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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

In The Police Court—
 The session of the police court yesterday was shorter than usual. Two common, ordinary drunks pleaded guilty and the common, ordinary fine of \$5 or two days was assessed in each case.

Brothers and Citizens—
 John Hannilla and Joonas Hannilla natives of Finland and brothers; and Jan Jakobsen Hool, a native of Norway, filed their declarations of intention in the matter of citizenship, at the county clerk's office yesterday.

Miss Gladys Dodge Dead—
 Miss Gladys Dodge, daughter of Mrs. M. Adams, of Seaside, died Thursday of tuberculosis after a lingering illness. She was within two months of being 25 years of age. The remains will be taken to Arlington, Wash., for burial.

En Route to South Bend—
 George Clark, the man who is always striking balances or knowing why they don't "strike," is in the city en route to South Bend, Wash., whence he has a lot of experting to do; and will leave on the Nahcotta this morning.

For Tillamook Station—
 The A. & C. people have just landed here from the East a fine life-boat destined for service at the new Tillamook life-saving station, and it will be forwarded to its destination on the next sailing of the steamer Sue H. Elmore from this port.

Up From Warrenton—
 W. P. Horner, the well known realty man of Warrenton, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, looking up some titles and attending to various land matters that came within the range of his office. He says that while things are not "looking up" very alertly around Warrenton, they are not looking down to hurt, either.

Incorporated Businesses—
 Articles of incorporation were filed at the office of County Clerk Clinton yesterday in behalf of two new business ventures, to wit: The Finnish Mercantile Company, capitalized at \$20,000, the stock divided into 200 shares of the par value of \$100, each and with Messrs: Oswald Gustafson, Walter Kallunki, Victor Seeborg, and Moses Toivonen, as sponsors; The Columbia Bottling Company, capitalized at \$5,000, the stock divided into 50 shares of the par value of \$100 each; and with Henry Scheel, Eno Wenckenback, and Thomas J. Peterson, as trustees.

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Fire in Cathlamet—
 The second fire within a month occurred in Cathlamet Thursday when the Chinese bunk house at Warren's cannery was burned. A bucket brigade put out the fire and saved the residence of Ray Morton and the store of A. F. Hooper.

The More the Brighter—
 The merchants along the block on Commercial street, between Twelfth and Fourteenth streets, have installed five additional arc street lamps that make that section of Astoria's leading thoroughfare as bright as day. It is now in order for the live people on the block west of this to do likewise, (or like Wise did) and light up their entire domain. The more, the brighter.

New Citizens for Clatsop—
 Yesterday morning's boat from Portland, the Hassalo, brought to this city, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Howell, and their four children, who have been living near The Dalles for sometime past, and who were determined to find a home more to their liking and future success in the coast country. They will settle down as lessees of the farm of Col. John Adair a few miles from this city.

A Reminiscent Matter—
 Pleasant reminiscences, it is said, are always in order. Sixty years ago yesterday, there landed from the good ship Valladora, in this harbor, from the then far away East, General John Adair, wife and six children; among the latter being the present well known Colonel John Adair, then a 10-year-old kid. The Valladora was a Spanish brig of 200 tons and was commanded by a Captain Hall. Captain Nat Crosby was on board and came here as the first Collector of the Port. The Adair family was cordially welcomed by the pioneer family, John Welch, and their first night was spent in the home of John McClure. The Colonel was recalling the incident yesterday, and said he remembered every atomic detail of the affair and his endless delight in his new home, to which he has been devotedly loyal through the three score years that have followed.

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE OF
 DISMISSAL**

MASTER FISH WARDEN H. G. VAN DUSEN NOTIFIED THAT HIS SERVICES WILL NOT BE NEEDED AFTER MAY 1.

The following letter from Governor Chamberlain and the report of the proceedings of the Fish Commission were handed to the Astorian yesterday so that the people in this city who are interested, may read them. The documents are self-explanatory.

March 30, 1908.
 Honorable H. G. Van Dusen,
 Astoria, Oregon.

Dear Sir:—I enclose you herewith a copy of the minutes of the Board of Fish Commissioners held on the 25th inst. You will notice that as per your request your books will be expeted before the taking effect of Mr. McAllister's appointment. Please let me know when it will be convenient for you to meet an accountant at your office in Astoria for the purpose of going over the books pertaining thereto.

Awaiting your reply, I have the honor to remain, yours very respectfully,
 (Signed),
 GEO. W. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Board of Fish Commissioners met in special session on this the 25th day of March, 1908, in the executive office. All of the members of the board were present. The board convened at the request of the Master Fish Warden who desired to address them in reference to discussions which had taken place before the board between the upper and lower river men. Mr. Van Dusen was accorded a full hearing by the board and concluded what he had to say by requesting that in case the board saw fit to appoint some other than he to the position of Master Fish Warden, his books could be expeted by someone appointed by the board before he was finally relieved of duty and his successor installed.

After Mr. Van Dusen had retired the board took up for consideration the question of the appointment of a Master Fish Warden, and considered all of the names which had been suggested to the board and the recommendations which had been presented in behalf of each. After much discussion and some disagreements between the members of the board, the board finally elected and appointed Mr. H. C. McAllister of Portland, Oregon, as Master Fish Warden, to serve as by law required. His appointment to take effect and be in force from and after May 1, 1908. On or before which time he is required to execute a bond to be approved by the board in the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars, conditioned as by law required.

