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**Leaves The Hospital—**

E. Svenson, who lives in Uppertown, a boy who was operated upon for appendicitis at St. Mary's hospital about six weeks ago, left there yesterday for his home.

**Able To Walk About—**

Knud Hendrickson, who was operated upon at St. Mary's hospital several days ago for an affliction to his hip, was up and walking around at the hospital yesterday.

**Entertained—**

Mrs. Nelson Troyer entertained the members of the D. M. C. D. Club last night, in honor of Miss Marie Utzinger, who is going to Seattle today to spend a season with her brother there.

**McCue Made Chairman—**

J. C. McCue was given the chairmanship of the revision of laws committee in the lower house at Salem yesterday, a committee of considerable prominence.

**County Court—**

The county court will meet Wednesday for a brief session. Judge Trenchard said yesterday that he has heard of no particular damage having been done by the recent storms to the county roads or bridges.

**Debate Postponed—**

The debate of the Astoria High School with the Tillamook High, which was to have been held tomorrow night, has been postponed until next week, probably about the 27th. Neither side was quite prepared. The list of judges has not yet been completed.

**Sou'cast Gale Prevails—**

Weather signals portending a sou'cast gale were sent in last evening at 6:30 o'clock, and the signals went up at the weather station under the management of Mr. Arrigoni. It is devoutly hoped the blast will stay on the southerly range and not "monkey" with its eastern latitude too far nor too much.

**Crowding Just a Little—**

The A. & C. people here and in Portland are crowding just a little, and with apparent justification, over the fact that during the late climatic unpleasantness, the O. R. & N. passengers, west bound, forsook the snow-bound trains on the south side of the Columbia at The Dalles and crossed the river on the ice, by hundred, to take the "North Bank" line into the metropolis, which brand new road proved itself so well built and managed that there was no practical delay upon it through the blizzard.

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**Boy Wanted.**

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

**Hot Drinks**

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**The Bum-Check Man—**

Landlord Durham, of the Parker House has been up against the "bum-check" man, though he has but just opened up the house under his new contract. The man registered under one name on a given night and under another the next night, and on the third day sought to have Mr. Durham cash a \$25 check on the Astoria National Bank, which proved to have no money behind it. The man has paid his score daily, and the check was held for a couple of dollars he owed at the bar, and the police informed of the party's tendency toward "high-finance."

**Chinese New Year—**

Representatives of Astoria's Chinatown called at the police station yesterday to secure permission to shoot off fire crackers for their celebration of the Chinese New Year's, which occurs Wednesday. The Chinese ask for permission to shoot off crackers over a period of ten days, and to otherwise carry on their celebration. The required permission was granted. As a token of courtesy a box of cigars and a box of delicate Chinese nuts were left at the police station. At 4 o'clock on Wednesday the New Year's celebration will commence.

**For Emergency Fund—**

At the meeting of the common council last night a communication was read from the board of police commissioners asking that the council provide for them an emergency fund of \$200, to be used at the discretion of the police chief or the commissioners. Such an emergency fund has not been granted the police department for several years, but it would seem that the plan is an excellent one. The communication also asked that the office floor of the police department be covered with linoleum, and that four or five cots be purchased for use in the cells.

**Wasn't Insane—**

A man who gives his name as John Aldridge, and who says that he recently came down the river from Pasco to Swenson, was taken into custody Saturday upon complaint that he was insane. He was examined yesterday by Judge Trenchard and Dr. Estes, and they arrived at the conclusion that Aldridge is all right mentally, though perhaps a little queer. While at Swenson he was observed to frequently talk out loud. "My conscience bothers me," explained Aldridge yesterday, "and I talk to it, and some times swear at it." Judge Trenchard and Dr. Estes evidently thought that the fact that the man's conscience bothered him was not sufficient evidence of insanity. At all events Aldridge appeared to be quite harmless.

