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The Dorcas Society will meet at the home of Miss Dora Larson, in East Astoria, this evening.

Apprentices wanted to learn the milliner trade at the parlors of Mrs. Sarah Ross, 183 Eleventh street.

Charles Waara, a native of Finland, was granted first papers of citizenship yesterday by County Clerk Clinton.

Mrs. R. N. Davidson, of Fort Stevens, died Wednesday night of kidney disease. The funeral will be held at the post today.

Three of the sailors belonging to the schooner Howe, wrecked on Long beach a few days ago, are members of the sailors' union, and are entitled to \$50

each. The money is to be paid over to them if they are in good standing.

Your attention is called to the purity and excellence of Olympic Pancake Flour, the Olympic Cake and Pastry Flour, and the Olympic Wheat Hearts, a mush.

The Portland Telegram mail pouch did not reach the city on last night's train and local subscribers were disappointed in consequence.

Superintendent McGuire's force has made repairs to the A. & C. track at the point where the slide occurred a few nights ago, and the down express got in on time last evening.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Astoria Woman's Club, to convene at 2:30 p. m., on Saturday, February 26, Miss Emma Warren will resume her papers on civil government. These productions have proved of intense interest to those in attendance.

The French bark La Bruyere has re-

ceived a grain charter. She will load for the United Kingdom and is to get 20 shillings. The bark lost a 2nd 6d charter by making a very poor passage from Newcastle-on-Tyne, and she has thereby lost a pretty penny for her owners.

Earl Fisher has just received a Rambler gasoline motor, the first automobile to be owned in Astoria. The car was seen upon the streets yesterday, and excited much attention. It is a proficient hill-climber, and on level ground will develop a speed of 20 miles an hour.

A Longfellow social will be given at the Presbyterian church this evening, to which the public is cordially invited. An interesting program has been prepared for the occasion and refreshments will be served by the young ladies of the Endeavor Society. Following is the program to be rendered: Violin solo, Miss Maja Frederickson; organ solo, Miss Pearl Estes; reading, Miss Blynn; vocal solo, Frank Carnahan.

The three-men team tournament will be continued at the alleys of the Commercial Club this evening, when four strong aggregations will meet. The contest has proven a decided success, and all of the eight teams are striving hard for the top place, which will net three handsome signet rings. Thus far Jones' Japs are leading, with a percentage of 75, but the other teams are determined to sink the Japs' flotilla, and take the victory from them. Tonight's games promise to be interesting.

A force of men is now engaged in enlarging the Tallant-Grant Packing Company's cold-storage plant. The company will double the capacity of the pickling and freezing department, and next season will handle 800 tierces of fish, each tierce of the weight of 800 pounds, net. Nearly every other cold-storage plant on the lower river is being enlarged, and the output of pickled and frozen this year will be greatly in excess of that of last year. The opinion is entertained that practically the entire early run of fish will go into the cold-storages.

The machinery at the new Warrenton mill will be turned over on Monday for the first time, and it is the intention to commence actual operations about March 15. The mill is said to be complete in every detail and it will prove a valuable addition to the manufacturers of the county. Seventy-five men will be employed and the daily output will be about 75,000 feet. The location is an advantageous one, with unsurpassed facilities for both rail and water shipments. It will add materially to the population of the west side town, and have its effect on this city.

The City Teachers' Association will meet tomorrow forenoon in Shively's school building. Professor McCormac will have charge of the supplementary reading, and Miss Hulse will read a paper on current history. The association has not been meeting regularly of late, owing to the mass of school work incident to the end of the term, but beginning with tomorrow regular meetings will be held and interest will be revived. A good attendance is desired by the officers and a cordial invitation is extended out-of-town teachers to be present. The association will convene promptly at 9:30 o'clock.

An A. E. Co. motor and a large car of fuel came nearly going through the trestle of Commercial street at the foot of Fifteenth about 6 o'clock last evening. As was recently announced, Commercial street from Fourteenth to Seventeenth is in need of repair, and at the last meeting of the council the possibility of just such an accident as occurred last night was discussed. It was stated that an ordinance regulating the weight of loads hauled on the street car line would be presented soon by the street committee. Last night's accident caused the trestle to sink and for a time traffic was suspended.

At 9 o'clock this morning the seat sale opens at Griffin's book store for the great comedy drama, "Slaves of the Mine," which will be produced at Fishers' tomorrow evening. The play is designed alike for the masses and for the cultivated taste, and is a positive novelty. It is constructed upon a high-class line, and, while melodramatic in the best sense of the word, is perfectly true to nature. Full of thrilling situations, there is not a weapon fired, and even the wonderful mine explosion is brought about (as such accidents almost daily occur) by act of nature.

