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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Infant Dies

Alma, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Niska, 365 Taylor street, died yesterday.

Dies of Alcoholism

H. G. Hodskin, of Hammond, died in this city yesterday, his death evidently being due to alcoholism. He was of middle age, and said to have been unmarried.

Declarations

Declarations of intention to take out citizen papers were filed yesterday by Trygve Wigen and Anton Edwin Johnson, both natives of Norway.

Ran Into Ditch

While driving up Fourteenth street last night a man had the misfortune to get into a ditch there. He was fished out and taken to the hospital in the ambulance. There he soon fell asleep.

Marriage Licenses

Trygve Wigen and Constance Sverkle secured a marriage license at the office of the county clerk yesterday. Licenses were also issued to Carl Henrik Bjornman and Anna Mathilda Kallstrom, and to Albert B. Bergman and Augusta C. Eckland.

Funeral Today

The funeral of Volney Paris, aged 69, who died at Warrenton recently of heart trouble, will be buried today. The services will be held at the Warrenton Methodist church at 2 p. m. and interment will be had at Ocean View cemetery.

Recovers From Pneumonia

Frank Benson of Skamokawa, who has been ill at St. Mary's hospital with pneumonia for several days, is recovering from the pneumonia. He was also troubled with one or two hemorrhages and for a time was a very sick man.

Word From Skamokawa

S. G. Williams, editor of the Skamokawa Eagle, was in the city yesterday making some seasonal purchases. He says the mills up that way are all closed down for the holidays, but that all will resume in due time, and expect to do good business; all of which has a pleasant Christmas sound.

Hot Drinks

Coffee and Chocolate.



On Business Trip

Martin Olsen, who has recently opened up an auction and commission house on Fifteenth street left on the up train for Portland last night. Mr. Olson's trip to the Rose City is for the purpose of securing additional stock to enable him to carry on his business that has been decidedly successful in a more extensive manner, and when he returns he will no doubt bring with him a line of goods that will find ready purchasers here.

District Road Levies

At a district road meeting held at Melville on December 14 a levy of 9 mills was made, this being calculated to raise about \$900. Of this sum about \$300 is to be expended in widening, rebuilding and graveling, commencing at the south end of the road now gravelled and extending south. The Young's river district levied 10 mills. The Elsie school district levied one mill, and the Clatsop school district, No. 2, also one mill.

Insurance Case

The case of Larsen Spande vs. the Western Life Indemnity Company, the insurance company which presumably succeeded to the Supreme Union of the Order of Washington, is not to be tried at this term of the circuit court. The motion made by the attorneys for the defense to strike out certain portions of the plaintiff's complaint was over-ruled by Judge McBride and the case will be set for trial tomorrow morning, presumably.

Seventh Street Repair

Superintendent of Streets Kearney stated yesterday that he will commence the work of putting down a sidewalk on the west side of the High School just as soon as he can properly get at it. Although the council had voted that the repair be made, a slight hitch arose. Mr. Kearney says that he will go ahead with the matter just as soon as possible now. It is planned to put down crushed rock, in accordance with recommendations made by Councilman Hansen.

McClure Defeats Taylor

On a very muddy and sloppy field Taylor school yesterday afternoon went down to defeat before the onslaught of the McClure football eleven. Apparently, McClure's quarter used better judgment in his plays and they were all effective for big gains, two of which allowed touchdowns that were made in the first half. In the last half they managed to score two more touchdowns, and Nelson kicked the goal. The game all through contained much squabbling and "kicking," but all through it was very good.

The Proper Place

Christmas gifts to buy! Yes! Well you know where to buy them. The store that has everything for men. P. A. Stokes, proprietor.

Fumigated Houses

There have been several cases of scarlet fever in the city lately, but fortunately the disease appears to be in mild form. There had been a mild epidemic of the sickness in one of the outlying towns and it is possible that the disease was brought in from there. At all events the few cases here have been of such a mild nature and have been cared for so well that little danger is anticipated of any serious trouble among the children here. Yesterday Dr. Reames, the city health officer, fumigated the home of Mrs. A. L. Fulton, on Franklin avenue, where there was a case of scarlatina, and the home of Knut Johnson, also on Franklin avenue, where there was also a case of scarlatina. The home of Eric Manula, on Grand avenue, was also fumigated, there having been a case of diphtheria there. In response to a query last night Dr. Reames said there has been some trouble in tracing the source of the scarlatina, but that it possibly was brought from Hammond. There, Dr. Reames said, the disease had broken out in such a mild form that in most of the cases the parents did not deem the services of a physician necessary, and as a result it was not reported and kept on spreading. Here in Astoria the cases have been exceedingly mild, thus far, but it is urged that great care be taken, if for no other reason than the great inconvenience that will arise in quarantining the houses—a measure that will be rigorously enforced in every instance to prevent the possibility of an epidemic. Tomorrow Dr. Reames will inspect the school in the eastern part of the city where possibly one of the cases of scarlatina had its origin, and will make thorough investigation. There are at present only two cases of scarlatina and two cases of diphtheria under quarantine. Dr. Reames urges the necessity of keeping children away from public places in the downtown district as much as possible for a time.

