

A Merry Christmas to All

Grocery Store Closed all day Monday
Meat Market Open to 9 a. m. Monday.

ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.
Good Goods Our Specialty.

Local Brevities.

For Rent—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 165 Tenth street.

The local county offices were closed yesterday because of the holiday.

A shipment of sweet apple cider just in, 35c a gallon. Astoria Grocery.

Special sale of toilet and manicure sets at Woodfield's Art Store on Bond street.

Armor's Genuine English plumb pudding. One and two pound tins. Astoria Grocery.

Thompson's glove-fitting corsets and R. & G. corsets at cost price. Black and Gray. Shanahan's.

The streets from the top of the hill were naturally muddy and wet yesterday, and there were some minor accidents.

We have received a carload of eastern oak. It is of superior quality and will be sold in lots to suit purchasers. Fisher Bros. Co.

All patrons of Fishers' opera house are notified that the reserved seat sales will be at Griffin's book store as usual, commencing this morning at 9 o'clock.

No action has been taken as yet for an exhibit from Clatsop county at the Lewis and Clark fair, and it is very probable that no exhibit will be made.

The Grotto will supply patrons with delicious Tom and Jerry every day. The superior quality of goods which has made the Grotto popular, will be supplied.

The Christmas festivities of the Congregational church, with an appropriate program, participated in by the Sunday school children was enjoyed last evening.

A good tooth brush is a prime requisite in the care of teeth. I have the brush, and will replace it if bristles come out. Charles Rogers.

A miniature saddle is displayed at the harness shop of A. D. Craig, which will be placed on exhibition at the Lewis and Clark fair as a sample of fine workmanship.

Temple lodge A. F. & A. M. will hold an installation this evening at its hall. Refreshments will be served. The usual festivities incident to these occasions will be observed.

The small river-boats brought a large number of visitors to Astoria yesterday who came to do trading, but were compelled to return home on account of the business houses being closed.

Herman Duncan has purchased a lot of the Boelling estate in the rear of Dr. Alfred Kinney's residence on Duane street and will erect a soda works plant on the property. Work will be commenced on the new building soon after new years.

The lumber has been delivered for the new warehouse to be erected on the new wharf of the Callender Transportation Company, and the contract has been let for building it. Work will be commenced at once and completed as soon as possible.

The Chemawa football team left last evening for Ft. Stevens, where they will be entertained by the Ft. Stevens eleven for the next four days. Two games will be played, one on Wednesday and one on Thursday. Today is field day at the fort.

Concomley Tribe of Red Men had a Christmas tree last evening at Astoria hall for the members and their families. A literary and musical program was carried out. Santa Claus distributing the presents to old and young and a very enjoyable time was had.

On account of the sudden illness of the leading lady of the Keith stock company there was no performance at Fishers' opera house last evening. Last night's tickets are good for this evening, when "Slaves of Russia" will be produced. Seat sale now on at Griffin's book store.

The press of Astoria is flooded with Lewis and Clark fair literature sent from the bureau of advertising. The Astoria papers pay no attention to the dead-head advertising, as more important reading matter is always obtainable with which to fill the columns of the local papers.

Christmas services were held at the Presbyterian church last evening. A Christmas cantata by the Sunday school children was a feature of the evening's entertainment. An appropriate program was carried out and a beautifully decorated yule tree was enjoyed by all present.

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.

There has been considerable demand for business property during the past week, but the present owners refuse to sell even at fabulous prices. It is almost impossible for outside investors to buy property in the city, as the most desirable is owned by a half-dozen persons who will neither sell or improve it.

The Palace Turkish baths are a source of delight to the patrons who frequent the establishment—courteous treatment and your comfort guarded. Lady attendants furnished for lady patrons by appointment. These baths are especially recommended by the leading physicians of the city and respectfully solicit your patronage. Turkish baths and bed \$1.00. Russian bath 50 cents.

There will be a mass meeting of the citizens of Upper Astoria tonight at the old Adair schoolhouse to discuss the proposition of building a public thoroughfare from the eastern limits of the city to the western limits. Everybody interested is requested to be present. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. C. E. Linton, the manufacturing chemist, well and favorably known to the apostles of materia medica in Oregon, has opened a first-class drug store at 1496 Franklin avenue. Dr. Linton is not only a graduate pharmacist, but has made several discoveries in the treatment of pulmonary troubles that bid fair to bring him fame and fortune.

The common council will meet in adjourned session tonight. Among the matters to be considered is the acceptance of the Ninth street improvement and payment of the contractor for the work. This matter came up at the last meeting, but objections were made as to the uncompleted condition of the street, and it was referred to the street committee for investigation.

The Oregonian yesterday publishes a list of the representatives to the state legislature together with their occupations. Robert Burns is a representative from Clatsop county and his occupation is given as a fisherman. If the Oregonian would insist that its reporters were dry behind the ear before giving them a position on the reportorial force, the news items might be more accurate.

