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FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 1906.

Let us all love one another.

The Lord only knows of the trouble we are in.

City Treasurer Hall has been paying city warrants since Wednesday noon. [Portland papers please copy.]

If The Review would kick all the kicks through that it is daily requested to the proprietors would not be able to issue a paper for a month.

It will pay not only every resident of this city, but of the state, to read Editor Walker's writup of St. Johns in the Pacific Coast Manufacturers' Journal. Many hitherto unpublished facts were brought before the reader.

A 25-year franchise for using two blocks of streets will be asked for and acted upon at the meeting of the council Tuesday night. It will be well to study this matter of free gifts closely before parting with them. St. Johns is very young, and may need some of the now available material in her old age.

Nearly every visitor from the East who has made an extended tour of the coast, sums up his observations by declaring: "If Portland had the push and vim of Seattle the largest city on the coast would have been on the Willamette five years ago." Of course this does not sound very nice, but isn't it the gospel truth?

If two or three men collectively and one man individually would be a trifle discreet in their utterances St. Johns and its municipal affairs would not attract one-tenth of the undesirable publicity that they do. Working the hot air on over time sometimes acts as a boomerang. Be modest. Any act or deed on your part that entitles you to stand in the limelight will surely be recognized. The continual blowing of your own horn is wearisome to the majority, and all have had enough of it to last them for some time.

The picture presented by the so-called minister Smythe in his attempted denunciation of Rev. Fred J. Warren in the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sunday was humiliating to the last degree to every man in St. Johns. The spectacular effect, prepared by this man of the cloth was something out of the ordinary and far beyond the comprehension of the man with a real grievance. The very fact that he is willing to sacrifice the good name of his wife to right his so-called wrongs is enough to condemn him in the eyes of all. No one believes his story, and the general opinion is that he should have been unceremoniously kicked out of the city on the completion of his dramatic denunciation of the minister whose pulpit he disgraced.

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

An Interesting Meeting Held Wednesday Evening.

Despite the fact that there were just thirteen members in attendance at the Commercial club there was a good meeting Wednesday night. The Jobs Milling Co. presented a batch of correspondence from the O. R. & N. Co. explaining why their boats do not land at the city dock. It is claimed that the approach to the city dock is unsafe, but the defect can be remedied at slight expense. On motion the chair appointed I. B. Chipman, A. R. Jobs and R. W. McKeon as a committee to investigate.

L. B. Chipman and Clarence Bishop were appointed as delegates to the meeting of the Oregon Development League at Forest Grove. Considerable discussion was given the Oregon State Fair, and it was the opinion of those present that St. Johns and her citizens would find it profitable to attend. Perhaps a special car at reduced rates could be obtained. To this end a committee consisting of Messrs. Bishop, Perkins, Briggs, Chipman and McKeon was appointed. They will also interview the citizens and ascertain their views in the matter.

The proposition of some very attractive advertising for St. Johns was discussed and arrangements made for it to appear in the near future. It will be a campaign of publicity that will attract attention to St. Johns from many sources.

If you want to obtain a list of the really poor people of the city, keep within earshot of Deputy Assessor Kirk for a day.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

A Few of the Things that Happened Tuesday Night.

There was a regular Ring-Around-Rosy, Seven Devils in Betty and Eight Hands 'Round sort of a time at the meeting of the city dads Tuesday night. The show had been liberally advertised and as a result there was a crowded house. The fun began almost from the fall of the gavel, and lasted until midnight. Ald. Hewitt acted as ringmaster and Recorder Thornydyke, Treasurer Hall, Attorney Greene and Mayor Valentine were among those who wore the spangles. It was a three-ring affair with the Barnum & Bailey outfit backed up against the fence. The only things lacking were the red lemonade and the bearded lady. Oratorically it was a battle royal, and embryo statesmen went down one after another in the mighty slaughter.

Numerous attorneys, like hawks perched on a high stump watching a lone chicken, were distributed conveniently about the stuffy room, and the boys who hustle the news for the Portland papers had taken up their stand in a corner. Everybody was ready to assist in the grand opening.

The meeting opened by roll call and the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. The wording of the order given the recorder by the council at the last meeting in regard to the receiving and payment of money was changed from "for certain financial reasons" to "in order to comply with the charter." Attorney Greene stated that the minutes as read reflected upon the integrity and honesty of the recorder.

