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A COMMENDABLE MOVE.

The action of the Commercial Association Wednesday evening, in recommending to the city council that the Portland Steel Ship Building Co. be allowed the free use of the lower part of Richmond street, for the period of five years, is commendable, and a move in the proper direction. It is now up to the city council to devise some plan by which the desired end can be accomplished, and the city's interests properly safeguarded. No doubt this can be done, and the council should act promptly and decisively in the premises.

The gentlemen promoting this ship-building enterprise have already invested about \$15,000 in buildings, and machinery, and the total investment, when ready for operations to commence, will be three times this amount. This industry is not exceeded in importance by any of the various industrial concerns here, and deserves to receive the hearty encouragement of every citizen and municipal government. The pay roll of a ship yard in operation is large, as many high paid men are employed.

It is expected the council will respond to the sentiment expressed by the commercial association, representing the solid part of the community, and not allow any quibbling on purely technical points. The enterprise is a good one, the people want it, and no time should be wasted in making it a sure go.

ABOUT THE REVIEW.

The first issue of this paper proved inadequate to the demands upon our advertising space, and we will not allow advertising to encroach upon reading matter space. The result is, this second issue appears in larger form, which we trust, will be sufficient for present requirements.

The cordial manner in which the initial number was received has given the publisher great encouragement. For the many complimentary things said, we desire to thank our friends. In establishing The Review, the importance of responsibility assumed was fully appreciated. This community is worthy of a good newspaper, and it shall be our object to do the best we can. Fearless, independent, a newspaper can be of great benefit, and if the people give The Review their united support, the publisher will bend his energies to further the whole interests of the district.

What Do You Think Of It?

The ladies of the Civic Improvement League have been quite active in furthering the interests of the community, and their efforts are appreciated. It has been suggested that a prolific field, which, if properly cultivated by the ladies who have the well-being of the peninsula at heart, would bring forth good results, and that is the trade-at-home idea. The merchants of the peninsula have invested their money here, pay taxes and are thoroughly identified with the prosperity of the community. They are worthy of patronage, and if the public spirited ladies of the Civic Improvement League would take up the principle of patronizing home industry, practice it, and endeavor to inculcate the idea in others, the good results would be astonishing. What do you think of it, ladies? Isn't it worth a trial? The Review contains the business announcements of all our most enterprising tradesmen, and every one of them is worthy of your patronage.

The License Question.

Editor Review: For some time the city council has been considering the license question. An ordinance has already been drawn providing for a license fee on all concerns doing business in the city, but has not been introduced.

The writer is informed that the reason for this is that some persons have objected to it, and are opposed to the measure. A very flimsy excuse, to be sure, and not worthy of serious consideration. In order to carry on needed improvements, funds are absolutely necessary. The council, representing the entire city is supposed to devise means to raise the necessary funds. The principle of licensing business

houses of all kinds prevails in Portland and many other cities, and is enforced on all alike. No hardship is worked on anybody, as the license fees are reasonable. There is no reason why the same law should not be enforced here. St. Johns is no longer a country trading point, it is rapidly forging ahead and developing into a city of importance. The present is a crucial period in its existence, and the people should demand of those in authority that they should "do things," and not go around and consult every Tom, Dick and Harry as to what they should do. The members of the council have authority to act, if they choose, without consulting anybody, and they should act. If they are wrong; if they enact ordinances which are not acceptable to the majority, let such majority resort to the right of remonstrance in proper form. It is urged that the city council adopt a clear cut policy, and at the proper time to go to the people for endorsement. If they are right, and their acts are for the benefit of the community, there will be no question about the result, for the judgment of the majority is nearly always correct. Let the council adopt some policy and abide by it; and if the outsider don't agree with them, their recourse is plain. The times demand a greater spirit of independence and dignity than prevails at present.

TAXPAYER.

Some Information.

For the information of many distant readers of The Review, who are desirous of getting reliable information about this district, the following questions are answered correctly and honestly as possible:

Question—Where is St. Johns?
Answer—In Multnomah County, Oregon, 10 miles north of Portland.

Q.—What is the population?
A.—Over 2000 people.

Q.—Is it on the ocean?
A.—No, it is located by the Columbia and Willamette rivers. The peninsula is 12 miles long by about three miles wide.

Q.—Are the rivers navigable?
A.—Yes; the channels are from 40 to 100 feet deep, and the largest ships that float come from all parts of the world and may load and unload cargoes at the docks.

Q.—Are there any railroads?
A.—Yes; an electric road to Portland, and the O. R. & N., a part of the Southern Pacific system, traverses the water front for several miles, and the Northern Pacific is on the opposite side of the Willamette river.

Q.—What lines of business are there?
A.—See the advertising columns of this paper.

Q.—Is business overdone?
A.—No; there is room for more substantial business houses.

Q.—What supports the town?
A.—The large mills and factories. There are three sawmills, one veneer factory, one box and basket factory, two shipbuilding yards, one large dry dock, one porch and column factory, one flour mill, one woolen mill, and several other smaller factories.

Q.—What is the pay roll?
A.—About \$25,000 per month.

Q.—How about school and church privileges?
A.—One large school house (the second one contemplated) and three churches. The university is about a mile from St. Johns.

Q.—How about the prices of property?
A.—Prices are reasonable. A good location can be had for \$100 and upward. Business property from \$15 to \$50 per front foot.

Q.—Any saloons?
A.—No, and not likely to have soon.

Q.—Any other industrial enterprises in prospect?
A.—Yes; several mills and factories, and a meat packing house.

Q.—To whom can I write for further information?
A.—Secretary Commercial Association, or the editor of The Review will answer all questions.

CHURCH NOTES.

Seventh Day Adventist—Sabbath school at 10 A. M.; regular service at 11 A. M. every Sabbath. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. E. D. Harlbert, Elder.

M. E. Church.—Preaching 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.; Sunday school 10 A. M.; class meeting 12 M. Prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30 P. M. Epworth League, 6:30 P. M. Sunday. Junior League 2:30 P. M. Sunday.

The United Evangelical Church—Services 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 10 A. M.; Jr. K. L. C. E., 2:30 P. M.; Sr. K. L. C. E., 6:45 P. M. E. E. McVicker, Pastor.

The third quarterly conference of the United Evangelical church will be held over next Sunday. The business meeting will be held at the close of the Saturday evening service. Communion service will be held in connection with the Sunday morning service. Rev. H. L. Pratt, the presiding elder, will be present to preside at the business meeting, will also preach Sunday morning and conduct the communion service.

The ladies aid society of the Evangelical church met at Mr. A. Douglas' home for work this week. They report very busy times in a social line. Their monthly business meeting will be held on Nov. 25.

Special meetings are in progress at the Evangelical church with increasing interest each evening. Rev. T. R. Smith is demonstrating his gift as a singer from night to night, as well as preaching. Rev. Pratt is preaching part of the time and rendering other efficient aid. Rev. J. Bowersox, the veteran of the conference, is present part of the time.

M. E. Church, University Park.—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; class meeting, 12 m.; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Rev. Waters, pastor.

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BUT ST. JOHNS LOOKED GOOD TO US, FOR WE SAW ITS FUTURE.
WE WERE FIRST ON THE GROUND, CONSEQUENTLY WE BOUGHT OUR PROPERTY CHEAP—BOUGHT THRIVING ST. JOHNS PROPERTY AT SLEEPY HOLLOW PRICES—AND AS IS SO OFTEN THE CASE UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES BOUGHT MORE THAN WE CAN AFFORD TO HOLD.
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