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#### TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

##### In the Police Court—

Judge Anderson yesterday fined a drunk and disorderly \$10. One drunk forfeited bail.

##### Marriage License—

A marriage license was issued to Chas. Kindred and Lettie G. Dunham by the county clerk yesterday.

##### Paid Out on Warrants—

City Treasurer Dealey has paid out nearly \$4000 since October 1st on warrants issued against the different funds.

##### Finished Contract—

Contractor Lebeck finished the work of driving piling at the new wood dock of the Astoria Electric Co., yesterday.

##### Fishing Not so Promising—

The good catches of fall fish which were made a few days ago have not kept up and the receipts of fish are not as large as they were the latter part of last week. Steelheads have not appeared as yet, silversides being the bulk of the catches.

##### A Fine Home—

F. L. Dunbar, ex-Secretary of State, has just completed the remodeling of his residence on Harrison avenue, and has made some substantial improvements. He has also graded the lot, and the grounds and dwelling are pretty and homelike.

##### Street Work Progressing—

Advantage is being taken of the present good weather, by the street contractors, and good progress is being made on several contracts, for street work. It is expected that by the end of the week three blocks of Irving avenue east of Thirteenth street will be finished.

##### Baseball Pennants—

J. B. Allen and Fred J. Brown, yesterday received four pennants from Chicago which are souvenirs of the late series of baseball games for the championship of the world. Two of them are of the Detroit team and two of the Chicago team and are highly valued by the recipients.

##### Informal Reception by Irving Club—

The Chamber of Commerce has received a letter of invitation from the Irving Club to attend an informal reception to be held in the club rooms between 8 and 11 o'clock on the evening of October 23rd. The invitation thus kindly extended by the club is to all of the officers and members of the Chamber, and to their wives and the ladies of their households.

The letter will be read before the next meeting of the Chamber on Monday night and it is the intention of the Chamber to attend in as large numbers as possible. The hospitality of the Irving Club is too well known to mean anything else than a most enjoyable evening.

##### Repairs Completed—

The repairs to the steamer Wenona were completed yesterday and she will go on her regular run this morning. Geo. Morton will ship a pony, by this boat, to the farm of I. Bergman to remain during the winter.

##### Rushing Work on Road—

During the present week the grading of the new road from the power house to Williamsport, connecting with the old road, near the city park, will be completed except a fill at the lower end. The placing of crushed rock on this road will be commenced next week and it is the intention to hurry matters so as to have the road completed for use during the winter months.

##### Seeking Recruits—

Recruits for the new battleship Nebraska, are being sought for and W. T. Boyd, chief turret captain, U. S. N., was in the city yesterday, on that business. It had been intended to open a recruiting office in Astoria, but finding that the time in which to secure the men was too short it was determined to continue the recruiting office, at Portland, for the present. About 300 men of different classes will be needed before the vessel can go into commission.

##### Dismantling Completed—

The dismantling of the bark Galena, which was begun several months ago, was completed yesterday. All the spars, rigging, etc., have been removed from the vessel, and are lying at West's, ready for shipment. The hull remains partially buried in the sand and nothing further will be done with it at present. Later on it will be determined whether an attempt will be made to float it. The work of dismantling the vessel was done by the Pacific Iron Works, of this city.

##### Preparing School List—

A list of children, eligible for school attendance, in Astoria, is being made and will be submitted, by Superintendent Clark, to the principals of the schools, for a report as to absentees. This is a result of the recent appointment of a truant officer, and this official will enforce the law enacted for compulsory education. All children from 6 to 14 years must attend school, and all between the ages of 14 and 16 must attend school or be at work. The penalty for violating this law, by parents, is a fine ranging from \$5 to \$25. The children, absenting themselves from school will also be punished.

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## REID MAKES STATEMENT

### SENDS OPEN LETTER TO THE PROMOTION COMMITTEE OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WITH HIS SIDE OF THE STORY.

Portland, Or., Oct. 15, 1907.  
The Editor of the Astorian.

"Dear Sir:—Your reporter called on me last night and John H. Whyte for the particulars of what transpired at the meeting last night, but I thought it best not to make same public until I had addressed to G. C. Fulton, the chairman of the committee, the inclosed letter, which shows the true position of affairs.

"I consequently telegraphed you today to call at the postoffice tonight for the inclosed copy letter which I hope you will get inserted in tomorrow (Wednesday's) Astorian. It is the only course to show the people just how the situation stands. My impression is that the Northern Pacific wish to corral us because an independent line, in case we fall into Harriman's hands—an absolute impossibility. Yours faithfully,  
"WILLIAM REID."

#### OPEN LETTER.

Portland Ore., Oct. 15, 1907  
To G. C. Fulton Esq.,  
Astoria, Ore.

