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## TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

"The Pixies" January 30 and 31.

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

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

**Dies at Knappa**—The month-old son of Otto Carlson of Knappa died in that city Tuesday afternoon. The funeral will be held this morning with interment at the nearby cemetery.

The F. N. Clark Co. have for sale three of the finest residence lots in Astoria, at prices about one-half of their real value. Any one contemplating building a home who wants a beautiful lot should consider these. We will sell one or two together.

**Below Zero**—That's where you will be if you don't check that cold and cure that cough with Hart's Compound Syrup Tar and Wild Cherry. Sure thing. At Hart's drug store, corner 14th and Commercial streets.

**Will Conduct Funeral**—Rev. Wm. S. Gilbert, being chaplain of the 3rd regiment, O. N. G., leaves for Portland this morning to conduct the funeral services of Captain Gould. The funeral will be from the Armory and will be military.

**Principals Meet Today**—At 4 o'clock this afternoon there will be a meeting of the Astoria school principals at the office of City Superintendent A. L. Clark, in the city hall, at which time the examination questions will be given out in behalf of the approaching examinations, beginning on Friday next.

**Funeral at Knappa**—The funeral services of Mrs. Logan S. McEwan were held yesterday afternoon from the Knappa Presbyterian church, under the conduct of Rev. W. S. Short, of the Grace Episcopal church of this city. The interment was at the nearby cemetery. A number of Astorians were present.

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 and too 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. tf

Orkwitz covers umbrellas.

Reserve your Pixie tickets today.

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

For a nice piece of silverware go to Frank J. Donnerberg's. He has them. 110 11th street.

**W. C. T. U. Meeting**—The W. C. T. U. will hold their regular business meeting this afternoon, at 2:30 in the basement of the Baptist church.

**Is Recovering**—Mrs. E. Oiling of Aberdeen, who was taken to St. Mary's hospital several days ago to have an operation performed, is getting along nicely and her condition is no longer regarded as critical.

**Declarations Made**—Two natives of Austria, named Marco Glzavich and Andre Zanzvich, yesterday filed formal declarations of intention to become American citizens, with County Clerk J. C. Clinton.

**Resumes His Post**—Customs Inspector C. T. Crosby has been entirely relieved from the onus of the charges under which he was suspended some time ago, and will resume his duties at the custom house here this morning.

**Pythian Knights Elect**—The Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, held its regular annual election of officers on Tuesday night. The following were elected: Chas. A. Abercrombie, captain; Charles W. Spriggs, first lieutenant; Howard Pennell, second lieutenant; Al Schorefor, recording secretary, and Fred Johnson, treasurer.

**Genuine Success**—The whist party given last night by the Ladies of the Grand Army at Carnahan's Hall, was a genuine success in every particular. Joe Berg carried off the first prize for gentlemen, a handsome pair of slippers, and a lady from Portland, whose name was not ascertained, took first honors, a beautiful vase, as the winner for her sex. The "booby" prizes went to David McCroskey and to Mrs. M. F. Hardesty. Light refreshments were served, and everybody enjoyed themselves immensely. The affair will be repeated again soon.

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## SHERIFF POMEROY RETURNS WITH FOX

ALLEGED MURDERER NOW OCCUPIES CELL IN COUNTY JAIL—IS BUT EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE, DECLARES CUSTODIAN.

Sheriff Pomeroy returned on last night's train, bringing with him Roy Fox, against whom a charge of murder has been filed. Young Fox looked rather haggard, perhaps because of the strain of travel, but declared that he had not committed the crime with which he is charged, that of killing Blanche Day, a 17-year-old girl, at the Waldorf dance hall, and did not fear to return here to stand trial.

Sheriff Pomeroy bears out the assertion, saying that the prisoner was at all times willing to return, but his father, not knowing the gravity of the charge, had him resist the extradition. When he found out that the charge was murder, he was willing to have his son returned to this state, at once, but at that time the papers were in the hands of the governor of Washington, and a hearing of the case had been granted.

