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ABOUT PORTLAND PAPERS.

RECENTLY this paper published an article deploring the fact that Portland dailies steal directly from THE REVIEW: giving no credit they grab everything in sight and intimate that their special grapevine telegraph service furnishes the items.

The Gresham Record republished our editorial and comments thusly:

"The Portland papers not only steal from the columns of THE REVIEW, but from every paper published in the immediate vicinity of Portland; they do not stop at one or two local items, but swipe whole columns, and yet absolutely refuse to give proper credit for it.

"The Record has been watching this for some nine or ten weeks. Papers published far enough away from Portland to suit these plutocratic news pilferers, are continually mentioned, while those nearer to the metropolis and who are doing their best to promote the interests of Multnomah and Clackamas, are as persistently ignored.

The reason for such is obvious. Portland dailies evidently imagine that all this broad field is theirs to do with as they will. They preach against monopoly in other places, but practice it themselves.

"The Record, St. Johns REVIEW, East Side Enterprise, Oregon City and Vancouver papers all come under the ban, simply because they are considered as trespassers in the Portland dailies' territory, so, Brother Thorndyke, don't worry; you are not the only duck in the puddle, you can get recognition, when you get strong enough to get through the Portland papers' hide."

REACHED OUT.

PORTLAND'S mayor spat on his hands last Saturday night and reached over into Clackamas county. There he secured a half-nelson twist on a gambling outfit at Milwaukie—which he claims was run in conjunction with the Warwick gambling club of Portland—and proceeded to do business.

To a layman it seems as if the jurisdiction of a mayor ceased at the mile limit of the outer boundary of any city—but legal advisers informed Mayor Lane that his jurisdiction reached four miles from home and over into another country. It may be those legal advisers are correct.

As a mere suggestion to the mayor it might be well to propose that shutting up of the gambling holes run by tin horns inside the city limits would be a good move, before striking outside limits. There are lots of small ones there.

And yet, do what one may, there is bound to be gambling by those who have no other use for money.

OREGON RAIN.

NO one denies that Oregon has frequent showers—but there is so much told upon their return home by visitors to the state which is not so that thousands believe "it rains all the time in Oregon."

From May till November there are but few days in which the sun does not shine. It is true there are occasional showers; yet it is a fact that since the first of May of this year to the first of November there were but thirteen days when the sun did not shine.

The official record of the rainfall during these six months given in inches is as follows: May, 2.56; June, 2.12; July, .12; August, .17; September, 2.79; October, 4.73; or 12.49 inches for the entire six months. During the 184 days rain fell during 64; yet as previously stated there were but thirteen in which the sun failed to shine.

After all, there are damper places that Oregon—New York city or Boston, even.

NOVEL WAY.

IN a write-up of its town the Estacada News mentions a saloon as "a place of retreat where men may gather and mingle with each other." Say, but that's a dandy way to break the news to mother.

Insure with the Peninsula Bank.

WHY NOT?

WHY is it that those building homes in St. Johns cannot give the home contractors and carpenters a show at the work? The vast majority of the carpenters and contractors here are men well-qualified to do all kinds of work—the real stinkers being few in number and widely known.

There's a group of several houses being built here by a fellow who, as far as possible, avoids all St. Johns workmen. Such a man is to be avoided and should be let severely alone; and we hope his buildings will rent very slowly. We are believers in reciprocity—and consider that a man who avoids his home people for what he needs should not go to those same people for his patronage.

If the carpenters of St. Johns were not qualified to do good work matters would be far different; but the unreliaibles and grafters are very, very few. The larger portion—by far the larger portion—are of a trustworthy class; and should be patronized. They should also aid the community of those who abound in knavery and deception—and thus do this city—and themselves—a good service.

The man who builds a house in St. Johns should patronize St. Johns people—the reliable people.

STILL FAKING.

Those fake hold-up auctions of Jap ware still continue to "dazzle" the foolish and the unwary in Portland. "If King Edward were here he'd buy of us" says one ad. Faugh! "If King Edward were here" he'd join the Japanese Art Lovers Ezymark Union—and have a good time—that's what he'd do!

