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Ordinances Signed—All warrants ordered and ordinances passed at the last regular meeting of the common council on Monday evening and the adjourned session held Tuesday evening, were signed last night by Mayor Wise.

Prisoner Sentenced—George Sumers, who was arrested on a charge of vagrancy, has been sentenced by Judge Anderson to pay a fine of \$100, or spend fifty days in jail. Being short of money, Mr. Anderson may be constrained to make Astoria his residence for some time to come. However, if a diet of bread and water cultivates in him sufficient distaste for this city, he may be given a chance to leave before his term expires.

Masonic Election—Temple Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., of this city, has elected its officers for the new Masonic year, choosing the following gentlemen for the several posts: Worshipful Master, Dr. Frank Vaughan; Senior Warden, G. A. Schultz; Junior Warden, Clark Loughery; Treasurer, J. Q. A. Bowlby; Secretary, M. E. Masterson. The venerable ex-secretary, E. C. Holden, of this city, addressed a communication to the lodge, protesting against his re-election to the office of secretary, a post he has held there with honor to himself and the fraternity for a full quarter-century. Temple and the Eastern Star lodges will unite in a joint installation of their officers on the night of Thursday, December 27.

Verdict Filed—The coroner's jury heretofore sworn to the inquiry into the manner of the death of the late John D. Miller, who was so brutally treated at his scow home near Aldrich's Point, a few weeks ago, and which recessed to make further investigations, has filed the following verdict with Coroner W. C. A. Pohl in that relation: "We, the undersigned jurors, sworn to inquire of the cause of the death of John D. Miller, on oath do find, that he came to his death at Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, on November 27, 1906, and that his death resulted from exposure and injuries inflicted on him at his scow near Aldrich's Point, Clatsop county, Oregon, by persons unknown to us, who went there and committed this deed for the purpose of robbery, and we charge them with the crime of murder."

Rogue's Gallery Needed—In conversation with an Astorian reporter yesterday, Police Sergeant Twombly pointed out the need of a Rogue's Gallery in connection with the police service here. At present the only gallery is the imperfect collection made by Mr. Twombly at his own expense and housed in a drawer. This is of course not adequate. The only certain method of keeping criminals and suspects under surveillance is the photographic system. Astoria is certainly large enough for such a system, and the cost of installation would be very slight. It is to be hoped that the police commission and the common council will take this matter up and further increase the efficiency of the Astoria police service, especially in this wise, since \$100 would amply cover the cost of equipment. It is said the idea has the sanction of Chief Gammal and others interested.

Poor Business Methods—Without any advertised notice to that effect, the steamer F. A. Kilburn has, for some time, rejected all southbound freight out of this port, and in several instances this has caused a down-right loss, not only to her owners, but to the Astoria business firms who have relied upon her to take out or bring in shipments, having no formal notice of her orders to repudiate them. The latest case in point is that of the Tallant-Grant Packing company, which, on her last trip south, had a thousand cases of tins to ship to the Eel River Cannery, via Eureka, and which she left upon the dock without any "aye or nay" about it. Incidental with this, comes the news of a splendid run of salmon in Eel river, and the cannerymen there are simply helpless for want of tins in which to pack the catch. Thus the Kilburn loses the hauling both ways (as the 1,000 cases were but part of a 6,000-case shipment to that destination) and the Tallant-Grant people are subjected to a rank and undeserved loss as well. It is a poor system of doing business for a regular liner.

Quarantine Hospital Here—Dispatches from Washington state that the Secretary of the Treasury in his report to Congress has approved the recommendation of the local office that a quarantine hospital be established in connection with the Astoria quarantine station. The hospital, which will doubtless be established, will probably be a one-story building with a capacity of ten or twelve patients and several nurses, so arranged that the several wards will have no inside means of communication with each other.

Special Matinee Christmas at 2:15 p. m. The beautiful pastoral drama, "A Woman's Struggle," at the Star Theater.

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Operation Performed—Jacob Davy, driver for the Lindstrom Liquor Company, was operated upon for appendicitis yesterday morning. He is still in a critical condition, but the chances are good for his recovery.

