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## Gymnasium to Be Fitted Up

Commercial Club Will Expend Large Sum in Improving the Athletic Quarters.

At last night's meeting of the board of directors of the Astoria Commercial Club President Pye announced the committees for the coming year, as follows:

House committee—Dr. H. L. Henderson, C. G. Palmberg and B. F. Allen.

Billiards and bowling committee—P. B. Sovey and P. E. Peterson.

Athletic committee—James Keating, George Barker, Robert McLean, Bert Allen and Nace Grant.

The matter of the improvements at the gymnasium was left with the house committee, which is to make a final report at a special meeting of the board to be held next Monday night. The contemplated improvements will cost in the neighborhood of \$500. It will be necessary to build an annex to the gymnasium for baths. The board and the athletic committee will do everything possible to increase interest in athletics and a successful year is anticipated.

The bowling committee is to arrange for local contests on the alleys, pending the arrangement of games with outside clubs. It is the intention to form two local teams immediately and engage in practice, and some time before the holidays a medal will be hung up for a tournament. All the outside state teams are to be invited to visit Commercial, and the local club will be represented in the state tournaments which the association will prepare for.

There is a vacancy on the board of the Commercial Club, due to the election of Mr. Pye to the presidency, and it will shortly be filled.

The ballot boxes that were used at Hammond yesterday in the special election were brought up to town by Harvey Thompson. The vote cast was 22. At Warrenton seven votes were cast and Skipanon polled eight.

For economical reasons several lumber companies of the state of Washington have entered into combination. The chief lumbermen of the section involved have been trying to get together for a long time, and when the Doty company of Doty began last October to effect organization many were found ready to join in. From those interested it does not appear that the combination is formed for the purpose of restricting the product of any of the mills or of controlling the market. The idea is simply to secure a more economical administration of their affairs, and secure better representation among eastern buyers.

Concern is being expressed in shipping circles regarding the safety of the oriental liner Indrapura, which was due to arrive at Victoria, B. C., four days ago. The vessel sailed from Yokohama November 26. The passage seldom requires more than 17 days, and now that more than 30 have elapsed, it is natural that uneasiness should be felt by owners and others interested. There is no settled conviction that the Indrapura has met with disaster, but that she is delayed by heavy storms is not unlikely. Upon arriving at Victoria the liner will disembark a number of passengers and then she will proceed down the coast to the Columbia.

The great McEwen gave another splendid entertainment at Fishers' opera house last night. The attendance was much larger than either former night and the new feature in the magic and hypnotism were if such be possible better than before. The audience was very appreciative which no doubt assisted Mr. McEwen in bringing the "subjects" out. Yet there will be better results obtained when the class of subjects reach that proportion where talent may be found, then will Mr. McEwen put on his famous "minstrel" and statutory scenes. This class of entertainment is always good on account of the originality brought out in the course of the evening's performance. Mr. McEwen announced from the stage that he would make his blindfolded drive tomorrow. Starting from the opera house at 12:30 p. m., he will follow a route selected by a committee of citizens, through the main portion of town, locating a book previously hidden by a part of the committee, then drive back to the opera house and find a word selected also by the committee. He is blindfolded before leaving the opera house and remains blindfolded until after the word is found.

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## Aged Celestial Dies on Lothian

Succumbs While Vessel Is on Way Down River—Steamer in Filthy Condition.

The soul of aged Sing Luey fled while the Oriental liner Lothian was coming down the river from Portland, Tuesday. The Chinaman had engaged passage at San Francisco for his native land, that he might die there among the friends of his boyhood and the associations whose memory had bolstered up his spirits at various times in this nation of the free. The Lothian left Portland at noon on Tuesday and a short time later Luey cashed in his checks. He was officially pronounced to have succumbed to the ravages of time. The body is still aboard the ship and will be embalmed by the other Celestials aboard—which means that it will be preserved in brine for burial in China.

The Lothian does not present an inviting appearance. The 564 Chinese who took passage on her at San Francisco are not at all clean, and the ship is just about as filthy as one could well imagine a vessel to be. The Chinese are crowded for room, but seem well satisfied with their condition. They are going home from America for \$15 and that in itself is sufficient recompense for the inconveniences to which they are being subjected.

Dennis Brown, one of the employees of the Astoria Electric Company, has quite a collection of rare coins and other relics of the past. One of the coins is a copper piece weighing two and a half ounces, bearing the inscription, "Georgius III. D. G. Rex," on one side, and on the reverse side, "Britannia, 1797." Mr. Brown states that a few weeks ago he was offered two pounds sterling for the piece by an Englishman who happened to ride on the car. The Britisher was or had been a soldier and served throughout the Boer war. When he saw the old coin he remarked that he had seen but one before, and had purchased it for \$10. He couldn't buy the piece here, however, for any money that he might be willing to give. Mr. Brown has also a lot of rare stamps, among them being some old state tax stamps of the denominations of 10 cents and \$1, and a postage stamp printed during Andrew Jackson's time. Another curiosity in the possession of the collector is a copy of an issue of a Charleston, S. C., paper of the year 1821, a treasure which the owner prizes very highly.

All of Wise's customers who have bought \$10 worth of goods or over since June 1, 1903, who have not as yet received their numbers are requested to secure them before the drawing for four first-class round-trip tickets to the world's fair at St. Louis. The drawing will take place at Ford & Stokes' ill on January 14, at which time Wise's customers will be given a mascot ball.

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