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THIS CITY**

GENERAL MANAGER G. W. TALBOT, OF THE "A. & C.," HERE—SAYS SOME ENCOURAGING AND INTERESTING THINGS.

General Manager Guy W. Talbot, of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company, arrived here from Portland yesterday, and will remain at the western end of the line for a day or two.

He went to Seaside and Warrenton on the 11:30 express yesterday to take the initiative in the work of establishing the new belt line from the latter place to Seaside and before returning to the metropolis, will have instituted the work of securing the necessary rights-of-way covering the new territory, upon which the engineers and their force are already at work in good earnest. It is the purpose of the company to do this piece of branch work, if possible, in time to inaugurate the service during the coming season, a conclusion that bespeaks a period of down-right activity in A. & C. realms hereabout and promises a sharp measure of employment in several directions, that will be appreciated.

In speaking of the lately bruited purpose of the company to remove its passenger offices from this city to Portland, Mr. Talbot said yesterday that it was never the intention of the company to do so; that General Passenger Agent J. C. Mayo, together with his stenographer, would be taken to the Portland offices, in behalf of the greater convenience to that officer in transacting the business of the Corvallis & Eastern in connection with his duties in relation to this line; that as things were now, it involves a sharp loss of time in going from one system to the other from this western point, and that Mr. Mayo would have readier touch with the dual charge, from the more central headquarters at Portland.

The passenger office, as such, will remain here, and be administered with the usual force now discharging its functions; a piece of news quite acceptable to the people of this city, who very frankly deprecated the rumored change.

The general manager indicated plainly that there would be no let up in the prosecution of the southern extension of the main line from Seaside into the Tillamook country, and talked encouragingly of all the mooted purposes of his company for its amplification in various ways.

He Got a Telegram—He had not been married very long and was getting along happily, when the pleasant tenor of his life was warped by the receipt of a telegram from his warlike mother-in-law, announcing her arrival on a certain train. He met her dutifully; and carried her load of bundles up home, smiling, but vengeful, and she no sooner got there than she assumed entire command of the establishment, including herself. He bent every faculty to devising ways and means of ousting her and at last skillfully paints himself to a life-like image of a small-pox patient; goes to bed and the scheme works like a charm. For lifelike details of the story, see the new moving-picture films at the Waldorf.

"Still in the Ring"—Uncle Charley Wright, the genial proprietor of the Hotel Occident, came out of his seven-weeks retirement yesterday afternoon and mingled with the crowd in the office for an hour or two. The hearty old boniface says his tongue is the liveliest member he owns just now, as it is the only one he has exercised for nearly two months since his feet went back on him; but he is on the road out, now, and with care, will be soon in regular evidence down stairs, where his friends can get to see him when they want to, and he can be as chummy as they.

Well Known Here—Yesterday's Oregonian contains the following notice of the death of one well known in Astoria about a year since, to-wit: "Collier—In this city, January 31, Chester R. Collier, aged 47 years. Funeral will take place February 6, at 3:30 p. m. from P. S. Dunning's chapel, corner East Alder and East 6th streets. Friends invited."

"Pineules" (non-alcoholic) made used for hundreds of years for Bladder and Kidney diseases. Medicine for thirty days, \$1.00. Guaranteed. Sold by Frank Hart's Drug Store.

MORE HONOR PUPILS.

List of Those in Room Six of Adair School.

Owing to an unavoidable delay in the filing of the list, the pupils who received honorary promotion in room 6 of Adair school were not included in the report of such promotions made yesterday. Their names are given below. The only list not now published is that of the scholars in the room in Olney school formerly taught by Professor Kestler, which has been delayed through the change of teachers, but will be published in the near future.

Adair school, Room 6, 6 A to 7 B—Harold Blech, Onnie Blehop, Kornelle Bug, Anna Jackson, Astor Maatia, Hattie Pedersen, Chester Gustin.

6 B to 6 A—Oscar Amundson, Albert Engbretson, Anna Hendrickson, Ida Hekola, Hilma Hekola, Mary Hansen, Allee Iverson, Emma Jackson, Victoria Knudsen, Margrete Nielsen, Vivian Suti, Hilda Smith, Mazie Thomas, Ernest Therdich, Frank Turina.

