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**Preparing For Census—**

Miss Warren, county superintendent of schools, is sending out blanks to the clerks of the various school districts in the county, on which the school census returns are to be made. The census will be taken the latter part of November.

**On Trips To Old Homes—**

This morning the A. & C. train out of this city Portland-ward to the "old homes." Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vincent and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Manners, all of Svensen, to Cove, Arkansas; and tomorrow evening's express here will take Mr. and Mrs. Ben Larson on their way to Valisca, Iowa, on a homing trip.

**Here From Los Angeles—**

George Wilcox, of Los Angeles, and with Geo. H. Stewart, builder of can-making machinery, arrived in this city yesterday on a business trip. Among the first to greet him was his old friend, John Fox, of the Astoria Iron Works. Mr. Wilcox is looking up the dairy lands of the northwest with a view of adding to the holdings of a company in which he is interested. His company has lately purchased a large body of lands in the Salt Valley, in Arizona, which he secured for the sum of \$175 per acre. He will be here for several days.

**Died At Portland—**

The sad news reached this city yesterday, through Frank L. Parker, the deputy collector of the port, of the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. W. B. Chase, of that city, and a civil engineer of repute and high standing. Mr. Chase was stricken with paralysis in March last and has lingered in a critical condition ever since. He was 56 years of age and thoroughly respected in a wide circle of friends, not alone in the metropolis, but all over the State, including this city. Mr. Parker left up last evening.

**Back From Oklahoma—**

Clark Loughery has returned from his trip to Lawton, Oklahoma, whither he went on the 6th instant, as a delegate to the Sportsmen's League of America. He was there for six days and had a fine reception and a good time and a very successful convention. The good people down there had a great program marked out, including a wolf-hunt, a rabbit-drive, a quail hunt and a banquet on the quails, topped off with a splendid cavalry drill in which 726 horses and men took part. While there he met W. R. Crosby, the world's champion trap-shooter, who has a record of 419 consecutive birds, received from his, a "Winchester" button, which he prizes immensely. Mr. Clark is in fine fettle after his trip and says he wants to go again.

**Homeward Bound—**

An Astorian reporter yesterday happened to run across a fine, stalwart young soldier just released from his three-year term of service with Uncle Sam's army, and with his pay, in handsome sum, in his pocket, buying his home ticket at the office of the A. & C. Railway, on Twelfth street; happy as a lark, glad and free and homeward bound; sober, decent, proud and as manly a chap as one sees in year's travel. He was booked for Louisville, Kentucky, and left on last evening's train. He carried a handsome gold medal that indicated he was a crack gunner, it being a "first class gunner's" badge.

**Reversing The Rule—**

Heretofore it has been the accepted rule of the fraternal institutions generally to wait for the ladies of the order to provide entertainment and issue invitations to the brethren; but it has remained for the ladies of Fern Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of this city, to reverse the rule. Last night they were the guests of the Master Masons, at the lodge room both lodges use in common, and the men folk were charged with the happy task of furnishing amusement and refreshments for the sisters. There was a happy time all around; the Masons presenting a minstrel show, with W. F. McGregor as interlocutor, well supported on the ends and in the semi-circle by the best talent in the city. It was a huge success and has set a new pace in mutual entertainment that will not be allowed to lapse.

**Will Not Go Home Now—**

Seid Jan, the well known Chinese porter at the Occident Hotel barber shop, now run by John H. Petersen, who has been at the porter's post there since November 19, 1885, or nearly 23 years, and who has accumulated a snug fortune in this city, which he has carefully invested in the "Flowery Kingdom," and who had thought to return to his native land next month, has just received word from his home (midway between the cities of Hong Kong and Canton), of the death of his wife after an illness of 45 days. He has a son of 22 years still living there. Seid Jan does not want to return to China now and will stay here for good. He says he does not fear for his son as he is a good boy and has studied hard and will make a man of himself with the help his father will give him in due time.

**Hot Drinks**

Coffee and Chocolate.



**Fifty Years, Wedded—**

Yesterday was the fiftieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Belland, of Stavanger, Norway, the honored parent of Councilman L. O. Belland, of this city. To commemorate the happy event, Councilman Belland sent his parents a long and loving greeting by cable on Sunday in order to get it in, in time for the feasting and pleasurable events of the day.

**A Narrow Escape—**

On Sunday morning last, Eugene Bussing, driver of Chemical No. 1, who keeps a key to the office of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Co. office next door to the Chemical house, on Bond street, had occasion to enter the rear of the premises, and as he entered the telephone wires "singing" the song they usually emit when they are short-circuited. Opening the telephone box, he found it all aflame, and the walls beside it were scorched from the heat that must soon have burst forth. It was instantly remedied; but only for his opportune entrance, there might have been serious trouble, since it might not have been ascertained until a good deal of damage had been wrought.