Dear Sir:—Referring to your decision yesterday that the Chamber of Commerce would not aid the Portland-Oregon & Seacoast Railway Co. to get any rights of way unless on consignment by it to your Committee of \$250,000, and that the Court would not pass March, or the third Monday of February term rather, I have nothing to say. You and your Committee have a perfect right to come to any decision thereon and whether it binds the people of Astoria or not is nothing to that Railway Company. I told you in 24 hours you would have the monies for the six miles Rights of Way desired, nothing more do we need or ask, which you, however, positively declined or anything less than a \$250,000, deposit for the Chamber of Commerce. When I asked you courteously for an explanation you indiscreetly vented your ire upon me by saying that I had never built a Railway in Oregon and when I did try I got the Roads I had promoted into debt and caused their non completion. These rash untruthful statements coupled with the wild mode of expressing them has changed the controversy into a serious personal charge against me which I cannot allow to pass without correcting you, although one of your best friends on the train told me it was proverbial of your nature and to pay no attention to it.

However I am not built that way, especially when I have the History of Oregon to refute your erroneous statements and to fall back upon. In this Astoria Road the wish may be father to your thought that it should not be built by me hence the public must be apprised of the facts seeing you added yesterday you would personally fight me if I endeavored to refuse to comply with your \$250,000, deposit requirement—an unheard of demand in Railway circle—as a condition for your Chamber giving us, without resorting to the Courts, only the six miles of Right of Way, 70 acres of treeless land without a trail or access thereto, which we asked through it, and offered to pay for.

Here are the facts controverting your personal allegations that I never built any completed Road. Mr. Henry Villard said of me (as you do now) in 1880, that I never could raise money to build that line from Rays Landing to Spring field and father he would, as you now say also, prevent me building it, yet that line 94 miles in length was built by me in 18 months, and is there today except 10 miles from Rays to Woodburn, the track of which 10 miles he lifted to prevent competition with River Boats after the lease he made at 6 per cent on Stock and Bonds was repudiated. Mr. Villard seven months before his death lived to say to me he should not have opposed same, and when C. P. Huntington acquired it the Bondholders got 100 cents on the dollar therefor as per agreement he signed which I can show you. The West Side Road started by Joseph Gaston, which in opposition to Mr. Villard I completed from its present terminus Airline to Dundee Junction 53 miles, is there now also is it not and in operation? The third line I built from Portland to Dundee Junction and to Willamette River 30 miles in its construction was opposed by C. P. Huntington and yet he bought it at 100 cents on the dollar of Bondholders in 1889 after it was built and it is at foot of Jefferson Street, Portland today is it not? Yet all these three lines were acquired for cash, face value and interest to bondholders.

Now we come to your bitter pill the Astoria & South Coast Railway. Asked to enter this scheme unsolicited on my part, by D. K. Warren and your brother, Senator Fulton (and no two more honorable men ever lived), and by other Astorians in 1890 after C. P. Huntington had induced me to build it (see his letter now with John H. Whyte, Esq.), and after his meeting with me at San Francisco he did undertake it. While its construction was never finished and was unfortunate, nevertheless the 15 miles which were built and in operation, subsequently paved the way for its acquire-

ment by the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad now owned by Northern Pacific Railway Co., and yet I was the greatest financial loser therein evidenced by the fact that C. P. Huntington (whose greatest desire was to enter Astoria via the Nehalem) after getting my expenditure, \$164,000, audited by his officers at Portland, offered me the same back without interest at Hotel Portland in presence of General T. H. Hubbard, his vice-president (alive today). For declining this proposition I apprehend Astoria holds me to blame, but its people were equally responsible as its directors against Senator Fulton's protest had prior thereto declined the loan C. P. Huntington offered to make to the Astoria & South Coast Railway the money for which lay in Richard Kohler's hands at Portland for some weeks. What happened it is needless to narrate.

In the face of these facts you hold me responsible for non-completion of that road and when I endeavor now to rebuild it after obtaining the necessary funds to the Nehalem River guaranteed from London and offer to consign in bank the necessary money for the 70 acres rights of way now in litigation, in value under \$1000, the Chamber declines same unless the Los Angeles people I represent (for I do not own the Portland-Oregon & Seacoast Railway) in addition deposit with you \$250,000 in cash as security for its completion and this in the knowledge of the law which allows appropriation by the courts for any lands condemned for railway purposes.

In conclusion, construction of these 21 miles of railway (with the court's permission, I mean), cannot now be stopped by any one, as you personally will see the same in running operation before the 30th of November next year—nolens, volens.

Yours respectfully,  
WILLIAM REID.

[Note.—The above letter failed to arrive in time for publication yesterday.—Editor.]

#### NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY.

##### List of Books Just Received and Listed—More to Come.

The following new books have been received by the library: "The Bond Woman," by Sarah Ellis Ryan; "Satan Sanderogon," by Hallie Ermine Rives; "The Weavers," by Gillett Parker; "Chip of the Flying U," by B. Sinclair; "Jerry Jr.," by Jean Webster; "Tristram of Blent," by Anthony Hope; "The Mystics," by Katherine Cecil Thurston; "By the Light of the Soul," by Mary E. Wilkins Freeman; "The Brass Bond," by Louis Joseph Vance; "The Confessions of a Daddie," by Ellis Parker Butler; "The Veiled Lady," by Hopkins Smith; "Grandmother," Laura E. Richards; "The Southerners," Cyrus Townsend Brady; "Empire Builders," by Francis Lynde; "A Man's Woman," by Frank Norris; "Márcia," by Ellen Olney Kirk; "The Flyers," by George Barr McCutcheon; "Needles and Pins," by Justin Huntley McCarthy; "Caybegan," by James Hopper; "Cap'n Eri," by Jos. C. Lincoln; "The Lonely Lady of Grosvenor Square," by Mrs. Harry de la Paestre; "Uther and Igraine," by Warrick Depping; "Webster's International Dictionary."

The books are part of the new volumes purchased with the appropriation of \$100 recently made by the library board for the purchase of new volumes, for the library. Quite a number of other books will soon arrive and be placed on the shelves.

##### On Tour of Inspection—

E. A. Beals, United States weather forecaster, is in the city for a few days on an inspection trip. Yesterday he looked over the local situation and today he will make a trip to Fort Stevens and tomorrow will go to North Head and Fort Canby. After his work is finished in this section he will go from here to Aberdeen. His trip here is to familiarize himself with local conditions and see if the service can be improved in any way. He is of the opinion that this field is not covered as fully as it should be and that a regular observer stationed here the same as formerly in years past, would improve the service, also that there should be a change made at the mouth of the river. When the office was established at North Head the vessels used the north channel but now days they use the south channel and the station is too far away to properly report vessels passing in.

##### Died at Pillar Rock—

Agnes Boldt, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Boldt, died at Pillar Rock yesterday morning, aged 3 months. Funeral will be held at Pillar Rock today.

##### Infant Child Dies—

Margaret Blessing, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Blessing died at the family residence at 405 Grand avenue, yesterday.

##### Building Bridge—

Birch & Jacobson are building a bridge across the lake on the Taylor ranch at Clatsop plains. The bridge will be 300 feet long and the work will be hurried to completion.

##### The Same Old Story—

"Thorns and Orange Blossoms" held down the boards at the Astoria Theatre last night. It was the usual two-bit show for 75 cents. However, the audience had a great deal to be thankful for as it was better than the "Denver Express" that dashed through town Sunday night. Sousa and his band played at Aberdeen last night.

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#### PERSONAL MENTION

T. Alsehorn, of Tacoma, is in Astoria and will remain the balance of the week.

Chas. F. Gilman, representative of R. Nasson & Co., who has been in the city for the past few days, left for Portland last night.

Martin Foard is in Portland on a few days' business trip.

C. E. Hueston left for Portland on last night's train.

Wm. Eigner is in Portland on business.

Dr. C. E. Linton and wife, of Warrenton, were Astoria visitors today.

G. C. Fulton transacted legal business in Cathlamet yesterday.

John McGowan and wife, of McGowan, were Portland passengers last evening.

J. W. Osness, who is employed by the Astoria Electric Co., leaves this morning for a four days' trip up the river.

J. F. Morgan leaves this morning for Goldfield, Nev.

G. W. Shelby, of Prosper, Ore., is in this city.

Peter Pann, of Chicago, is registered at the Occident.

John A. McKee, of Portland, came in from that city yesterday.

H. M. Bransford, of South Bend, is in the city for a few days.

Chas. Carlton, of Chicago, is visiting Astoria.

Fred Walton, of Chicago, is visiting Astoria, arriving here yesterday.

F. L. Sheehan arrived in Astoria yesterday from Seattle.

Kenneth O'Loe, of Blake-McFall Co., will leave this morning for a three days' trip to Raymond and South Bend.

Manager Elvers, of the Astoria Theatre, received a dispatch yesterday that his father was dying in Utah.

R. M. Gaston left for Portland on last evening's train.

Arthur Smith, of the Palace Restaurant, returned yesterday from a short trip to Seattle, and reports everything lively there.

Robert W. Wilson and wife to Caroline Baum, W 1-2 of lot 5, block 4, Grimes Annex to Ocean Grove... \$115  
F. J. Friedrich to T. C. Bell, lots 26 and 27, block 7, Meriwether Downs Addition ..... 100  
B. Jay Sloop and wife to K. F. Johnson, 20 acres in Clatsop County 1  
W. F. McGregor and wife to John Waterhouse, A. M. Smith and John H. Smith, W 1-2 of SW 1-4 sec 25 and N 1-2 of SE 1-4 of sec 26, T 4 N, R 9 W..... 10

#### INSURGENTS KILLED.

PEKIN, Oct. 16.—The Imperial Chinese troops detached from Yang Tse Kiang valley, Cantonments, because of the anti-missionary outbreak at Nan King Sien have driven the so-called Nan Boxer rebels into the mountains on the borders of Kwang Tung. In an engagement at Chung Yi the troops killed 70 of the insurgents.

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