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Council should start the new year right by getting after Bill Poster.

One of the best paragraphs in the state is the chap who grinds out the column of "Misfits" in the Albany Democrat.

Wonder if Senator Fulton will vote for the ship subsidy steel? We will venture to say the question would not be hard to answer.

The head of the publicity bureau of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, better known as the Seattle fair, should be given a vacation. His work is exceedingly crude and will act as a boomerang.

With saw mills all around us the builders say they are unable to obtain lumber to construct buildings now under contract. This gives some idea of the clip Oregon is going.

Here is the history of St. Johns in a condensed form: In 1905 the assessable property was \$221,000; in 1906 it was \$1,162,415, and now it is \$2,178,760. What will it be a year hence?

Hicks, the miner who was entombed at Bakersfield, Cal., for 15 days, has accepted a chance to go on the stage at a salary of \$1,000 a week. This is misfortune sometimes turned to good advantage.

Albany Democrat: The suspension of the Ohio Penitentiary News, because there was not a convict who could set type, brought to notice the fact that there are twenty bankers in the Columbus prison and not one printer. The most common and nationally portentous crimes of the day are not being committed by the world's workmen.

The state fair officials are endeavoring to prolong the state fair from the usual six days to ten days. This will not help the receipts. A better move would be to select a date when the farmers are not busy gathering their hops and doing other farm work. The date this year was at a time when hop picking was in full swing and thousands of people were busy earning the money that would have found its way to the fair had it been given a chance. A ten-day fair snacks too much of a continuous vaudeville show.

The proposed change in the game laws making the open season for Chinese pheasants from Sept. 15 to Nov. 15 is not a wise one. And the people advocating the proposed change know it. If this best of game birds are to multiply, the law should be left alone. The open season now opens Oct. 1 and closes Nov. 30. This gives two months of fine shooting. Oct. 1 finds the birds well feathered and strong of wing and capable of taking care of themselves. This is just what a hunter wants. No one who is interested in the sport cares to shoot a half grown chick. But if the game hogs are bent on a war of extermination why not change the law so that the season will open Sept. 1. With this change there will be no Chinese pheasants to quarrel about in a few years. As it is now Oregon has the best game bird that flies. Let the law be framed so that they will increase and multiply all over the state. Every man who takes pleasure in a day's hunt will be opposed to any monkeying with the present law. The sissies should take heed.

Contrary to the general belief the specially revised charter will not have to go before the legislature for approval, but will be adopted directly by the people through the council. The entire charter as revised by the commission will be typewritten and submitted for approval at a special meeting or meetings of the people called for the purpose. It will then be taken up and acted upon by the city council. The most important change is that of the manner of making street improvements and the payment of the same. The city attorney will be elected by the people instead of being appointed by the mayor. The recorder and treasurer are required to make quarterly statements of the business going through their hands. It will probably be in effect before the spring election. The work of revision has been in progress for several months, the commission holding weekly sessions. The entire charter has been taken up a paragraph at a time and thoroughly analyzed and discussed. The work of revision has been done without expense to the city.

The street car strike fiasco seriously interfered with "keep the change" day for the carmen.

With a \$3,000,000 railroad bridge and a \$2,000,000 packing plant in process of construction within sight of the business center St. Johns will start the new year with something to show for its white alley.

Just what business the city council had in the settlement of the estate of the late James Johns is one of the questions the people have been asking themselves. Ever since the death of the philanthropic pioneer the general opinion has been that by the terms of his will the estate was to go to the educational interests of the city he founded.

Mrs. Russell Sage has just lent \$7,000,000 at 4 1/2 per cent. Mrs. Sage recently stated that this money she intended giving to the worthy poor direct instead of charitable institutions, but it now seems that her good resolution was only a bid to get a little publicity. Like her late miserly husband, the love of gold is so strong within her that it is like losing her heart blood to see any of it go from her. If the old lady is happier with her gold, by all means let her keep it. It is so full of broken hearts and tear stains caused by Sage's unscrupulous and oppressive methods that it would not likely do any one any good.

