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HUBBARD SAYS, SAYS HE.

"OPPORTUNITY" is waiting with a club in the Great North-West," declared Fra Elbertus Hubbard, the noted Philistine, in his lecture in Portland.

That saying is a true one—and people are commencing to realize it. They are awakening to the possibilities that have been lying latent for centuries—and within a score of years this northwest section will be a wonderfully productive country. There is no doubt of this: it is asserted by those who came here from other portions of America: it is acknowledged by those who have dwelt here for some time.

But Opportunity will not club everyone—and there are some who will dodge at the slightest hint that Mrs. Opportunity makes. This is an age of grumblers and of high-livers; and the coming generation is endeavoring to live too fast—to consume too much of the extravagancies of the times: there are vast numbers essaying to keep up a patent-leather career on a meager income.

This is one class that Dame Opportunity will not club into a conservative life. And another class is composed of those who are knockers, dishonest schemers and sore-heads. If those could be "knocked sensible," it would be a blessing for themselves—and for the public generally.

If all will work together for the advancement of this state there will be a gleam of sunshine—even when rainclouds abound: and the success and greatness of Oregon will be assured.

GOOD IDEA.

BY the Presbyterian synod just closed at Hoquiam, Washington, it has been decided that all preachers should oppose discounts. In other words those pastors saw no good reason why they should be entitled to receive a lower rate for transportation, for fuel, for feed, or for anything else, than the common layman or the rank outsider gets. And that's where they were correct.

We never could understand why a minister should receive lower prices than a common everyday man had to pay for the same thing: nor why a local carpet dealer, or a local wood seller, should quote a "cost price" on stuff that is to be used by the church. It is the custom to do so: but that custom was established more than a century ago when the widely scattered and weak churches were dependant wholly upon charity. Then they were almost beggars: now they are wealthy and influential and would disdain to be classed as they were in these primitive days.

The action of the Hoquiam clergy will take root and the idea will spread. And it is well. It serves to make the church more independent—and denotes that charity should be diverted into other channels.

REVIEW IS READ.

SEVERAL weeks ago this paper printed in the column of "Thorns" a bit of baby rhyme regarding Dan McAllen and his baby day. A few days later there was received from Mr. McAllen (who had, in some manner, gotten hold of a copy of the issue) a complimentary letter regarding the matter. The letter said:

"DEAR REVIEW:—I find time now to thank you for baby show notice and the poetry—which was clever. It goes into my special scrapbook where I put articles I prize very much. Thanking you again I remain sincerely yours, DAN McALLEN."

Mr. McAllen is a gentleman, a scholar and a good judge of babies.

DO IT NOW.

IF you have an extra dollar or two buy lots in St. Johns. There is no possible show of losing out—because every piece of land is bound to increase in value. Do it now!

A JUST REFUSAL.

IN spite of the frenzied petitions of several enthusiastic women the Presbytery of Southern Oregon has refused to endorse equal suffrage; and the clergy of that denomination acted wisely. The agitation of a complete system of woman suffrage is no credit to any one—and the states now harassed by the fad would quickly remove the privilege should a vote be again held on the question—in fact the women themselves would vote away their right of franchise were it left to them.

Equal suffrage has never yet proved equal suffrage in any state—and, except a woman be the lone head of a household and a taxpayer she should defy all efforts to push her forth into the dirty deal of politics. As a rule she has about the same conception of politics as a blind mule has of the rainbow's hues—and is apparently as fully interested. Her place is in the home, the church, the ball room, the theater; it is not in the swirl and nauseating vortex of politics.

It is declared that women, once given the right of franchise, "will purify politics." As well declare that a pint of cologne would change the odor of a slaughter pen! Or assert that a bouquet of roses tossed to a drove of hogs would produce spiced ham!

To a man politics is a delusion and a snare—but to a woman it's a mighty sight worse. The ordinary woman after one dose of it has had enough—and much persuasion must be used to get her again to the polls. The head of any household by right should be entitled to a vote; but to discriminate would create a complex condition. Equal suffrage means the serving upon juries, the paying of poll taxes, military service, and all the many drawbacks to which men are subject. These things she must face—or curb her desire for equal suffrage.

No political party can afford to take up the fad—and but few churches will be thoughtlessly inveigled into it.

THE FRANCHISE.

IN another column it is to be found the ordinance as proposed for a ferry franchise. It is a long one and is very explicit in all details—and should be read by every citizen in order to have every feature well in mind.

The city council is doing its best to safeguard the city in order that St. Johns may possess every available chance for progress. The proposed ordinance promises to be an excellent thing for the city in many ways—and our citizens will, it is believed, have no cause to regret its adoption.

It will be published again next week—and, after it shall have passed its third reading and been adopted, it will have to be again printed with the proper date and signature. During the interim work will be progressing upon the approaches to the dock and the lock itself—as well as upon the boat to be used temporarily.

WOULD BE TAME.

