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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

To Water Consumers—

Today is the only day left for the payment of local water rates, before the delinquency charge attaches thereto; and the payers of said rates will govern themselves accordingly.

At The Hospital—

Carl Anderson, mate of the schooner John A. Campbell was admitted to the hospital yesterday suffering from man injury to his knee.—Elsie Moore is improving although it will be some time before she will leave the hospital.—Mrs. Thompson is low and grave fears are entertained for her recovery.

Scotland—

A free stereopticon lecture on Scotland will be given on Friday evening of this week by Rev. Hiram Foulkes, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Portland at the Presbyterian Church. All are invited! No admission; no collection. Under auspices of Young Men's League, at 8 o'clock.

Police Court—

Two ordinary drunks were before his honor, Judge Anderson, yesterday afternoon and were assessed the customary \$5 or two days.—S. B. Turnbull pleaded guilty to the charge of vagrancy. He has been before the court three or four times and he was fined \$30 or 15 days. Sentence being suspended upon his promise to leave the city.

Electric on Irving Avenue—

The Gerding Electric Line on Irving avenue is in operation but has not yet engaged in the passenger traffic. Just at present it is hauling cars, carrying earth from a hill to a ravine or in other words it extends from Fifteenth to Eighteenth streets on Irving avenue. Mr. Gerding has the contract for the improvement of the avenue and found that horsepower was too slow for the work.

Buried the Dead—

Coroner W. C. A. Pohl, who went to Haystack Rock Friday to bury a body said to have come ashore at that point returned Sunday after having performed that duty. The body was entirely nude and it was probably one of the unfortunate sailors who was lost when the ill-fated Emily Reed went ashore a short month ago.

Sunday's Entertainment—

The Astoria opera house was crowded on Sunday evening with an enthusiastic lot of people who were there to enjoy the presentation of "No Mother to Guide Her," and for the time devoted to the play they were amply compensated to a man—and woman. From start to finish it was engaging in all its detail and the

applause was frequent and hearty. There was plenty of life and action and an abundance of good acting from the lead to the end of the cast. The new management is making inroads already on the popular goodwill of Astoria theatre-goers.

Happily Married—

There was a very pretty wedding on the cards for last Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, at the First Lutheran Church in this city, in which Mr. L. A. Kallstrof and Miss Ellef Erikson, both of this city, were the happy and envied principals. The church was crowded with the devoted friends of bride and groom, and the pastor, Rev. G. E. Rydquist, officiated. The wedding supper transpired in the cosy home of the newly married pair in Alderbrook, and for that particular season the mirth and pleasure was unbounded.

Over in Cathlamet—

An enthusiastic public meeting was held at the court house at Cathlamet a day or so ago and the Cathlamet Amateur Athletic Club organized with 30 members. It is the intention of the club to promote field and water sports only during the coming summer, but in the fall suitable quarters will be secured and a gymnasium with all the latest appliances will be opened. The officers elected to serve for the coming year are E. S. Ackerman, president; C. O. Morrill, vice-president; Carl Johnson, secretary; Charles H. Warren, treasurer. The board of directors is composed of M. Gorman, George F. Hanigan, Joseph R. Burke, William Oxman and Clarence White.

Change of Base—

Chas. Francis, formerly locomotive engineer for the D. L. Kelly Co., of Blind Slough, leaves today for Clifton where he will assume a like position with the Montgomery Ring Co., of that place. Mr. Bert Roach, who has had charge of changing the tracks of the D. L. Kelly Company also goes to Clifton having finished his work for the Kelly Company. He will do the same class of work at Clifton.

Victim of Appendicitis—

Edward O'Neil, the popular young cigarmaker, passed away yesterday morning after an operation for appendicitis. He has been under the

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doctor's care for ten days or two weeks, but the disease had advanced to such a degree it was feared it would be unwise to perform an operation. Sunday an operation became imperative in order to save the young man but he did not survive the shock. His father, mother and relatives were gathered around his bedside when he passed away. The funeral arrangements have been completed only so far that the funeral will take place Wednesday.

Increased Its Stock—

The necessary papers were filed in the office of the Secretary of State yesterday, increasing the capital stock of the Astoria Savings Bank, of this city from \$100,000 to \$150,000. This looks as though the leading banking house of this city and territory was in excellent shape and upon sound and enduring basis. The access will bring its capital stock and undivided surplus up to the handsome standard of \$300,000, a very inviting figure to the man with money to bank and business to negotiate.

Cruising Tide Lands—

Elmer Huntington, ex-sheriff of Cowlitz county, Washington, is in this city for a day or so, in the course of his work in the tide-land department of the Land Commissioners' office of the State of Washington. He started in at Stella and is working west, sizing up every acre as to its value and its relation to the transportation facilities next and nearest it. Mr. Huntington says that every vacant acre of it has been applied for at the headquarters of the Commission.

Chinook School Men—

There was a warm electoral contest over in the little city of Chinook on Saturday last for two school directors of the District of Chinook. The winners were Messrs. C. W. Tuyl and J. W. Hall, the losers being Messrs. G. I. Brevik and Nick Hansen. The following Chinookians reached this city yesterday morning on different and sundry errands: Mrs. O. Martensen and family; Lender Lebeck and family (a nephew of the Astoria ex-councilman); O. H. Belknap, Fred. Reiff; and Mrs. F. N. Jensen, of McGowan's.

Hard at Work—

A. G. Kennedy, engineer in charge of the work of extending the I. R. & N. line of railway up the north bank of the Columbia to the landing opposite this city in order to meet the onrush of the opening season of 1908 and night and day gangs will be put on if necessary to make the connection in time.

The First Turnover—

Tax Collector M. R. Pomeroy, of this county, yesterday made his first turnover to the treasurer, and treasury, of Clatsop county, in the handsome figure of \$15,000; with more to come in due course.

