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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1907.

The business men of Portland addressed the pupils of most of the schools of the city last Friday afternoon. This practice is becoming a habit which our business men should acquire in St. Johns.

Gresham covered herself with glory and was grateful to the other towns of Multnomah county for participating in her fair. The showing of live stock, vegetables and fruit was very fine. There was a great variety of entertainment; thousands from Portland were in attendance. The enterprise was a success and will be repeated on a larger scale next year.

Saturday night October 12th a bunch of boys went to a Canby saloon and boozed up extensively. The consequence is that one of the lads is dead from the effects of the drinking and it has aroused the citizens to such an extent that the saloonkeeper is likely to get a part of what is coming to him. Our laws do not provide a sufficient penalty for selling liquor to boys. It is bad enough to sell it to drunk men, but to get the foolish boys into a saloon and fill them up with the poison should be crime enough to make it a life sentence on the rock pile.

RESOLUTION

Notice is Hereby Given That at the Meeting of the Council of the City of St. Johns, Oregon, Held on the 22d day of October, A. D. 1907, the Following Resolution Was Adopted:

Resolved, That the council of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, deems it expedient and proposes to improve Polk street from Wilamette Boulevard to the north line of St. Johns Heights addition in the following manner, to wit:

To establish the necessary grade for paving and to improve said Polk street, lay sidewalks, grade, etc. Said improvement to be made in accordance with the charter and ordinances of the city of St. Johns, and the plans, specifications and estimates of the city engineer, filed in the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns. The cost of said improvement to be assessed as provided by the city charter upon the property specially and peculiarly benefited thereby and which is hereby declared to be all the lots, parts thereof, and parcels of land within a line 100 feet from the outside line of each side of the said Polk street.

The engineer's estimate of the probable total cost for the improvement of said street is \$2000.00.

The plans, specifications and estimates of the city engineer for the improvement of said Polk street are hereby adopted.

Resolved, That the city recorder of the city of St. Johns be, and is, hereby directed to give notice of the proposed improvement of said Polk street as provided by the city charter.

Remonstrances against the above improvement may be filed in writing with the undersigned within 15 days from the date of the first publication of this notice.

By order of the council, A. M. ESSON, City Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review Oct. 25, 1907.

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Resolved, That the Council of the City of St. Johns, Oregon, deems it expedient and proposes to improve Burlington street from the northerly line of Jersey street to the southerly line of Kellogg street in the following manner, to wit:

To establish the necessary grade for paving and to improve said Burlington street, lay sidewalks, grade, etc. Said improvements to be made in accordance with the charter and ordinances of the city of St. Johns, and the plans, specifications and estimates of the city engineer, filed in the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns. The cost of said improvement to be assessed as provided by the city charter upon the property specially and peculiarly benefited thereby and which is hereby declared to be all the lots, parts thereof, and parcels of land within a line 100 feet from the outside line of each side of the said Burlington street.

The engineer's estimate of the probable total cost for the improvement of said street is \$450.00.

The plans, specifications and estimates of the city engineer for the improvement of said Burlington street are hereby adopted.

Resolved, That the city recorder of the city of St. Johns be, and is, hereby directed to give notice of the proposed improvement of said Burlington street as provided by the city charter.

Remonstrances against the above improvement may be filed in writing with the undersigned within 15 days from the date of the first publication of this notice.

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Now for the Gas Works! Everything is Coming St. Johns' Way

We already have our big saw mills, our planing mills, our immense woolen factory, large flouring mills, shipyards, dry dock, machine shops and a host of miscellaneous factories, making St. Johns the busiest city in the West, and now comes

THE ST. JOHNS' GAS, LIGHT AND HEAT CO.

Bristling with energy, enterprising to a dot, and overflowing with determination, to augment our list of urgent necessities by the construction of

A Thoroughly Up-to-date Gas Plant

Which will supply our homes, stores, offices, factories and other places of business with that most desirable and safe illuminant, and it will be long until our housewives will cook with Gas, our homes will be lighted with Gas, Gas will furnish the necessary fuel for the operation of much of the machinery of the city, and the coal bin and wood pile will be consigned to a much merited and inglorious oblivion. It will be a glad day for St. Johns when this hour comes. All over the country Gas is being employed in ever increasing quantities; the mechanical genius of man having invented so many uses for the commodity that the expansion of its manufacture is growing beyond all comprehension. For example, in our neighboring city of Portland there are numerous districts fairly crying to the Portland Gas Company to "Come over and help us" by extension of its mains and pipes to the city's homes, that its Gas might supplant the exorbitantly expensive cordwood and coal now in use. When our people have enjoyed the luxury of this inexpensive light and heat producer for a season, we shall hear the same cry here. Our local company will be importuned on every hand to hurry its service to all sections of the city, so that even those in the remotest quarter may participate in the advantages to be derived from the use of this

