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THE LEADING GROCERS

Estate Closed—Yesterday Judge Trenchard, sitting for probate matters made an order in the estate of the late L. E. Larson, approving the final account of Mrs. Annie E. Larson, as administratrix, closing the estate, discharging the administratrix and releasing the bondsmen in the premises.

Health Board Meets—Dr. Alfred Kinney of this city was in Salem yesterday attending a meeting of the State Board of Health. The following officers were elected for 1907: E. C. Pickle, of Medford, president; and E. A. Pierce, of Portland, vice president. Mr. Yenny is secretary still and likely to be for the new year.

Leaves for Tacoma—W. H. Conger, in charge of the crockery department of the A. V. Allen grocery, will leave for Tacoma shortly, to accept a similar post with the People's Store of that city. He has been with the house of Allen for the past fourteen months and he and Mrs. Conger will be missed by scores of friends they have made during their sojourn in this city.

School Buildings Repaired—The slippery board walk before the north front of the High School is being supplanted by a gravel walk and a gutter is being placed upon the roof of the building. At the Adair building new plumbing is being installed. Much needed sanitary improvements will be made, making that part of the school thoroughly up to date.

A Prosperous Year—The ladies of the Dorcas Society of the First Lutheran church, held their annual business meeting at the church last night and the reports that were filed by the retiring officers, indicate that the society is in a flourishing condition, having netted something like \$300 during the year. After the old officers had reported and retired, the new officers for the year were duly installed, and an hour was given over to social intercourse and dainty refreshments.

Announcement—Charles Hellborn & Company make the pleasant announcement that on the 2nd day of January, 1907, they will inaugurate a January Clearance Sale, at which, and during the entire month of January, they will sell anything, and everything in the house, excepting Monarch Ranges, at a discount of 20 per cent. This is made in perfect good faith, and will be carried out to the very letter and figure of the declaration.

Trouble for Offenders—Judge of the Police Court Olaf Anderson made the statement yesterday from the judicial bench that a rock pile would be established by the city's officials in the course of the next few months. Such an institution would aid the local police materially in keeping the city clear of vagrants. At present the only thing that can be done to minor offenders is to fine them, board them in jail or force them to leave the city.

Bank Examiner Here—Hon. Claud Gatch, of Salem, one of the best known financial men in the state, and now serving Uncle Sam as one of his national bank examiners, was in the city yesterday, paying his respects to the Astoria National Bank, in the course of his duty, and left for Portland, and home, on last night's 8:10 express. Mr. Gatch has been pretty well all over the Union since he assumed the position he now holds, having examined banks at Washington, D. C., New York and Chicago, and various other important points. He is a credit to Oregon wherever he may go.

Fun, Fast and Furious—The new film-string now on at the Waldorf takes the medal for fun and interest. It reveals the history of a French student who leaves a good home for his university and his career there, with all the pranks and scrapes and sins of student-life, faithfully and fully portrayed, including a visit from the old folks, who catch him in one of his maddest whims, and the old father, who has not forgotten his own college days, goes out for a night with his son, and has more experiences before morning than he ever had in his life before. The things the boys do to the professors and others, day and night, would fill a book if written out, but are pictured quickly and clearly to the man who has not time to read books, and wants to see things for himself. He gets his money's worth by taking in this entertainment.

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 dtoo 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.

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NOTICE!

As usual I ordered a number of

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

for those of my customers who have bought a certain amount of goods from me during the past year. The presents have arrived but the Railroad Company wants \$144.50 freight and I won't pay such an exhorbitant a sum as freight.

Therefore I ask that my friends be patient until the Railroad Companies accept a reasonable sum for their services or else I can secure other presents.

Respectfully,

HERMAN WISE

BEHIND EACH ARTICLE 'SOLD' IN HIS STORE

TERSE TALKS OF THE TOWN

Orkwitz sells the celebrated Victor safes; see him about it.

Dell B. Scully, Notary Public, at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

Dr. J. M. Holt is relieving Dr. Finch, during his absence and will keep the regular hours.

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

For Your Holiday Wines and Liquors see the American Importing Co. (In the Foard & Stokes Store.)

Columbia and Victor Graphophones and all the latest records at Chicago prices, for sale by A. R. Cyrus, 424 Commercial St.

How Do I look?—To really see yourself as others see you, get one of those new style mirrors at Hart's Drug Store; all prices. A new supply just received.

I am positively going to retire from business and must sell out as soon as possible and from now on will give you still greater bargains at C. H. Cooper's great retiring sale.

No Special Session—It has been authoritatively announced at the city hall that the council will not hold a special session, January 7, being the next regular date. Rumors had stated that a special meeting would be held, but this has been abandoned.

In Police Court—Charley Johnson, charged with being drunk was yesterday fined five dollars by Judge Anderson. John Turpin, alias Jon Evans, was found guilty of vagrancy and fined; the fine being suspended on condition that he leave town.

Alderbrook Dancing Club will give a regular Saturday night dance Dec. 29. Dancing begins at 8:30; everybody invited. 12-29-2t

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!

Miss Kate Woods, from Monmouth College, and her brother, Will Woods of the University of Oregon, are both at home in Astoria for the holiday season.

Captain Suiter Dead—Captain Suiter of the ship Bardowie which sailed from Astoria in August with lumber for Australia, died recently in Port Pirie, Australia.

Another Happy Couple—County Clerk Clinton yesterday issued a marriage license in favor of Mr. Samuel Wirkala, of Wahkiakum county, Washington, and Miss Anna Imple, of this city.

