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**TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN**

**Logger Drown-**

Thomas Paulson, a logger, accidentally drowned Tuesday in the Necanicum river near the Seaside Lumber Company's upper logging camp.

**Warrants Signed-**

Mayor Wise yesterday signed the ordinances that were passed at the last session of the council and also signed all of the many claims.

**Warrants Called-**

City Treasurer Dealey will today call for warrants to the amount of \$4666.15, on various street improvements.

**License To Marry-**

License to marry was issued at the office of the county clerk yesterday to Charles L. Owen and Miss Mary Lambert.

**Christmas Sale-**

The ladies of the First M. E. church will hold their annual sale of Christmas articles, home cooking, etc., in the lecture room of the church on the afternoon of Friday, December 4.

**From Southern Oregon-**

F. W. Preston, of Warrenton, was a homing passenger on the 11:40 train yesterday morning, from Southern Oregon, whither he has been on a land-seeking tour for the past two weeks.

**Cruisers Out And Busy-**

There are a dozen or more timber cruisers out in the forests back of the Gray's River country, all of them busy as bees. It is also reported that Messer Brothers have secured a five year lease of the Seal River boom and will operate it to the limit from now on.

**Wedded At Occident-**

Yesterday evening in the parlors of the Hotel Occident, Hon. C. J. Trenchard, county judge, performed the legal ceremony that bound the lives of Mr. Charles L. Owen, of Portland, and Miss May Lambert, of Clatsop, in this county. Later the happy young people departed for the metropolis on the steamer Larline.

**Had Splendid Luck-**

Frederick Lindenberger, of the Lindenberger Company, Inc., of this city, returned yesterday at noon from a two-day fishing expedition of Bear Creek, with a half dozen friends from Chicago whom he has been entertaining. They took the launch Betty and all the needful accessories and had 164 fine 10-inch trout to show for their outing.

**Contract Labor Higher-**

A gentleman well known in this city who arrived here yesterday after a trip through the Puget Sound country, reports that it is a certain

ty that contract Chinese and Japanese labor in the canneries will be higher next season, owing to the large number of canneries that are to start up again in the spring over in the Puget Sound country, which have been idle for a number of years past.

**Big Window Breaks-**

One of the big plateglass windows in the south front of the Abstract, Title & Trust Company was broken by the fierce gale that blew last evening. During one of the gusts that swept over the city about 6 o'clock the window suddenly cracked and went to pieces.

**For Improvement-**

A petition was filed in the office of the city auditor yesterday by the Banking Savings & Loan Association asking for the improvement of Irving avenue from the intersection of Irving avenue 50 feet west, by grading to the full width of the established grade.

**Lum Chack Well-**

Little Lum Chack, the Chinese boy who was operated upon for appendicitis at St. Mary's hospital nearly two weeks ago, is almost entirely well and has been up and walking about. He was a very sick boy when taken to the hospital, and his relatives and many others among the Chinese residents have watched his recovery with much grateful interest.

**A Business Visitor-**

Manager H. Cole Estep, of the Penton Publishing Company's Seattle office, is in the city in the interest of that company's publication known as "Power Boating," and issued from the Cleveland, Ohio, office. The concern publishes beside this, the Iron Trade Review, Marine Review, the Foundry, Penton's List, Blue Book of American Shipping, the Great Lakes Red Book, etc.

**Mr. Brix Accepts-**

Asmus Brix yesterday accepted the nomination on the Democrat ticket for the eight-year term to the water commission from the First ward. Mr. Brix and Mr. Kankkonen had each received eight votes on the Democrat ticket, but the latter refused to take any part in "pulling off" the tie and this left Mr. Brix as the candidate on the Democrat ticket. He is now the candidate on the three tickets for this position. Like several others who received more than one nomination, Mr. Brix

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expressed some reluctance in accepting more than the regular one, though there hardly seems anything else to do. To refuse would perhaps be ungracious to those who wrote his name in one their ticket, and no particular harm can result from accepting.

**Contract Underway-**

Sometime ago Messrs. Horton & Stepmier, of Stella, contracted with R. M. Leathers of this city, for the construction of a 58-foot launch, and only the sudden and serious illness of Mr. Leathers has interfered with the fulfilling of the contract. Mr. Leathers' sickness has lingered so much longer than was anticipated that time urges its immediate starting, and to this end Mr. Leathers has engaged Driscoll Brothers to begin work of modeling and construction at once and this was started yesterday at the Leathers' boathouse. The vessel will be one of the regulation fine boats put out by this shop. She will be two feet longer than the "Fox," built at the same yards.

**Astoria's Travelers-**

Among the Astoria notables recently en route to and from their home city, may be mentioned, Miss Mary McCrea who arrived home from Seattle yesterday on the noon train, after a pleasant week spent at the home of her cousins there, Miss Olive Burkeble, Mrs. Lola Dora Smith (nee Foard), who came in on the same train, as one of the visitors at the wedding of Miss Higgins and Mr. Stokes last evening, Charles Halderman, private secretary to U. S. Senator C. W. Fulton, who leaves for the national capital this evening, going via Burchard, Kansas, and Captain Stuart of the Cape Disappointment life-saving station, who left last evening for Tacoma, on a business trip.