Foolish Forger.

Last week a trio of forgeries—all for small amounts, were found—and three victims will be less apt to cash checks for strangers in the future. The checks were purported to be drawn by the Peninsula Lumber Company—a company well-known for its reliability; a company whose check goes for any amount from \$1 to \$100,000—or more.

These checks were drawn in favor of one "H. B. Brown." This man "Brown" went to the store of Couch & Company and made a small purchase—tendering in payment a check for \$10.50. Mr. Walker, who waited upon the stranger, noted that the check was signed "Peninsula Lumber Co., per" someone or other—and it looked good to him; he gave the fellow the goods and his cash balance, threw the check in the cash drawer—and felt happy.

When the check was turned into the bank it required but one moment to learn that the Peninsula Lumber Company carried no account with the bank upon which the same was drawn—and it was promptly returned as "N. G." Telephone communication at once corroborated this opinion—and the matter was quickly reported to the authorities.

The same day of this trick the fellow went to the "Hub," a clothing store of Portland, bought a suit of underwear, presented a check similar to the one he put off upon Couch & Company—only for the sum of \$9.40—and secured the balance of the amount in cash. There was a third check put out by the same "Brown."

Up to this time he has not been apprehended—but the chances are he will be arrested.

Sealed Bids Wanted.

Sealed bids will be received by the Recorder of the City of St. Johns, Oregon, up to ten o'clock a. m. of Friday, December 1, 1905, for the furnishing and placing in position of suitable metal signs at street intersections bearing names of the several streets. Said signs to be about four inches wide, of proper length, and plainly marked in white letters not less than two and one-half inches high upon a dark background. Signs must be in place within 30 days from the time contract is awarded—and no payments will be made till the work shall be accepted by the Street Committee.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Bids must be accompanied by a full-size sample of the work.

B. T. LEGGETT, Chairman of Street Committee. St. Johns, November 20, 1905.

Street Looks Better.

In a very few minutes yesterday morning along about seven o'clock Jersey street was much benefited by brooms and rakes. The result proved that many hands make light work—as the rubbish and litter removed was but a small amount for each person.

Can You Afford

To carry the risk of total loss on your buildings when a small amount will insure you against loss? It does not pay to do it. See the Peninsula Bank about rates.

HOLD BUSY SESSION

City Council Concludes to Issue a License For Sale of Liquor in New Hotel.

The adjourned meeting of the city council on Tuesday evening resulted in much business being transacted and a noted divergence from the lines which have heretofore characterized the meetings. Mayor King presided; all members of the council except J. H. Shields present. Owing to the illness of Recorder Hanks W. L. Thorndyke acted as recorder pro tem.

Ostensibly the meeting was merely to consider the Oihuse site for the city hall—and the Ways and Means committee was to report upon success in securing the site. Mr. Peterson reported that Mr. Oihuse had raised his first proposition from \$2550 for the triangular site to \$4000; and he did not favor the purchase when a site could be secured a little farther away for \$2500.

Mr. Leggett said that Mr. Oihuse had agreed a little later to sell to the city for \$3800—although he had been offered above \$4000 by private parties. He considered the site an ideal one. Mr. Brice was not well posted in values—but he thought as did Mr. Peterson: the city had no right to pay an excessive figure when property could be secured lower. Mr. Edwards considered the price rather high—as did Mr. Thompson and Mr. Lindquist.

Mr. Oihuse said he had one more proposition to make—and only one: he would sell the tract to the city for \$3500 simply because he desired to see a city building there.

A five-minute recess was taken to talk over the matter. Upon reconvening Mr. Peterson said the council had concluded to offer Mr. Oihuse \$3500 for the land; the council was anxious to secure the site but did not feel justified in offering more. This opinion was joined by every member present—Mr. Oihuse demanding to hear from each one.

When all had expressed their opinion Mr. Oihuse agreed to accept the \$3500—and arrangements are being made for the transfer of title to the city. While the owner has made a neat profit by the deal it is also a fact that he has lost considerable by selling to the city instead of to a private individual.