Ill With Rheumatism—Mrs. John Close, whose husband is an engineer residing on West Commercial street, was taken to the hospital late Thursday night, suffering with an attack of rheumatism. Dr. Estes is attending the patient, whose condition is somewhat improved.

Happy Time of It—Last evening at the First Congregational church, the children, young people and elders had a happy time dispensing the program outlined for the Christmas season. There was an interesting program of exercises first, in the body of the church, at the close of which adjournment was taken to the basement, where a brilliant holiday tree, loaded with pretty gifts absorbed general attention for an hour, after which there was a social time, and some dainty refreshments indulged in.

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Try a can and if you do not think it is better than any other you have ever used we will refund your money.

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The money spent for trinkets by the average family at Christmas time would buy an Edison Phonograph. The trinkets last about as long as Christmas does. The Edison Phonograph affords enjoyment day after day and year after year. The trinkets please only the individual recipients. The Edison Phonograph offers a continuous round of pleasure for the whole family.

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Make this Christmas the merriest of all by having for its chief feature an

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. J. C. Currier has returned from a visit with her sister at Port Townsend, who has been quite ill.

Parke Upshur, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. M. L. Upshur, librarian of the Astoria Library, has returned to Helena, Mont.

Samuel Wirkala and wife of Gray's River, are registered at the Irving Hotel.

C. C. Hall, the popular traveling man, was in Astoria yesterday.

J. Prag and wife of Portland are guests of the Merwyn Hotel.

J. B. Healey of Gray's River is making a brief visit in this city.

N. C. Stedley came in from Ocean Park yesterday and put up at the Occident.

Mrs. J. A. Robertson is visiting with friends in Astoria.

F. B. Brooks and wife of North Cove, Washington, are making this city a brief visit.

E. H. Rosemere of Fort Columbia, Wash., is staying in this city for a few days.

D. A. Donaldson of San Francisco is here on a brief business trip.

G. P. Smith and family of Oneida are registered at the Occident Hotel.

John Finlayson of Brookfield was in the city yesterday, on business, and incidentally, a guest of his father, James Finlayson, the well known real estate agent.

A. R. Travers, of Harrison, Idaho, was a business visitor in Astoria yesterday. He is a representative of one of the biggest lumber and box mills in that country, the Harrison Box and Lumber Company.

Miss Laura Fox of Portland is visiting friends in this city.

Dr. Cliff of St. Helen's returned home yesterday from Seaside.

Rev. R. S. Ronka of the First Evangelical Lutheran church, is making a visit to Portland.

C. M. Bogle of the Automatic Can Company of Seattle, is visiting John Fox of the Astoria Iron Works.

Mrs. J. Gribler left yesterday for Portland on a visit to her parents.

Dr. Paxton, student in the medical department of Willamette University, is spending the holidays in Astoria.

Mrs. W. F. Prael and Mrs. G. C. Fulton went to Seaside yesterday afternoon to prepare for a house party to be given there New Year's Eve.

Audley Gregg is making a business visit to Portland.

J. Kamm of Nehalem was in Astoria yesterday.

Wm. Baxter has come in from Tillamook, where he has been employed on the A. & C. R. R. surveying crew.

Frederick Olson, the well known merchant of Olney, is at present in Astoria on business.

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LOVERS OF MUSIC

Lovers of good music in Astoria will lose nothing by hearing Miss Bertha Garland, at the Louvre, sing the latest of all popular songs, among which is "The Golden West is Home, Sweet Home to Me," and "The Ramona," both character songs, thoroughly and beautifully rendered in her superb contralto. She is ably seconded in the vocal line by the invincible favorite, Miss Forest, whose latest contribution is "Somebody is Thinking of Someone," one of the prettiest illustrated offerings of the day. The flute playing of Miss Wand-rath forms a finale in one of the best entertainments of its kind in the city, and these three stars, perfect mistresses in their specialties, are the leading cards of the evening bill at that house.

From His Hermitage—Captain O. Frits, of the American ship St. Nicholas, now lying in winter quarters at Clifton, in the Columbia river, broke away from his hermitage yesterday, and came to the city to see how Christmas was affecting this section. He is well and hearty, but a bit lonesome at times. However, he takes the Morning Astorian, which compensates him a whole lot for the other deprivations of a social and business nature.

It's the natural food of the human body, scientifically charged with life-producing elements, unheard of in any other medicine. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. For sale by Frank Hart.

DONE BY DEED

Peninsula Land and Trust Co. to John Knuti, lot 20, block 6, Taylor's Astoria	100
Grimes Grove Land Co. to C. W. Huggins, lot 4, block 10, Grime's Grove	165
Mary Wegert et al to Crossett Timber Co., 320 acres in Sections 20 and 21, 7-6	1
J. C. Carvallo to C. S. Dow, 89 by 100 feet in block 49, Prospect Hill Add. to Astoria	200
Fannie Griffiths to E. L. Griffiths, lot 2, block 2, Austin's Add. Ocean Grove	300

"A RAGGED HERO" PLEASES.

"Eckhardt's Ideals," the excellent stock company, gave the second performance of the popular 4-act comedy drama, "A Ragged Hero," at the Star Theatre last night, to a large and appreciative audience. The play is good in every respect and the Ideals are to be congratulated on their good work, and are deserving of all the praise they receive.

A matinee will be given this afternoon at 2:30, also regular matinee on Sunday.

Commencing Monday evening with a special matinee New Year's Day, "Dora Thorne" will be presented with a complete cast and promises to be the best attraction ever seen in Astoria at popular prices.