Yesterday was generally observed as a holiday. All the stores were closed, the banks, county and city offices, and many people, especially outside visitors, were greatly inconvenienced. No legitimate excuse has been offered why there should be two holidays in a week, and it was of no benefit to anyone. There is no place for a young man to spend his time on such days, except in the saloons and cigar stores.

There will be no meeting today of the fishermen, cannerymen and legislative delegation as previously announced. The question of calling another meeting was left to Senator Tuttle, and as at the former meeting it was impossible to agree, it was decided that no further meeting was necessary. The seiners and trappers have sent their recommendations to Master Fish Warden Van Dusen, taking the same out of the hands of the committee. The whole matter will be left to the legislative delegation.

Officer Thompson yesterday arrested Bud Knutson upon a charge of fighting with a man named Griffiths. The row occurred in a downtown resort. Griffiths got the worst of the fight. He was cut about the face and had his elbow dislocated. He was taken to Dr. Henderson's office, where the elbow was reset. Knutson will probably be arraigned in the justice court this morning on a charge of assault and battery. The punishment in such cases is wholly inadequate, and the only way to break up such practices is to give the defendant the full limit.

In appreciation of many favors extended, the employees of the W. C. Laws Co. presented their employers with a token of esteem. A rather diffident young man was selected to make the presentation speech. He presented J. N. Laws with a fountain pen, with the request that their checks be signed promptly. To W. C. Laws was given a silver-mounted rule, with the request that correct measurements be given. The presents were highly appreciated by the gentlemanly proprietors.

The schoolhouse at Oysterville was burned to the ground last Friday night. Some men noticed a light in the second story about 6 o'clock, and on investigation found the building on fire near the roof. They gained entrance by breaking in the door and immediately gave the alarm of fire by shouting and ringing the bell. A large crowd soon gathered and did everything in their power to save the building, but their efforts were of no avail. The smoke was so dense in the upper room that no one could reach the fire, and there wasn't a ladder in town. The building with its contents is a total loss. The loss is estimated at \$1500.

Tomorrow evening the Keith stock company opens its week's engagement at Fishers' opera house, presenting the great comedy-drama entitled "Slaves of Russia." The company has been accorded everywhere they have appeared great praise from the press and public, and its engagement should be a rousing one, as no doubt it will be. The performances are continuous, as specialty turns are given between acts. Don't fail to secure your seats early and avoid the rush at the door. Prices of admittance are: Reserved seats 35 cents; adults in gallery, 25 cents; children in gallery, 15 cents.

Senator Tuttle and Representatives Laws and Burns are engaged in preparing several bills which they will introduce at the session of the legislature which convenes on January 9. The charter revision committee did not consult Senator Tuttle relative to proposed amendments and it is reported that he has some important amendments that will be introduced. One is for repealing the police commission, and it is understood that this has the indorsement of Representative Laws. As there is no police commission at present, and probably will not be for some time to come, the repeal of the law will meet the approval of a large majority of the people.

HURT IN CELL.

Oppenheimer Falls on Jail Floor in a Fit.

Ben Oppenheimer, who was arrested by Sheriff Liville for uttering some worthless drafts, fell in a fit on the floor of the county jail and received some severe bruises, especially about the face. He is a large, heavy man, and consequences of coming into collision with the cement were disastrous. Oppenheimer was doing well last evening, however, and seems to feel pretty well now, though the fall which he was to have secured has not been seen as yet.

Star's Holiday Bill.

Not only was standing room at a premium at the Star last evening, but Manager Gervurtz was compelled to give three performances instead of two in order to accommodate the immense crowd. The streets were blocked by an eager throng anxious to witness the finest bill ever presented at the Star. The Zat Zams have an act that is truly marvelous and creates intense excitement. They throw knives in a way that seems dangerous and reckless, but they never make a mistake. Herbert, the frog man, is one of the best contortionists ever seen in Astoria. The impression prevails that he hasn't a bone in his body, when he ties himself into a double bow knot. Weaver and Jones, the female impersonators, made a decided hit. Their wardrobe is beautiful and of the latest fashion and they are experts in their line. One of the most attractive features of the bill is Wheelan and Holmes, presented as an acrobatic Chinaman and a Japanese soubrette, and to see them none would suspect that they were white people, so clever are their impersonations. The moving pictures and other attractions make the bill at the Star this week the best ever presented.

Go to the New Style Restaurant for a square meal.

Northern Spy and Baldwin apples, \$1 a box. Astoria Grocery.

Take Point or Shoal Water Bay oysters at the New Style Restaurant.

Have you seen the new automatic Morris chairs? The only place to get them is at Zapp & Co's.

Weathered oak rockers, upholstered in genuine leather. The finest line in the city is at Zapp & Co's.

We have a few boxes of nice apples which we offer at 75c per box while they last. Astoria Grocery.

There is no complaint about business at the Star saloon. Good goods and courteous treatment will draw trade to any first-class saloon. That's what makes business good at the Star. The best is none too good for our customers.

Good Morning!

We hope you've had a Merry Christmas. If you overlooked anyone when you were selecting your gifts and would like to remember them New Year's, just drop in and let us show you through our store. You'll find here appropriate gifts to suit all occasions.



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