As new resolutions will soon be in order, it would be well for every business and professional man in the city to resolve that the coming year will find his name and business in each issue of The Review. Let the strangers who come to the city and pick up the local paper see that you are alive and doing business. Let him see that the city is well represented in a business way and that the city is composed of a representative and enterprising body of business and professional men. Help the paper and the paper will help you, and the more you support the paper the better it will become. The cost to you would not be much and the returns would more than repay you.

Certain portions of the sections of the city charter regarding street improvements and the manner of paying for the same will be turned over to the council for adjustment by the charter commission. The Seattle charter, from which it was taken, provides that the abutting property on the same block shall be assessed to the center of the block in the ratio of 50, 30, 20 and 10 per cent for the improvement on the street intersecting. Certain members of the commission think this a fair ratio for the benefits derived, while others dissent. The matter has been discussed at length, and as the question is an important one it was decided to allow the city fathers a chance to adjust the scale.

From the indifference with which the street improvement bonds have been received it is to be inferred that the people do not care for them. Under the Hancock bonding act they may be offered, but as no one wants them the owners of the property benefited will have to come forward with the money. The result is not to be wondered at. The bonds are of small denominations and those who have the money can do better with it by investments in real estate. Altogether it will be for the best if the property owners are compelled to pay up. A debt hanging over real estate hinders its sale and serves to complicate matters. As used at present the bonding act is only an aid to the speculator—something that those who are engaged in building up the city do not want.

**ANNUAL**

Meeting of the United Evangelical Church

The annual meeting of the United Evangelical church was held on the 20th inst. A report showed the church had no burdensome debts. The pastor's salary had been paid to date and an advance had been made on all the regular church collections. All the auxiliaries are well organized and equipped for future work. The official boards of the church are as follows:

- Class Leader—W. E. Swengel.
- Assistant Class Leader—R. C. Clark.
- Trustees—C. T. Thayer, F. C. Mighells, R. C. Clark.
- S. S. Board—Superintendent—Miss Minnie McClave.
- Assistant Superintendent—L. H. Simpson.
- Secretary—Roy Hall.
- Treasurer—Arthur C. Clark.
- Librarians—Maud Peterson, Bessie Marcy.
- K. L. C. E.—President—Miss Nettie Marcy.
- Vice President—Miss Anna Foster.
- Secretary—Miss Ella Edmondson.
- Treasurer—Miss Minnie Hall.
- Womans Aid Society—President—Mrs. Geo. Hall.
- Vice President—Mrs. F. C. Mighells.
- Secretary—Mrs. C. T. Thayer.
- Treasurer—Mrs. T. J. Monahan.
- Board of Stewards—L. H. Simpson, N. H. Suttler, Mrs. Frank Marcy, Mrs. F. C. Mighells, Mrs. C. T. Thayer.

**COUNCIL**

What Was Done at the Regular Meeting Tuesday Night

With all members present and the mayor in the chair the city council met Wednesday evening. The contractors on Hayes street asked for an extension of thirty days time to complete the improvement, and it was granted.

The matter of the Chambers plat was referred to the street committee. Treasurer Hall submitted his annual report, and it was referred to the finance committee.

Recorder Thornydyke reported the taxable property in the city valued at \$2,178,760, and on which the tax levy for the coming year will be based.

An estimate for a portion of the expenses for the coming year showed that \$2,000 would be necessary to take up the outstanding salary warrants, and \$5,000 for salaries for 1907, \$2,300 for buildings and grounds (presumably to equip and furnish the city hall), \$2,000 for fire apparatus, and \$1,400 to redeem miscellaneous outstanding warrants. To pay all these bills a 7-mill levy will be necessary.

The long looked for report of Robert Catlin, administrator of the estate of James Johns, was read. It was read to the council at the request of Judge Webster, in order that the matter may be taken up with the school board, and a lawyer engaged to pass upon and examine the report of the administrator. The report showed that the estate originally consisted of forty-two blocks in the central part of the city, all of which had been sold except the block reserved for the high school at the corner of Philadelphia and Hayes street. The present value of the estate, counting cash and real estate, is \$35,000. Mr. Catlin states that he was appointed administrator Dec. 1, 1901, and asks that, in addition to what he has already received, he be allowed an additional \$2,500. He states that he has paid his attorney \$700 in fees, and recommends that he be given an additional \$2,500. The estate was bequeathed to the city for school purposes by the old pioneer, but so far not a penny has been paid over. The matter was referred to the finance committee, with instructions to confer with the school board, so as to decide what steps should be taken.

