military offenders. The court probably did not conclude its investigation into Thompson's case yesterday, although no authentic news could be received from the post last evening.

At present there is but one prisoner in the county jail. This man is M. Colman, who was sentenced to a term of 90 days for stealing a watch. He has served more than one-third of his time. Deputy Sheriff Young said yesterday that there hadn't been a "cray" for two weeks, which is pretty nearly a record for Clatsop county.

A Tagg has disposed of his interest in the dairy situated on the Lewis and Clark adjoining the farm of R. C. Jeffers. The Sloop brothers are the purchasers and they will operate the ranch in connection with their already large milk business. Mr. Tagg will hereafter personally superintend the management of his confectionary store in this city.

In the probate court yesterday Judge Trenchard made an order permitting the administrator of the estate of J. H. Berglund to sell at private sale some stock in the Fishermen's Union Packing company, and to redeem certain personal effects of the decedent. The final account of the administrator of the estate of L. C. Hanson was set for hearing February 2, at 2 p. m.

A meeting of the Astoria Literary and Debating society was held last evening and permanent organization was effected. The following officers were elected: President, J. M. Hughes; vice-president, F. C. Hackman; secretary, W. C. Bishop; treasurer, D. T. Gerdes; sergeant at arms, I. Bush. The next meeting of the society will be held in Labor hall on next Saturday evening.

What came nearly being a disastrous fire was discovered yesterday in the Pythian building by a janitor who was working on the third floor. The fire originated near a defective flue and by the time the lodgeroom was broken into it had reached threatening proportions. The blaze was extinguished before any damage had been done, but had its discovery been made 10 minutes later the entire building would have been endangered.

The barkentine Chehalis, which was laid up at Knappa for the winter, was brought down the river yesterday and taken to the lower harbor. She has been chartered to load lumber at Aberdeen and will leave out as soon as the weather moderates. Captain Edgar M. Simpson, son of A. M. Simpson, the millionaire lumberman of San Francisco, will make his initial trip on the Chehalis as captain. He was recently granted captain's papers in Portland.

A big mortgage was filed for record yesterday in the recorder's office. It was given by the North Pacific Brewing company of this city to the Title Guaranty & Trust company of Scranton, Pa. The mortgage is executed as security for \$299,000, in which amount \$200,000 in 40-year 5 percent bonds were issued. Manager Schimpff of the company states that improvements will continue to be made at the plant, the product of which is rapidly growing in public favor.

Mr. C. D. Gabrielson, chairman of the bowling committee of the Blithe club of Salem, has written that a team representing that club expects to be here about the 15th inst., to pay the Commercial club a friendly visit, on which occasion it will go against a team of the locals. A try-out will immediately be inaugurated at the Commercial club, in which every bowler will have an opportunity to show what he can do and the six men having the highest average will probably defend the local club, the next two or three highest to be substitutes to take the place of such members of the team who may for any reason be unable to bowl. The bowling committee will immediately make the necessary arrangements.

A general election was held at Seaside yesterday and the following officers were chosen: to serve the people: Mayor, M. J. Young; treasurer, Frederick H. Moore; municipal judge, Philip Condit; councilmen, James Burke, Bart Furke, J. E. Aleraz and S. J. Hubbard. There was no opposition to these candidates, and, as only property owners who paid taxes last year were permitted to vote, there was little interest in the election.

Regularly every month the local officials send to Portland revenues collected at the Astoria office. There is no government depositary in this city, and for this reason all the Astoria money goes to the Merchants' National bank of Portland. The volume of business here at present is hardly great enough to justify the big deposit with the treasury at Washington that is required before banking institutions are permitted to care for government funds. Temporary deposits are made, of course, at the risk of the collector.

Captain Thomas Parker of the steamer Nahotta reports that news reached Ilwaco of the drowning of Harry Johnson mate of the steamer Reliable, yesterday morning. The steamer was on her way from South Bend to Nahotta when the accident occurred. A squall of wind swung open the door of the pilothouse, knocking Johnson into the bay, and before assistance reached him he had gone down. A dispatch from Ilwaco received by The Astorian conveys the additional information that the body was not recovered, and that Johnson was a former resident of Ilwaco, having conducted the Palace restaurant there. He was well known in this city.

A storm of unusual severity raged all day Sunday, the wind at times attaining a velocity in excess of 50 miles an hour. All telegraph and telephone wires out of the city were down on Sunday, and the gale was so heavy that the streets were almost deserted during the afternoon. Shipping was at a standstill and there were no movements in or out of the harbor. The storm quieted down somewhat yesterday, but the weather was not at all pleasant. The officers of the steamer Gatzert report that the force of the wind was terrific yesterday in the vicinity of Cape Horn, 15 miles east of Cathlamet, and that the steamer took on a decided list when the blow was encountered. Although the storm had not entirely subsided yesterday the German ship Nesala came into the harbor without difficulty.