Matters of Estate—Judge Trenchard yesterday made an order in probate appointing Messrs. G. Wingate, Jas. Finlayson and Benj. Ward appraisers of the estate of the late Hiram Gray. They will meet at Warrenton, on the 27th instant in this behalf.

Quick Work Done—At 5 o'clock on Tuesday morning last, Henry Laxell, the well known saloon man, was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis, and was ordered to the hospital at once by his physician, Dr. J. A. Fulton. At 7 o'clock that evening he was operated on successfully, and yesterday he was resting easily, and on the high road to recovery.

Mistletoe for Sale—Call at 190 Duane street, corner 9th. 12-20-14

Burnt Leather—Miss Farnell has placed articles of burnt leather, for sale, during Christmas week, in the windows of Mrs. Ross' millinery store. 6t

Library Addition—The library board contemplates the purchase of more new books in the near future. Part or all of the money realized at the benefit production of "A Trial by Jury" will be devoted to this purpose.

The Wrong Man—The Astorian was misinformed as to Charles Holmes being in the runaway on Tuesday afternoon on Seventeenth street. It was his animal, alright, but it was being driven by some one else, and not by Mr. Holmes.

Buried Today—The body of George Fisher, the sailor who met his death last week at the hands of Captain Forest of the schooner Annie Larson, will be interred today in the Potter's Field, near Warrenton. The authorities have not been able to communicate with the unfortunate man's relatives, who are in Holland.

Officers Take Oath—The oath of office has been taken by all of the recently elected city officials. They will assume office at noon Monday, Jan. 6, at which time the new council will hold its first meeting and the regular standing committees will be named. The new officials are L. O. Belland, councilman, third ward; Jens Hansen and L. Lebeck, councilmen, first ward; Chas. H. Abercrombie, city attorney, and Herman Wise, mayor.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

A. Johnson of the Yeager country was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

B. J. Atwater, of Ashland, spent the day in Astoria yesterday on matters of business.

G. S. Dairymple of Spokane, was doing business here yesterday, leaving on the evening express for Portland.

R. J. Murray of St. Louis, was among the business tourists in Astoria yesterday.

C. V. Clarke of Butte, put in the day here yesterday, in quest of business for his shoe house.

E. P. Appleton, of New York, was a visitor in this city yesterday.

W. B. Scannon, a Portland contractor, was in the city yesterday on business bent.

H. T. Loughhead of Eugene, was in the city yesterday, on his way to Tillamook City.

D. W. Anderson of Medford, spent the day in this city yesterday, looking up certain land records.

F. R. Honeywell, of Los Angeles, was a visitor in Astoria yesterday.

G. T. McClelland, of Boise, a well known drummer in the toy line, was doing a Christmas business stunt here yesterday.

V. R. Raleigh of Stockton, Calif., spent the day here yesterday, on a business quest.

H. A. Vincent, of the N. P. Railway service, was in Astoria yesterday for a few hours.

F. A. Anstruther, of Oakland, Calif., laid over here yesterday between trains, going to the metropolis last evening.

G. W. Kaiser of Garibaldi, was in the city yesterday. He will return home on the Elmore.

VACATIONS BEGIN.

School Directors Decide to Grant Request of School Children.

The pupils of the Astoria public schools have been industriously circulating a petition asking the school board to dismiss classes next Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. It was not very difficult for the originators of the project to secure a large number of their classmates' names and the petition was yesterday presented to A. L. Clark, the secretary of the board.

It was found impossible to call a meeting of the directors, but as the consensus of opinion among the members seemed to be that the request was not unreasonable, it was granted.

City Superintendent A. L. Clark announces that the vacation will last for twelve days, beginning Friday, December 21, and ending Wednesday, January 2.

Don't fail to get a Ladies' Free ticket for the opening performance of "Eckhardt's Idylls," at the Star Theater Monday, Dec. 24.

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and his "free-for-all" deal with the minions of the police and the landlord. It is one of the best presentations made in this city in many a day.

Do You feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy an stool hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light appetizing, wholesome things? You'll save money, too.

Now's Your Time—Charles Orkwitz has just received a fine line of umbrellas and not a shop-worn article among them. Call at once!

Dr. J. M. Heit is relieving Dr. Finch, during his absence and will keep the regular hours. 12-19-14

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