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Local Brevities.

Frank Tamalisch, a native of Austria was admitted to citizenship yesterday by Judge Trenchard.

The total registrations up to last night was 451. Only a few days remain in which to register.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Marshall Morgan will occur this afternoon from the family residence at Westport.

Mathias C. Bakka, a native of Norway, was granted first citizenship papers yesterday by County Clerk Clinton.

The Occident tonorial parlors and bath facilities are equalled by none. Everything modern and up to date. See Peterson.

Claud Hubbard of Independence has accepted a position with Will Madison, taking the place of Ross Trullinger, who has accepted a position at W. L. Robb's insurance office.

Christmas novelties at Hoefler's have been received. All candy manufactured at home, 10 cents per pound and up. Decorations for Christmas surpass anything ever brought to Astoria. Everything in the line of confections and pure candy guaranteed to be first-

class. The largest and most complete line in Astoria can be procured at Hoefler's.

Astoria Aerle, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will hold their session next Sunday at Logan's hall, at 7:30, instead of 8 o'clock, in order not to conflict with the Elks' memorial service.

There is only one place in Astoria that carries the genuine Old Georgia, Moonshine, corn whisky. P. E. Peterson of the Mirror has received a consignment direct from the distillery.

The total receipts of the police court for the 11 months ending November 30, was \$10,321.50, most of which were collected from gambling fines. The total receipts for the year will amount to over \$11,000.

The certificate of the approval of the completion of Ninth street between Franklin and Jerome, was filed in the auditor's office yesterday. W. A. Good-in was the contractor and the contract price was \$5971.

Mrs. Fanny Stone, formerly Miss Fanny Raymond, died in San Francisco Tuesday of consumption. Her body will be brought to Astoria for interment. She was an estimable lady, well and favorably known in Astoria.

Rev. Mr. Grimm will address the students of the high school this afternoon on a subject that has been left to his selection. There will be an extended program, the numbers of which will be supplied by the students, and an invitation is extended to all interested in student work.

The residence of Ivan Young of Seaside was broken into Monday night. The back door was broken. Nothing of value was taken. It is evident that there is a candidate for the penitentiary breeding a scab on his nose at the summer resort.

"The Comfort" is the name of a new refreshment parlor soon to be opened in the Logan building by Martin Franetovich and Cosmo Franciscovitch. It will be one of the best fitted up places in the city. Both gentlemen are popular and certain of securing a share of the anti-prohibition trade.

The work of the constructing quartermaster's department is being brought to completion in the case of a number of buildings at Fort Stevens and Columbia. Among them are some elaborate quarters for staff officers, and a new post exchange.

Fish Commissioner Kershaw, in his annual report to the governor of Washington, recommends, that an effort be made to establish the boundary lines between Oregon and Washington,

and that the close season be extended to August 25. It is probable that the recommendations of both Kershaw and Van Dusen will be referred to a joint committee from both state legislatures this winter for adjustment.

It is expected that a suit by the timber syndicates will be filed next week, enjoining the sheriff from selling their property for delinquent taxes. The property is not in reality assessed at its true cash value and the litigation is certain to prove fruitless and expensive. Taxes and death are hard task masters.

A dispatch received from Tillamook yesterday afternoon, states that the barkentine Quikstep, lumber laden, went ashore at Newport early yesterday morning. Tugs have gone to her assistance. Just what condition she is in, or information regarding the crew is not stated, but it is presumed that she will be pulled off today.

Remember that there are but a few days left in which to see the great seven-act bill at the Star. It is a programme which is a hummer and there is not a tiresome number in the lot. See the comedians, singers, dancers, soubrettes, acrobats and actors. There is something to suite every taste and all in plentiful and pleasing variety. Don't miss this feast of fun.

Rev. Mr. Mahone of the Congregational church has arranged for a series of lectures to be delivered this winter. The lectures will be of an educational nature, the first being delivered by Rev. E. L. House of Portland on the night of December 30. Dr. Brougher of Portland, Dr. Gilliam of Chicago and Rev. Dwight Hill of Brooklyn will deliver lectures during the winter. Rev. Mahone is to be congratulated on securing the services of such eminent lecturers.

The annual memorial service of Astoria lodge, 180, B. P. O. E., will be held in the Odd Fellows' hall at 3 p. m. Sunday, December 4. Owing to the great rush for seats in past years the committee has found it necessary to issue invitation cards, in order that the wives and friends of Elks may be accommodated. The hall will be opened at 2 o'clock, and all invited guests are requested to be seated not later than 2:30 in order to avoid any unnecessary disturbances, and to enable the service to commence promptly. Children will positively not be admitted. Invitation cards must be presented to the ushers at the door.

