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TO DAY'S WEATHER

Portland, Jan. 19.—Western Oregon, and Western Washington, occasional rain with gales along the coast.

Home-made dill pickles and kraut at Johnson Bros., the grocers.

A meeting of the St. Agnes Guild will be held in the vestry room of Grace church this afternoon at 2 o'clock. A large attendance is requested.

Andrew Anderson, who is being held on the charge of insanity, is regaining the full use of his faculties and is expected to be released shortly.

The local union of the Bristol bay, Alaska, fishermen has adopted the same schedule of prices as formed recently by the union of San Francisco.

The infant child of Reverend and Mrs. Henry Marcotte died Sunday. The funeral took place today with interment in the Presbyterian cemetery on Clatsop plains.

G. Hausch, deputy supreme organizer of the Order of Washington, is in the city for the purpose of reorganizing the local lodge, which was discontinued some time ago.

The funeral of the late G. W. Stinson was held Sunday morning, and the interment was in Oceanview cemetery. Services were conducted by Rev. William Seymour Short. The funeral was under the auspices of the A. O. U. W.

Work on the Hume mill is progressing in every way satisfactorily. About half of the piling is completed and a raft of 300 more piles arrived down the Columbia Sunday to be used on the works.

Owing to a change made in the plans for the engine of the proposed launch to be used in the service of the local customs house the opening of bids for the construction of the boat has been postponed until January 27.

Mrs. W. H. Adams of Eugene, mother of Percy and Ralph Adams, well known here, died at her home in Eugene Saturday evening. Mrs. Adams had many friends in Astoria who will regret to learn of her death.

Miss Agnes Saul arrived in Portland Sunday from Wilkesbarre, Penn., and was united in marriage shortly after her arrival to Jacob Flyte. Mr. Flyte is a prominent citizen of Aberdeen, Wash., and has prepared a beautiful home for his bride.

W. W. Whipple will leave this evening for Bucoda in response to a wire. He cannot tell at present when he will return to Astoria, but expects to be back at no distant day as there is an other mill project he has in view for this point that he is desirous of putting in early motion.

Drop a small coin in the slot and get any kind of a shoe-peg you may want from the automatic dispenser at the door of Peterson & Brown's shoe store. Better still, drop into the store and get a new pair of shoes, for at their clearance sale prices you can get the best there is for small money.

Scarlet fever is still rampant and there seems to be little let up in the frequency of reported cases. The last home to be placed under quarantine restrictions is that of J. K. Berg, living at the corner of First and Front streets. Two children in the family are down with the disease. The cases developed late Saturday night.

A meeting of the board of trustees of the Presbyterian church was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of discussing plans for the construction of the proposed new edifice. Bids for the awarding of the contract will be opened at no distant day, but the time can not be settled upon as the necessary preliminaries have not yet been completed.

The supposed case of smallpox in the vicinity of the can factory turns out to be only chickenpox so the strict quarantine restrictions that were placed on the premises will be arranged in conformity with the disease. Considerable alarm was felt in the neighborhood when it was understood that the malady was the dread contagion and when it developed into chickenpox the relief was general.

The father of Purser Bryant of the steamer Vosburg died last Wednesday at his home in Clatskanie. The cause of death was paralysis. His wife had died only a few hours previous of Bright's disease, but the sudden death of Mr. Bryant was not generally known in this city to have followed, it having gained currency that he was only ill. The couple were early pioneers of the state, having come here from the east in the early '60s.

The Astoria Debating and Literary society held its meeting last evening with 37 present. Augustus Smith delivered an oral lecture on "Evolution in Man and Society." The subject, "Resolved, That trades unions, under the present methods, are a benefit to the working classes," was discussed. A paper will be read next Monday evening on the subject of deep sea fishing and the question, "Resolved, That the blockade of Venezuela is justifiable," will be debated.

The funeral of the late Dr. Frank D. Reames of Klamath Falls was held on Sunday from the residence of Hon. Benjamin Young father-in-law of the deceased. Services were conducted at the residence by Rev. William Seymour Short, pastor of Grace church, while Astor lodge, Knights of Pythias, conducted the services at the grave. The interment was in Greenwood cemetery and a large number of sorrowing friends of the deceased followed the remains to the grave.

