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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Marriage License—

Jahan Felix Aarnia and Lempi Lusina Erickson were granted a marriage license yesterday.

Recovering—

Frank Raymond, the employe of the telephone company who was injured in Uniontown about a month ago by falling from a building is able to be around on crutches.

New Money Order Office—

A money order office has been established, by the postal authorities, at Clatsop, which will prove a great convenience to those living in that section.

Business Improving—

W. L. Shafer, of the N. L. Shafer, Advertising Co., of Portland, arrived from Portland last evening. Mr. Shafer reports having found a better tone to business, along the line, much more so than in Washington. Mr. Shafer will remain here the balance of the week.

To Remove Old Court House—

Geo. L. Colwell, who purchased the old court house building, is preparing to remove it to the corner of Tenth and Exchange street where he has prepared the lot for its reception. It is his intention to convert the building into flats and he is tearing down the annex to the building to use the lumber in finishing up the basement. He has been allowed one month to remove the building and expects to have it in its new position before that time.

PERSONAL MENTION.

D. F. Snyder, of Kelso, Wash., is visiting Astoria.

Frank A. Ford, of Portland, arrived in Astoria yesterday.

Thos. E. Whiteside, of Portland, is in the city.

G. C. Cavalien is registered at the Occident from Portland.

S. Pflaum arrived in from Portland, last night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kitterman, of Seaside, have returned home after spending a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Heron of 310 Seventeenth street.

E. T. Stafford, of Seaside, was in town today.

Judson is the name of the latest style in collars. They can be found at Judd's in all sizes.

Special Meeting of Knappa Citizens—

There will be a special meeting of the citizens of Knappa at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in that town to consider the leasing of lands to the Chamber of Commerce committee which is now conducting the oil and gas proposition. C. N. Sherman will come down from Portland to attend the meeting and Mr. Wingate of the Chamber of Commerce and others from Astoria will go up on the morning train. The committee of Knappa citizens which have been working up the oil, gas and coal proposition there so that the citizens may know exactly what they wish to do when the time for the meeting arrives, is composed of W. Z. Stele, John M. Abbott, J. H. McPherson, Neil Steffenson and W. P. Bagley. Should enough land be leased to make it worth while drilling an experimental well at Knappa one will be put in there. It now seems that there will be several thousand acres leased in and around Knappa as the citizens there are very keenly interested.

A Leaking Vault—

Ever since the rainy weather set in it has been known that the vault of the county clerk, in the old court house, has been damp, even to the extent of pools of water being formed on the floor. It could not be ascertained where the water came from, until the vault furniture was removed when it was found that the west wall was cracked, and an opening one-half inch wide appeared behind one of the book racks extending down from the roof. No serious damage was done to the contents of the vault, though several of the books became damp and mildewed.

Ladies of G. A. R. Entertained—

Mrs. C. W. Lamar entertained several ladies of the G. A. R., yesterday afternoon, at her home Seventeenth street and Jerome avenue. A very pleasant afternoon was spent by the ladies in playing "500" and other games. Light refreshments were served which were much enjoyed by all present.

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ANOTHER BAD CHECK CASE

PROMINENT BUSINESS HOUSE VICTIMIZED BY "THE SALT LAKE MAN"—ARRESTED AT SPOKANE.

Another case of bad check passing has been brought to light in the city, the work evidently having been done by the smooth operator who has become known as "the Salt Lake Man." At the time the "Salt Lake checks" were being scattered around promiscuously, a well dressed man entered Foard & Stokes Hardware Company's store, while the captain of the schooner J. B. Stetson was placing an order. He either knew the captain or pretended to and joined in the conversation between the salesman and the captain. He left the store with the latter and later, in the afternoon, returned and asked if the goods had been delivered to the schooner. He also asked to be shown some revolvers and, selecting one valued at \$17, said that he would take it, offering a check on a Salt Lake bank for the amount. He was informed that it was not customary to cash checks for persons with whom the firm was unacquainted, and then he produced a check book, neatly bound in red leather, and enclosing a pass book of the Salt Lake bank, on which the checks were made. A glance through the pass book showed several good deposits, and the stubs in the check book bore evidence that the account had not been heavily drawn against. One of the check stubs showed a check as having been drawn in favor of the Fairmount Hotel, at San Francisco, for \$50, while another had been drawn for \$25 in favor of the captain of the J. B. Stetson. This showing disarmed suspicion and the check was accepted and the weapon delivered to the stranger. The check was eventually returned from Salt Lake as worthless, with the added information that the same kind of work was being done, "all along the line," by this man whose name is Wm. Foley. He did not receive any money at this place, the amount for which the checks was drawn, being the price of the revolver. The victimized firm reported the matter to the police, and they were informed that the man had been at the same tricks elsewhere, and had been apprehended at Spokane. Arrangements are now being made for the recovery of the weapon.

This is supposed to be the same man who attempted to purchase a \$100 diamond ring from Frank Donnerberg with a Salt Lake check, and the pistol he exhibited, on that occasion, was no doubt the one he secured at Foard & Stokes'. The check that was cashed, the proceeds of which were lost in a card game, shows the fine Italian hand of the same individual. How many of these checks he succeeded in cashing in this city is unknown but may develop later.

Get Ready, It's Your Time, and Time Is Nearly Up.