Married Last Night

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ecklund, 1315 Grand avenue, Albert B. Bergman and Miss Augusta Ecklund were married last night by the Rev. O. T. Field, pastor of the Norwegian M. E. church. The ceremony was witnessed by the intimate friends and relatives and after the wedding ceremony a supper was served. The occasion was made a very happy one, and the young couple were given the best wishes of many friends. They will reside at Chinook. The bride has been employed in the telephone office.

Athletic Club Opening

Tomorrow night will mark the opening of the Athletic Club's fine home, and the public generally is invited to attend the "house warming." There will be music and dancing, punch will be served and a good time assured to all that attend. The building has been fairly well furnished already and doubtless many will be pleased for the opportunity of looking over the place. There will be two orchestras, one downstairs and one upstairs for the dancing. It is hoped that everybody will make it a point to attend, to enjoy the occasion as well as to see what a fine place the new club has.



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- HOUSE COATS..... \$2.75 TO \$10
- SUITCASES..... \$1.50 TO \$15
- SILK NECKWEAR 25c TO \$1.50
- NIGHTROBES..... \$1.00 TO \$2.50
- GLOVES..... \$1.00 TO \$2.50
- HANDKERCHIEFS..... 25c TO \$1
- FANCY VESTS..... \$1.50 TO \$6.00
- UMBRELLAS..... \$1.00 TO \$7.50

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HOMEWARD BOUND IN MOTHER'S CUSTODY

EMMA HERNES LEFT FOR SAN FRANCISCO LAST NIGHT ON STEAMSHIP ROSE CITY

Yesterday's noon express brought to this city Mrs. E. M. Hernes, of San Francisco, who came up hurriedly to take charge of her wilful daughter, the 17-year-old runaway from the Bay City, who came up here on the last voyage of the Rose City, to seek her lover, the soldier Johnson, doing duty at Fort Stevens. She found the girl in the careful custody of Sheriff M. K. Pomeroy, who was glad enough to deliver up his charge to hands naturally equipped for handling her. Mrs. Hernes said to a reporter for the Astorian that she came away hurriedly from San Francisco, in order to forestall her husband who was greatly incensed and who declared that if she came up here it would be to kill Johnson, the girl and himself, and she fearing that he would carry out the insane threat in his great rage, came on herself. She was at once put in touch with her daughter, the latter being quite indifferent to her mother's presence and interest and frankly told her mother and the sheriff that on the moment she reached her legal majority, she would leave home again and hasten to her lover, no matter where he was stationed.

From the mother's account, the girl has always been very wayward, her peculiar leaning to soldiers being conspicuous always and everywhere. In support of this, she showed the reporter a letter found among the girl's effects after she left San Francisco, from one Frank Fagan, of Company A, First Battery, Engineers Corps, at Honolulu, H. I., in which he told the girl that he was credibly informed that the young man, Johnson (the girl's present flame), had been badly mixed up with a young woman in Oakland, Cal., who had left her husband and was the mother of two young children; evidently seeking to warn the girl against being further immeshed in an ugly intimacy.

About 4 o'clock the sheriff, mother and daughter reached the O. R. & N. pier thinking the Rose City would be there, but they had to wait for an hour before she arrived. Then the two boarded her and left out on her at 6 o'clock, homeward bound.

Mrs. Hernes is a very nice looking and respectable woman and was far more zealous in the protection of her daughter than the latter was of showing her mother the respect due her, and this was marked by everyone who came in contact with the pair. At all events, the story is ended so far as this community is concerned, save for the common hope that the young girl may come to her senses and realize that her parents and her home are infinitely the first and best considerations of her day and age. She has a brother in San Francisco, Dr. F. W. Hernes, a well known and prosperous young dentist.