**Will Hear From Her-**

A pleasant hint was dropped yesterday in the hearing of a reporter for the Astorian, the telling of which betrays no confidence, and will beget an eager interest in the future of one of the crackerjack boats of the lower Columbia. It had to do with the famous motor racer "Greenhorn," built last fall by Driscoll Brothers, who, it is said, will nurse the craft through a series of improvements that will bring her to lines guaranteeing a speed anywhere from 20 miles to 30 miles; which, judging from the ease with which she flected 22 miles off on the rough waters of this harbor last September will be no impossible achievement. She will be heard from next Regatta season, here, and perhaps, in other waters, at Portland, and Seattle, for instance.

**Back From The Forest-**

Hon. W. F. McGregor returned to this city yesterday from a trip in the woods back of the Gray's River country. He says he was surprised and pleased to note the wonderful improvement in the appearance of the lands and farms and homes over there, and the access of cleared lands and the utility of them over in the Crooked Creek country. He also reports that owing to the prevalent bad weather some of the logging camps in that section are closing down temporarily, especially those camps that are within the fresh water radius, as freshets are expected there. Peter Morel, of the Morel Logging Company, came out with Mr. McGregor, and that plant will call off its men until the weather gets better and the days a bit longer, or until, say, the first of the year.

**"Important If True"**

According to statements made last evening by one of the property holders affected by the Irving slide the present plan of sluicing is proving ineffective and is to be given up at the close of the day's work this evening. This seems improbable enough, as it has been understood that the work was going on well and with all the success expected. The whole hillside is in very bad

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 You had better come and get some of the bargains.  
 If you have already secured some, come and get more. You can't lose.

Sincerely,  
 HERMAN WISE  
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**CANDIDATES MUST PAY \$25 CITY TAXES**

**NO AMENDMENT TO SECTION WHICH RAISES BARRIER TO THE WATER COMMISSION**

The city charter seems to make some very precise demands of those who present themselves as candidates for election to the water commission. One may not be elected to this position unless he is "a taxpayer," and, as stated in the Astorian of yesterday, by taxpayer in this relation is meant that the candidate pay at least \$25 in taxes every year. But the question is still somewhat puzzling and even upon a close analysis of the charter provision the question does not appear quite clear. The section of the charter that covers the matter reads as follows:  
 "No person shall be considered a taxpayer, within the meaning of this act, so as to be eligible to become a member of the commission under this act, unless he has paid to the city within a year before his selection or appointment to such position, a tax of not less than \$25, and whenever any member shall fail to pay such tax to the city for one year he shall cease to be a member."  
 Now it is perhaps evident that this means that it is not sufficient that a candidate pay \$25 taxes, including the county and school taxes. The money must be paid "to the city." Taxes that are paid "to the city" must, evidently, be on city property, and therefore the section very evidently means that this \$25 must be on city property. The city levy was 18 mills out of the total of 55 mills, but the latent ambiguity of the language of the section seems to forbid any entirely clear reading as to just how, or on exactly what basis, the \$25 tax is to be figured. All that seems clear is that county and school taxes are not to be included.  
 There has been no amendment to this section, which may be found on page 84 of the published charter. It raises a pretty high barrier and seems to come near to affecting more than one of the present candidates.

**PERSONAL MENTION**

Chief Engineer Kenedy of the Ilwaco Railway Company, was a business visitor in this city yesterday afternoon.  
 Hon. J. R. Burke, of Cathlamet, spent the day in this city yesterday on business.  
 Goe F. Harrison, of New York, was a business tourist in Astoria yesterday, and was registered at the Occident.  
 F. R. Beals, of Tillamook, was in the city yesterday, on matters of business.  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Clarke, of Portland, were domiciled at the Occident yesterday.  
 G. W. Simpson, of the metropolis, spent the day here yesterday.  
 Richard Adams, of Portland, was noted among the crowd of tourists in Astoria yesterday.  
 J. J. Brugger, of Skamokawa, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.  
 D. Weingarten, of San Francisco, was among the many people from abroad quartered in this city yesterday.  
 Notice.  
 Captain of the ship Bossuet hereby serves notice that he will not be responsible for any debts contracted by any member of his crew.  
 Old newspapers for sale at this office, 50 cents per hundred.

**A MILLIONAIRE TRAMP.**

A municipal judge in Chicago recently heard an unusual case. A wife had her husband arrested for silence, testifying that he had not spoken a word to her for three months. After listening to the testimony of both sides the judge ordered the husband to converse with his better half on some subject or other. "If you don't obey," he added, "I'll give you a good stiff fine. Say something; tell a funny story or take her to a show that might induce conversation." Upon leaving the court room the silence was broken by hubby. As husband and wife descended the steps leading to the street he was heard to remark "The stairs are crooked." Elmer Walters heard about the couple and jokingly extended them the courtesy of the theatre in which "A Millionaire Tramp" was the attraction.  
 The couple appeared at the box office armed with Mr. Walters' letter. They were given box seats and after the performance the husband remarked to Mr. Walter in the presence of his wife, "This is the first entertainment we have sat through together in three years and I thank you for the invitation. Your play has taught me a lesson and in the future

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