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**Word From Andrew Asp—**

Eugene Bussing, of the fire department, yesterday received an interesting letter from Astoria's well known ex-citizen, Andrew Asp, now dwelling up at Roswell, Idaho, where he and his family are enjoying excellent health and prospering fairly. Mr. Asp has built a comfortable home on his farm and has cleared ten acres of it. The recent blizzard interfered with this work but it has been resumed with abundant good will, and he hopes to get in a good crop in due time. The ground there froze exactly one foot down during the storm, and there is yet a good six inches of the "beautiful" around them. He struck fairly good water at 145 feet, though it is a shade too hard for all domestic purposes. He desires to be remembered to all Astoria friends.

**Ordinance Still Stands—**

An allusion in the Astorian of Sunday morning to an old ordinance which provides that roofs of buildings in the city must be painted red has brought out the information that this ordinance still stands, though in slightly modified form. A few years ago a general building ordinance was passed, and in this it is provided that all buildings in the fire limits, unless covered with some form of metal roofing, must be painted with red mineral paint. Why this paint provision is required may be a matter of mere conjecture, unless for the well known fact that red paint will burn with as much avidity as any other kind that contains oils. But the fact remains that this red paint ordinance, like scores of others that encumber the ordinance books, are not enforced. Another council, with aesthetic tastes better developed, or less developed, might demand that roofs be painted a pretty robin's egg blue, or a beautiful cerise wouldn't go bad in the eyes of some. It really would prove amusing, as well as probably highly profitable, if at least a third of the ordinances were lived up to.

**Invites The Children—**

Mr. Whyte of the Chamber of Commerce, has written a letter to H. A. Wheeler, chairman of the ways and means committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce, cordially inviting the 150 school children which are to make a trip through the Northwest this spring, to include Astoria in their itinerary. This letter was written at the suggestion of Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial Club and it is suggested that business houses in Astoria write to their business connections in Chicago urging that these children visit Astoria. At this time 95 per cent of the travel from Chicago, a city of 2,000,000 people, is towards the East and Europe. Mr. Richardson believes that it is one of the best advertising plans ever prepared for Oregon to have these school children visit the different sections of the State. There will be three representatives chosen from each of the 50 best schools of the eighth and ninth grade and they will journey for two months through all the counties of the State of Oregon if the plans are perfected. In the Chamber of Commerce letter to Mr. Wheeler appear these statements: "Astoria should be visited by these children for the reason of the extraordinarily large amount of historic and fiction lore clustering about the place where Lewis and Clark came for the winter after completing their journey across the continent; the place established by the founder of the Astor family in America; the place made famous by Washington Irving in his literature; and aside from all of the dead past, of the keenest interest because of its being at the mouth of the greatest river that flows from the United States into the Pacific Ocean. The jetty construction at the mouth of this river, the most important of its kind in the world today should be seen by the school children who desire to most fully inform themselves upon current topics. Every school child should know about the royal Chinook salmon which is the most famous food fish in the world today and Astoria enjoys a peculiar monopoly on this salmon. The largest standing fir spruce and hemlock trees in the world are in Clatsop county near Astoria."

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**CAPTAIN R. E. HOWES BREATHES HIS LAST**

**NOTED MARINER OF THE NORTHWEST SUCCEUMS TO ORGANIC MALADY.**

At 8 o'clock last evening, at his beautiful home, 369 Exchange street, in this city, Captain Richard E. Howes, the well known mariner and Columbia river bar pilot, breathed his last, after an illness of about two weeks' duration, the malady which overcame him being congestion of the liver, from which, in greater or less degree he had suffered for years.

Yesterday morning he was apparently very much better, but it proved but the mortal rally that is wont to express itself just before the grim crisis. His death must come as a shock to the host of good friends he has in this city and section, for up to his last illness he was, to all casual appearances, in the best of health. He fought indomitably against the encroachment of the disease and constantly avowed his intention to master the trouble, even while he was the sickest.