The citizens have not yet taken any steps toward holding their county convention, nor is it likely that the call will be issued for some time to come. This political organization has pinned its faith to the mass convention method of nominating candidates, and the us-

ual plan will be followed this year. There is the customary talk of a democratic ticket, under democratic colors, but it is doubtful if the straight-outs will be able to make their ideas stick. If the statements of some of the citizen leaders can be taken for it, there will not be much of a contest this year, for the reason that the present county officials have given good satisfaction to people of all political faiths.

Major Langfitt expresses the opinion that the resignation from the dredge Chinook of Chief Engineer Lindley will settle the differences which have existed aboard the big vessel. He was in the city a few days ago and at that time visited the Chinook. While it is stated that he did not make any investigation of the trouble aboard, the resignation of the chief followed. Mr. Lindley has not quit the government service, but is to be given a place on one of the transports. Major Langfitt says he believes the trouble resulting in the recent strike was due directly to the failure of Captain Dunbar and the chief engineer to get along, and that now the chief has gone, there will be no further trouble. He says the strike was not the result of dissatisfaction with the food served, and adds that the resignation of the chief engineer was a voluntary act on his part.

The proposal for the construction of a sea wall from the foot of Ninth street to the Clatsop mills has called to mind the necessity for proper adjustment of street grades. It is said all of the grades in the business section of the city are low, and the movement now on foot will be taken advantage of, if successful, to remedy the defect in the grades. It is also a fact that the downtown streets are too narrow, and property owners express the belief that the present time is the best to widen them. The committee of ten is diligently at work upon the matter referred to by the taxpayers, and the statement was made yesterday by a member of the committee that much encouragement had been received by the committee from property owners. It is confidently expected that the committee will make an enthusiastic report, and that the undertaking will be begun within a few months.

The Olympic comic opera company, which will be seen here next Tuesday and Wednesday, is a most popular eastern organization of comic opera talent, which has been scoring a phenomenal success throughout the west during the present season, with its delightful repertoire of some of the best light operas known to music lovers. Few attractions now before the public can boast of as many and as pretty a lot of dashing show girls as the Olympic company, which is said to carry some 18 sprightly members to its merry-merry. Miss Lottie Kendall, the clever little sourette and comedienne, has completely captivated the hearts of westerners during her brief sojourn on the Pacific coast, and is sure to succeed in no small measure in duplicating her triumphs in this city. Mention is due Miss Kendall's support, especially in the persons of Miss Eleanor Jenkins, soprano; Carl Francis Haydn, tenor; Carrick Major, baritone, and John E. Young, Robert G. Pitkin and Leo D. Adde, comedians. The sale of seats for this company's engagement opens on Monday morning at Griffin's.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce has discovered that the government transport Dix is bar bound in the lower harbor and has undertaken to have the pilots get her to sea at once. Yesterday the Portland chamber got quite busy and sent the following telegram to the local pilots' office: "Seeing bar reported smooth, can not you make special efforts to get Dix out, in view of general shipping interest?" The answer to this remarkable message was not given out, and it is probable the Portland chamber will keep it to itself. The Dix, it will be recalled, is bar bound because of her long trip down the river from Portland. The trip required 30 hours, and the delay was sufficient to have caused the transport to miss a fine bar. The Portland chamber was correct in noting that the bar was smooth yesterday, but it neglected to consult a tide table, which would have shown that the tide was not favorable for the departure of the vessel. The pilots can be depended to get the Dix to sea just as soon as weather conditions will permit, and they are fully alive to the injury which her detention will entail; but they do not purpose to pile the vessel up on the sands at the mouth of the river, and she will not, therefore, get to sea for some days to come. It was pertinently suggested yesterday that the Portland chamber hereafter devote its attention to urging its star river pilot to hasten the river trip of vessels the size of the Dix.

Belittle Jap Victories.  
Chefoo, Feb. 25.—Circulars from Russian sources have been printed in

the Chinese language and distributed here belittling the success of the Japanese and exaggerating those of the Russians. It is stated by those close to the Chinese, that at the first success of the Japanese army the Chinese will join the victors with the hope of driving all the foreigners out of China.

### May Attack Vladivostok.

London, Feb. 25.—If the report from Yinkow of the Japanese landing near Vladivostok, which at present is based on the missionary and native statement, proves correct the most import-

ant new development in the Japanese operations will have been revealed, as it points to an attack on Vladivostok, from which Possiet bay is only a little over 70 miles distant. The report must be received with reserve.

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