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IN the development and growth of a town each individual is charged with a responsibility in the conduct of its business affairs. The men make it their special business to foster the commercial and industrial growth particularly and the moral standing of the community generally. The women have their place in the social, moral and educational advancement, and their work leaves an impression on the community that time cannot efface. The people of Astoria owe a debt of gratitude to the women for many helpful acts, all of which have been done with a modesty far from being ostentatious, yet wielding unmistakable influence in whatever direction pointed. The public library is an instance in point, as it is due entirely to their efforts that that institution lives and thrives.

What is more, Astorians are proud of their public library. They appreciate its usefulness of an educational institution. Their appreciation is demonstrated in a practical manner whenever there is an opportunity to make such demonstration, as evidenced by the generous support accorded public entertainments for its benefit.

The library is scarcely a dozen years old, yet it contains 2300 volumes comprising fiction, history, religion and science, and boasts a comprehensive reference department, containing the leading encyclopedias and dictionaries. It has five daily papers, and a multitude of weeklies, as well as the current magazines. These books, papers, magazines are housed in a large room which is also used as a reading room, which is free to all who care to use it. The books are loaned out on a subscription plan, the charge being \$3 for one year, \$1 for three months, and fifty cents for one month. These subscriptions are used to purchase new books and to help defray the expense of maintaining the institution.

It costs the board of directors \$69 a month to keep the library open, and towards this expense the city pays \$25 per month. The deficiency is made up from the subscriptions and benefit entertainments that are given from time to time.

Sunday in Astoria to the stranger need not be a day of time waste. The library is open every day between certain hours, and all are welcome to enjoy its privileges. A librarian is always in attendance, and the reading room is cosy, warm and comfortable.

The credit for all these accommodations, and the continued existence of the institution, belongs to the women of Astoria.

EVERY friend the enemy, after indulging in a little personal comment, that injures no one, "Desires to endorse in part the editorial published in last Sunday's Astorian on gambling. The Astorian is taking the proper view of the matter, and while it, like all public criticism, is opposed to the business of gambling and would be pleased to see it wiped out altogether, yet it seems to be a necessary evil."

THE gambling question has aroused Eugene. It took the suicide of a prominent young man to do the arousing but now every game is closed tighter than a drum. It will be necessary for something similar to occur in Astoria before the municipal official's wake up.

IT is understood that the honor of naming Grover's new baby will be conferred on the students of Princeton. They named the first one six years ago. Why not give it a name that rhymes with "Rah-rah-rah" so as not to interfere the college yell when the christening occurs?

GEN. Miles wishes it to be understood that while a woman is as old as she looks, a man is only as old as he feels, and personally he contemplates moving West and groking nu tibhwy moving West and growing up with the country when he lays aside the sword and uniform.

AMERICANS do not like the idea of being subjects as a general rule, but when it is to such a fair queen as the charming lady who will rule over the regatta, Astorians find it a pleasant dis-

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THAT scheme of Theodore Bracker's to attract German immigrants to Oregon by means of descriptive literature published in the language of the Fatherland is a good one. The Germans make good citizens.

FOLLOWING late on the heel of the X-Ray, the N-Ray, whatever it may be announced the latest discovery, his leaves 24 letters of the alphabet for future scientists to ray.

REGATTA. first: Knights of Pythias district convention, second: Elk's claim bake at Seaside, third: and Labor day celebration in Astoria, fourth: We are indeed a busy people.

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