When the testimony was shown the governor Tuesday, he pronounced that there was no reason why Fox should not be returned to this state, and accordingly made out the necessary papers and sent them to Sheriff Pomeroy. The latter at once started on his return trip with his prisoner. Roy Fox is dark, slight and of youthful appearance. Sheriff Pomeroy declares that his age is given at 18 years by those about him. This, though possible, seems to conflict with the fact that for the past year and a half Fox was in the real estate business with his father and uncle in Seattle, and that previous to this he was a vaudeville actor.

It is quite probable that the charge against Fox may be changed and a lesser crime than murder placed at his door, but at present this is a matter of conjecture only. The charge most likely to be made is that of placing a mine in a house of ill fame.

### HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL.

Benefit for Track Team Will Be Held Next Week.

The Astoria High School will give a social next Thursday evening at the A. O. U. W. hall on 10th street. A musical program followed by a social dance will be the main features of the entertainment. An excellent orchestra has been secured and the affair promises to be a decided success. The sum of a quarter of a dollar will be charged for admission and what money remains after expenses are paid will be devoted to the track team.

**Signs of the Times**—Yesterday afternoon some men, detailed from the contractor's forces at work on the L. R. & N. extension on the northshore, were busily engaged loading eight patent railway dump-cars, from the west end of the O. R. & N. docks here, on a barge which will be taken hence this morning by the steamer Volga and landed at McGowan's, presumably for immediate service.

**Dead at Beaverton**—Yesterday morning Rev. John Waters, rector of St. Mary's Catholic church, left on the 8:10 express for Beaverton, Ore., to pay the last sad honors to his fellow-priest and old college friend, Rev. J. D. Murphy, chaplain of the Catholic Orphans' home at that place, who died there on Tuesday last after a brief illness. The dead priest was 30 years of age, and deeply respected throughout the diocese.

**He Got a Telegram**—He had not been married very long and was getting along happily, when the pleasant tenor of his life was warped by the receipt of a telegram from his warlike mother-in-law, announcing her arrival on a certain train. He met her dutifully; and carried her load of bundles up home, smiling, but vengeful, and she no sooner got there than she assumed entire command of the establishment, including himself. He bent every faculty to devising ways and means of ousting her and at last skillfully paints himself to a life-like image of a small-pox patient; goes to bed and the scheme works like a charm. For life-like details of the story, see the new moving-picture films at the Waldorf.

**Captain Reed Better**—Captain Granville Reed, who was operated upon several days ago, is getting along very well, and is considered convalescent.

### THE PIXIE PERFORMANCE.

Splendid House Attests Popular Interest in the Opera.

Despite the pronounced inclemency of the weather last night, the Astoria Theatre was crowded to the very doors by an eager and interested audience, out to witness the successes of the young Astorians assigned to the huge caste in the pretty opera "The Pixies."

The unanimous verdict of the house was that the play itself was clever and dainty and pleasing in all its detail and the innumerable youngsters involved, under the leadership of the principals, Miss Katherine Shively and Mrs. Chas. H. Callender, did splendidly throughout, and tonight's performance is expected to be even better. The real merit of the whole affair is the attainment of such real excellence upon such limited basis of preparation, one short week sufficing for the big task so ably and satisfactorily done. The music is lively and engaging and the costuming rich and beautiful.

The second presentation, tonight, will, doubtless, be met with the famous old sign of "Standing Room Only."

### NEW WIRELESS STATION.

Construction, Equipment and Service, Complete and Proven.

T. P. Shea, who has been directing the construction of the wireless telegraph station at North Head, for the government, arrived in this city yesterday, and brought the pleasing intelligence that the plant is complete, fully equipped and working perfectly.

Mr. Shea informed a reporter of this paper that the operators at North Head easily picked up the wireless stations at San Diego and Mare Island in California, and Tatoosh Island and Bremerton, in Washington, showing its perfect adaptability.

Its service will be amplified by local connections with land lines and all matters of general and governmental interest and service here, will be transmitted regularly.