The records of Weather Observer Masters show that the following weather conditions existed in Astoria during the month of November. Highest temperature, 70 on the 9th; lowest temperature, 37 on the 18th; cloudy days, 26; clear days, 4; precipitation, 17.43 inches. During the same month last year the rain fall was 12.43 inches. The rainfall for the month was large, but is not the record, as in 1899 it was 17.77 and in December 1896 it was 19.14. The rainfall to date during the present year has been 73.75 inches while the general average for a year is 76.24, but this will surely be exceeded, as the average rainfall for December is 12.72 inches, so the total rainfall for the year should be about 86 inches. It will not be a record either, as during several years this has been exceeded.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. Bawer of Seattle is in the city.

M. Kenney of Svenson was in the city yesterday.

A. L. Myers of Grants Pass is in the city on a visit.

Frank Scott of Seaside was a visitor in Astoria yesterday.

C. D. Thomas of Victor, Col., is visiting friends in the city.

A. A. Seaborg, postmaster at Ilwaco, was in the city yesterday.

John Volmer of Seaside was in Astoria yesterday on business.

W. S. Hamilton of Altoona was in the city yesterday on business.

William Brown of Locksly Hall, Seaside, was in the city yesterday.

R. A. Gibson and Mr. Ackerman of the News went to Cannon Beach Thursday.

Max Young and wife leave for San Francisco Saturday to be absent two months.

Captains J. A. Ryan and H. L. Steel of Fort Stevens were visitors in Astoria yesterday.

R. A. Hawkins of Ilwaco, Wash., is a visitor in this city. He is the Ilwaco representative of the Columbia Packers' Association.

B. A. Seaburg of the Seaburg Packing Company is in town from Bay View and reports a most successful season just finished.

P. B. Sovey, formerly with The Astorian, has purchased an interest in the News. The News is to be congratulated on securing the services of one of the best newspaper writers in the city.

It is believed that Mr. Bryan had the happiest thanksgiving in the last eight years.

According to the census reports, cooks are better paid than school-teachers. A man's stomach holds more than his head.

DAUGHTER'S HUNT

Has Not Seen Father for Over Two Score Years.

WAS PIONEER OF THE WEST

Masons and Odd Fellows Have Been Unable to Assist in the Search for the Old Norseman and Aid of Newspapers Invoked.

A peculiar letter, bearing every evidence of authenticity, was handed The Astorian yesterday by the compiler of the local directories, and in it is related the pathetic story of a daughter who has never seen her parents, and has spent years in the search for her father. The assistance of two of the largest secret orders in the world, of which the missing man was a member, was unproductive of result and Mrs. A. F. Gardner, the daughter, has at last invoked the help of the newspapers to locate the Norse pioneer who was her father.

Among other things, she mentions her thanks for the loan of 350 directories, through all of which she has carried her unavailing search.

"Think of it! 350 directories! The father, if alive, is a very old man now, and the anxiety of the daughter to locate the old man whom she has never seen, and might be presumed to have all but forgotten, is an unusual expression of filial affection.

The text of the letter follows: "477 Franklin Ave., Hartford, Conn., 11-24-04.

"Dear Sir: I have for several years been searching for my father, Christopher Columbus Stream, who is supposed to be in either Oregon or Wash.

"He was born in Norway about sixty-five years ago coming to this country when a boy (with his parents, I presume), locating, I believe, in either Montreal or Kingston, Ont., Canada, where, I believe, he married my mother, Margaret Gennell. She died in 1874 while they were living at Sciota, N. Y., leaving me an infant of six months. I was adopted by her aunt, she died nine years later.

"I had a brother Michael and two sisters, Margeret and Cecelia, if living they are about 34, 37 and 39 years of age.

"Father's second wife was Selina Bassett Sincal or Sinclair of Sciota, N. Y., a widow with three children, Henry, Frank and Julia, two others, Alice and May, were born to them.

"In 1881 they moved to 1307 Poplar St., St. Louis, Mo.

"Father was tall and fair, weighing about 240 lbs., a cabinetmaker by profession.

"He was an Odd Fellow and Mason, member of Northern Light lodge, 505, St. Chazy, N. Y.

"In 1888 they moved to either Oregon or Wash., where all trace of them was lost.

"Mr. E. Geer, printer of our directories, has very kindly allowed me to look through his list of about 350 directories, if you can assist me in any way I will be very grateful. I have always lived among strangers and never seen any of my own people.

"If you cannot assist me will you kindly hand this to your P. M. or leading daily paper some good results might come from it. Will be very grateful for the kindness.

"Hoping to hear favorably from you I am very respectfully your,

"ANNA F. GARDNER."

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