Cheap, Clean, Labor Saving Heat and Light Production

"Of all the discoveries which make for genuine comfort and convenience," says a well known writer, "it is doubtful if a single one (Gas) has won so intimate a relation to the domestic economy of civilized nations. It plays a most important part in city life. It not only lights the homes, offices, stores and streets, but warms the chilly corners, cooks the meals, provides cheap, convenient power; it heats the bath and furnishes a cheerful, glowing fire—all at the mere touch of a match." The inventor was told that he "couldn't light London with smoke," but he was not discouraged, and today the beneficence of his genius is felt in all civilized communities. In fact Gas is as staple as coal, wood or oil, and, best of all, the cheaper other fuels become, the more cheaply can Gas be produced, so that no matter how speedily prices of wood, coal or oil scamper down grade, the cost of Gas production will be found galloping headlong far away in the lead of them.

Gas Bonds, Therefore, Next Only to Gold, are the Best Securities on Earth.

"Bonds and Mortgages," New York's great financial publication, recognized by money lenders as authority on all classes of securities, says of Gas stocks and bonds: "Of 877 gas companies having five hundred and seventy-five million dollars of stocks and bonds issued, less than one per cent were in default of the payment of any interest, a record justifying no little pride. When electricity came to be a factor as a lighting power, the doom of gas was many times predicted, and for a while such securities were correspondingly depressed, but it was not of long duration. It developed that the use of electricity actually increased the consumption of gas, because of the demand for better lighted buildings. Gas securities have therefore become to be recognized as most staple, and are favored by many careful investors."

\$15,000 of the St. Johns Gas Light and Heat Company's Bonds are now offered for Subscription to the Public of St. Johns.

These bonds run for 20 years, draw 6 per cent interest and are payable, principal and interest, in United States Gold Coin, interest payable semi-annually. The bonds will be issued in multiples of \$100 each, and of this first subscription \$100 IN STOCK WILL BE ISSUED FREE WITH EVERY \$100 BOND. Therefore, even when the bonds have been paid off and retired, the purchaser will still have his stock, which will continue its dividends throughout all time to come. This stock will not die with the expiration of the bonds. It will live on and on till the crack of doom, and increasing in value with every additional building erected in the city.

Our Gas Franchise is for 25 Years.

It has been granted upon very favorable conditions, and as the city is bound to continue its amazing growth, so will the business of the Gas Company continue to expand until its stock dividends reach an altitude that will more than satisfy the most craving of its owners.

Never Was There a Brighter Prospect Than That of St. Johns.

So far as population is concerned, the city is in its swaddling garments—a mere babe in arms—notwithstanding it has grown from a village of 400 to a city of 4000 within the last three years. Phenomenal as has been its expansion in the past, it will be even more astonishing in the future. All our people are familiar with the transformations constantly taking place. The one private and two new National banks just entering the field, and the two new saw mills that are coming into existence, the large packing houses soon to be in operation, the numerous sites secured and inquiries for others for factory purposes, are matters of general knowledge. That our water front is the most spacious, and our shipping facilities the best as well as the least expensive, is not controverted by any one. That St. Johns will manufacture a greater variety of wooden products than any other city on the coast, those of the keenest perceptibilities readily concede. That our city will crowd the peninsula from river to river is beyond the pale of doubt, and that the ST. JOHNS GAS LIGHT AND HEAT COMPANY'S property will incubate into the arena of the wealthy corporations will not bear disputation, and

These Bonds are Secured by Every Dollars' Worth of Property it Controls or Will Control When it Begins Operations.

They will be a first claim upon its real estate, its buildings, its franchise and all and singular its properties of every kind and description, so that for absolute security there can be no safer paper anywhere on earth. Having personal interests in St. Johns, and being keenly interested in her welfare and citizens, we offer these bonds to our home people now, so that the profits may come into the pockets of those we shall have as our permanent patrons and not to others in whom we are not at all concerned. As a matter of fact, we have both a selfish and a friendly purpose in thus placing these bonds on sale in this community. Selfish, because we want to pay our dividends to those who, from this business relation, will become interested in their home enterprise and so familiar with its business methods that they will remember it in kindly conversation with their neighbors, and a friendly interest, because St. Johns has been so kind to us that we feel grateful for the goodness of her people, and desire to aid them in every way one friend can aid another.

OUR PROPERTY IN ST. JOHNS.

We own 100x150 feet on the railroad track, and only 200 feet from the river dock. Our buildings will be erected on this tract, so that fuel oil may be pumped into our tanks at little cost. This is now the cheapest fuel to be had on this market.

