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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Taxes Being Paid.—Up to date about \$17,000 has been collected by the sheriff's office on the tax list.

Body Cremated.—The body of Joseph Winterhalder, who died a few days ago in San Francisco of apoplexy, was cremated yesterday morning in that city.

Sell Property.—Frank S. Little, trustee for the Warrenton Lumber Company, has issued notice of the sale of the property to occur on the twenty-sixth of this month.

Plans Completed.—Word has been received in this city that the plans and specifications for the new Astoria Savings Bank will arrive here in the near future. As soon as they arrive, bids for construction of the new building will be advertised for, and steps for immediate construction be taken.

For Woman's Suffrage.—There will be a series of meetings held the coming week under the leadership of Miss Laura Gregg. The first meeting will be held this afternoon at 2:30 in the parlors of the Baptist church. Sunday evening, February 18th, at 8 o'clock, she will speak in Suomi Hall in Uniontown. Notice of other meetings will be given later. The public is cordially invited.

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An Official Trip.—Sheriff Thomas Linville went to Seaside yesterday, to serve the papers in the case of the Seaside Spruce Lumber Company versus H. A. Stiles and others, lately filed on the civil docket of this county.

The Time Fixed.—Judge Trenchard, sitting for probate, yesterday, made an order in the matter of the estate of John Thomas, deceased, fixing Monday, March 19th, at 10 o'clock a. m. for hearing the final account of the executor of said estate.

Under Two Flags.—This stirring drama will be rendered at the Star theatre on the night of Friday, February 23rd (next Friday), under the auspices of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, of this city. Tickets, 50 cents.

On Business Trip.—Charles Corby, of New York City, was in Astoria yesterday, on business. He is the head of the Corby Commission Company and was identified with the Pacific Selling Company during the regime of Thomas McGovern, and until the latter concern ceased to do business, when he became the moving spirit in the company that bears his name.

Eighteenth Street Sewer.—At the next meeting of the city council it is probable that a resolution for constructing the Eighteenth street sewer will be introduced and passed. At a previous meeting the report of the street committee which recommended that the improvement be made, was adopted, which action shows that the council members are not opposed to having the work done.

Bank to Open.—Next week the State Bank of Rainier will open for the first time. The capital stock is placed at \$25,000 and the principal stockholders are Carleton Lewis, of Gardiner, Me.; Dean Blanchard and J. P. Blanchard and J. P. Sibley of Rainier, and W. C. Morris, of Portland. It is the intention of the bank to erect a stone building for occupancy in the near future, and at the present time the bank will be in only temporary quarters.

Loggers Fooled.—A man representing himself as agent for St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, appeared a few days ago at a logging camp at Oak Point, where he took orders from the workmen and before presenting them to the foreman for payment, raised all the amounts. He is reported to have secured something over \$100. The man subsequently disappeared, and though the Portland authorities were notified by W. J. Redmond, the foreman, no trace has yet been obtained of his whereabouts.

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

Wants to Resign.—Edward Hallock, who was ousted from the office of Chief of Police by the commission at their meeting Thursday afternoon, has sent

a letter to Chairman Page of the board, requesting that he be permitted to resign his position as Chief of Police. Mr. Hallock further requested that he be allowed to remain in the department under the acting Chief Gammal, until he could make his reports ready, and put the affairs of the office in proper shape for the new chief. The board will probably meet soon to act on the request of Mr. Hallock. It is likely that his request will be granted by the commission.

Astoria-Seaside.—The Astorian is in a position this morning to give out the assurance that the Astoria-Seaside electric railway is a positive "go!" The enterprise has money and brains and business behind it, and all the legal formalities have been attended to; and the projectors are busy preparing for the preliminary work, gathering men, supplies, teams, scrapers and all the impedimenta that goes with the initial steps of such an undertaking; and would give the source of the good news if it did not want to figure as the authority for it. Newspapers like to take a hand once in a while and announce things just because they know them to be so.

Doing Good Work.—About twenty members of the West End Improvement Club are at work cleaning up their end of the city; raking and hauling and burning the refuse that has gathered and making things hum in the way of appearances out that way. This is a splendid example and will undoubtedly be promptly followed by the other clubs, though it is said the other three have their own projects and methods of work laid out and are pursuing them in good fashion. Surely Astoria will have reason to thank the public spirit that brought these elements of utility and advancement into existence.

The handiest book, contains the greatest amount and most valuable information: 1906—THE WORLD ALMANAC—25 cents at Svenson's Book Store.

