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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Chinaman Died—

A Chinaman (name unknown), died at a late hour last night at 116 Ninth street. Heart trouble and dropsy was the cause.

Mr. and Mrs. Brink—

Yesterday through being misinformed the Astorian announced the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Brink, the same was a mistake as the proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Brink.

Warrants Signed—

All the city warrants together with the ordinances which were ordered drawn at the last session of the council, were signed by Mayor Wise yesterday excepting the oil franchise which the Mayor has taken under consideration.

To The Public Records—

Estelle W. Hawley et ux to Frank Melvin land in sec. 12-5-10-W., \$1; F. Melvin and wife to J. E. Wheeler, 74.19 acres, sec. 2-5-9-W.; \$1; F. Melvin and wife to W. N. Jones, land in sec. 12-5-10-W., \$1; U. S. to C. S. Gray, SW. 1-4 sec. 17-5-8-W.

The Stralciata—

The beautiful flaming yellow and purple of the rare Stralciata, or "Bird of Paradise" flower, in the Ericson flower depot, on Bond street, are still vivid enough to attract many an interested eye and those who have not yet seen it, should avail themselves of the opportunity at once.

Lien Filed Yesterday—

Hendrickson Bros., the contractors, have filed a mechanics lien, in the office of the county clerk, in the sum of \$485, as against the north 33 1-3 feet of lot 5, in block 33, of McClure's Astoria, to secure payment for labor and material supplied in the building of a home thereon.

Much Ice In The North—

The steamer Corwin, which recently arrived at Nome, reports more encountering with ice than last year. No word has yet been received from the cannery fleet which left Astoria last April for Bristol Bay, Alaska.

Officers Elected—

Seaside Lodge No. 12, A. O. U. W., elected the following officers at their meeting Friday night: Past master workman, Wm. Ross; master workman, A. L. Steele; foreman, A. R. Cyrus; overseer, M. H. Gray; recorder, Patrick Shea; guide, O. F. Morton; inside watchman, William Kelly; outside watchman, A. L. Clark; examining physicians, O. B. Estes, R. J. Pilkington and Jay Tuttle.

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O'Loane, O'Loane!
You're a bit of a wag, we weent!
For, tis only you,
All-Irish, and true,
Would win, and wear,
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Norway And Finland—

Charles Isakson, a native of Finland, and Axel Edson Shanke, and Claus Tondel, both of Norway, filed their declarations of intention in the matter of their future citizenship, yesterday, with the county clerk.

Eleventh-Street Open—

Much to the satisfaction of the storekeepers and office people along the line of Eleventh street from Commercial to Exchange, the re-building and planking of that thoroughfare was finished last evening. It has been a long-drawn job and has caused considerable inconvenience, though it is a fine street now.

Off On a Hunt—

Louis Hartwig and Charles Knight left last evening, on the launch "Trifler", for the jungles of Young's River, where they will spend the day in hunting. Their cartridge-belts and their purses were all well lined, so there is certain to be some sort of game brought back; for what the rifles cannot procure, the purses may. Anyway they'll have a good time.

War Fleet Down Today—

The fleet of war vessels now doing the "exposition" act in Portland harbor (?) is due down from that city, en route to San Francisco, sometimes during this afternoon or evening. Whether they will pass directly out to sea, or spend the night in the city channels, remains to be seen. They will all come down together at any rate.

The Duck Comes Back—

Fritz Duroc, the well known and popular diver, who lives afloat in a comfortable boat-house over against the big O. R. & N. piers, has a cat, a dog, and a white duck, for pets, and makes the most of their society at all times. He is especially fond of the duck, and the duck, true to its instincts, is always on the waters of

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the bay, but generally inside the pier-lines. Once in a while it ventures beyond them and then it is Mr. Duroc gets anxious. The duck goes off down the tide, happy and blithe as its owner is dubious; but it always comes back on the ebb and walks up the gang-plank onto the scow much to its own content, and the certain satisfaction of the diver who owns it.