Our building, 100x100 feet, two stories and of galvanized iron, fireproof and modern, presentable to the eye and in keeping with its surroundings, is fashioned after the latest designs and will accommodate the business for many years. It is not likely it will be necessary to add to it until St. Johns population has passed the 50,000 mark.

The cost of our plant is estimated at \$70,000. It may go a trifle above that figure, on account of the rapid expansion of the city.

From the start we will be able to make 7000 cubic feet of Gas per hour, and our storage tanks will have a capacity of 30,000 cubic feet.

It is believed that, measured by dollars, our franchise is a valuable asset, and that when completed the works will readily sell for at least \$120,000. Such is the present security for the \$15,000 of bonds we are now offering the people of St. Johns for public subscription.

Our Gas making machinery will be of the very latest design and perfection of its kind. It will be especially adapted to the consumption of California oil, which is of extreme significance, from an economical standpoint. It means larger dividends than could otherwise be had.

Messrs. Emmons & Emmons, the eminent lawyers, are responsible for the legality of our bonds, and the city ordinance upon which they stand has passed the strictest scrutiny of the city attorney of St. Johns. There is, therefore, no question of the legality of either the bonds or ordinance under which the franchise was obtained.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION

Remember, every buyer of a \$100 bond gets \$100 worth of stock as a present from the company. This affords a perpetual income from the dividends, even after the bonds have been paid off and retired. The bonds are issued in fractions of \$100 each, and may be secured at either the Bank of St. Johns, St. Johns, Oregon, or at the Portland office of the company, 206-207-208 Couch bldg. Office telephones: Main 8115; A-1857.

St. Johns Gas Light and Heat Co.

ORDINANCE NO. 156

AN ORDINANCE granting to S. V. DAVIDOR for the use of the proposed Company to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns the right to construct, acquire, own, maintain, conduct and operate a plant or plants for the manufacture and distribution of gas in the City of St. Johns, Oregon, to sell gas for domestic purpose and other purposes and to lay pipes and mains for the purpose of conducting and distributing said gas through, in, and over said city.

THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That there be and hereby is granted to S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., of St. Johns, Oregon, its successors and assigns, the franchise right and privilege to construct, acquire, own, maintain, conduct and operate plants and works for the manufacture of gas for domestic, manufacturing and other purposes within the limits of the City of St. Johns, Oregon, and to furnish, provide and sell such quantities of gas as may be required in the City of St. Johns for lighting streets, stores, public and private buildings and places of any and all descriptions or other purposes and to construct, operate and maintain a gas pipe line system and mains with all necessary feeders and service pipes in connection therewith, in, along, upon and under all streets, avenues, lanes, alleys, squares, and public places, including bridges in said city.

Section 2. That the work of constructing, erecting and installing said plant and works and the laying of said gas pipe systems and mains for the conduct and distribution of said gas in and through said city, shall begin as soon as possible after the acceptance of this franchise by the said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall not during the life of this franchise charge or demand from the consumers of gas hereunder more than the following rate per thousand cubic feet:

Until said city has a population of 4000—\$1.45. And when said city has a population of 5000—\$1.40. And when said city has a population of 10,000—\$1.30. And when said city has a population of 15,000—\$1.25. And when said city has a population of 20,000—\$1.20. And when said city has a population of 25,000—\$1.15. And when said city has a population of 35,000—\$1.05.

All of the above subject to a cash discount of 5 per cent on all bills, if paid on or before the 10th of each month.

The Gas Company shall run all pipes from the gas main to the meter where the consumer will make connection and shall supply consumers of gas with gas ranges for each and any use at the actual cost of such ranges to the Company, and said Company shall also give the consumers of gas the privilege of purchasing such ranges upon payment of monthly installments.

The gravity of gas produced shall be at least 565 B. T. units and of a 24 candle power.

Section 4. All rights, privileges and franchises granted to or conferred upon said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall continue, exist and remain in full force for the period of 25 years from the day this ordinance becomes of force.

Section 5. Said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, in consideration of the franchise, rights and privileges granted by this ordinance and as compensation for the same shall pay to the City of St. Johns the following sums, to-wit: The sum of \$250.00 each year until said city has a population of 4000 and up to 5000; the sum of \$300.00 each year after said city has a population of 5000 until it has a population of 10,000; the sum of \$400.00 each year after said city has a population of 10,000 until it has a population of 15,000; the sum of \$500.00 each year after said city has a population of 15,000 until it has a population of 20,000; the sum of \$550.00 each year after said city has a population of 20,000 until it has a population of 25,000; the sum of \$600.00 each year after said city has a population of 25,000 until it has a population of 35,000; and the sum of \$550.00 each year after said city has a population of 35,000 until it has a population of 40,000.