Will Begin at Once.—Mr. T. W. Kibbee, the constructing engineer in custody of the new gas lighting plant of the Astoria Improvement Company, said yesterday that the work would begin just as soon as about a dozen of his trained assistants arrived from Yakima, where he was last at work, and that he would, upon their reaching the city, at once start the construction of a gas-tank of 50,000 cubic feet capacity. He talks modestly about the proposition, but with evident certainty of the whole project being performed as the terms of the franchise provide, and within reasonable time. The process for making the gas, is based upon a combination of oil and water, and will be so built that either base may be employed.

The Lost is Found.—Swan Mackie, the man from Warrenton, who was reported lost for a day or two past, has returned to the bosom of his family and is none the worse for his absence. It seems that on Tuesday last he imbibed a bit too freely and became so mixed as to directions that he essayed to reach his Warrenton home by walking out over the "A. & C." trestle east of the city and leading toward Portland and New York. After getting across, he was overtaken by a train which he concluded was the Seaside local and boarded it for Warrenton. He went as far up the road as Clifton before he discovered his error and alighted from the train and began a toilsome home ward march, which ended happily on Wednesday evening.

Quintette of Transfers.—There were five deeds recorded yesterday, signifying that many changes in Clatsop titles to realty. The list was as follows: O. F. Morton and wife to Mrs. Flora A. Trullinger, warranty deed, consideration \$1050, conveying lot 1, block 15, McClure's Astoria. James W. Goff to O. F. Morton, warranty deed, consideration \$850, conveying lot 1, block 15, McClure's Astoria. Otto Nelson and wife to S. E. Harris, warranty deed, consideration \$10, conveying lots 22 and 23, block 2, Hills' Addition to Ocean Grove. Caroline Strong to Hiram Leinenweber, warranty deed, consideration \$1500, conveying lot 2, block 46, McClure's Astoria. Louise F. Ott to Adolph G. Ott, warranty deed, consideration \$1, conveying lot 7, block 2, Ocean Grove.

Had to Move Out.—Yesterday morning the excavation for the proposed new gas plant was begun on lot 1, block 15, McClure's, but before the work had proceeded far, it was discovered that the lot was not the property of the company, but belonging to Thomas Trullinger, who had purchased the property from O. F. Martin. It seems that the lot originally was the property of J. P. Goff of San Francisco, who had given the agent of the Astoria Improvement Company an option on it until the first of March, but that in the meanwhile he had executed a deed to the property to O. F. Morton who disposed of the

land the other day to Mr. Trullinger. When this fact was discovered, the new company at once secured the lot east of the original one and will construct the plant there instead of where first intended.

In Police Court.—The case of C. J. Cooper, charged with vagrancy, which was continued over from Thursday afternoon until yesterday, because the defendant imagined he was innocent, was concluded at that time, after a brief hearing, with the result that Cooper will rest in the shadow of the bars for a period of twenty days. The defendant, a sallow faced, dissipated, appearing youth, was inclined to argue the matter with Judge Anderson. He said that work was his only hobby in life. "I have always worked," he asserted. "Labor to me is a pleasure." Judge Anderson gently suggested, that maybe it was other people that Cooper worked, and not himself. "Well, if you are so anxious to work," said the judge, "I will furnish you an opportunity. I will give you twenty days in jail, and will try and arrange it so that you can devote this time to improving the appearance of our city streets. As you have doubtless heard, we have improvement leagues in town, and they are anxious to secure men to labor, so I will turn you over to their gentle mercies."

Post-Office Newslets.—Yesterday at 4 o'clock p. m. Edward R. Sutton, carrier No. 5, in the local postal service, filed with Postmaster John Hahn, his resignation, to take effect on the 28th of the present month. Mr. Sutton intends to leave immediately after that date for Fairbanks, Alaska, where he will find something congenial and profitable in a business way. He has been to Alaska before and is, therefore, in a position to know what to expect in that frigid zone. There being no regular substitute carrier on the list at present, Substitute Howard Pinnell having resigned, it is the intention to supply Mr. Sutton's place by the appointment of Andrew McCroskey, temporarily, until a new list of eligibles shall be received. Hans M. Bue will succeed Mr. Minardi, the night distributor, being the substitute in this behalf, and in line of promotion. Postal Inspector O. C. Riehes is on a tour of inspection of the Clatsop county and contiguous post-offices. He subjected the Astoria office to rigid inspection during the present week and found everything in splendid shape, and has been circulating among the lesser posts on the same duty. The new parcels post treaty with Sweden has gone into effect here, and now it is possible to send matter to that country direct, other than letters and printed matter. An advantage which will be made good use of by very many of Astoria's citizens when it shall become widely known.

CARD OF THANKS.