5 A to 6 B—Pearl Enberg, Carrie Glaser, Willie Gustin, Elsie Krans, Signe Koller, Esther Mattila, Alda Mosher, Walter Moore, Jennie Nelson, Leonard Spoude, Nanna Tasala.

AGAINST FOREIGN CORPORATION.

Supreme Court Decides They Have Not Right of Eminent Domain.

HELENA, Feb. 6.—A decision of far reaching importance was handed down yesterday by the Supreme Court when it held that neither by the constitution nor the law of the state is a foreign corporation authorized to exercise the right of eminent domain.

The Helena Power Transmission Company, organized under the laws of New Jersey, brought suit to condemn lands belonging to A. N. Spratt, which are now submerged by the waters backed up by the company's dam across the Missouri. The suit was decided in favor of the company and Spratt appealed winning the case yesterday. The court holds that the lands were wanted for a public use, but the company had no right to condemn them.

The court says the decision is applicable to foreign corporation of the respondent's character, the question not being considered with reference to any other class or character.

RECOVERING FROM STORM.

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—Seattle is recovering from yesterday's storm. No bad weather is in sight and no danger of floods in the Duwamish Valley is expected. Ten or twelve houses at West Seattle and Alki Point were damaged by high waves yesterday and two slipped from their foundations. All transcontinental railroads entering Seattle are paralyzed by snowslides in the Cascade mountains.

HAS PERILOUS EXPERIENCE.

BAMFIELD, B. C., Feb. 6.—The bark St. James from San Francisco, is anchored here after her perilous experience of the past two days. The ship was driven in close to Cape Beale yesterday and when close to the breakers at Danger Reef last midnight the captain managed to get the anchor to hold. The St. James was rescued today from her position by the steam whaler Orion, which towed her to Bamfield creek, where she awaits a tug from Seattle.

MERCHANT TAILORS MEET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Several hundred merchant tailors from all the eastern and central states will meet in this city February 12, to take part in the annual convention of the Merchant Tailors' National Exchanges. The convention will be held at the Hotel Astoria and will continue for three days. One feature of the convention will be an exhibit of garments manufactured in the various centers, showing all the various styles and a series of talks on styles, and methods of manufacturing with the models as illustrations.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of Astoria aerle Fraternal order of Eagles, are requested to meet at their hall on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock to attend the funeral of our late brother, Henry Laxell. By order of C. E. LINTON, Worthy President.

ACTRESS PASSES AWAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Kate Denin Wilson, the actress, died yesterday at her home in this city. She had been ill for the past two months of rheumatism, and had to retire from the company of Eleanor Robson at the Liberty Theatre. She was born in Philadelphia in 1837.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Geo. A. Williams of McGowan was in Astoria yesterday.

J. Hamilton Sawyer of Hong Kong is visiting in Astoria.

M. G. Hope and wife of Vale were in the city yesterday.

John Hastie of Seattle is making Astoria business visit.

John C. Cracknell came in from Kalamazoo yesterday.

Walter Bliss, from the metropolis, is in Astoria on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Brown are due tonight on the midnight express.

BUYS TRANSPORTATION LINES.

Guggenheims Take Another Step in Opening Eye of Yukon.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 6.—The World says: "The Guggenheims have secured the railway and steamship holdings of the White Pass & Yukon Railway. The news was brought down from White Horse by the steamer Amur. It is also stated that the Guggenheims may establish steamship lines between Vancouver and Skagway. The boats also will call at Seattle."

Commenting on the report, the White Horse Star says:

"If it is true, as reported, that \$42,000 freight was paid on the Bear Creek dredge, it certainly stands the Guggenheims in hand to own their own transportation lines before attempting to establish several dozen dredges in the country. "With local transportation lines in the hands of the Guggenheims, the possibility of the local copper fields and of the entire quartz interests of Southeastern Yukon are greater than can be computed. The Guggenheims had several experts out for weeks last fall and if true that the railroads have changed hands, there is little doubt but the reports of the experts were largely instrumental in stimulating the purchase. The proposition is a gigantic one and we believe the consummation of the reported deal would rebound to the interests of all Yukon."

WOULD SECEDE.

Gray's Harbor Desires to Become Separate County and Introduces Bill.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 6.—Representatives Hogan, Wade and Hewitt today joined in introducing a bill in the House providing for the creation of the new county of Gray's Harbor. This was followed by a special invitation from the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce and mayor that the legislature visit Gray's Harbor Friday and Saturday of this week. The invitation was accepted and the legislators, accompanied by their wives, leave here by special train Friday night.