Licensed For Life—

County Clerk Clinton made two more souls happy yesterday by the issuance of a wedding license in favor of Mr. Alfred Wig and Miss Maude Matson, both of this city and county.

Might Have Been Serious—

Miss Ethel Tucker, the leading lady at the Star Theatre, on leaving the Northern Hotel last evening to go to the theatre, had the bad luck to catch her foot in her cloak, at the head of the rear stairs of the hotel, and fell clear to the foot; luckily without any further damage than a few bruises. She went on the stage for the evening's business and carried it through successfully and gracefully as usual.

To Change Its Status—

The Suomalainen Co-operative Co., will, it is said, on excellent authority, change its status from a co-operative concern to a joint-stock company in the course of a few days. The present officers and members will retain their prescribed interests in the new concern just as they existed in the old, and the official staff of the new organization will be made up of the present officers. The capital stock of the company will be raised from \$3000 to \$25,000. There will be a meeting during the week to fix details.

In the Higher Court—

The case of F. L. Darling vs. Mrs. Millie Taylor et. als., which was continued over from Saturday last, in the Circuit Court, occupied the attention of Judge McBride all of yesterday. The next case up for consideration on the docket is the plea for divorce filed by Matilda Nilson vs. Nils Nilson.

The kaiserin does not wear birds, but most of her hats are trimmed with ostrich plumes.

ALL IN DUE COURSE OF TIME

CHAIRMAN MCGREGOR OF THE COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE, SPEAKS OF MR. ABBOTT'S LETTER.

In conversation with ex-Officio Chairman W. F. McGregor, of the Clatsop County Republican Central Committee, yesterday, an Astorian reporter asked that gentleman what he intended to do in regard to the open letter of R. A. Abbott, published on Sunday morning last in these columns, to which Mr. McGregor responded, in part, as follows:

"With all due respect to Mr. Abbott and his expressed wishes, I am not sure that it would be exactly in my sphere of duty to peremptorily summon the Central Committee at the single instance of even so good a Republican as is Mr. Abbott; and I am rather inclined to consult with others before taking any definite steps that might conflict with the purposes of the State Central Committee.

"I believe it to be essential also to find out what the State committee desires to be done, in order that we may work in complete harmony and serve the larger and wider purposes of the party in the State and conform to such acceptable program as may be adopted for the general good of Republican Oregon. When I shall have heard from headquarter sources and know the line of action desired, I shall act as promptly as anyone can desire."

PERSONAL MENTION

H. B. Maxwell, representing the Underwood Typewriter Company, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

G. A. Clayton, ex-district attorney, and well known in this city, spent the day here yesterday on legal business, returning to the metropolis on the evening train.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Palmberg and two sons, depart on the 8:20 express this morning for a protracted trip to the East and Europe. Their friends in Astoria wish them an enjoyable voyage and safe return.

Messrs. J. C. Larson, F. R. Peterson and W. E. Hamilton, arrived in this city, from Altoona, yesterday morning, on various and sundry business quests.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyle and little son came up from Seaside yesterday and spent the day with friends in this city.

Dr. C. C. Rosenberg is confined to his home by the grippe.

T. O. Erickson, of the Eureka Herald, arrived in this city last night on the steamship Roanoke, and reports a beautiful trip up, the weather being almost summer-like in warmth and placidity. The Roanoke was flying lighter than usual in cabin and hold, but was the same old comfortable ship.

DONE BY DEEDS

Gust Holmes and wife to Minnesota & Oregon Land & Timber Co., 160 acres, sec. 8-616; \$1000.

Northern Pacific Railway Co. to Louis Nystrom, 40 acres, sec. 24-6-6; \$320.

Grace W. McDonald et. ux. to John Chitwood, lot 2, block 133, McClure's Astoria; \$160.

C. W. Stowe, trustee, to Charles Cooper et. al., lots 25-26, tract 1, sub. block 4, Olney's Astoria; \$250.

Millinery.

Mrs. R. Ingleton has just opened a nice line of ladies' Eastern bonnets, and Saturday night will give a sale beginning at 8 o'clock. Mrs. P. Ingleton, Welch block, opp. Budget office.

Prince Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden, who by the death of King Oscar has become crown prince, is an ardent sportsman and loses no opportunity to further the interest of the ancient Norse athletic games.

Lambros A. Coromilas, the first minister of Greece to come to the United States, speaks English fluently and is extremely fond of history.

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THE STAR THEATRE.

The second week of the engagement of the Donald Bell Co. opened with the comedy drama "Frenzied Finance" which was greeted by a full house. The play is a pretty one in which pathos and comedy are neatly blended. Ethel Tucker, as Mary Lawton, sustained the character in her usual admirable manner, while Ann Phillips and Pearl Lee McCowell were very acceptable. Victor Donald, as James Errol, and Raymond Bell as Andrew Burke, were fine, and the balance of the characters throughout were ably handled. The second act showing the attic bedroom of the chums, in New York, and their poor surroundings, won the audience, the act was loudly applauded at its close. Taken as a whole the play was a success and will tend to increase the business at this theatre. "Frenzied Finance" will hold the boards until Thursday night when it will make way for "Sandy Bottom" for three nights which in turn will be followed by "The Man in Black" on Sunday afternoon and evening only.

The dowager Queen Margherita of Italy has just sold all her horses and carriages and transformed her stables for use by motor cars only. This is the first royal household in Europe to make so sweeping a change.

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Former United States Senator David B. Hill, who has retired from political life will go to Europe in the summer and will not be present at the meeting of the national Democratic convention. He has attended every convention since 1872.

The 697 active tracks in membership of the American Trotting Association held 719 meetings last year, offering \$2,150,915 in purse money.

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