City Engineer Goodrich was instructed to prepare grade and specifications for roadway from Crawford street to the river on Pittsburg street (where the ferry landing is to be); also to prepare specifications and grade on same street from Crawford to Salem—and on Salem to Burlington.

Regarding sewers Mr. Leggett reported an increase in size of sewer-pipe at upper end of district—and the recorder was instructed to post notices of the proposed improvement.

The question of municipal ownership of water plant was deferred till the next regular meeting. The three appraisers—Messrs Thorndyke, Moxon and Brederson—previously appointed for Gresham and Chicago streets were constituted in committee.

Attorney W. R. McGarry then appeared before the council and presented the following application: TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS: Gentlemen—We desire to apply for a liquor license in this city, and as an evidence of our good faith we submit to you the following proposition:

We will deposit with this application one thousand dollars (\$1000) in advance for one year's license.

We will erect one of most substantial and beautiful buildings in this city to be used for hotel and business purposes. We will give bonds for five thousand (\$5000) or ten thousand (\$10000) dollars to conduct our business in a quiet, orderly and unobjectional manner with strict conformity with law; and

We will at all times be glad to aid and

Has An Interest. Willis Moxon has bought an interest in the St. Johns Abstract Company with T. T. Parker, and the new firm will be in a position to push things in a business way. The firm will soon occupy a suite in the new brick block—and all of Mr. Moxon's correspondence in connection with the brickyard will be conducted from there.

For Sale. Ten acres of good land suitable for a home; near railroad station and boat landing, 12 miles north of fair grounds. For particulars write or call on A. R. Folkenberg, Linton, Oregon.

New Brick Block. A brick block is about to be erected on the east side of Jersey street just north of the millinery store. It is to be built by a couple of chinamen—who will put up a thoroughly modern building.

It will be two stories, size 60x80. The lower floor will be devoted to stores—while above will be suites for living rooms. There will be a court on the upper floor so that every room will be an outside room—while the area will be used for any old thing.

The Boston Home Bakery building looks wonderfully improved since Southmayd has been working with his paintbrush.

assist the business interest of this city in every honorable way within our power. This application is made realizing that while the city is reputed to be a temperance town it is in fact a liquor town at the present moment and no revenue is being derived by the city. A ferry across the river brings liquor to your very doors and you get no revenue for the city. It is not impossible for local druggstores to sell liquor and yet you get no revenue. It is not improbable that liquor may be sold in other places in the city and still you get no revenue.

You are engaged in a general scheme of public improvements and these improvements cost money. Your treasury is in need of money. As an evidence of our intention we authorize you to accept the above deposit of one thousand dollars (\$1000) to the immediate credit of the city, and

If a license be granted to us we will at once begin the erection of as fine a business block as the city affords. Trusting that your honorable body will consider this offer in a business light and grant us the license requested, we beg to remain, Yours very truly,

ST. JOHNS HOTEL COMPANY, Per J. B. NYE, Manager.

With this application was a certified check on the Merchants National Bank of Portland for \$1000. Mr. McGarry, in his usual fluent manner explained why he—who had in the past assisted in keeping out license—was now asking for his clients this permit—and Mr. Nye, following him, explained the intentions of the hotel company. It was stated that the company would expound about ten thousand dollars in the erection of a fine building—and reiterated the point that everything would be conducted in first-class manner.

Each member of the council was called upon to give his views upon the question. Mr. Edwards said he has heretofore opposed such measures—but it was a fact that liquor was largely sold in St. Johns—and the city obtained no revenue. He believed this proposition would be a benefit to the city—and would not oppose it.

Mr. Peterson, Mr. Lindquist and Mr. Thompson believed that the move would be a good one and that it would result in less blind-pigging than at present because those who paid \$1000 a year for a privilege would endeavor to suppress all illegitimate liquor selling.

Mr. Leggett believes that it was a fact that there was a large amount of liquor sold in St. Johns—and it seemed impossible to secure evidence enough in any case to convict.

Mr. Brice stated that he did not wish to stand in the way of progress in the city; he was anxious to see St. Johns grow and improve; but he had not changed his views. It was bad to have blind pigs—but he could not vote for the license.