Captain Howes has one of the finest of sea records on the Northwest coast and his friends, ashore and afloat, are legion. He was a man of great force of character and of lively and cheerful habit, urbane and kindly and gracious in all his habits with men, women and children and an ideal man in his home, which was to him the center of all things in this life. He leaves a widow, and one son, Lemuel E. Howes, to mourn his sad and sudden death, and both have the profound sympathy of a wide circle of friends and of people who knew and respected the captain in every walk of life at this end of the Columbia.

Man and boy, for 50 years, Captain Howes has been a sailor. He was born at Cape Cod, Mass., in 1846 (he would have been 63 years of age today), and went out upon the high seas when he was 12 years of age, following the Atlantic coast trade for some time, and bringing up in the port of San Francisco in 1861 on the good ship "Flying Scud." He returned to New York, via Iquique and Liverpool, and then took service in the West India and Mediterranean trade, which he followed for six years. He then made a voyage to Greenland; and in 1868 became master of the bark Lemuel, afterward commanding the Hornet.

After severing his connection with the latter vessel he sailed for the Australias, China and the Orient, in the bark Midas, which was lost on a reef, while en route from Hong Kong to Manila. He made the home trip to New York, and sailed thence to the Columbia river and Portland, as mate of the ship Freeman Clark, leaving her at this port to take a similar position on the Jane A. Falkenberg. Captain Howes then took a year's vacation ashore, at Portland, and when he went to sea again, it was as pilot on board the Mary Taylor, and from her he went to the bar pilot schooner J. C. Cousins. He next appears as pilot on the San Francisco-Portland liner Mississippi, serving on her until she was burned, then he passed to the steamship Oregon, and served on her as pilot for a period of 10 years. When the pilots were no longer employed on these liners, he was given charge of the tug Donald, and operated her successfully until she was replaced.

Probably the greatest and most thrilling experience this able sailor ever went through was when, as master of the sidewheel steamship Alaskan, he saw 30 of his crew and people perish in the awful gale that wrecked her on the open seas off Cape Blanco on the 10th of May, 1883, when he and 10 others, including Captain George Wood, of the bar service, escaped after the most desperate risks and exposure, Captain Howes floating abroad on the sea for 33 hours, alone, on a small piece of decking, being finally picked up by a passing steamer. After this he became master of the tug Escort No. 2, and staid with her for another number of years, and when he left her, went on the Columbia river bar as a pilot and member of the Columbia River Bar Pilots' Association about four years ago.

Here he has served faithfully and ably ever since, and was an honored member of that association at the hour of his death; and no where will be missed more deeply than among the men who knew and loved him for the manly qualities of seamen and shipmate.

Notice of the funeral of Captain Howes will be given later.

**Much Water Wasted—**

Complaint is made that people are permitting their water faucets to run, even though there is no longer the slightest danger of the pipes freezing at night. That this is true was proven last Friday night, when the water went down faster than it had in the day time even. In the day time, with the whole city using water, the faucets would be shut off at times, but that night there must have been scores and even hundreds left to run all night. It is said that in some homes in the city it is a practice to let the water run all the time, though for no particular reason, and it is said at the office of the water commission that if this can be proven against these householders their water will be shut off entirely. As the city grows it will be necessary to install meters to emasure the water used.

**Got Through In Fine Shape—**

The Astorian's Warrenton correspondent advises this paper that while the ravage of the recent storm was very severe down on the west side, it has been peculiarly free from loss and damage, save that the private telephone interests have suffered a good deal by prostrated poles and wires and the system is yet out of order and it will be several days before all things are normal again. The good old rains are more than ever welcome there, as here.

**Wedded At Montezano—**

The pleasant news reached this office yesterday, via Warrenton friends of the pretty bride, that on Saturday afternoon last, Miss Inez Deane, of this county, was married in Montezano, Wash., to Captain John Wiley, of the steamer "Harbor Queen." Mr. Deane accompanied his daughter to her destination and "gave her away" in this, the happiest crisis of her life, which every one of her numerous Clatsop friends earnestly hope may grow happier day in and year out. It was necessary for Miss Deane to make the trip because her affianced could not leave his vessel to come over here, important and delightful as the errand would have been.

