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County Clerk Clinton yesterday issued a marriage license to Estlin L. Shatto and Ethel G. Stinson, both of Clatsop county.

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The offer of \$16,500 in annual installments of \$1200 recently made for the city hall site has been withdrawn by the merchant who made the proposal.

Major Langfitt came down from Portland on last night's train. Today he will visit Fort Stevens on the Columbia and inspect the work now under way there.

Sheriff Linville has been invited by Sheriff Brown, of Baker county, to attend the execution of Pleasant Armstrong, who is to be hanged next Fri-

day at 7 a. m. There has been a strong legal contest to save Armstrong's neck, but it resulted in failure.

The funeral of the late Gideon Johnson was held yesterday afternoon from the undertaking parlors of Coroner Pohl, and the interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

An enjoyable dance was given at St. Mary's hall last night by the Young Men's Institute. A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present and the affair was quite successful.

The contract for the printing of the city charter and the ordinances was signed yesterday. The contract was awarded by the ways and means committee of the council to The Astorian.

One of the finest sleighs seen on the streets yesterday was commanded by Hiram Leinenweber, local agent for the Standard Oil Company. The sleigh is brand new, is drawn by a handsome white horse and there are two strings

of bells attached to the harness of the noble steed. Mr. Leinenweber was the center of attraction yesterday as he sped through the streets.

The county court will meet in adjourned session today for the purpose of considering road matters. Several petitions for additional levies in various road districts are to be acted upon.

If the gentleman who took a soft Knox hat by mistake from the residence of Mrs. C. R. Thomson last Saturday morning, will bring it to No. 430 Commercial street he may have his own hat.

Director Robinson will be ready in a few days to announce the leads for the sacred cantata Esther, which is now being prepared for public recital. The rehearsals are progressing nicely, all the indications being that the performance will be an excellent one.

Aerocrombie and Stockton are the champion handball players in the Commercial Club tournament thus far, having defeated Sinnott and Cohen in three straight games, the scores being 21-17, 21-15, and 21-7. Tonight the second games will be played.

The new gasoline launch Chinook, built for David Hood and Hans Peterson, was launched at Leathers' yards yesterday. A Columbia river fishing boat, equipped with five horse-power engine, was also put in the water yesterday. A Columbia river fishing John, of Clifton. She was christened Arcathe.

Judge Bowby has received notice from Major Langfitt that the dredge Ladd will be employed to deepen the channel near Tongue Point as soon as she can be taken from the channel above. The determination of the department to dredge out the channel there solves the question of deep water for the east end industries.

A case of scarlet fever was reported last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Coe, Ninth and Duane streets. The patient is Miss Winnie Harmon, aged 18. The usual quarantine restrictions have been imposed, and precaution will be taken against spread of the disease.

Dr. O. B. Estes was at Chinook yesterday in attendance upon Franz Munson, a well-known, north shore trap man, who has had a long siege of typhoid fever. Mr. Munson is still a very sick man, abscess of the lungs having developed at the wind-up of the typhoid attack. Dr. Estes said last night that his condition was precarious, and seemed to entertain some doubt as to his recovery.

The late delivery of The Astorian yesterday morning was occasioned by a shutdown at the electric power house just as the paper was ready for press. The circuit from which the motive power in The Astorian building is driven was interrupted by the breaking of a wire up town. While the delay was aggravating to both the public and the employees of the paper, it was just one of those untoward happenings that can not be blamed on any one and must therefore be overlooked.

Mayor Suprenant yesterday attached his signature to all of the ordinances passed by the council Monday night. Two of the new measures are salary bills, increasing the pay of Chief of Police Hallock from \$90 to \$100 and that of Fire Chief Stockton from \$70.50 to \$80. The other bills provide for the acceptance of the improvement of Franklin avenue from Fifth to Ninth street and payment of the improvement, and appropriating \$4000 to pay Mary T. Strong for the new city hall site recently purchased by the city. All the warrants for claims ordered paid by the council were also signed by the mayor and are ready for delivery at the office of the auditor.

