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Don't fail to attend the grand millinery opening at The Bee Hive on Friday and Saturday, March 25 and 26.

Joseph Sartore, aged 41 years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 1333 Franklin avenue, after an illness of three months. The funeral is to take place on Friday and the interment will be in Greenwood cemetery.

All the ladies of the city are invited to visit the parlors of Mrs. Ross this evening between 7 and 10 o'clock, the occasion being her grand opening of spring millinery. The reception will continue during Friday and Saturday.

Deputy Collector of Customs McCue yesterday signed 24 Alaska fishermen for the Columbia River Packers' Association and three men for the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company. It is expected the men will sail from Astoria for Nushagak on April 15.

Postmaster Reed yesterday received notification from Washington that Andrew J. Olson, of Melville, had been awarded the contract for carrying mail between Astoria and Melville. The contract price is \$295 a year and

Olson's bonds were fixed at \$800. The service will be tri-weekly, and the carrier is to make round trips on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. This new arrangement is the result of the effort made by people living along the Lewis and Clark to secure better mail service. Heretofore their mail has gone by way of Clatsop and there has been much dissatisfaction in consequence.

The Commercial Club bowling team is to make another try for the Feldenhelm trophy. The Multnomah team will bowl for this prize against Portland Commercial about the first of the month, and Astoria will challenge for a contest on April 16. The first team will commence practice at once and will meet the second team tonight.

A cosmopolitan fair social is to be given at the Presbyterian church Friday evening, to which the people of Astoria are cordially invited. The pastor hopes to form many new and pleasant acquaintances during the social gathering, so a popular attendance is desired. The fair feature of the evening will interest every busy housewife, as well as the young people. Refreshments will be served.

Prosecuting Attorney Manning, of Multnomah county, yesterday notified Deputy District Attorney Eakin that the case against the three sailors on

the French bark La Fontaine had been dismissed. The men were wanted to answer to a charge of larceny, and Sheriff Linville undertook to secure the custody of them for a deputy who came down with the papers. Mr. Manning's wire is to the effect that the men are in charge of a United States deputy marshal, and therefore that the state can not secure custody of them. The case was accordingly dropped.

The petition of Lorenz Bragdon to adopt the three Carr boys is to come up before Probate Judge Trenchard this morning. The boys are regarded as the cleverest juveniles on the coast. Recently the child labor commissioners started after Bragdon's scalp for violating the state law and he fled to Seattle. Since then he has not been heard of, having kept out of the way of the commissioners. Whether or not he will show up in the probate court this morning is not known.

I. Cohen, who has been ill for some months, is reported to be much improved, and is now able to be up, although he has not been out of the house for several weeks. He has had a hard seige of it and for a time was thought to be fatally ill. His strong constitution pulled him through, however, and he is now daily gaining strength. For a day or two I. Wise and family, of Spokane, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cohen, but left last evening for California.

The inconvenience of loading cars at the depot with the product of the brewery has long been an annoyance to the management of the business, and it is now proposed to do away with the difficulty by building a side-track to connect the plant with the main line. Permission must be obtained from the city to do this, as the proposed line will cross an undeveloped street. The railroad company is now having a survey made, and as soon as this is completed the matter will doubtless be brought to the attention of the council. The brewery people send out on an average of five cars every week, so the importance of the improvement is obvious.

R. Foster Stone instructed and delighted a large audience at the old Presbyterian church last evening. His theme was temperance, and the point he brought out was how to eradicate the saloon evil. Mr. Stone expressed the opinion that temperance organizations are on the wrong track, that the only way to correct the evil is for the voter to do the work with the ballot box and that toward this end every effort should be bent. Mr. Foster is both eloquent and witty and his hearers were convulsed with laughter many times by the stories he told to illustrate his points. He was introduced by Mrs. C. Davis, acting president of the W. C. T. U. Tonight there will be a special program of music, besides the main address. It is predicted that the house will be packed.

"Excepting the machinery, tools and a part of the rigging," says Captain Hardwick, master of the steamer Alliance, which reached port Tuesday, "the steam schooner Fulton, which went ashore about a month ago at Port Orford, will be a total loss. She has been driven 20 feet further on the beach, and during the recent storms the vessel has been badly damaged. She is gradually breaking up, and the probabilities are very strong that any attempt to take her off will prove futile." While coming up the coast from Eureka Captain Hardwick put in at Port Orford for the express purpose of viewing the wreck, and ascertaining what damage had been done. He went aboard the Fulton and found that she is in worse shape than had previously been supposed. Captain Lee, her commander, is the sole occupant, having remained by her since the day of the wreck. The Fulton is owned by the California & Oregon Coast Steamship Company. While en route from Astoria to San Francisco about a month ago she got

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Fred Muller, of this city, wants to give Joe Gans a chance to knock off his head. Muller thinks he can stay 10 rounds with the wonderful darkie and says he has \$10,000 to back his judgment. When Gans was on the coast Muller tried to get a match with him, but the dicker was not made. Muller is now in Walla Walla, where he meets Barney Mullen on the 24th. Writing to the Oregonian he says: "I am in splendid condition for my go on March 24 with Barney Mullen. Should I win, I have found backing and \$500 will be posted to meet Joe Gans for the lightweight championship of the world, and \$10,000 or any part of same lies behind the \$500 that Joe Gans can not stop me in 10 rounds. He agreed to do so some time ago. I will meet him from 135 to 140 pounds, and give him a side bet." Muller is a "stayer" and is confident Gans could not possibly best him in 10 rounds. The black man might try it for part of that \$10,000, however.

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F. L. Parker, of the committee of ten, yesterday addressed a letter to the city council for the purpose of determining whether or not the council would favor the sea wall proposal. The committee's idea is to get at the council's position with reference to street improvements. City Attorney Smith talked with Mr. Parker about the matter last evening and said the council would unquestionably take a pro-sea wall view of the situation. The city attorney said the sea wall would effect a great saving so far as street improvements are concerned. Commercial street requires renovation every two years, at enormous cost to the taxpayers. Mr. Smith expressed the belief that improvements would cost more and more as the price of lumber advanced, and it seemed to be his opinion that the sea wall was about the only way out of the dilemma. So far as the council is concerned it is permanently in business, and any expenditure that would effect a saving at some future time would promptly be made. The committee's letter will be brought up for discussion at the next meeting.

TRAGEDY AVERTED.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved," writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by Chas. Rogers, druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Tony Besch is locked up in the county jail in default of \$150 bonds to answer to a charge of adultery preferred against him by Jerry Slavich. Both men are engaged in the restaurant business. Slavich says Besch ruined his home and boasted of his lewd conduct. Besch had been at Portland, but returned to Astoria. Slavich heard of the man's declarations as to his escapades with Mrs. Slavich and administered to him a very severe thrashing. Besch was foglish enough to have Slavich arrested for assault and battery, and the latter was arraigned before Justice Goodman yesterday. He pleaded guilty and was taxed the costs, \$8. Then Slavich consulted an attorney, learned that he could make all sorts of bother for Besch and caused his arrest on the adultery charge. Besch was arrested by Constable Utzinger and his case was set for preliminary hearing on Saturday. Justice Goodman fixed his bail at \$150 and he was unable to secure it. The unholy relations of Besch and Mrs. Slavich are alleged to have extended over a period of seven or eight months.

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