The city engineer was present and advocated the adoption of the Minneapolis, Minn., building laws. He was followed by a representative of a chemical engine company, who wishes to sell the city one of his machines. After some explanation, etc., Aids. King, Norton and Dobie were appointed a committee to investigate the matter.

Engineer Woodhouse was present with a drawing for the improvement of Philadelphia street. His plans were for a 11 per cent grade against a 13 per cent grade by City Engineer Goodrich. Mr. Woodhouse read figures that lessened the expense of the improvement several thousand dollars.

D. C. Rogers presented a remonstrance against the improvement of Philadelphia street signed by two-thirds of the property owners. Considerable discussion followed, and finally, by a vote of 4 to 1, the remonstrance was accepted—Ald. Hewitt voting in the negative.

At this point Treasurer Hall stepped forward and explained his position in regard to the payment of warrants. He did not think he could pay them. Neither did his bondsmen. In his opinion the mayor was not entitled to hold two offices. He was willing to be shown, however.

From half a dozen sources questions were hurled at the treasurer. It began to get a bit tropical over his way.

The mayor told the council in a very flat-footed way that he was mayor, had held the office since he was elected, that all business transacted was legal, and that he did not see any reason why Treasurer Hall should not pay the warrants.

This declaration started the fireworks. Ald. Hewitt did not think the mayor could hold two offices.

The mayor asked that the question of paying the warrants be settled first.

Attorney Greene was appealed to. His answer was very indefinite and unsatisfactory.

Ald. Hewitt again asked if the mayor could hold two offices. Attorney Greene's answer was still unsatisfactory.

SENSATIONAL

Scene at the Congregational Church Last Sunday.

A most successful exhibition of a man making a consummate ass of himself was given in the Congregational church of this city last Sunday morning when one known as Rev. C. M. Smythe of Hubbard, Ore., attempted to disgrace Rev. Fred J. Warren, pastor of the church, in the eyes of his parishioners and the community. It was an attempt at sensationalism never attempted by the most versatile writer of the modern circus. The congregation witnessed one of the most despicable and contemptible acts that could be concocted in the brain of a dyed-in-the-wool sneak. The whole scheme fell flat, however. Instead of the congregation believing the story derogatory of their pastor, a meeting was at once held and the would-be defamer roundly denounced.

The morning service had begun. Among the voices in the congregational singing Rev. Warren recognized that of the Rev. C. M. Smythe. Leaving the pulpit he went to the pew where Smythe was seated and asked him to come forward and take a seat by his side. The greetings were very cordial and the two walked to the pulpit, where Smythe was given a seat.

After a brief prayer Rev. Warren introduced his supposed-to-be friend, saying he would deliver a short address. Little did the local minister think he was presenting a biped who would sacrifice every manly instinct upon the altar of notoriety. No one had the faintest idea of the tirade that was about to be delivered. With a face blanched with hate and vengeance, the visitor began: "My friends, I remember well when the first efforts were made to establish a Congregational church at St. Johns. You now worship in a beautiful church, instead of a hall and tent as before. I hope you are getting good out of your church and your pastor."

"I once had a lovely wife and children. She was innocent and noble and as true a woman as ever was. I loved her. But she has gone from me and I have lost her and all."

"I have waited long for this hour when I could denounce you, Fred J. Warren, as the traitor who entered my home and won my wife away from me. You are a traitor and a despoiler of my home and I denounce you as a traitor. You cannot deny what I charge you with. I did not kill you when she asked me to do so. You cannot deny these things. Dr. E. L. House knows all about the affair."

After finishing his talk Smythe dramatically reeled to a seat in the rear of the church and hid his face in his hands, likely for the purpose of leering cunningly through his fingers to see the effect of his words on those present.

The effect of Smythe's words fairly stunned the audience. All eyes were turned on Rev. Warren as he stepped into the pulpit. Referring to the tirade of Smythe the minister said: "The brother once undertook to show that I was insane, but you can judge from his conduct here which is the rational one. Whatever estrangement there may be between him and his wife was due to Smythe himself. I have done him no wrong, and I am fully responsible for and answerable for my own acts."