There will be a furore and rapid action among clothing buyers for the next two weeks. Danziger & Co., Astoria's greatest clothiers, will begin a sacrifice sale of odds and ends that will eclipse all past bargain events in the history of the big store. This firm, in the face of the money scare, sold more goods in January than ever before in history. The way they did was to sell fine goods at prices so low that Danziger's sale was town talk. Now for a clearing-out of all small lots or broken lines of everything in suits, overcoats, cravenettes, pants, hats, furnishings and boys' and children's clothing, etc. There will be new low water marks on prices. Some terrific slaughtering of winter and medium weight goods. Two weeks will be devoted to the work and every odd garment must go if it only brings one-third real value. Tomorrow's Astorian will contain a price list and general information of details. Mail orders will not be filled for anything in this sale, as the lots are not complete in sizes and etc. It would be difficult to do full justice to mail orders. It will more than pay you out of town people to visit this sacrifice of fine goods as prices will be so low that years will come before another event of its equal will take place again. Watch for the big advertisement Friday.

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT ADOPTED.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COMMITTEE PRESENTS ITS BILL FOR A PORT OF ASTORIA—RECOMMENDATIONS

The special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce which was called last evening to listen to the report of the committee on the Port of Astoria was well attended.

The recommendation which they presented (and which appears in full below) created considerable discussion and valuable suggestions and the following motion prevailed:

"Moved and seconded that the recommendations of this committee be adopted and that the committee be instructed to prepare a bill to be presented before the people through the initiative and referendum and that the secretary be instructed to write to the Mayor requesting that a committee of four from the City Council be appointed to co-operate in this matter, it being understood that the committee of eight thus formed be authorized to amend the report hereby adopted according as their judgment may dictate and that such committee be not confined to reporting an amendment to the City of Astoria charter, but may if in their judgment deemed advisable, prepare a bill for a new corporation entirely separate from the city of Astoria."

Mr. Wingate, father of the bill, made an earnest plea for the Chamber and people to "DO SOMETHING." That the time was ripe to take up this matter and hoped it would not be lost or buried in committee.

"The natural advantages of Astoria," said ex-President Welch, "have proved more of a curse than a blessing because everybody who came here was imbued with the idea that all they had to do was to sit down and wait for somebody else to make the necessary improvements so that they could enjoy the results. That fallacy had been exploded and the only way to build up the city was to get to work and do it ourselves."

The report follows:

To the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Astoria,

Gentlemen:—We, your committee heretofore appointed to report some plan for incorporating the Port of Astoria so as to enlarge its powers relative to aiding commerce, most respectfully recommended for your consideration the following suggestions.

First. That the charter of the City of Astoria be amended, so that the boundaries of the City shall be extended and we would suggest the following as the limits:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Section twenty-four (24) Township eight (8) North of Range nine (9) West of the Willamette Meridian and running thence West along the North line of Section 24, 23, 22 and 21 to a point where said North line of Section 21 intersects the Right bank of Young's River and thence running South West to the south side of the channel of Young's River, and thence running down the south side of the channel of Young's River to its intersection with the South channel of the Columbia River and running thence westerly along the South line of the South channel of the Columbia River to a point where the same would be intersected by the ordinary low tide line on the shore of the Pacific Ocean immediately South of the said channel and running thence South along ordinary low tide of the Pacific Ocean to a point due West of the line between townships six and seven North of Range ten (10) West and running thence West one marine league to the West boundary of the State of Oregon and running thence North along the West boundary of the State of Oregon to the Northwest corner of the State of Oregon and running thence Easterly along the North boundary line of the State of Oregon to a point North of the point of beginning and thence South to the point of beginning.

Second. That said charter of the City be amended, so as to give the City of Astoria power to operate, lease and own tugs and tow boats and to carry on the towage business within the limits of the City of Astoria and upon the waters of the Pacific Ocean adjacent thereto, and to improve the harbor, and to dredge and deepen the channels within the City limits, and to construct piers, docks, wharfs and bulkheads and retaining walls and to fix and regulate the rates of towage and wharfage of vessels within the city and to license and regulate pilots and pilotage within said city.

Third. To issue bonds for the pur-

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pose of improving the harbor and purchasing and operating and maintaining tugs, tow boats, dredges and improving the harbor not to exceed \$500,000.

Fourth. That the powers as above outlined be executed and carried into effect by a harbor commission consisting of seven representative citizens to be mentioned in the bill and selected in some suitable manner to hold office for a period of ten years and their successors to be elected by the voters of the City of Astoria at intervals of 10 years.

That the harbor commissioners be given full authority to make regulations for the use and navigation of the harbor and the employment of a harbor master and such subordinates as may be necessary to carry this act into full force and effect.

We would suggest that a bill be prepared to be submitted to the voters of the city by initiative petition and that the same be prepared by a commission of eight members selected by the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor of Astoria from the Common Council each to select four members of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
F. WINGATE,
JAS. W. WELCH,
Committee.

I. O. O. F. Notice.

Members of Beaver Lodge are requested to attend a regular meeting to be held this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the first degree. Visitors welcome. Olof Anderson, secretary.

The Passion Play.

The Passion play pictures were shown last night to a good audience at each exhibition. The pictures have returned, after a successful tour, and it was not intended to show them again but owing to the disappointment expressed by many who had failed to see them heretofore it was decided to open for two evenings only. Tonight will positively be the last opportunity to witness them and but one exhibition will be given, commencing at 8 p. m.

Somewhat Wintry—

The appearance of the sky and the direction of the wind yesterday evening, denoted an approaching snow-storm and many predicted that a white mantle would cover the ground in this vicinity before morning. A small precipitation of hail at 5:30 p. m. lent color to the prediction but later the skies cleared and the temperature fell. A heavy frost prevailed all night and the first chill breath of winter was felt.

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