Whether or not Jack Matthews has resigned as chairman of the state republican central committee is a question that has been interesting the people of Oregon for some days past. The Portland Journal has demanded Matthews' resignation of the chairmanship of the United States marshalship, but it was unable to learn in Portland if Matthews still held both positions. Matthews was quoted by Henry McGinn as saying that he resigned the chairmanship in July last. Yesterday Harrison Allen, secretary of the state committee, was asked by the local representative of the Journal whether or not Matthews' resignation had been handed in, but he declined to make any statement. He said that any information he had on the subject would be placed at the disposal of the state committee when next it met, but that it would be withheld, so far as he was concerned, until the meeting. Mr. Allen further stated that he would not permit himself to become involved in the fight between Matthews and Crossman. It was learned, however, from another source, that Matthews had tendered his resignation. He handed it in to Mr. Allen for action at the next meeting of the committee. As the time for this meeting rests with Matthews himself, he is holding his political position by virtue of a desire to do so.

On Thursday afternoon between the hours of 2 and 5 the ladies of the Woman's club will hold a "book reception" at the home of Mrs. Samuel Elmore. The object of the reception will be to add the number of volumes of the traveling libraries of the club. An attractive musical program will be rendered and during the afternoon dainty refreshments will be served. The reception will be given in the interests of a worthy cause and the ladies hope that a large number of Astorians will attend. Gentlemen as well as ladies are invited, and the "price of admission" will be a book. At present the club has four circulating libraries, which will be sent this winter to Tillamook, Seaside, Svensen and Knappa. Last year these libraries were made up largely of magazines and illustrated periodicals, which did not prove as popular as standard books. In view of this fact, the ladies are anxious to secure generous contributions of books, and will gladly collect donations made by persons who find it inconvenient to attend Thursday's reception, if Mrs. Elmore or Mrs. H. L. Henderson is notified. The libraries have become very popular, and already the loggers living near Svensen have made inquiries as to the time they may expect their box of books. The boxes were not as full last year as the ladies wished, and they hope the donations Thursday will be sufficient to make up the shortage. No more worthy Christmas gift could well be made, for the libraries of the club go to places where the people have few opportunities to entertain themselves during the long winter evenings.

### CITY DOESN'T OWN IT

PROPERTY ASKED BY G. W. HUME FOR WHARF.

Street Ends at Point Where the Property Is Located—Other Matters Before Council.

At the council meeting last night the report of the street committee was received with reference to the request that the foot of a street in Alderbrook be vacated for the benefit of George W. Hume. The report showed that the street did not extend as far out as the location that Mr. Hume desires for his wharf, but that the property belongs to the Van Dusens. As a result, his request was filed.

There was considerable discussion over a proposal to establish the grade of Hume avenue in West Astoria and the grades of other connecting thoroughfares. It appears that several families have built homes in the Humber tract that are inaccessible at present. The use of ladders being necessary in order to get to them. The street committee recommended that Hume avenue, in Trullinger's addition, be improved in a zigzag course, so that the people living on the hill could have access to their homes. Councilman Trullinger said the proposed improvement would extend through property on which there is not an improvement of any kind, and that the owners, of which he is one, would certainly renege. However, the resolution providing for the preliminary work was adopted, Mr. Trullinger voting against it.

The report of the street committee on the establishment of the grade of Cedar and Birch streets in Alderbrook was adopted. These grades were decided upon at a meeting of property owners. The committee also filed a report on the matter of paying for the Thirty-fourth street improvement. W. A. Goodin made the improvement, and he asked the council to accept the work so that he would receive payment. An injunction against the improvement was issued out of the circuit court, and the committee reported that it would be impossible to make the acceptance until such time as the injunction was dissolved. It recommended that the contractor be paid interest on the amount for the time of the holdup.

An ordinance authorizing the ways and means committee to advertise for and accept bids for the city printing was passed under suspension of the rules.

Claims were allowed as follows: Scholfield & Hanke, \$20.10; Astoria Electric Company, \$348.62; Foard & Stokes Co., \$9.15; Reliance Electrical Works, \$2.25; Astoria Woodyard company, \$4.75; Prael & Cook, \$18.25; Astoria Fox company, \$14.82; board of assessors, \$36; S. H. Willett, 60c; Charles Gibbons, \$2.75; Griffin & Reed, \$21.99; J. S. Dellinger, \$14.70; 30c; J. S. 30c; Astorian, \$5; John Svensen, \$4.50; street superintendent's payroll, \$156.75.

An ordinance appropriating \$42.18 for J. Q. A. Bowly, for an erroneous assessment, was passed.

#### DISSOLUTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the partnership firm of Griffin & Reed, doing business under said firm name at the city of Astoria, Oregon, is this day dissolved by mutual agreement, Mr. A. S. Reed retiring and Mr. J. N. Griffin continuing the business. All accounts due the firm up to date must be paid to said J. N. Griffin, who assumes all the debts of the firm.

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