He then proceeded with the services and delivered his sermon. Those present say it was a masterly effort and one of the best they ever heard. Seemingly inspired by the attempted humiliation by Smythe he delivered a severe criticism of a man with a guilty conscience and the need of a higher standard of manhood. All who heard it say the innocence of the pastor is firmly established in their minds.

The services over and the congregation dismissed all gathered around Rev. Warren to shake his hand and express sympathy and confidence in him. At a meeting which was convened immediately the following resolution expressing the sentiment of the congregation was passed: "Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the person who denounced our pastor from the pulpit this morning is a sneak and a coward."

The attempted expose was carefully planned by Smythe, but his plans all fell flat. Smythe even went so far as to inform a reporter of the Oregonian of his intentions, and he was present during the morning services. The affair was written up at length in Monday morning's paper, and it was through the information of Smythe that it was.

It seems that all parties concerned have been acquainted for years. A year or ago while the families of both ministers and a sister of Mrs. Smythe were in bathing near Hubbard, Mrs. Smythe got beyond her depth and was in danger of drowning when she was rescued by Rev. Warren. The result of the rescue was that a warm friendship sprang up between the two. This friendship Smythe imagined was one of love, and so informed Rev. Warren, who, at the solicitation of Dr. House, wrote a letter to Mrs. Smythe saying that all was over between them and that their acquaintance had better be dropped. This was satisfactory to all parties and it was supposed the incident

CHURCH NOTICES.

Baptist church—E. A. Leonard, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. B. V. P. U. 7 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Methodist church—S. L. Young pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. Union services 8 p. m.

Holy Cross Catholic church, Portsmouth Station 8:15 a. m., low mass; 10:15 a. m., high mass; 7:30 p. m., vespers and benediction.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Chapel, University Park—Rev. Wm. R. Powell, chaplain. Regular services 11 a. m. Sunday school 10 a. m.

Evangelical church—Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Junior K. L. C. E. 2:30 p. m.; Senior K. L. C. E. 7 p. m. E. E. McVicker, pastor.

First Congregational Church—F. J. Warren, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Church of Christ—Services every Lord's day at 3 p. m. in the Baptist church. Communion and preaching by Rev. Bruce Wolverton, acting pastor. All cordially welcomed.

Summer Diarrhoea in Children. During the hot weather of the summer months the first unnatural looseness of a child's bowels should have immediate attention, so as to check the disease before it becomes serious. All that is necessary is a few doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by a dose of castor oil to cleanse the system. Rev. M. O. Stockland, pastor of the first M. E. church, Little Falls, Minn., writes: "We have used Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for several years and find it a very valuable remedy, especially for summer disorders in children." Sold by Jackson's Pharmacy.

To Water Users. Water used through hose for sprinkling yards or sidewalks or washing porches or windows must be paid for in advance, and used only between the hours of 5 and 8 a. m. and 5 and 9 p. m. It must not be used for sprinkling streets. Anyone using water contrary to these rules, or wastefully, will be shut off without further notice. St. Johns Waterworks and Lighting Co., P. H. Edleeson, Superintendent.

An insurance policy in a reliable company is as good as money in your pocket in case of loss by fire. Ask the Peninsula Bank.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. Holmes Lodge No. 101. Meets in I. O. O. F. Hall at 8 o'clock each Friday evening. Visiting Knights welcomed. H. G. Sibray, C. C. J. H. Black, K. R. S. Tonight—Third rank work.

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Notice to Contractors. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the undersigned at his office in the City Hall, St. Johns, Oregon, up to the hour of four o'clock p. m. of Tuesday, September 11, 1906, for the furnishing of materials and construction and building of a City Hall for and in said City of St. Johns, Oregon, according to the plans, specifications and estimate of the architect, the City Engineer of said City of St. Johns, Oregon, now on file with the city recorder of St. Johns. Said bids must be accompanied by a certified check for ten per cent of the amount of the bid.

Bids should be accompanied by specimens of the face brick to be used in the building—whether clay or cement. More complete details may be secured of the architect or of the recorder. The council reserves unto itself the right to reject any and all bids. W. L. THORNDYKE, Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review August 31, September 7, 1906. Keep Your Eye On St. Johns.