ROOSEVELT urges all athletes to cut out the brutality of the football game. The moment the brutality is barred that moment it ceases to awaken public interest. As well erase from the program the name of "Juliet" and allow Romeo to prate to an empty balcony and seek applause as to force the great football teams of America to be gentlemen! Roosevelt is usually successful in what he recommends—but he'll have to throw out signals of distress on this latest.

RATHER COSTLY.

JAPAN, now the war has closed finds that she is badly in debt. She owes, so she declares, \$1,250,000,000—no small sum. At five per cent her interest amounts to \$118 for every minute of each 24 hours of the day. The worst of it all is the fact that Japan will have to pay it.

HARMONY OR HOMINY.

YESTERDAY state republicans met in Portland to see if things were coming right. Whether or not the common herd were allowed to mingle with the elect is not yet known. In fact, there is yet a question as to whether it was harmony or hominy.

Mrs. R. C. Couch is now guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Couch. She comes from Guthrie Center, Iowa—and is sister-in-law of Mr. Couch.

Next Monday evening will be the regular meeting of the city council. It is figured that much important work is to be transacted.

Some More Stuff

One week from next Sunday will be rally day for the Evangelical Sunday school.

Wouldn't it be fine if a few more brick blocks could be erected inside the "fire limits?"

There are many prospective dwellers constantly looking over St. Johns with a view of investing.

Several new houses in the block at the rear of the schoolhouse help fill a vacuum that has long been noticed.

Try the "Par Excellence": the champion 5c cigar: made in St. Johns.

W. A. Belcher has removed to Seaside—where he can sit on the stony beach and see the water fall off the rocks.

W. C. Adams is now living in his new home opposite the city hall. His office at the same place is now open for business.

Andrew J. Rapp, from Kinsley, Kansas, was guest of his old-time Illinois schoolmate, C. W. Arnett, on Thursday. He visited, also, W. W. Raser.

Since P. J. Peterson & Company placed in position the new and attractive showcases and counters the store is a very attractive one. Trade seems to open up very nicely.

Miss Louise A. McKeon, of Mason City, Iowa, daughter of R. W. McKeon of THE REVIEW, arrived in St. Johns Wednesday, and will become a permanent resident.

F. J. Carter has opened a shoe-repairing shop on Tacoma street next door to the bakery. He comes for strictly business—and will do most satisfactory work. See his ad.

Smoke a St. Johns cigar—best 10c cigar on the market—the "White Crow."

When you go to the fair tomorrow better take your gun with you. It will be the last day—and some of those concessionaires will get your money if there's a ghost of an opportunity.

Two children going to school. Said one, in a boasting way, "We have a nice porch on our new house!" Responded the other, with a disdainful toss of the head, "Humph! That's nothing! We've got two lions on ours!" Then each one walked alone.

Those intending to purchase furniture should not fail to note the prices in the new ad of Gevurtz & Son, 173-175 First street, Portland. This popular firm enjoys a fine patronage from the people of the Peninsula—and their uniformly low prices and favorable terms of purchase secured it. Read their new ad and compare the prices.



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Evangelical Church.

Order of exercises at the Evangelical church for next week:

Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching—11 a. m. Subject—"The End of the World."

Junior K. L. C. E.—2:30 p. m.
Mrs. McVicker, superintendent.

Senior K. L. C. E.—6:30 p. m.
Miss Douglas leader.

Sermon—7:30 p. m. Subject—"Golden Rule."

Wednesday—7:30 p. m.: Choir practice.

Thursday—7:30 p. m.: Prayer meeting, followed by a congregational meeting of the membership, when each member is expected to be present to discuss some vital questions.

We extend a personal invitation to each citizen of St. Johns to participate in and enjoy the services as announced. E. E. McVICKER, Pastor.

Has Milk Route.

What St. Johns has long needed has now been established. J. N. Olds is now running a milk-delivery route and supplies many customers daily with a good quality of milk. As he is newly starting his delivery outfit is not of the most stylish—but this will be improved as fast as possible. Mr. Olds is an old settler in St. Johns—and believes in its future growth.

Open Meeting.

The local lodge of Artisans is to have an open meeting next Tuesday evening in Bickner's hall. Refreshments will be served and an evening of general jollity is anticipated. A special invitation is extended to now-comers and young people.

ORDINANCE NO. 50

An Ordinance to Establish a Ferry Landing at the Foot of Pittsburg Street, and Granting a Franchise to the "St. Johns Ferry Company" to Operate a Ferry Thereat for a Period of Ten Years.

The City of St. Johns does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1.—That a ferry landing be and is hereby established and located at the foot of Pittsburg street, and ferry boats shall have the right to come and depart from such landing without hindrance or obstruction from any vessel, raft, craft, wagon or vehicle of any description; and the owner or owners of such ferry boat or boats shall have the right to make any improvements that may be necessary to perfect a good and sufficient ferry landing at the foot of said Pittsburg street; Provided, That nothing contained in this section shall be construed as giving the right to cut or destroy any part of said Pittsburg street East of the West line of the O. R. & N. right of way on Bradford street.