At a regular meeting of the Clatsop Council No. 713 of the National Union held last evening the following elected officers were duly installed by James Welch, senate deputy and installing officer: President, P. A. Jahlotrom; vice-president, Herman Exstrom; speaker, James W. Welch; secretary, A. S. Tee; financial secretary, E. Z. Ferguson; chaplain, C. M. Cutbirth; usher, P. A. Stokes; sergeant-at-arms, and doorkeeper, Victor Herman; medical director, Dr. Jay Tuttle.

There seems to be a general upheaval in police circles of Portland. D. M. McLaughlin will be succeeded as chief by Charles H. Hunt who saw service as head of the department from 1892 to 1894. It is rumored that probably 18 officers will be retired and that the number of patrolmen will be increased. The detective force is expected to be reduced in size. There are at present six officers in this department, but two may be removed. The retiring chief, McLaughlin has nothing but words of praise for the efficiency of the present force of patrolmen, but believes that an increase of the number will add greatly to the service done as at present each man has too much territory to cover.

Hon. James W. Welch yesterday received word of the death at Portland of his father-in-law, Willard H. Rees, who died of old age. The funeral will take place tomorrow and Mr. Welch will leave this morning for Portland to attend. Deceased was a pioneer of 1844, having crossed the plains in that year. He was born in Delaware 84 years ago. On reaching Oregon he settled in Marion county, where he resided until 1899. Mrs. Rees and the following children survive him: Mrs. James W. Welch, of Astoria, Mrs. Dr. C. H. Day of Dayton, Wash., Mrs. Anna Clark of La Grande, Ore., Mrs. Libbie Hendershot, Mrs. Precilla Wright and Miss Clara Rees of Portland; David Rees of Waitsburg, Wash., Major H. L. Rees, Park Rees, Thomas Rees and William Rees of Portland. Deceased was the organizer of the Pioneers' association of Oregon and its first secretary. He was identified with the upbuilding of the state and was one of the best known men in Oregon.

The officers of the Commercial club entertained the members with a fine banquet at the club rooms last night, and those present declared it a very fine affair. The banquet was under supervision of Mr. Mills of the Toke Point Oyster house and consisted of oysters, salads, cold meats, celery, coffee and fruit. The cigars were passed repeatedly and the flow of oratory and wit was much appreciated. In the absence of Samuel Elmore, who had been selected to preside, Herman Wise acted as toastmaster of the evening. Speeches were made by Messrs. C. R. Thomson, Charles Halderman, John H. Smith, Professor Cleveland, George Noeland, M. F. Hardesty, Frank Woodfield, Professor Stupp, Mr. Hume, J. Taylor, A. Scherneckau, W. C. Lewis, Dell Scully, A. M. Smith and others. Before and after the banquet music was furnished by Francis N. Smith, a representative of Ellier's Piano house, on one of their new piano attachments, the angelus player, which was furnished through the courtesy of A. R. Cyrus, the local agent of Ellier's.

At a meeting of the Clerks' union last evening the following officers were installed: President, H. O'Connell; vice-president, T. A. Leahy; second vice-president, C. E. Johnson; Secretary, C. W. Spriggs; treasurer, R. A. McLean; guard, C. E. Roberts; guardian, Emil Nyman. After the installation exercises the members gave themselves up to an enjoyable evening, refreshments being served and other forms of entertainment being introduced to enliven the time. There are now 60 members in the union and the membership is rapidly increasing. Hereafter meetings will be held on the first and third Monday of each month. The agreement has been reached with grocery firms in the city whereby the merchants agree to close their places of business all day Christmas, New Years, Decoration and Thanksgiving days. Providing there is no celebration, Washington's birthday and Labor day will be observed as a half holiday and Fourth of July will be observed as a full holiday, providing there is no celebration. In such an event the stores will remain open half of the day. The other merchants will no doubt fall in line with the foregoing, making the arrangement universal.