The following resolution was then introduced by Mr. Edwards: RESOLVED: That a license be granted to the St. Johns Hotel Company to sell malt, brewed and vinous liquors in its place of business in the city of St. Johns, Oregon, for the period of one year from and after the date of a receipt from the Mayor or Treasurer of this city for the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00), with the auditor of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, provided that such license be granted only upon the immediate payment to the city of St. Johns of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) and the filing within a reasonable time thereafter with the city Recorder of a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) conditioned to conduct the business of said hotel company in strict conformity with law and the police regulations of this city.

It was then moved by Mr. Edwards that the resolution be adopted; Mr. Thompson gave his second, and, upon rollcall the vote stood as follows: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Lindquist, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Peterson—'Yes'; Mr. Brice—'No'; Mr. Leggett—not voting; Mr. Shields—absent. The resolution was adopted. Adjourned to next regular meeting, December 4.



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C. A. Wood and family are now located in their elegant new home on Ivanhoe street. An elegant, warranted good, line of pleasing jewelry at the St. Johns Bazar. Low prices. Lady wants work by the day at 15 cents an hour. Phone Union 4066.

Reports say that another theatre is to be built in Portland. It is to be hoped that it will be ventilated. Smoke a St. Johns cigar—best 10c cigar on the market—the "White Crow."

Poff & Carey are building a 30-foot addition to their warehouse to accommodate an increase volume of business. Try the "Par Excellence": the champion 5c cigar: made in St. Johns.

The Baptist pastor and his people united with the "Evangelical congregation last Sunday evening. For first class and reliable fire insurance companies see the list at the Peninsula Bank.

With the frame up and the roof on the main building of the Marine Boiler works is rapidly nearing completion. 36 hairpins for 5c: other goods equally low. See new line of notions. St. Johns Bazar.

In imitation of St. Johns Oregon City now has a "Carnation" dancing club—and it, too, is to give a Thanksgiving masquerade. Imitation is the sincerest flattery.

Wanted—a girl for Thanksgiving week only—a girl who can cook and do general housework. Inquire this office.

The family of J. H. Shields is now in California. Mr. Shields also is there—having left here Tuesday afternoon. He expects to be back here in a couple weeks.

Is your home insured against fire? If not, see M. L. Tufts at the Peninsula Bank for the lowest rates.

W. R. Francis, of the St. Johns Lumber Company, is in the east on business connected with the purchase of the latest and most improved machinery for the new mill.

For fine cigars it will pay you to call at Valentine's: opposite city hall. Thanksgiving Day is drawing near. Send in your orders early for what bakers' goods you require and we will fill and deliver them. The Boston Home Bakery, Jersey street.

2c for a child's union suit? The St. Johns Bazar sells them for that price. See them.

A couple of neat little cottages are almost completed close to the carline near Stewarts. No pleasant information could be obtained about the houses from a man in charge.

A particularly handsome hand-made collar-set is being shown at the St. Johns Bazar. Nothing prettier has been shown—and the plan of selling makes it possible to secure it cheap. Call and see it.

N. J. Chagn, who was interested in Cone's mill in this city when the property was destroyed by fire, has purchased a large interest in the Grays Harbor mill at Hoquiam, Washington.

When you insure your property secure only reliable companies. See the Peninsula Bank about them.

E. O. Magoon has named his store "Liberty Square House Furnishers." It should be borne in mind that THE REVIEW first suggested the name of "Liberty Square." And it's all right, all right.

Our baker knows his business and the goods he turns out are equal in quality to any bakery goods turned out by the largest city bakeries. Give us a trial and you will be convinced. The Boston Home Bakery.

Mrs. Ada Pennington, formerly with the Hazelwood Creamery here in St. Johns, is again in business—this time at 294 Larrabee street, on the east side. She has a nicely appointed grocery—with everything nice and new.

Buy your bakery goods at the Boston Home Bakery and when Thanksgiving Day comes you will surely give thanks that you live in a community where you can secure such a high quality of bakery goods at such reasonable prices.

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