SECTION 2.—There is hereby granted to the "St. Johns Ferry Company", its successors and assigns, hereinafter designated as the grantee, the right to construct, maintain and operate a public ferry at the foot of said Pittsburg street for the period of Ten (10) years from and after the final passage of this Ordinance, at the rates and charges herein and hereinafter stated, subject to the restrictions and obligations herein and hereinafter written and imposed and such supervision on the part of the Council of said City of St. Johns as the public good may reasonably require under the laws and ordinances of said City.

SECTION 3.—Said grantee shall at once, and at its own cost, construct, maintain, and, during the term of its said franchise, keep in good repair a suitable, proper and substantial plank road-way the full width of the street from the said ferry slip or landing to the West side line of the O. R. & N. right of way (on Bradford street) on the said Pittsburg street.

SECTION 4.—Said grantee shall, within thirty (30) days from the final passage of this Ordinance, have in operation at said point a safe and substantial temporary ferry boat of sufficient capacity to accommodate the traffic, which shall be improved as the requirements may justify, and, within Twelve (12) months from the final passage of this Ordinance, have in operation at said point a ferry boat equally as good as that now operated across the Willamette river at Albina, in the County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, known as the "Lionel R. Webster."

SECTION 5.—Said grantee shall operate said ferry boat at said point from six o'clock in the morning until eight o'clock in the evening of every day during the continuance of this franchise, and as often as the public welfare may reasonably demand; Provided, That the Council of said City may further regulate the said service as the public good may require.

SECTION 6.—Said grantee shall transport across the Willamette river free of charge all gravel and rock for the improvement of the streets of the said City of St. Johns.

SECTION 7.—Said grantee shall have the right to charge and collect the following maximum fares and charges for their service and no more:

Foot passengers five cents (5c)
Single teams twenty five cents (25c)
Double team or four horses thirty five cents (35c)
Automobiles twenty five cents (25c)
Saddle horses ten cents (10c)

SECTION 8.—The said grantee shall pay to said City of St. Johns for the use of said ferry landing and the rights and privileges herein granted, and as full compensation therefor under this franchise, two and one half per cent (2 1/2 per cent) of the gross receipts from said ferry, to be paid by said grantee to the said City of St. Johns monthly on the last day of each month during the life of this franchise; Provided, That this section shall not exempt the grantee from any lawful taxation upon its property, nor from any licenses, charges or impositions not levied on account of such use.

SECTION 9.—Said grantee shall keep a full and correct book of accounts and make stated monthly reports in writing to the City Recorder of the City of St. Johns, which shall contain an accurate statement in summarized form, as well as in detail, of all receipts from all sources and all expenditures for all purposes, together with a full statement of all assets and debts as well as such other information as the City Recorder may require, and the Recorder may inspect or examine or cause to be inspected or examined at all reasonable hours, any and all books of account and vouchers of said grantee. Such books of account shall be kept and such reports made in accordance with forms and methods prescribed by the City Recorder, and every failure of the grantee to keep such books of account or to make reports under this section, shall authorize the City to declare a forfeiture of said franchise.

SECTION 10.—Unless the grantee shall establish a good and convenient ferry across the Willamette river at and from Pittsburg street landing within the time limit mentioned in this ordinance, unless prevented by unavoidable litigation, and then within Thirty (30) days from the termination of such unavoidable litigation, which shall have been prosecuted as expeditiously as the course of law will admit, then the right of grantee under this ordinance to the use of the foot of said Pittsburg street as a ferry landing shall terminate.

SECTION 11.—Grantee shall have the exclusive privilege of transporting all persons and property over and across the Willamette river from the foot of Pittsburg street, and shall be entitled to all the fare arising therefrom; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any person from

crossing the river at such ferry in his own boat, or to take in and carry over his neighbor when the same is done without fee or charge and not with intent to injure grantee.

SECTION 12.—All persons shall be received into the ferry boat and conveyed across the river by grantee according to their arrival at the same; and if grantee shall act contrary to this regulation, it shall forfeit and pay the sum of three dollars for every such offence to the party aggrieved, to be recovered before any Court having jurisdiction; Provided, that public officers on urgent business, post-riders, couriers, physicians, surgeons and midwives, shall in all cases be first carried over where all can not go at the same time.

SECTION 13.—For the effectual securing of efficient service; for the prompt and complete compliance by grantee with its agreements and undertakings herein and hereunder; and for the continued maintenance by grantee of the property in good repair and condition throughout the entire term of this franchise, the said grantee shall, on filing its acceptance of this franchise, give to the City of St. Johns a good and sufficient Bond in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00).

SECTION 14.—The power and right reasonably to regulate in the public interest the exercise of this franchise and rights thereunder shall remain and be vested in the Council of the City of St. Johns.

SECTION 15.—Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, where the penalty has not been designated, shall, upon conviction thereof, before the Municipal Court of the said City of St. Johns, be fined not less than five or more than twenty-five dollars.

Passed the Council Mayor.
Approved by the Mayor Recorder.
Attest:

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