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### TERSE TALKS OF THE TOWN

#### Leaves Hospital

Miss Sophie Rahtu, of Portland, who has been seriously ill at St. Mary's hospital, has fully recovered and will leave the hospital today for her home.

#### Mrs. Fox Home

Mrs. M. J. Fox, who was called to the death bed of her sister at Lewiston, Idaho, over a month ago, has returned to Astoria. She apparently stood the trip quite well.

#### Secure Certificates

Certificates of election were secured yesterday by the following named gentlemen who were elected to office at the recent election: Peter Gimre, H. T. Prael, Gust Holmes, C. J. Curtis, J. W. Welch, W. C. Logan, L. O. Belland.

#### Miss Warren Leaves

Miss Emma C. Warren, county superintendent of schools, will leave this morning for a six weeks' vacation in California. She will spend a short time in the northern portion of the state and then will go to the southern part. Mrs. Lowe will take charge of Miss Warren's office during her absence.

#### No Serious Effects

S. E. Parks, the man who was beaten and robbed by highway robbers while on the road between Fort Columbia and Chinook, has suffered no serious effects from the heavy blow he received on the head. He was treated by Dr. Henderson and is already out and around.

#### Wedding On Next Sunday

The pleasant announcement is made of the wedding-to-be, on Sunday evening next, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Storm, in Alderbrook, of Miss Kalstrom, of Portland, and Mr. Bjorn, both well known Portland people. The event is scheduled for 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and the newly married people will settle down in Astoria at once and make their future home here. Rev. G. A. Rydquist will officiate.

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#### Park Commission In Session

The final meeting of the Astoria Park Commission, for the year 1909, took place last evening at the city hall. Hon. Herman Wise, mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Hildebrand, Gratke, Foard and Tee, being present. There was nothing much done, and apparently nothing much to be done as the park keeper's new quarters are practically finished up, and some few accounts to audit. These things having been properly cared for, the meeting adjourned.

#### Arrived Yesterday, To Settle

Yesterday's noon express brought to this city, a young attorney of Escanaba, Michigan, by the name of A. W. Norblad, who comes to make his home in Astoria, and comes with the personal friendship of Rev. G. A. Rydquist, pastor of the Memorial Lutheran church; Editor Fred Karinen, and Attorney G. A. Hempel, with the latter of whom Mr. Norblad is likely to form a co-partnership in the law at an early day. He is a very cheerful and bright young gentleman, and comes to Astoria thoroughly prepossessed in her favor.

#### He Found The "Ten"

Contractor Peter P. Lettich, in charge of the tank-work for the Union Oil Company, in this city, had the misfortune to lose one of the unique gold tens of this country's coinage, yesterday; the kind that has not the "In God We Trust" upon it and which made them so unpopular with many people. He lost it on the street somewhere, and when he sought to retrace his steps, and as he neared the original point of departure, he saw a boy pick it up. He immediately gave the lad a dollar for finding it, and went away rejoicing. They are very rare now and he is treasuring his specimen devoutly.

#### Another Good One Coming

Astoria's lately have been very fortunate in the quality of plays and next Sunday night will be no exception to the rule when "In Wyoming" will be produced by the well known theatrical firm of H. E. Pierce & Co. The piece is said to be on the order of "The Virginian", "In Arizona," etc. and is in no respect a melo-drama, but a comedy drama simple and clean. Mr. John Cort, the Northwestern theatrical booking manager who has control of all the theatres in the west, west of Denver, highly endorses "In Wyoming" as the best dollar attraction he has on his circuit this season.

#### "Little Johnny Jones"

There was something doing every moment of the evening last night at the performance of "Little Johnny Jones" at the Astoria theatre. The play was a typical "Cohan" production in every respect and was teeming with genuine comedy and tuneful music throughout. The company was perhaps the largest one in numbers seen here this season and a splendid production was given. Among the features of the evening were the ever popular songs made famous by this company such as "The Yankee Doodle Boy", "Give My Regards To Broadway", "Good By Flo", and many others which were all rendered in a splendid manner. Mr. Smith took the part of Little Johnny Jones and his work was most pleasing. A large and pretty chorus with good voices and well trained dancers is carried which do much to win success for the principal members of the company.

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#### Dies At Deep River

Miss Kaisa Ruhlinski, a young Finnish woman who has been in this country only about a year and a half, died at Deep River yesterday. She was taken sick only the day before, and the cause of her sudden death is not clearly known.

#### Taxpayers Tonight

A meeting of taxpayers of the Astoria school district is called for tonight in the Chamber of Commerce, to act upon the question of the annual levy for the district. It had been announced that the meeting would be asked to pass upon the recommendation of seven mills, as made by the board of education, but it is said to be likely that the taxpayers will be asked to act only on five mills. While the board figures that seven mills will be required, nevertheless two mills of this will be needed to apply on bond interest, and it seems that the board is authorized to levy these two mills without further action. The board will hold a meeting this morning to prepare for the session tonight.

