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VERSE TALKS OF THE TOWN

Funeral Today—

The funeral of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Morton will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from Grace Episcopal church, with interment in Greenwood.

Delay Is Allowed—

In county court yesterday, in the matter of the road petitioned for by Joseph Boyle and others, the view was granted an extension of time until the March term to make their report.

Annual Church Meeting—

The Memorial Lutheran Church, of this city, will hold its annual meeting this evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at the church building; and all members are most earnestly requested to be present.

Sad News Comes—

Yesterday Mrs. T. J. Kelly, of this city, received the sad intelligence of the death of her brother, George Donahue, at Baker City. He was 73 years of age, and was a miner. He had lived in and around Baker county for the past score of years and was most thoroughly respected by all who knew him.

In Probate Court—

The final accounting of Hannah Hendrickson, administratrix of the estate of Charles A. Hendrickson, was heard by Judge Trenchard yesterday and was approved. Mrs. Hendrickson is the only heir and the property was also vested in her, and she was discharged as administratrix.

Insane Man Sicks—

John E. Tormala, or as he is better known, Andrew Anderson, the insane man who was committed to the asylum Monday, was so sick yesterday that it was deemed inadvisable to take him to Salem. An attendant took Erickson the other man who was committed, but Tormala was left in the county jail pending his recovery.

Found a Home—

C. W. Waterman, Astoria's latest acquisition to her commercial and mercantile rosters, has at last found a home, for which he has been on the lookout; he has rented the fine Gilbert cottage on the southeast corner of Third and Duane streets, and is having it re-decorated and extensively repaired and hopes to move into it in about two weeks.

Will Go By Sea—

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gimre, and little daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Young and child, all of whom were going down into the Golden State via the Southern Pacific Railway, have changed their minds and will leave out on the steamship Rose City on Saturday next at an early hour. Their many friends here wish them a pleasant winter sojourn in the south.

Boy Wanted.

A good boy to work in printing office. Apply Astorian office.

Hot Drinks

Coffee and Chocolate.



Apple Cider!

Delicious Fresh Apple Cider

35c Per Gallon

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Water Wagon Runaway—

Yesterday afternoon, as the "water wagon" of the Columbia Bottling Works, was left alone for a moment, and his team started on a leasurely pace back to their barn, thinking they knew all they wanted to about the cold spell; and as there was a good deal of noise and confusion in the effort to check them, they got good and frightened and lit out for a lively run. Several blocks were covered before the rig was brought to a standstill, without any serious damage luckily.

Acknowledgment Made—

The Morning Astorian has pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of cards of invitation, from Mr. and Mrs. John Churchill Ainsworth of Portland, to the wedding of their sister, Belle Ainsworth to Mr. Ralph Herbert Jenkins, at 4 p. m., on Wednesday, January 24, 1909 at the First Presbyterian church, in that city. This paper, along with scores on scores of good friends of the happy groom to be, has only the best and brightest wishes for the happy future of the young people, whereas they may seek it. Mr. Jenkins is the well known and popular assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Company, otherwise, the "North-Bank" line.

Tampered With Hydrant—

Some of the householders in the neighborhood of Twelfth and Duane streets have apparently been securing water from the fire hydrant at that corner, and yesterday Chief Foster found that the screw-nut at the top of the hydrant had been entirely spoiled by those who had been getting water. This nut must be turned to let the water run, and whoever used the hydrant—and it must have been used quite a number of times—had used a wrench which was too loose and large. As a result the nut had been worn round and entirely spoiled, so that the regular fire department wrenches would not turn it. In case of a fire there it would not have been possible to have secured water from that hydrant. Whoever used the loose wrench showed little judgment and poor citizenship. Chief Foster remarked that the spoiler of the nut "ought to be prosecuted."

Was a Cold Day—

Fifteen degrees was the minimum registration of the thermometer in the Western Union office Monday night, though many thermometers about the city showed several degrees lower than that. It was cold all day yesterday, and the wind, while not heavy, was raw. It was an uncomfortable day and many have begun to wish for the warm south winds and the warm rains. Last evening it began to appear as if the sky indicated some change in the weather and the barometer also indicated a change. The river was filled with ice all day yesterday, and it is probable more and more will be coming down for the next several days. If the cold weather should suddenly break with a warm rain the city and all its people will unquestionably be in for a period of much slush and inconvenience. With perhaps a little over a foot of snow on the ground a sudden thaw is sure to bring down a vast amount of water from the hillsides. Last night was cold and disagreeable and it promised to be even colder than the previous night.

