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**TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN**

**Returned from Vacation—**  
 Hans Bue, the well-known postal clerk, has returned from a pleasant outing of 15 days up in the Willamette Valley, visiting friends and relatives, and resumes his duties at the postoffice here today.

**For Clackamas County—**  
 Judge C. J. Trenchard yesterday named the following gentlemen as appraisers of the estate of the late Daniel Cronk in and for Clackamas County, to wit: J. J. Cook, F. J. Meyer and M. D. Latourelle.

**Here Seeking Business—**  
 H. W. Cook, well known in this city as a former employee in the A. & C. railway office, but now out on the road for the Iowa Central lines, as its commercial agent, was in the city yesterday seeking business and friends for his road.

**Shut Down for Repairs—**  
 The big plant of the Kelly Lumbering Company, at Warrenton, has closed down for a day or two because of the imperative demand for certain repairs to the boilers and machinery. They will probably start up again tomorrow or Saturday.

**Quintette of Aspirants—**  
 The matter of citizenship in this country is becoming a notable transaction these days at the courthouse. Yesterday five sons of Finland filed their declarations of intention in this relation, all at once, to wit: Werner Mikkola, Edward Toivonen, Lahja Soila, Arvard Leva and Victor Saxen.

**In Salem Tomorrow—**  
 Advice was received in this office last evening announcing the hour of 1:30 o'clock p. m. tomorrow, Friday, as the time set for the funeral of the late Dr. August C. Kinney. He will be buried from the First Baptist church at Salem. The sad ceremony will be attended by a large gathering of life-long and devoted friends of the dead physician.

**Delayed for a Year—**  
 The advance of 10 cents per 100 pounds on the tariff attaching to certain cold-storage commodities which was bruited here some weeks ago by the railway authorities, has, in the face of very strong protests from all the houses involved in the Northwest, been laid in abeyance until the first of May next, a condition precedent to its abandonment for the current year, at least. It is said it is almost certain to be established early in 1909. It is construed, locally, as a mere pretext for the fixing of a definite rate hence to Portland, although it is incorporated in the export tariffs.


**On a Business Quest—**  
 N. H. Webber, the well-known canneryman and postmaster, of Eagle Cliff, was in the city yesterday, looking up certain business interests and greeting his old friends here.

**At the Hospital—**  
 Charles Johnson, a boy about 15 years old, was operated upon yesterday for necrosis of the bone. The operation was successful and the young man will be about again within a short time.

**Advanced in Service—**  
 Robert Farley, the well-known life-saver, on duty at the Point Adams station at Hammond for the past ten years, and No. 1 on the roster of that crew for a long time past, has been advanced to a captaincy in the service and will leave today for Tillamook City, near which place a new station has been set up, and which he will command. Mr. Farley leaves Hammond and this port with the goodwill of all who know him, and all hands wish him abundant success in his new field and old work. His wife and child accompany him.

**Astoria-Cathlamet Line—**  
 The merchants of Astoria are determined, if the thing is possible, to revive the daily freight and passenger service between this city and Cathlamet, and are subscribing promptly to a list that is being passed around by a special committee of the Chamber of Commerce, consisting of Messrs. Norris Staples, William Macbeth and C. J. Curtis. It is thought the steamer R. Milder will be employed in the despatch of the business.

**Here as an Expert—**  
 Yesterday's noon express brought to this city Daniel Stewart, of Tesla, California, an expert clay millwright and constructionist in that substance, who has joined Mr. Ogan in the development of the industry here. Mr. Stewart is an adept in the business, and has been with the Carnegie Brick & Pottery Company at Tesla for the past ten years. He comes here to cooperate with the work now underway in the organization of the industry, and will prove a strong factor in the try-out and subsequent establishment.

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Fancy Asparagus, per lb.	-	17 1-2c
Large Fresh Artichokes, 3 for	-	25c
Long Bleached Celery, per bunch	-	10c
Fresh Spinach, per lb.	-	10c
Strawberry Rhubarb, per lb.	-	12 1-2
Hot House Lettuce, per bunch	-	5c
Mexican Tomatoes, per lb.	-	20c

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**CORRESPONDS WITH CHAMBER**

**The Arrangements for a Site in Portland Not Being Carried Through Successfully it Would Seem That Astoria Now Has a Chance.**

Pacific Coast Manager J. S. Heisey of the Schwartzschild & Sulzberger Packing Company with headquarters in Seattle, has written to the Chamber of Commerce saying that Astoria will not be overlooked in the matter of selecting a site for the establishment of the packing house this company desires to have somewhere in the Northwest for export trade.

This communication was in reply to one sent him by the promotion committee on the 16th together with a carefully composed letter of facts and information concerning the transportation facilities and advantages Astoria has to offer.

Because the S. & S plant is to be used for export purposes entirely there is no doubt of the fact that Astoria offers better advantages than any Portland possesses or has to offer.

The Promotion Committee feels that it will be able to secure the same rates on cattle to Astoria that are now enjoyed by Portland and moreover a site will be found for the big packing company more suitable than any that could be secured anywhere near Portland.

Mr. Heisey states that he has forwarded the letter and documents of information sent him, to the main office in Chicago and that he will take the matter up later as soon as possible. "Your harbor and the resources of the wonderful Columbia River are known the world over", says Mr. Heisey.

The Promotion Committee replied to Mr. Heisey saying that if a representative is sent here at an early date he will find a proposition to the interest of his company.

As the newspapers received from Portland today state that the arrangements for a site in Portland are not being carried through successfully, it would seem that Astoria now has a better chance for this enterprise than Portland has or perhaps than Portland ever had.