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Annie McFadden is no more. On Sunday night she breathed her last at St. Mary's hospital, and this afternoon the funeral will take place, with interment in Greenwood. Deceased was 58 years of age, and is survived by a son, who resides in this city, and two daughters, who live at San Francisco. The cause of the woman's death was dropsy. Annie McFadden, as she was generally known, was Mrs. Annie Ness, and lived on a Youngs river ranch. Periodically she came to the city and seldom if ever left for home without first having spent a few hours in the city jail. She was addicted to the use of liquor, and every time the police arrested her she promised to be good thereafter. Despite her weakness, the woman was of kindly disposition.

The joint manufacturers committee held a meeting last evening that was well attended and proved interesting and enthusiastic throughout. Work has been quietly going on in the city for the past 12 days by Mr. Whipple and other members of the committee, the intent being to obtain a site and otherwise make necessary preliminaries for the starting of a new sawmill. They have succeeded and the mill is an assured fact, John Kopp having been induced to operate one here after having concluded to locate in Montana. The site selected is in East Astoria, about 200 feet west of the Hume mill. It was the intention of the committee to so arrange matters as to make it unnecessary to call upon the public for any funds at all, but at last evening's session, after every other conceivable plan had been discussed it was found that the sum of \$900 will have to be raised by subscription, so a committee was appointed to solicit the amount. The proposed site consists of 5 lots, owned by private parties, and an arrangement has been perfected whereby an exchange of other property will be made for them. The \$900 will be used to purchase lots with which to make the exchange. The interest that is being manifested in the matter was well exemplified last night when volunteers were called to do the soliciting. Practically every one in attendance was on his feet willing to do the work. The gentlemen appointed are Martin Foard, Judge Trenchard, C. A. Coolidge, B. F. Allen, L. Bergman, O. Petersen and W. W. Whipple. The members of the committee will start out this morning to secure the amount and they will stay with it until their duty is accomplished. There are those who have already shown an inclination to subscribe and no difficulty is anticipated in securing the amount. The public generally is urged to lend all aid possible in lessening the labors of the committee and all favorable suggestions or other assistance will be thankfully received. It is proposed that the mill be of big capacity, the intention being to build it on a scale somewhat larger than the Clatsop mill.

OIL AS FUEL.

The many oil discoveries during the past few years would seem to indicate an almost inexhaustible supply, and as a result much of it is being used for fuel purposes. Experiments have shown that it is just as serviceable as coal but considerably cheaper. There are many people, however, who will always prefer coal, just as there are many people who prefer taking Hostetter's Stomach Bitters in preference to any other remedy because they have tried it and know its value as a stomach strengthener, an appetizer and general health restorer. They also know from experience that it positively cures sour stomach, dizziness, headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness or malaria, fever and ague. Try a bottle and be convinced of its value. Avoid all imitations.

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The beginning of the month Herman Wise first made the offer to sell 200 suits of men's clothes at the ridiculous price of \$7.50. Some people at first paid no attention to the offer, but the bargain hunter soon appreciated the treat in store and began to invest until now there's hardly a day but Mr. Wise sells from 5 to 10 of those suits. There's nothing the matter with these suits, except that Mr. Wise has only one or two of a kind left and as he prides himself on cleaning stock before another season opens, he felt it advisable to mark such low prices on the odd suits that would surely move them. Half of the month is gone, so if you, gentle reader, are wise you will go to Wise and at once for one of those suits that formerly sold at from \$12.50 to \$17.50 and get one now at \$7.50. Don't wait until they are all gone and then kick. See Wise now.

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TEN-MILL TAX LEVIED

COUNCIL MAKES ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Salaries of Policemen Are Raised From \$70 to \$75—Other Matters Up.

The council last night levied a 10-mill tax for municipal purposes and made provision for the expenses of the various departments of the city government for the year. The total amount of taxable property is \$1,637,970 and the levy will net \$16,379.70—which will just about pay interest. Mr. Nordstrom, in discussing the city's financial situation said it would be necessary for the councilmen and citizens generally to close their eyes to the wide-open order of things. Fines and forfeitures and saloon licenses constituted the revenue that maintains the city government, he said, and while he regretted that the city was compelled to depend on vice for the money necessary to run things, he thought the council should continue to exercise economy and get along as best it can.