On Unfair List—

At the first meeting of the year of the Central Labor Council last night, in Carnahan hall, the new officers were installed as follows: R. S. Hayner, president; William Olson, vice president; J. L. Moore, recording secretary; H. M. Lornsen, financial secretary; Rinald C. Rierson, guide; Tom Souden, guardian. The various reports of the year were read by the outgoing officers, and all of the affairs of the Council were found to be in excellent condition. There were about 35 in attendance last night. The only other matter of importance to arise was a difference that has been outstanding between the Carpenters' union and Axel Johansen, the contractor, which had been placed before the Council for final settlement or action. It is alleged that Mr. Johansen has been working nonunion carpenters and that he also has employed more apprentices than he is entitled to according to the union regulations. It was voted to place Mr. Johansen on the unfair list, as it was deemed by the Council that further negotiations in relation to the differences would be useless at this time.

We Want Your Feet

Now is the time to purchase your shoes. Charles V. Brown is having an odd end sale and prices are being cut below cost. Call at the store today and fit yourself out.

Boy Is All Right—

There has been a rumor current that young Stewart, the lad who was injured while coasting, had died as a result of his injuries. To his boy companions Stewart last evening denied that he is dead, and he is able to be about.

Can See Far—

Since the advent of the northeast winds and the cold weather there has been a remarkable change in the clearness of the atmosphere. While usually it is difficult to see far in this moisture-laden atmosphere, for several days past it has been easy to see the Washington hills thirty and forty miles away, and the north shore hardly seemed a mile or two away.

Rumor of Big Deal—

There is a rumor of a big real estate deal current to the effect that some syndicate is about to purchase \$50,000 worth of property adjoining the Harriman holdings on the west side. Upon what the rumor is based is not known, and one of the men presumed to be interested yesterday denied that he knew anything of the matter at all.

Doesn't Want The Job—

James F. Kearney, superintendent of streets, said yesterday that he is not a candidate for the position of chief of police, though he admitted freely that the matter has been broached to him and that he had considered the question. "I don't want the place," said Mr. Kearney, "even if it does pay a little more than my present position. I am quite well satisfied to remain as superintendent of streets. The man who becomes chief of police meets with many worries and the worst of it is that he is perhaps not always actually the chief of police. When the question was put up to me I said that if I secured the job I would want to be chief if I was given the name and title. While I am naturally pleased to have been mentioned as a candidate I am not in the race." Mr. Kearney apparently did not feel at liberty to state who the man or men were that broached the question to him, but it is learned on what seems to be pretty good authority that at least two of the commissioners have talked with him about the place, and it is said that he might have had the job at the head of the police department if he had sought for it with any earnestness. Meantime the acting chief, Mr. Oberg, has many many friends who think he would be a first class man for the job and they think he should have it, inasmuch as he has made a good record while filling the place of acting chief.

Franchise Is Granted—

At the meeting of the county court yesterday the franchise asked for by the Oregon Coast Railway Company was granted. This franchise permits the company to run its tracks over certain portions of the county roads, where they are 50 or more feet in width, and to use several of the bridges under certain stringent regulations. It is also provided that the actual work of construction must be commenced within one year and the road must be in operation within two years. The single trip fare between this city and Seaside must never exceed 50 cents, and 80 cents for the round trip. In places where the county roads are not 50 feet in width the tracks must not be on the road. Crossing the bridges there must be only a single track, and the company must provide new draws for both the Young's Bay and Lewis and Clark bridges. The company shall also maintain crossings and guards to insure the safety of the public. It is also provided that the company must continuously operate the line, at least four passenger cars daily, and in case of its failure to do so the franchise will lapse. The franchise runs for 30 years.

The Man Who Eats.

The man who eats does so with the expectation of being satisfied. To this end he seeks the best possible place to gratify his normal appetite at the most rational expense. These accounts for the steady stream of people to and from the portals of the Palace Restaurant in this city. The reputation of the Palace is founded immovably upon the certainty and amplitude of the service it renders to every purse, and appetite, big and little. Open day and night. Commercial streets, opposite the Page building.

Plumbers.

Plumbing service, 80 cents per hour, for all work in our line. See us; our prices are reasonable and we guarantee our work first class; a telephone call will bring our man to your home or business. Phone Main 4061, 126 Eighth street.

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables. Badollet & Co., grocers. Phone Main

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His Eighty-Eighth Year—

Mr. A. Montgomery, of this city, has passed his 87th milestone in a long and useful life, and the Morning Astorian does not begrudge the octogenarian the yearly record in its columns and hopes to keep that note going for many a year to come. Mr. Montgomery marked his 88th annual by concluding a nice comfortable real estate deal with C. W. Waterman, which is likely to redound to the gratification of both parties sooner or later, the sale and purchase of the 75 by 100 feet of land on the corner of Ninth and Duane streets.