**The New Coal Dock—**

Charles H. Callender, of the Callender Navigation Company, had a gang of men at work yesterday clearing away the superstructure of that part of the company's dock site upon which it is proposed to establish the coal bunkers for the handling of the output of the Cardiff coal. The coal dock will cover 2,200 square feet of surface and it will be in readiness by the first week in April. In the meantime, and beginning in a few days, he will receive the first shipment of coal and dispose of it from the main piers, and as the business grows he intends to develop the bunkers to a point where teams can drive under the chute and take on full loads from an overhead bunker. The first hundred tons are due here at the end of this week or the first of next, and a number of orders have already been placed for it.

**From the Far North—**

Dr. E. Linton, of Nome City, Alaska, arrived yesterday at the home of his brother Dr. C. E. Linton, in Warrenton, to the mutual pleasure of both. The man from the north is the owner of a number of valuable mining claims and is doing finely in that Arctic outpost, where he says, business is excellent and that particular city growing steadily and substantially.

**Fourteen Tons of it—**

The "courthouse halls" of the Clatsop's new marble are swarming these days with piles of fine metallic furniture, devised for the vaults throughout the edifice, and Messrs. Berry and Kerr, the representatives of the manufacturers, are busy installing the 27,000 or more pounds of it at points where it will do the most good and they are succeeding admirably and rapidly.

**NOTICE.**  
 Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F. Regular meeting his (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Important business. Visitors welcome.  
 OLOF ANDERSON, Secretary.

**REMEMBER**  
**THE REAL THING**  
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 Box office for reservation of seats opens Sunday at 11 a. m. and Monday and Tuesday at 11 a. m. Be on hand early



Kangaroo Girls in "The Burgomaster," Astoria Theater Saturday, March 28.

**Republicans in Session—**

The meeting of the Clatsop County Republican Central Committee, recently called by Chairman W. F. McGregor, of the executive committee, was held yesterday at 2 p. m. at the office of Mr. McGregor and was fairly well attended. The business transacted did not consume much time and was quite unanimous as far as it went, which was to elect W. F. McGregor as president of the central committee, vice Harrison Allen, removed to Portland; and F. J. Carnegy to the secretaryship, vice Allan Anderson, who resigned some time ago to accept a position in the customs service. An order was made directing the president and secretary to scan the political situation and interview the various Republican candidates with a view to ascertaining their wishes in the matter of a mass meeting of the party, and the selection of delegates to the State convention, and at such time as was expedient, to call such mass meeting for the purposes named.

**Starts Advertising—**

The Promotion Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has started some far-reaching advertising again for the Summer relative to the advantages of the Port of Astoria for the flour and grain export trade. These advertisements will appear in the classified departments of the principal newspapers of the largest flour and grain centers of the country. A copy of the advertisement reads as follows:

"We can convince any responsible miller or grain dealer that he can control the flour and grain export business of the 'Great Inland Empire' from Astoria, the port at the mouth of the Columbia River, by locating a mill and warehouse here. Leading men in this line are invited to make a personal investigation. All our local business men are back of this. Address Secretary Chamber of Commerce, Astoria, Oregon."

**Baptist Church.**

Morning worship, 11 a. m.; sermon, "The Believers Baptism." Evening worship, subject, "The Value of Truth." B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.; debate, "Resolved, That we are doing our duty by the foreigner." Sunday school, 10 a. m. Everybody invited to attend these meetings.  
 CONRAD L. OWEN, Pastor.

**What's in a Name?**

There are all sorts of ideas and opinions extant in the offices of the O. R. & N. Company here and at Portland, and over on the I. R. & N., as to the name that is to be given the rail and steamer station on the north shore, opposite this city and one mile to the west of Knappton; the point where the company has built its dock and warehouse and depot, for the reception of the north beach traffic during the coming Summer. The leading idea is to affix a composite name to the place that shall do honor to one or more of the popular officials of two roads and at the same time secure a degree of euphony that shall be attractive; and the problem grows in intricacy and interest daily, and there are yet about 40 days in which to struggle with it.

**Telephone Improvement—**

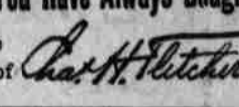
Mr. H. A. Gregory of San Francisco, one of the officials of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, is in the city and reports the work of the improvements now being done in this city as satisfactory and progressing as rapidly as possible. The trouble and delay is not having men with sufficient technical education to install a modern and up-to-date switchboard. They are not obtainable and the company has instituted a training school and Mr. Gregory has two sons now taking the course and it is not improbable that one of them will superintend the installation of the Astoria switchboard. Mr. Gregory is bound for Tillamook and will be a passenger on the steamer Elmore this morning.

**PERSONAL MENTION**

A. S. Nicol of Portland, representing the Pacific Fire Extinguisher Company — Gounnell Automatic Sprinklers—is in the city and figuring with some of the mills in this vicinity with reference to equipping them with sprinkler protection.  
 A. L. Loftus of Boston is in the city on a business trip.  
 R. A. Priest of San Francisco was on a business quest yesterday.  
 A. S. Weber of Omaha is an Astoria visitor for a few days.  
 W. R. Hollister of Portland is in town on business.

**AN EXPLANATION.**

"Astoria, Or., March 25.  
 "Ed. Astorian—My attention has been called to a question raised by local labor unions relative to candidates cards not bearing the union label. As you well know, there is no typographical union in Astoria, consequently none of the union printing offices are allowed to use the union label. The Astorian, Budget and Herald are and always have been union offices. They employ union printers, pay union wages and work union hours, but on account of the union they are debarred from using the union label on printed matter. It makes no difference whether a candidate is a republican, democrat or socialist, he can not have the union label printed on his cards. This is a matter that the local federation of labor should take up with the International Typographical Union, and not cast reflections on any candidate because the union label does not appear on his card. It is not his fault nor the fault of any of the three offices enumerated.  
 "C. J. CURTIS."

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