The ordinance licensing vehicles was taken up, but no action taken. Manager Stearns of the Portland and Suburban Express Co., appeared and offered to plank and improve Burlington street in the vicinity of the freight depot, and the offer was accepted.

The bill of the Central hotel for \$3.40, and that of the St. Johns Lumber Co. of \$2.50 were allowed. A bill of \$388.37 for street improvements was referred to the street committee.

The committee appointed to select a garbage ground asked for and was granted more time.

The street committee was ordered to repair the west end of Chicago street.

**ADJOURNED MEETING.**

An adjourned meeting of the council was held last evening for the purpose of hearing the report of the finance committee in regard to the tax levy for the coming year.

Ald. Norton, chairman of the finance committee, submitted the following report and recommendation:

To the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Johns:

Your finance committee herewith submit the following report. The exhibit of estimates and indebtedness are taken from the reports of the city officials:

City hall bonds	\$ 2,160 00
Eighteen months' interest on city hall bonds	900 00
Unpaid salaries, 1907-7	2,000 00
Salaries, 1907-8	5,000 00
Fire apparatus	2,000 00
Water	800 00
Lights	1,300 00
Warrants unpaid	3,025 37
Incidentals	500 00
Total	\$17,686 37

With a 7-mill levy on a \$2,178,760 valuation the city would realize \$47,251.32, leaving a deficit of \$2,435.05 in the amount necessary to pay the outstanding indebtedness and the expenses during the coming year.

Your committee recommends a 7-mill levy, as we have no doubt that the tax payers are in favor of keeping our young city out of debt when it is easy to do so.

Ald. King thought the levy too high, but the committee's recommendation was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Ald. Norton, in a brief and very polite speech, returned the report on the James Johns estate that had been referred to the finance committee at the regular meeting Wednesday evening. He stated the committee had examined the report and found that it was a matter to be settled by the school board, and recommended the report be delivered to them for such action as they saw fit to take. It was so ordered by a unanimous vote.

**Mail Schedule**

Mail arrives at St. Johns at 7:10 a. m. and 1:15 p. m.

Leaves at 10:20 a. m., and 4:45 p. m.

Office open week days from 8:45 a. m. to 6:10 p. m. Sundays from 9 to 10 a. m.

No mails arrive or depart Sunday.

**CHURCH NOTICES.**

Baptist church—E. A. Leonard, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. B. Y. 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. and 8 p. m. Epworth League at 7 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. 6:30 p. m. Also preaching at 7:30 p. m. E. E. MeVicker, pastor.

First Congregational Church—F. J. Warren, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Baptist Church, University Park. Rev. A. B. Waltz, pastor. Regular services every Sunday morning and evening.

Christian Church—Sunday School at 10 a. m., G. W. Overstreet, superintendent. Services in Bickners' hall. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

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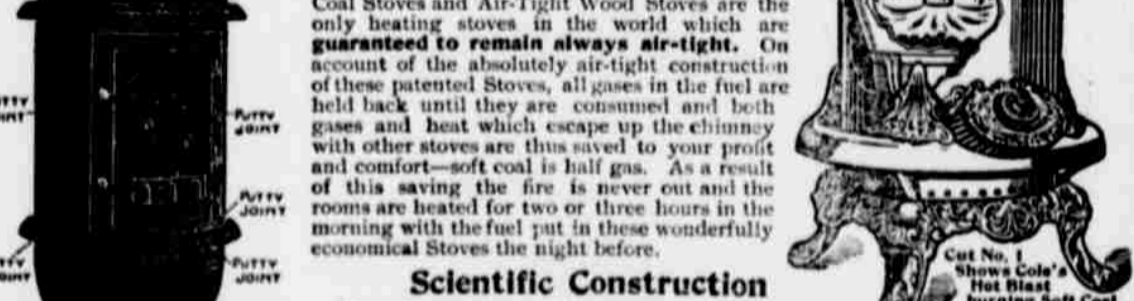


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