New Library Books—

The following list of books has recently been added to the public library: Annual report of the United States Life Saving Service, given by Captain A. Emory; Life of Mary Baker Eddy, given by the Christian Science Society; "The Barrier," by Rex Beach; "The Cave Man," by John Corbin; "The Cavalier," by George W. Cable; "Beverly of Graustark," by George Barr McCutcheon; "Rose of Old St. Louis," by Mary Dillon—these last five being donated by Mrs. S. Elmore; "Captain Bayley's Heir," by G. A. Henry; "Julius, or the Street Boy Out West," and "Chester Rand" and "Slow and Sure," these three by Horatio Alger, Jr. The three Alger books were donated by Frank Sanders, a boy. None of the fiction books is new, but several are really excellent, notably "The Cavalier," which is a story of the Civil war. "Beverly of Graustark" is one of the books that made McCutcheon famous in light but thrilling literature. Corbin's "Cave Man," gained much fame as the book from which Jack London was accused of having plagiarized his "Before Adam." The life of Mrs. Eddy is written from a friendly standpoint and in a way is perhaps meant as a response to the famous Milman history brought out by McClure's last year.

At The Grand.

See and hear the marvelous Synchroscope, moving pictures that talk, sing and whistle. The wonder of the age. The craze of all Europe and America. Now being shown at the Grand Theatre Monday. A complete change of program Thursday day and Saturday. Six new reels direct from the Manufacturers and six illustrated songs of the latest are shown at the Grand each week. For pleasure and comfort do not fail to visit this theatre. Entertainment lasts an hour and 15 minutes.

PERSONAL MENTION

F. W. Vaile of Portland was a business visitor in this city yesterday and was domiciled at the Occident.

C. B. Greene of Portland spent the day in Astoria yesterday on a business quest.

E. M. Baker left up for the metropolis on last evening's express.

K. F. Rogers of Olympia was a business tourist in this city yesterday, returning up river last night via the A. & C.

J. E. Smiley of Portland was among the business men visiting here yesterday, and he was quartered at the Northern.

H. R. Smedburg, of San Francisco, was one among the scores of business visitors noted in this city yesterday.

D. B. Andrews of Aberdeen was in the city yesterday on a hurried business errand, leaving up for Portland last evening.

H. D. Farrington of Silverton was in Astoria yesterday on business and was registered at the Merwyn.

AMUSEMENTS

"SI PLUNKARD" TONIGHT.

"Si Plunkard" is a play combining both comedy and pathos in that way which has so often been spoken of as that "the laughter chases away the tears." A play to enjoy lasting popularity must possess these qualifications or else to fail to long interest a fickle public. It is necessary to touch the strings of the human heart—a simple truthful story. This most successful rural drama will be presented here with J. C. Lewis in the title role. It is promised that it will be given in a superb manner by a company of unusual excellence. "Si Plunkard" will be seen at the Astoria theatres tonight. Watch for the funny parade by Si and his country band.

Mercury drops; so does prices. Read P. A. Stokes Clearance Ad.

Sleighting.

Sleighting is better than ever and Sherman the transfer man has cut the rates about half, to give those a chance who haven't had a ride.

House Slippers, Etc.

In the great odd and end sale now on at the Brown Shoe Store you can get house and bedroom slippers, dress shoes, work shoes, dancing pumps, and in fact a little of everything in broken sizes can be obtained at a great saving by purchasing today.

Giving Profits Away.

The Brown Shoe Store has a big odd and end sale on the entire stock of broken lines and sizes are being cleaned out regardless of cost. If you want a pair of fine shoes for any purpose, house or bedroom slippers this is the time to make your purchases and save money.

FOR BEST CANDIES

Our stock of candies including "Lowneys" and "Gunthers" famous Chocolates are the best.

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They are healthier and better and don't cost any more.

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Smith's famous Pig Pork Sausage, clean, pure, fresh and free from adulterations. 12c
Bologna, Frankfurts, Liver, Blood Sausage and Headcheese, all 10c lb.
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Smith's Lard in 5-lb. pails. 65c
Smith's Hams. 15c
Half a Ham, per lb. 15c
Best Round Steak, choicest cut. 10c
Sirloin Steak. 10c
Extra choice cut of Sirloin Steak, 12c
Soup Meat, per lb. 10c
Boiling Meat. 5c and 6c
Pot Roast Beef. 7c and 8c
Rib Roast Beef. 10c
Extra choice cut of Rib Roast Beef. 12c
Picked Pork. 12c
Pigs' Feet. 5c
Dry Salt Pork. 12c
Loan Pork Chops. 15c
Shoulder Pork Chops. 10c, 12c

FARMERS

We buy dressed veal, dressed pork, and all kinds of poultry—also hides and pelts.