Two skilled operatives are now in charge of the station and they will be reinforced by two more as soon as possible.

### PRELIMINARY DEBATE.

Arrangements Perfected for First High School Contest.

The first preliminary contest to try out members for the debating team to be sent against Eugene High school in the spring will be held the second Friday in the new term.

The question debated then will be the same as that chosen for the interscholastic debate, viz., "Resolved, That the United States Should No Longer Maintain the Principles of the Monroe Doctrine." The opposing teams are stated as follows: Affirmative, Jennie Jeffries, Birdie Wise, Agnes Karlson; negative, Sidney Slovey, Stanley Young, Yoon Guilleume.

This first preliminary debate will be followed by others every Friday night until the team is completed. The entire series will be open to the general public.

### NEW LOGGING CAMP.

Work Progressing on Masten Place at St. Helen's.

It has been reported here that the logging camp of County Commissioner C. C. Masten at St. Helen's, is expected to be running at full capacity by the end of May. The camp will employ a hundred and twenty-five men, use five donkey engines and three locomotives, and have a daily maximum output of 160,000 feet of logs. Mr. Masten owns over two hundred million feet of standing timber at this point and declares he can acquire fully half as much more close at hand. The contracts for the construction of the logging road was let to M. J. Connelly of Portland, who has been at work on its construction for the past week.

### SUSPEND LICENSE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—The United States local inspectors of boilers and hulls have suspended the license of Captain H. F. Payne, master of the steamer Delnorte, for three months, for running his vessel on the rocks at Point Gorda, on Christmas Day, while on the voyage from Crescent City to this port.

### AGED NEGRESS DEAD.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 30.—Mrs. Nancy White, a negress, 106 years old, the oldest woman in Western Pennsylvania, is dead at her home in New Haven, Pa., near here. Three years ago, it is said, she did the work of a washwoman.

One Piano Number free with every \$5 Sale.

## End of Clearance Sale

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### PERSONAL MENTION.

Peter A. Becker of the Peterson & Company dry goods store at Ilwaco, was in Astoria yesterday.

M. Vore Gatlneau of Sidney, Australia, is spending a few days in Astoria.

Miss Ada Petit of Aberdeen, Wash., was in this city yesterday.

H. C. F. Gillam came down from the metropolis yesterday on a business trip.

Wm. M. Latham of the Life Saving service, was in this city yesterday.

F. P. Kendall of Portland was in Astoria on business.

Oscar Pohl and Charles Hedlund came in from Deep River yesterday on the Wenona.

Mrs. Leander Lebeck of Chinook came across the river yesterday on the Volga for a short visit in Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Sievert Olson of Chinook were in Astoria yesterday.

Mrs. R. Dealey and daughter of Olney are in this city for a visit.

F. N. Clark, the live Astoria real estate man, left for Portland last night on a business trip.

Go to A. D. Craig for your tents, awnings and all kinds of canvas work—12th and Exchange. tf

### DONE BY DEED

Columbia Harbor Land Company to Thelka M. Wastesen, lots 15 and 16, block 56, in Warrenton Park ... \$ 550  
 J. D. and F. D. Machalo to D. B. Howarter, lease, farm lands, Clatsop county, 5 years, \$600 per year... 3,000  
 R. F. Cox and wife to Wm. McPherson, 200 acres in Section 23-4-7..... 1

### CRITICISES PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The House today completed the Agricultural appropriation bill, after adopting sundry amendments. A feature was a speech, made with a view of justifying the meat inspection law, by Representative Wadsworth, of New York, who retired from Congress at the close of the session. He took the President severely to task for his letter of last summer, in criticism of the bill. The diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was sent to conference, the managers, on the part of the House, being Cousins and Howard. The river and harbor bill carrying \$84,000,000, was taken up, but no time was agreed upon for the close of the general debate.

HERE AT LAST and located in THE NEW REED BUILDING Between Commercial and Duane, on 11th St.