**A Funny Proposition—**

There is a gentleman in this city who owns a fine, blooded bull-pup with a strong strain of fighting propensity in her. The other day she was passing the Rogers pharmacy on Commercial street near Tenth when she happened to spy in the big show-window, the famous plaster-of-Paris bulldog, used at intervals by that class of animals, and she became obsessed with the notion that the ferocious looking, but innocuous, beast was there to taunt her. She made a furious dash at the glass and the more her failure to get at the big dog was borne in on her, the madder she got; and now, she never gets by the house without a strenuous effort to get in the store. Yesterday she made it, and when she found the ugly and unresponsive beast on the floor, right at her very jaw, she made a bound at it snarling vicinity, until she went up against it, and now there isn't a sillier looking dog in the city. This is the second instance of the kind. A well known citizen had a dog of the same breed here some time ago and it followed him into Mr. Rogers' place of business one day; it saw the imitation pup at once, and turning its hair on end began to growl and side up to and around the image; but finding it impervious to all dares and fight signs, began an investigation that resulted in its complete chagrin, and it, too, left the store with its tail down and its scrapping spirit wholly subdued.

**PERSONAL MENTION**

J. I. Springer, traveling agent for the Great Northern, was doing business in this city yesterday.

W. Nelson, of San Francisco, was a business visitor in Astoria over Sunday, and was a guest at the Occident.

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**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.

**Rebekah Roster, 1909—**

Gateway Rebekah Lodge No. 77, of this city, has chosen the following clever people to take care of its offices and interests for the ensuing term and they have been duly installed: Betsy Engberg, N. G.; Lilly Lewis, V. G.; Alma Lawson, Sec. Sec.; Rose Nordstrom, Fin. Sec.; J. Kline, R. S. N. G.; Clara P. Hobson, L. S. N. G.; A. Lewis, warden; M. Laurdson, Conductor; Annie Wooden, Chaplain; Ruth Sloop, Inside Guardian; Rachel Sloop, Outside Guardian; Fanny Wilson, R. S. V. G.; Maggie Younce, L. S. V. G.

**In The Marine Interests—**

British Vice Consul Edward M. Cherry, aside from representing Lloyds' in this port, has also been invested with the agencies for the following marine concerns of Europe: The Verein Hamburger Asseruradeure Havarie-Bureau of Hamburg, Germany; the Badische Asseruranz-Gesellschaft Akt. Ges., of Mannheim, Germany; and the San Francisco Board of Marine Underwriters and the Verein Bremer Sec-Versicherungs-Gesellschaft, of Bremen.

**Telephone Tie-up—**

The fierce spell of weather which swept over this country lately has fallen with disquieting effect upon the enterprise of the Pacific States Telephone Company in this city, hampering and hindering the work in various ways and putting it back several weeks, more particularly in the matter of the delivery of essential supplies, much of which have been held up by delayed trains, let alone the impediment offered to the outside work of the men sent here. These same men are wanted on other work, elsewhere, and are now under orders to rush everything here in order to meet new engagements of the company, and no minute will be lost in expediting the balance of the work in Astoria. It was well forward when the storm set in but there is yet much to do. In anticipation of its early completion, the company is ready to make its new contracts for service and has established a desk at the office here for closing this end of the business up and will be glad to have all patrons call and sign up for the new 'phones at once so as to be prepared for the inauguration of the new business. This is as much needed for the business as for the company, since many of them will want to use the new telephone number on their business stationery and in other ways and it is well for them to know what they are going to use. The whole system of numbers and 'phones must be changed and a new telephone directory gotten up and issued to meet the complete change in the business.

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No. 772 Fine linen, 50c regular. Special, 32c box.

"Comet," white ruled, 15c here, 20c at some dealers. Special, 8c.

Famous Parisian Papier, linen finish latest style, 35c to 40c. Special, 26c box.

Princess Louise linen (the latest novelty in paper regular 60c. Special 27c.

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