Section 6. That said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall in addition to the compensation above stipulated furnish and supply the City of St. Johns with gas free of charge for both illumination and heat.

Section 7. That said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns shall within thirty days after the acceptance of this franchise furnish a good and sufficient bond in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) running to the City of St. Johns, approved by the Mayor and deposited with the Recorder of the City of St. Johns as surety for and conditioned upon the erection, installation and operation of said gas plant and works, and the laying of said system of pipes and mains, over said city in the manner and as required by this ordinance; but if within one year from the date this ordinance becomes of effect, said gas plant and works are completed and installed, sufficient to supply twenty-five per centum of the demand for gas in the City of St. Johns, and the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) has been expended in construction of plant, for real estate, in laying of mains upon, over and under the streets, alleys, avenues, lanes, squares and public places as required hereunder, then said bond shall be null and void, except that in case of bad weather, litigation, strikes, injunction, judicial interference or other unavoidable cause, beyond the control of said grantee, its successors and assigns, then and in that event the time for construction thereof, and for taking effect of this franchise shall be extended beyond the period limited for a period of sums of all delays so caused, but unless said gas plant is complete and installed and the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) has been expended in constructing a plant, or plant, or work, or works, or purchase of land for the location of the same, laying a system of pipes and mains as required by this ordinance within one

year from the date this ordinance becomes of effect, strikes, inclement weather, judicial actions, injunctions, and other judicial delays without the consent of the grantee, its successors and assigns, to be not considered in the said one year, then said bond shall be declared forfeited and action may be taken by the city to recover thereon.

Section 8. In the event that the said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall fail to maintain the said plant or property in good order and repair at any time during the term hereof or shall fail to provide efficient service in the supplying of gas for domestic or other purposes at any time during the said term, the Council of the City of St. Johns may after the refusal of said grantee, or its successors or assigns to commence repairing same for the period of sixty days after notice on part of the city of such delinquency declare all rights and privileges granted to the said S. V. Davidor, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, forfeited and may revoke all rights and privileges contained herein.

Section 9. The said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall repair, reconstruct, or otherwise repair and keep in good condition whenever directed by the City Council in such manner as the municipal authorities may direct those portions of the streets or street and other public places, in, along, upon, and under which said gas pipes and mains are or shall hereafter be laid and shall file with the City Recorder of the City of St. Johns thirty days before laying said pipes a good and sufficient bond in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for the faithful performance of the same; this section is not to be construed to require the said S. V. Davidor, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, to make new permanent street improvements, but to repair the streets to be properly repaired after they have been torn up for the purposes of the said gas company, its successors and assigns.

Section 10. After the construction of the said gas plant the said S. V. DAVIDOR, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the ST. JOHNS' GAS LIGHT & HEAT CO., its successors and assigns, shall and are hereby required to file in the office of the Recorder of the City of St. Johns, a map or plat showing the definite location of said gas pipe system and mains in and throughout the city and it shall be unlawful to change same without the permission of the Council of the City of St. Johns.

Section 11. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to obstruct the laying down, construction, maintenance or operation of the gas pipe system or mains mentioned in this ordinance, except such interference as may be necessary in making street improvements, and in such cases the said city shall replace the mains and pipes in the same condition in which they were found at the expense of the City of St. Johns, a map or persons who shall violate the provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not less than fifty dollars or more than one hundred dollars for each and every offense.

Section 12. The said S. V. Davidor, for the use of the proposed Company, to be known as the St. Johns' Gas Light & Heat Co., its successors and assigns, shall be deemed to have abandoned all rights and privileges conferred by this ordinance unless it or they shall within thirty days after this ordinance becomes of force, file in the office of the Recorder of the City of St. Johns, a written acceptance of the rights and privileges hereby conferred, subject to the terms, restrictions and conditions herein contained.

Section 13. This ordinance and the franchise therein contained is granted subject to all the terms, provisions and conditions contained in the Charter of the City of St. Johns, applicable thereto, in the same manner and to the same extent as though each and every of said terms and provisions and conditions were expressly set out and embodied therein.

Passed the council Oct. 22, 1907. Approved Oct. 23, 1907. K. C. COUCH, Mayor.

Attest: A. M. ESSON, Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review Oct. 25, 1907.

Dr. Mary MacLachlan wishes to announce that she is ready to meet her old patrons at her office in the Holbrook Block.

BEST INVESTMENTS IN ST. JOHNS

Lots in Hill's Addition on the car line, one block from the Postoffice Facing two streets, for a short time, FROM \$500 To \$600 10 per cent down, balance \$10 per month

GET IN ON THE GROUND FLOOR

Richard Shepard & Co.

110 North Jersey St. St. Johns, Oregon