At the meeting of the city council Monday night the petition of the Woman's Club asking that a dumping ground be provided and that the anti-expectoration ordinance be enforced received only partial consideration. The matter of a dumping ground was discussed, and the committee on public property will report upon it at the next meeting. However, the matter of the violation of the anti-expectoration ordinance was passed up without comment. Mayor Suprenant said yesterday that the law ought to be enforced, but he expressed the opinion the club should have communication with the police commissioners. "The mayor has only advisory control over the police department," said the chief executive of the city. "The club's work is commendable, but it should place the matter before the police board."

Advices from the wholesale grocers indicate that there will shortly be a

brisk demand for red Alaska salmon. This will be cheerful news to those packers who have not yet disposed of all their stock, and the opinion prevails that when a few cheap lots now on the market are disposed of very high prices will rule. The prospects are more encouraging than they have been for several weeks past, and there is not much reason to doubt that the price for red Alaska will be fully \$5 per case. Holders of Alaska salmon are in a fortunate position, as the Columbia men are all sold out of spring pack goods, and the few sockeyes that were packed on puget sound, and which might be considered as only a drop in the bucket, have all long since gone into consumption. It is anticipated that this will be a good average year for prices for those packing on the Columbia river and in Alaska, as this is the regular off year for sockeyes and also humpbacks.

Officials of the county were not at all pleased with the statements made at Monday night's meeting of the council regarding the contemplated purchase by the city of the county's Fischer typewriter. The Astorian correctly reported the matter yesterday, although it neglected to say that the statements of Auditor Anderson and Councilman Nordstrom created much merriment. The proposal to purchase the typewriter came from the city officials and not from the county, and Clerk Clinton stated yesterday that the county had no idea of getting rid of the machine, which has recently been rebuilt and is in good condition. That the impression should have gone abroad that the county was trying to dispose of rubbish to the city is a source of some dissatisfaction to the county officials, who feel that they have not been fairly treated, especially in view of the fact that the overtures were not of their instigation.

The memorial adopted by the city council asking the Oregon delegation to use its efforts to secure a new post office building and customs house for this port was a source of much satisfaction. Deputy Collector Parker said yesterday that the matter of larger quarters, especially for the post office, had been considered locally, although no official action had heretofore been taken. The post office is badly pressed for room, and larger quarters must be provided. Astoria is the distributing point for all the country of southwestern Washington and northwestern Oregon and the business has largely increased. The customs officials also require more room. The cellar of the public building is filled with new and condemned supplies and is so crowded that there is no room to store more material. There ought to be some place for the storage of revenue cutter supplies and equipment, which must now be stored away in the cellar. The offices on the second floor are also inadequate to the needs of the service, and the office that should be at the disposal of the special deputy collector is used for a storeroom for old records. The department of commerce and labor expects to have a man stationed here and he will need offices, which are not now available. The present building can be enlarged sufficiently, and it is probable that the improvement will be made in this manner. The structure was erected in 1873 and cost \$80,000. It is well built, but altogether too small for the business transacted here.

The Astoria Progressive Commercial Association met last evening in the council chambers of the city hall and elected officers to serve through the present year. The result of the election follows: President, C. W. Carnahan; vice-president, John Frye; secretary, J. A. Eakin; treasurer, J. N. Griffin; board of directors, Richard C. Lee, Harrison Allen, C. R. Morse, John Frye and A. S. Skyles. President Carnahan announced that he will draw up the committees during the next few days and that he will report the same at the next meeting of the association, which will be on the evening of January 27. Besides the election of officers last evening, the members talked in a general way about the needs of the county and city. It was practically decided that the new road committee will wait upon Road Master Frye at an early date and learn from him the exact condition and needs of the Nehalem road to Olney and an available distance beyond, basing recommendations to the county court upon information thus acquired. The trend of the discussion was to the effect that the road should be as narrow as practicable and as substantial as possible, one of the members pointing out that the latter course will pay in the long run. The subject of a new hotel for the city also engaged the attention of the club for a time, but no definite course was shaped. It was apparent from what was said, however, that the need of an up-to-date hotel is appreciated by the club, and that something effective will be done along this line in the near future is certain.

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