In as much as much bitterness has been engendered between the supporters of the two fish bills which have been initiated and which will be voted on at the general election, and in as much as it has been suggested to the board that a change in the Master Fish Warden at this time might be used as an argument in favor of or against one or the other of these bills, the board deems it proper to say that in appointing a successor to Mr. Van Dusen they had no intention to intimate a preference for either of said bills and neither of them in any way whatsoever influenced the action of the board in relieving Mr. Van Dusen of duty or the appointment of his successor.

Carrying out the request of Mr. Van Dusen to have his books expeted the Governor is authorized to appoint an accountant upon such reasonable terms as he may be able to secure same. The accountant to have his investigation completed or as possible on or before May 1, 1908.

No further business appearing the board adjourned.

ANDREW GIVES \$5,000,000.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Andrew Carnegie has promised to increase the endowment of the Carnegie foundation by an additional gift of \$5,000,000 so as to provide pensions for the professors of the state universities.

TO FIGHT IN MAY.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Joe Gans and Battling Nelson were matched tonight to fight sometime in May before Jack Gleason's club. The negro agrees to 133 pounds ringside. Nelson to fight at catch weight.

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**WATER COMMISSION
 MEETING**

REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD TRANSACTS ROUTINE BUSINESS—REPORTS READ AND BILLS ALLOWED.

The regular monthly meeting of the water commission was held last evening with J. Q. A. Bowsby in the chair in the absence of Chairman C. S. Wright and all the members were present except Mr. Samuel Elmore.

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 6th were read and approved. The clerk's report for the month of March showed the total business for the month to be \$4,219.95. Total cash collections, \$3,967.55. The treasurer's statement showed on hand March 31st for the general fund \$35,656.55. Assistant Superintendent Johnson's report for the month of March was read and placed on file.

Regular pay-roll for the month, \$567; bills, \$81.65.

B. Parker filed a preliminary report on the survey of Fat Buck Creek and the commission voted to employ him to complete the survey, locating section lines, corners, etc.

The clerk was authorized to purchase a 2-inch pipe cutter, stock and dies.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Raley of Portland are registered at the Occident.

J. P. Burns of Portland came in on the night train last evening.

Wm. Beikman of Tacoma is an Astoria visitor.

M. Gordon of Chicago was in the city yesterday.

G. P. Clark of Portland is an Astoria visitor.

D. A. Lamie of Seattle is on a business quest.

O. A. Stone of St. Paul is in the city on business.

A. C. Dodge of New York is on his Pacific Coast trip which includes Astoria.

W. H. McPherson of Buxton is visiting friends in the city.

J. W. Gale of San Francisco is in town on business.

H. O. Smith, local manager of the Warren Packing Company is in the city from Portland making preparations for the season.

R. G. McPherson of Portland was a passenger on the evening train yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Klingen expect to leave early next week for a trip to their former home. They will probably be absent a year and their friends wish them a pleasant journey and delightful visit.

DONE BY DEED

R. A. Price and wife to W. P. Horner, lot 4, block 15, First extension to East Warrenton; \$10.

T. R. Davies and wife to A. J. Dayton, lots 29 to 36 inclusive, block 85, New Astoria; \$10.

W. R. McFarland and wife to M. McFarland, undivided one-half interest in several bodies of land in Clatsop county; \$2000.

**INITIAL COAL CARGO
 FROM COWLITZ**

CALLENDER STEAMER MELVILLE LEFT LAST EVENING FOR FIRST 200 TONS OF NEW FUEL—BACK ON TUESDAY.

Charles H. Callender, of the Callender Navigation Company, and one of the leading stockholders of the Cardiff Coal & Coak Company, on the Cowlitz River, despatched the tug Melville, Captain Pete Jordan, to the mines of that company last evening for the first cargo of the new \$5 coal that is to be marketed here.

The Melville and her barges will return on Monday evening or Tuesday morning next, with 200 tons of the staple, and it will be docked at the navigation company's pier, pending the completion of the bunkers now underway there, and sold on instant demand and delivery as promised. There are plenty of orders on file for the coal and it is hoped this shipment will prove the efficacy of the venture and open up a fine traffic.

Mr. Lee, the business representative of the coal company went up to Rainier on last evening's express and will meet the Melville at the mines and oversee the loading and despatch of the initial shipment.

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**A. V. ALLEN TO ERECT
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The pleasing announcement is made that Mr. A. V. Allen will erect a two-story building 50x100 at the corner of Exchange and Eleventh streets. The lower floor Mr. Allen will use as a store room and the upper floor will be fitted up for the exclusive use of the Astoria Amateur Athletic Association with baths and all the paraphernalia that goes with a first-class athletic club house.

Within a week the association will be incorporated and will start off with sufficient funds to furnish the headquarters in a good substantial manner.

The officers of the association are to be congratulated upon the success of their effort for they certainly had obstacles to overcome that would have made "quitters" of a less enthusiastic lot of young men.

JACK WELSH REFEREE.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Jack Welch has been chosen referee of the fight between Packy McFarland, the Chicago boxer and Jimmy Britt, which will be decided here one week from tomorrow.

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