The ways and means committee presented a report showing the expenses for the past year, which aggregated \$48,294.87. The following statement shows the expenses for 1902 and the appropriations made for 1903:

	1902.	1903.
Auditor's office	\$ 1,989 00	\$ 1,500 00
Treasurer's office	600 00	600 00
Attorney's office	840 00	1,080 00
Street superintendent	900 00	900 00
Janitor, fuel, lights	258 85	300 00
City pound	85 75	150 00
Police court and jail	301 82	250 00
Mayor; councilmen	956 67	1,000 00
Police court and jail	391 62	250 00
Elections	254 10	250 00
Street repairs	6,082 06	4,476 70
Street lights	4,159 24	4,200 00
Fire department	6,926 23	6,000 00
Cemetery	360 00	360 00
Public property	157 84	350 00
Surety's office	444 85	650 00
Stationary, prt'g, etc	484 77	1,500 00
Bonded debt int.	10,766 88	10,383 00
Library	300 00	300 00
Health department	883 10	400 00
Litigation	532 00	500 00
City physician	247 50	...
Recording deeds	504 90	...
Int. on warrants	4,201 43	2,250 00
Totals	\$48,294 87	\$44,129 70

The following statement shows the amount of revenue derived from the various sources during 1902 and the estimated receipts for 1903:

	1902.	1903.
Taxes	\$18,973 00	\$18,279 70
Fines and forfeitures	7,882 00	7,500 00
Liquor licenses	14,400 00	14,400 00
Sundry licenses	4,870 00	4,500 00
County road tax	6,177 00	1,875 00
Totals	\$55,117 00	\$46,554 70

In the foregoing statement the amount of taxes for 1902 includes back collections, which amounted to almost \$4000. There is no county road tax this year, and the amount of money appearing opposite this source in 1903 represents the balance on hand from last year.

The receipts for 1902 were \$6822.11 greater than the expenditures.

WHAT THE COUNCIL DID.

Considerable Important Business Was Transacted at Last Night's Meeting.

The council last night increased the salaries of members of the police force from \$70 to \$75 monthly. An ordinance by Mr. Robinson to raise the salary of the city treasurer from \$50 to \$65 monthly was opposed by Mr. Nordstrom, and the bill was referred to the ways and means committee for report at the next meeting.

Mr. Hansen presented a resolution calling attention to the need of a state health board at this port. The resolution was prompted by Governor Chamberlain's recommendation that the offices of health officer and boatman be abolished. It states that the Oregon official is needed, as plague is known to exist at San Francisco and along the coast of Mexico, and relates that there is no conflict in the duties of the government quarantine officer and the state health officer. It was ordered that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Clatsop delegation at Salem.

Reporting on the petition of Astoria council, Federation of Labor, the ways and means committee recommended that union labor be employed and that all city employes be made subject to the eight-hour day rule wherever such action would not impair the efficiency of the various departments.

At the instance of the same committee, the request of Chief Hallock that his books be experted was granted. The petition of property owners that a light be placed at Franklin avenue and Eleventh streets will receive further consideration.

Reporting on the remonstrance of property owners against the proposed Eighteenth street drain, the committee recommended that the drain be extended to Exchange street and lowered two feet. An appropriation of \$125 was made for a walk on that street.

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Lot 2, all \$1.50 and \$1.98	All \$6 and \$7 Silk Waists... \$ 3 50
Waists..... 1 25	
Lot 3, all \$1.50 Waists..... 1 00	
Lot 4, all \$2.25 and \$2.75	
Waists..... 1 48	
Lot 5, all \$3.00 Waists..... 1 98	

MEN'S OVERCOATS.	FLANNELETTE SKIRTS.
\$15 00 Overcoats..... \$11 50	Lot 1 50c Waist..... 39c
\$12 00 Overcoats..... 7 50	Lot 2, 40c Waist..... 39c
	Lot 3, 60c Waist..... 56c
	Lot 4, 75c Waist..... 63c
	Lot 5, 25c Waist..... 19c

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