**Board Adjourns—**

The board of equalization adjourned last evening, after having been in session seven days. The A. & C. rolling stock assessment was finally straightened out in a satisfactory manner. Each of the three counties is to assess the rolling stock according to the amount of mileage within the county, in accordance with the statute covering the matter, and the assessors of the three counties have apparently accepted the valuation of the stock as made by the company. This will result in Clatsop county getting a greater valuation than the one laid down by the county assessor, though the difference is not a very material one. The board decided to refuse the protest of various Warrenton gentlemen, asking that the values on Warrenton property be increased. Some of the men there wanted all the property in that district raised, and to make the rise in values really a material one. But the board was not quite willing to accede to this request. Under the law, it would have been necessary to have notified every property owner of the contemplated rise, and this would have meant that the board would have been compelled to sit for a week or two weeks longer. The situation is an odd one, whereby property owners of a district ask that the assessments be put higher, and it is to be presumed that next time the county assessor will meet them at least half way in their desires.

**"Ye Ancient Press"—**

Attorney G. A. Hemple, of this city, is the fortunate owner of two fine specimens of the old newspaper, as our forefathers knew it back in early years of the last century. He brought a couple of copies of the Boston Messenger to this office yesterday, and they were fully appreciated; one bears date of February 24th, 1815, and the other of October 6th, of the same year. Both papers, in point of type and general handling compare splendidly with the successors of the present hour, and in spite of the 103 years they have been circulating about, are in a fine state of preservation. The February number contains an elaborate account of the treat with England closed after the war of 1812, and many other matters of historic interest, and both are valuable issues in that sense. Mrs. M. A. Swope has already kindly furnished this office with a copy of the Astorian of Thursday, June 24, 1884, 24 years old and full of interesting matter propounded by James Halloran its then editor. The leading article in it deals with Ben Butler's bid for the Presidential nomination. These old journals make latter-day men sit up and take notice; though it cannot be said that, for their time, they were any better news-givers than their successors on the press.

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**INTERESTING FIGURES ON TAX ROLLS**

**SHERIFF POMEROY MAKES A GOOD SHOWING ON 1907 ROLL.**

Sheriff M. R. Pomeroy, of this county, yesterday made a final turnover on the 1907 tax roll of \$798,466, which practically cleans up the roll, as he says the actual delinquencies will at then end, hardly reach \$500. From the figures presented by the roll at present and confirmed by the sheriff, the Astorian takes the following:

Full and original sum of tax roll,	\$255,112.69
Amount collected .....	\$245,440.88
Rebate allowed .....	6,457.14
Delinquent .....	2,644.68
Errors and double assessments .....	1,711.41
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$256,254.11</b>

Amount of tax roll.....\$255,112.69  
Error on roll total......01  
Penalties collected .....

The foregoing statement, compared with the preceding four years, is of further interest to all concerned, to-wit:

Year 1906: Total of roll, \$270,753.75; total delinquent, \$3294.38.
Year 1905: Total of roll, \$225,782.70; total delinquent, \$3732.31.
Year 1904: Total of roll, \$200,140.34; total delinquent, \$6802.94.
Year 1903: Total of roll, \$173,447.91; total delinquent, \$17,169.14.

**"The Honeymooners"—**

The great crowd that assembled at the Astoria opera house on Sunday evening last to be amused by George Cohen's famous "Honeymooners" got the best entertainment that has reached here this fall, for the 42 clever, lively people that filled this bill did all that an equal number of humans could to satisfy the house, and they succeeded admirably. It is one long laugh. The play itself carries just enough of a tangible plot to hinge a raft of fun on, and the pace Sunday night was fast as furious and delightful as long as the curtain was up. It was clean, witty, sparkling, and replete with actual wit, genuine, not overworked; and the music was cheerful and dainty and the dancing superb. It was peculiarly appreciated here in Astoria since the story told in the play deals with a municipal election for and against an "open town," against which very proposition this city is going up if some people have their way; but, at all events, it fitted in with the passing humor of the hour in this city and every good point either way was made the most of by the delighted house. Walter Cester, as John Tiger; Louis London, as Sam Gayland; Thomas Hearne, as Riley; the mayor; Willie Dunlay as Augustus Wright; Gertrude Le randt, as Mrs. John Tiger; Rose Gildea as "Zanfretta"; Dolly Vardenia as Gerty Gayland, and Anna Wheaton, as Madeline Tiger, kept the fun humming and won distinctive and deserved commendation on all sides. There was not a dull nor dubious actor on the boards; everybody seemed to have his and her share cut out, and all did duty nobly to the complete and manifest enjoyment of the big house, which was unsurpassing in its evidences of appreciation.

**Birthday Club—**

Members of the Birthday Club of the First M. E. church will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Vivian E. Hatch, at 328 Twelfth street, on Wednesday afternoon and the occasion promises to be a very pleasant one. Mrs. Oliver Campbell will assist Mrs. Hatch in entertaining. It is the custom of the club to meet on the anniversary of the birthday of one of the members—in this case that of Mrs. Campbell. Members of the club are cordially invited to be present.

**Logger Badly Hurt—**

John Larson, an employee of the Oregon Timber & Lumber Company's camp, near Parsons, was badly injured yesterday morning by a flying piece of timber. He was struck in the hip. Superintendent McNary at once made arrangements to bring the injured man to this city, and he was brought here as comfortably as possible by train and placed in St. Mary's hospital. One of the bones in his hip was broken and Larson will probably have to remain in the hospital for a number of weeks.