File Election Expenses

There are only four more days in which the candidates for nomination or for election may file their election expenses with the city auditor, and quite a number have not yet been filed. There are several who have not yet filed their acceptances of offices, either. Thursday will be the last day upon which to file the expense accounts, and after that it will be the "duty" of the city auditor to report all those who are delinquent to the prosecuting attorney. Yesterday Peder Gimre filed his account, showing no expense and no promises. A. L. Fox deposited that he had spent \$1.50 for cards. C. R. Higgins, the first of the unsuccessful candidates to file an account, stated that he had expended \$10.95, most of which was for announcements made in the newspapers. I. Bergman filed his account yesterday afternoon, showing \$4 for newspaper announcements and \$3 for cigars. Mr. Bergman is the first of the candidates who has had the occasion of the courage to admit that he bought cigars, although there is a popular belief that at least several of the candidates did purchase at least a few cigars.

Special Meeting

The members of the Carpenters' Union No. 917, are hereby requested to attend a special meeting to be held Monday, December 21st, at 7:30 p. m. in the basement of Redmen's hall. Important business. By order of the president.

You Can't Look Foolish in a WISE Suit

DEC. 30

Dance and Piano Contest

For WISE Customers AT Logan's Hall

Invitations will be out in a few days Are you a Wise Customer?



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CITY PRINTING TO THE MORNING ASTORIAN

PUTS IN THE LOWEST BID AND GETS THE CONTRACT FOR TWO YEARS.

Bids for the city printing were opened in the office of the city auditor yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by the members of the ways and means committee.

The lowest responsible bid was made by the Morning Astorian, and the committee accordingly awarded the contract to this paper.

The contract is for two years, and therefore for the next two years, commencing on January 1, all of the city printing, including all the notices of street assessments, of improvements, and of the official actions of the common council requiring any publicity, will appear in the Morning Astorian.

The members of the ways and means committee, which opened and examined the bids, consists of Councilmen Logan, Belland and Robinson.

Xmas Neckwear

P. A. Stokes has the swellest line of neckwear and handkerchiefs in Astoria. The famous Carter & Holmes' line. "No dead ones."

Home of H. S. & M.

The nicest furnished home in town! The home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothes; furnishings of the new and snappy kind; nothing commonplace. P. A. Stokes store.

Sure Of It!

Customers buying clothes at Wise's on the "Free Day" get their money back. But if you don't strike the "Free Day" you're sure of good goods at reasonable prices.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

JANITOR WORK WANTED BY A capable and experienced man, with excellent references. Address "H. L." care Astorian office.

PERSONAL MENTION

Ex-Commissioner William Larson was in the city yesterday doing a lot of holiday shopping.

Sanford Wolfe, of San Francisco, was a business visitor in Astoria yesterday, and quartered at the Occident.

W. W. Amburn, of Portland, arrived here yesterday and is domiciled at the Occident. He comes as the representative of Engineer Kelly, in the matter of the water works proposition. Kelly's eyes are still bothering him so much that he is compelled to lay off a while longer.

T. G. Coleman of Portland, is registered at the Occident.

Dr. B. Owens-Adair is in from her farm home, "Sunnymeade," and a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Baker arrived in the city yesterday from the metropolis and will remain for several days.

J. G. Hansaker, of Ashland, is in the city on a tour of the lower Columbia country and is a guest at the Merwyn.

G. B. Anderson, of Seattle, arrived here yesterday on business and is stopping at the Hotel Northern.

H. F. Kelly, of Walla Walla, was among the host of passengers brought to this city by the noon express yesterday.

Xmas Suggestion
A Pass-book containing a Deposit of \$1.00 or more in our Savings Department makes a sensible Christmas present. Scandinavian-American Savings Bank.

These pure, fresh Oregon meats can be found at Smith's and at Smith's only for these prices:

- Small Legs of Lamb.....15c
- Lamb Loin Chops.....15c
- Shoulder Lamb Chop.....12c
- Whole Shoulders to Roast.....10c
- Frankfurt Sausages.....10c
- Bologna Sausages.....10c
- 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.....13c
- Loin Rib Roasts of Pork.....15c
- Pork Hocks.....8c
- 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.....18c
- Breakfast Bacon.....16c, 17c
- Fresh Eggs.....35c dozen
- Your choice of several different brands of Creamery Butter.....70c
- Fine fresh, dry-picked Oregon Chickens, Hens and Springs.....18c
- FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO.
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- 12th St. betw Bond and Commercial
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