Excursion Today—

A special excursion to Deep River will be given today on the Julia B. in order to give Astorians an opportunity of witnessing the operations of the new drilling apparatus recently installed by the Pacific Coast Gas & Oil Company on the John Nelson place at Oneida. The Julia B. will leave her berth at 12:30 today returning at 5 tonight, thus giving ample time to visit the plant, which will be in operation during the day.

Graduating Exercises—

The graduating exercises were held at the Skipanon school Friday. Miss E. C. Hess is the teacher. Diplomas were presented by Miss Warren, county superintendent to John Adair, Jr., and Leo Malarky, graduates from the eighth grade. An excellent program was given after which diplomas were given to the graduates from the Seventh grade. Graduating exercises were also given at the Clifton school Friday. The only eighth-grade graduate was Lloyd Dunn.

Farewell Honors—

Walter Thurston, lately of Warrenton, but now a citizen of Astoria, went down to his old home on Friday last, on a business matter, and his old cronies gave him a farewell dinner of clams and all accessories, in what is known as the "Bachelors' Den," and it took several hours to dispose of the good things; Harry McDermott and Frank Trine, were the hosts of the occasion and Mr. Thurston fully appreciated the genial send-off he got.

Long Desired Connection—

The fine station of the United Wireless Company, on Smith's Point, will by tomorrow evening, be in regular telephonic communication with the city of Astoria, a consummation long and devoutly wished for. The poles are all up, and the wires will be strung today and put in order tomorrow. This gives instant connection with the telegraph offices in the city for the immediate transmission of messages, and is a great convenience in many other ways to many other people.

Going Right Ahead—

There is nothing the matter with the proposition of street improvement in Astoria. There are in the neighborhood of 30 pieces of decided betterment now underway here, in this behalf. Among the conspicuous projects are the hill-crest cuts now being made on Tenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and West Commercial streets. At the last named, there are 300 cubic yards to come out, and a thoroughfare to be made 60 feet in depth, with 1600 yards of dirt to be removed, and the work when done will leave a straightaway avenue to the heart of Uniontown. All the projects are valuable and will prove their advantage from the very moment of their completion.

Body Recovered—

The body of Sigfrid Nelson, the 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Knute Nelson, who was drowned Friday, was recovered yesterday near the place where his boy companions explained he had fallen overboard from the bulkhead surrounding the mill of the Tongue Point Lumber Company. It seems that young Nelson had fallen overboard while at play with two other little fellows, who were so frightened at the accident that they ran home without saying anything about it, until after they were questioned by the boy's mother after he had been missing for some and she had become seriously alarmed. The arrangements for the funeral have as yet not been completed.

Tomorrow, The Day—

Tomorrow the special committee from the Astoria Clerks' Union, which has charge of the preparations for the proper observance of the "glorious Fourth," will start on its rounds along the merchants and people generally, in pursuit of the necessary "wherewithal," and the slogan of the hour will be "Quick, and Generous," for there is not much time left in which to perfect the elaborations and gather the talent essential to the big success these gentlemen aspire to. They intend to make it a rattling and memorable anniversary, and there will be plenty of live and interesting features, as well as clever and interesting people on the long and alluring program. It will be well to meet them half way tomorrow and make the big task as light as possible,

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An Ugly Rumor—

Yesterday evening there was an ugly rumor circulating about the city to the effect that a suit-case had been discovered under one of the lower district saloons, and containing the slashed and bloody remains of a murdered human. The whole yarn was fairly dripping with gore and was, as usual with such tales, entirely improbable. The matter was evidently believed by its sponsors, because they took it to the office of Police Chief Gammal, who, to satisfy the people making the presentment, detailed Officers Linville and Thompson, to investigate the matter and report. This was done; and the only substance to the story was that the men who discovered the grip (devoted friends of young Conrad Anderson, who has been missing for nearly two weeks), found a blood-stained canvas grip beneath the saloon of the "Big Swede" on the north side of Astor street. There was nothing in it,

and it was instantly recognized by Officer Linville as a grip that had been in the saloon (now closed) when some months ago a man was shot in the arm there and had allowed the blood to drip all over the thing, which was cast out as rubbish when the saloon was closed up.

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