#### Nurses' School

The time for opening the school for nurses at St. Mary's hospital has been set for January 8, when everything will be in readiness for the classes. Quite a number of the members of the faculty have already been appointed and the full list will be announced at or before the time for opening the school. Sister Andrew, Superior at the hospital, said yesterday that while quite a number of applicants have appeared, yet most of them were too young. The age limit is from about 20 years to about 35. Some of those who wished to take the course were mere girls of 16 or 17. It is desired that those who wish to take up the work make application soon, and if possible, should make personal application. It is assured that the course and training will be excellent and the opportunity seems to be a most excellent one for the young women of this locality who desire to take up the occupation of a trained nurse.

#### Died All Alone

Judson A. Meek, for many years a resident of the Lewis and Clark district, was found dead in his little house Sunday morning. He had been in ill health. When found he lay on the floor with his feet under the stove, as if he had stretched himself out for warmth. Coroner Gilbaugh was called and made an investigation of the matter, but everything tended to show that the rancher had died from natural causes. Further examination showed cause of death to have been heart trouble. In his pockets was found the sum of \$15.75. Meek had evidently been dead for a number of days. He was 51 years of age, unmarried, and while of a retiring and unusual disposition, was well thought of by his neighbors. His sister, Mrs. Nettie Love of Portland, came down yesterday and has taken charge of her dead brother's effects. His ranch comprised about 28 or 30 acres and had some good stock on it. There will be no inquest. The funeral will be held from the Gilbaugh chapel this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, the services being conducted by the Rev. Conrad Owens, pastor of the First Baptist church, with interment in Greenwood. Meek had lived on his present ranch for about 20 years.

#### Handsome Christmas Presents

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#### Judge Expected Today

Judge McBride, though expected down to open a term of the circuit court yesterday, did not arrive and no word was heard directly from him by any of the court officials. He is expected down today on the noon train, however. Several civil matters are on the docket, and it is said to be possible that one or more of the liquor cases will be called, though not for trial. If the defendants in these cases wish to plead guilty they will be given an opportunity to do so.

#### The Children's Interest

J. G. Kilpack, traveling agent for the Boys' & Girls' Aid Society, who has been in this section for several days in the interest of his charge, spent the day here yesterday, conferring with the friends and agencies of the youngsters in Astoria, the teachers, and the commissioners of his own institution. Mr. Kilpack has succeeded Mr. Teuscher, well and favorably known in this behalf, who has gone to the service of the Junior Court, of Multnomah under Judge Gantenben. Mr. Kilpack reports that the Society is moving along successfully, as usual, with about 70 children at the home, and with over 500 charges still under its friendly care and dominion.

#### Special Notice to the Ladies

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#### PERSONAL MENTION

Will Benoit was a homing passenger from Southern California, on the steamship Rose City, yesterday, he having made the round voyage on that vessel.

J. W. Estes, the brother, and Mrs. E. E. Estes, the mother of Dr. O. B. Estes, and his guests latterly, have returned to their Seattle homes, after an enjoyable sojourn in Astoria. W. J. White, the well known paper man, was a business visitor in this

#### city yesterday.

Assistant Cashier J. W. Garner, of the Astoria Savings Bank has returned from his month's outing in Southern California and reports having enjoyed it thoroughly.

C. J. Moffatt, of Centralia, was doing business here yesterday.

J. T. Severance, of Houston, Texas, was a business tourist in Astoria yesterday, leaving up for the metropolis last evening at 6:10 o'clock.

H. R. Burkhardt, of Pendleton, spent the day in this city yesterday on a business quest.

#### Fresh Meat.

Spare ribs, pork tenderloin, and other meats fresh daily at Braden's new meat market. See ad, page 4.

#### Mrs. McRaney's Experience

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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- Blood Sausage.....10c
- Liver Sausage.....10c
- Head Cheese.....10c
- Ham Sausage.....15c
- Smith's Pig Pork Sausage.....12c
- Shoulder Roast Pork.....10c, 12c
- Whole Shoulder Roasts.....11c
- Shoulder Pork Chops.....12c
- Loin Pork Chops.....15c
- Loin Rib Roasts of Pork.....15c
- Pork Hocks.....10c
- Fresh Pig Feet.....5c
- Smith's Pure Lard in 5-lb. pails.....65c
- Sirloin Steaks.....10c
- Tenderloin Steaks.....10c
- Best Porterhouse Steaks.....12c, 15c
- "T" Bone Steaks.....12c, 15c
- Round Steak.....10c
- Best Pot Roasts.....7c, 8c
- Beef for Boiling.....5c, 6c
- Prime Rib Roast Beef.....10c, 12c
- Pickled Pork.....12c
- Dry Salt Pork.....12c
- Smith's Pig Hams.....15c
- Breakfast Bacon.....15c, 17c
- Fresh Eggs.....35c dozen
- Your choice of several different brands of Creamery Butter.....70c
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