**The Irving Slide—**

The Irving slide continues to grow worse, and the indications are that it will become a great deal worse than it now is before it grows any better, to use a paradoxical phrase. The four or five little homes at the bottom of the hill, and facing on the bay, are now in bad shape. The bulging, moving ground was yesterday right up against several of the houses and if the ground keeps moving at the same rate for the next week that it has for the past several weeks, the structures will apparently either be tipped over or carried forward into the water. Several of the families have already moved out, and several others will move just as soon as other vacant houses can be found. It becomes more apparent that the whole hillside will have to come down before there can be any permanent improvement or safety there.

**A Knocker Knocks—**

In the Oregonian of yesterday is an unsigned statement in relation to Richmond Pearson Hobson's visit to Astoria. With light sarcasm the writer insinuates that the distinguished visitor was not treated hospitably in this city. It is charged that he ate his final meal in a "combinations saloon and restaurant," with no one about except a colored porter and the train conductor. Apparently no one in Astoria has worried about the animadversion very much, for the statements are untrue. Mayor Wise yesterday wrote a communication to the Portland paper in answer to the "knock." But it is true that the distinguished visitor from the Southland did remark while here of what he deemed the lack of refinements and politeness and courtesy in the West generally.

**Yesterday's Registration—**

When the registration in the city auditor's office closed last evening there had been a total of 700 voters registered, and of these 56 registered yesterday. The number yesterday was comparatively small, and Judge Anderson and Mr. Nordstrom, who are handling the books, were correspondingly glad, as last week they were kept on the "jump" every day. The registration by precincts is as follows, giving the totals only: first precinct, 75; second precinct, 32; third precinct, 82; fourth precinct, 186; fifth precinct, 142; sixth precinct, 99; seventh precinct, 74. The fourth precinct is ahead, with its 186 registrations.

**Diphtheria About Over—**

The slight diphtheria scare of last week has not increased any, and yesterday Dr. Clara Reames, the city health officer, stated that there have been no new cases. Dr. Reames does not expect any unusual amount of sickness. One or more houses are still under quarantine. Tests have shown clearly the presence of diphtheria, but the disease is in very mild form.

**Citizenship Papers—**

Jacobson Jacobson yesterday filed his petition for his full naturalization papers, and his hearing was set for the next term of court. Julius Wilhelm Alfred Moeller, native of Germany, filed his declaration of intention to become a citizen.

**Death At Gray's River—**

Mrs. Annie Haataja, wife of John Haataja, died at their home at Gray's River yesterday. Consumption was the cause. She was only 25 years of age.

**PERSONAL MENTION**

Mrs. Wilson, of Seattle, has arrived in the city and is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Sherman.  
Mrs. Fred McCullough, of Seattle, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Langford, for a few days.  
Charles Lockyer, of Portland, has arrived in the city and has assumed the management of the Frank L. Smith Meat Company, vice Tom Braden, the former manager, who has been retired.  
J. P. McCrea was a passenger for the Coos country on the steamer Alliance. He goes out to look over that country and to meet Hon. Elijah Smith and expects to be gone for at least a week.  
Fred Barker was a passenger for Portland on Sunday, returning to this city yesterday.  
Miss Flora Pohl has gone to Portland, where it is possible she will take a position of trust and remain at the metropolis.  
H. L. Conyers of San Francisco was in the city yesterday on business matters and is quartered at the Occident.  
Geo. Hibbert of Chinook, editor of the Observer, spent the day here yesterday on business.  
Hon. Charles W. Fulton has returned to the city from several weeks campaigning in the interest of Mr. Taft, throughout the State.  
Howard Brownell is absent from the city on legal business, and is in the South Bend country.  
A. H. Hemple of Chicago, brother of Attorney G. A. Hemple, arrived here yesterday to visit his brother, and is likely to settle in Astoria for good.  
Arthur Smith, who has been absent on business, in Seattle, returned to this city yesterday.  
Miss Clara Munson has returned to her Warrenton home from a pleasant outing with friends in Portland. She was accompanied to Warrenton by her friend, C. O. Swanberg and his daughter, Mrs. Linda Stribolt, who are both on their homeward journey from Sweden to San Francisco. Both visitors have friends in this city who will be glad to see them again.

**Clothes Absolute Free.**  
In order to thoroughly advertise his "Monster clothing and hat sale" which begins TUESDAY morning, Herman Wise has adopted a clever plan introduced by a Chicago firm. Before the beginning of the sale, a date is written on two slips of paper, the slips sealed inside of two envelopes and one deposited with each of the two daily papers. At the end of the sale three responsible men break the seals, the date is made known and all customers who hold sales slips for that date presents their sales checks at Herman Wise's Clothing Store and get the money back for all clothes bought on that date, whether the slips calls for \$1 or \$100—so no matter what you buy on that day costs you nothing; but whatever day of the SALE you buy clothes at Herman Wise's store you get big bargains and on one day you get clothes FREE.

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BEEF .....	16c
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ROUND STEAK .....	16c
SHOULDER STEAK .....	8c
BEEF STEW .....	3c
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