The Trustees of the First Presbyterian church have received from the A. Dunbar Company, seventy-five (\$75) dollars, proceeds of the voting contest lately held by them and we hereby express our thanks for the same. The money has been placed in the building fund of the church. For the Trustees, J. BRYCE, Treasurer.

FISH IN COLORADO AND UTAH WATERS

For a number of years now fish in the mountain streams contiguous to the line of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad in Colorado and Utah have been increasing in great numbers. The United States government and State hatcheries are each year planting a hundred times more fish (trout) than are taken out of the streams by hook and line. Prior to 1904 the annual planting was between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000. In 1904 the number reached 6,326,000 and in 1905, 7,969,000. It is expected that even this astonishing record will be exceeded in 1906. This continuous fish propagation insures the angler first-class sport for years to come. The 1905 distribution in detail is shown on the accompanying sheet.

From the way the coal mine owners are stacking away the coal and then building stockades around it, one would suppose there was danger of its getting away from its corner—or is it their corner? For certainly it cannot be the ubiquitous sort known as run of the mine.

LEST YOU FORGET.

Is it not about time you were getting that buggy fixed up? It may need new rubber tires or perhaps some other repairs. If so, take it to Andrew Asp & Company. They also do all kinds of blacksmithing and repair work.

SUDDEN CHANGE.

If you contracted a cold in the recent change of weather, you will find a remedy of real merit in Tar & Wild Cherry—or Abbott's Cold Cure. At Frank Hart's Drug Store. See our window display of purses and leather goods, etc.

5 BIG SPECIALS For Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 15, 16, 17. 35c PLAID and FANCY DRESS GOODS at .33. \$1.00 SHOES, Sizes 5 to 8 1-2 at .65. \$1.50 SHOES, sizes 11 to 2, at 1.00. \$1.50 LACE CURTAINS .98. 25c LADIES' FAST BLACK (Topsy) Hose .19. Morse Dept. Store Where Everybody Likes to Trade.

Church Notices

Norwegian-Danish Methodist. The Norwegian-Danish M. E. Church, Uppertown, Rev. C. Aug. Peterson, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The evening sermon will be devoted to the coming battle and the "Liquor Dealers' Proposed Change of the Local Option Law." Sunday school at 10 a. m., Albert Carlsen, superintendent. Young People's prayer meeting at 7 p. m., Rev. E. L. Nanthrup, leader.

First Presbyterian. First Presbyterian church, Rev. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock, theme of sermon, "The World-State and the World's Evangelization." Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock, "Christian Citizenship." Chorus choir.

First Baptist. The Baptist church will observe all the usual Sunday services tomorrow. Subjects of sermons will be, "A Call to Better Things", and "Saved to Serve." Come everybody.

First Lutheran. Services at the First Lutheran church tomorrow as usual. Morning services at 10:45 in Swedish. Evening service at 7:30 in English. The theme for the evening sermon is, "The Word and the Heart." Everybody cordially invited.

First M. E. Church. At the Sunday evening service at 7:30 o'clock, Mrs. Geo. Watkins will sing. Mrs. Watkins has one of the finest voices ever heard in Astoria and we are sure her host of friends will be glad to hear her again, and especially so as she, with her husband, will have Monday to make their home Portland. The other services of the day are the class meeting at 10:15 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12:15 and Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all, not only to hear Mrs. Watkins, but to all the service.

It is said that one of District-Attorney Jerome's diversions is making clocks. We suspect that this inference is derived from the fact that he is always on the watch.

Allen and Eigner wish to announce that there will be music at the skating rink on both Tuesday and Friday evenings. Spectators will be charged admission on music nights only.

THE HUNGRY MAN.

The hungry mortal is almost universal (at times). When one is hungry he wants something good and wants it quick, well-served, in comfortable quarters, and at reasonable cost. That's what he wants; and if in Astoria, he goes where he knows he can get satisfaction under all these conditions, that is, to the Palace Restaurant, on Commercial street, opposite the Page building. The stranger going there once, goes there always. Party, and banquet, service, on the same satisfactory scale.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Notice is hereby given that the Shively Improvement Club respectfully requests that all residents living within the borders of Shively's Astoria take steps within the next ten days to clear their premises of all debris so that they will present a cleanly appearance. In the meaning of this notice it is expected that all front and back yards, sidewalks and gutters be cleared from all rubbish which causes an unsightly appearance. Failure to comply with the request within ten days of this notice will cause the delinquent to be reported to the club. An early compliance to the suggestion will be appreciated. By order of SHIVELY IMPROVEMENT CLUB, K. OSBORN, President, HARRISON ALLEN, Secretary. Astoria, Oregon, February 8, 1906.

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