5 pairs of Sox, good woolen to cotton Sox, regular price 25c to 3 for \$1.00 at Wise's removal sale 5 pairs for \$1.00.

HATS, formerly \$2 to \$4 now 55 cents at Wise's removal sale.

All new Neckwear and Suspenders worth from 50 to 75 cents now 35 cents at Wise's removal sale.

Boys' Suits reduced from 75c to \$2.00 at Wise's removal sale.

25c caps for 15c at Wise's removal sale.

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Umbrellas reduced to 85c at Wise's removal sale.

Men's Suits reduced from \$2.50, \$5.00 and \$7.50 at Wise's removal sale.

Winter Overcoats as well as top coats reduced almost one-half at Wise's removal sale.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Clatsop county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the court house as follows:

For State Papers—Commencing on Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 16, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, physical geography, reading, psychology.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civic government.

Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, algebra.

Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, and school law.

For County Papers—Commencing Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 15, at 4 o'clock p. m.

First, Second and Third Grade Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.

Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, school law, civic government.

Primary Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, arithmetic, reading.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.

MISS EMMA C. WARREN, County Superintendent.

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Go to A. D. Craig for your tents, awnings and all kinds of canvas work 11th and Exchange.

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

Make Good Use of It—There is an "odd and end" sale on just now at the popular shoe house of Chas. V. Brown. Don't fall to avail yourself of the unusual opportunity for bargains in footwear. It's up to you!

Below Zero—That's where you will be if you don't check that cold and cure that cough with Hart's Compound Syrup Tar and Wild Cherry. Sure thing. At Hart's drug store, corner 14th and Commercial streets.

Makes Report—Expert Accountant G. P. Clark came down from Portland yesterday to place in the hands of the school board last evening the results of his examination of City Superintendent A. L. Clark's books, which he completed several days ago.

Re-Opens Irving Hotel—William Hetschman, formerly of Portland but lately of Chinook, has leased the Irving hotel and will open it up. He will conduct a first class hostelry for the accommodation of the public.

We are going to move into the Spexarth Building, Commercial street, between 8th and 9th, the end of this week. Stock much be reduced in that time; in order to do so, will positively almost give goods away. Don't wait, come at once, or you will regret this opportunity. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale.

Died at Hammond—John M. Johnson, aged 22 years, died at Hammond yesterday. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. C. C. Rarick, pastor of the First M. E. church of this city, and will occur at 10 o'clock today at Hammond. Interment will follow at the post cemetery at Fort Stevens.

Do you feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy and too hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light, appetizing wholesome things? You'll save money, too.

Orkwitz covers umbrellas.

Dell B. Scully, Notary Public, at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

For a Swell Ladies' Back Comb or Belt Buckle, go to P. J. Donnerberg's, 119 11th street.

Don't Forget—The Liberty Bell social and dance at Logan's Hall on Saturday night next, February 9.

Your last chance at the old stand—goods that are left will simply be sacrificed or given away, as we must move what is left the end of this week. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale.

Discharged from Hospital—Mrs. Adolph Hill, who has been in St. Mary's hospital for the past three weeks, returned yesterday to her home in Uppertown. She is still in a very feeble condition.

Attention, Eagles!—Astoria Aerle No. 17, Order of Eagles, is requested to assemble at the hall this, Thursday afternoon, to attend the obsequies of the late Henry Laxell. By order of the Worthy President, C. E. LINTON.

Funeral of Laxell—The funeral of Henry Laxell will be conducted by Rev. Gustave E. Rydquist, pastor of the First Lutheran church, at 1:20 o'clock this afternoon. The services will be under the auspices of the Eagle lodge and will take place from their hall. The interment will be at Greenwood.

The Entertainment Committee of the W. C. T. U. will give a social this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ballard, on Exchange street, between 10th and 11th. The members and their friends are cordially invited. This is the first of a series of entertainments to be given in the interest of the "Seamen's Home."

Absent for a Week—Rev. E. Gjerding, pastor of the Norwegian Methodist church of this city, left yesterday evening for Seattle, where he will take part in a series of special revival services to be inaugurated there. Rev. Mr. Ellefsen will occupy his pulpit here on Sunday morning next.

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