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The substantial condition of the Pacific Northwest is illustrated in a most convincing way by the wheat and flour shipments of Columbia River and Puget Sound ports. For the ten months beginning January 1st and ending October 31, there were exported from Portland and Puget Sound ports (including Seattle, Tacoma and other points) a total of 8,893,480 bushels of wheat, and a total of 3,561,720 barrels of flour. The exact figures are: Portland—5,380,050 bushels of wheat; 1,168,886 barrels of flour. Seattle, Tacoma and other Sound ports—3,513,430 bushels of wheat; 2,392,840 barrels of flour.

The O. A. C. Barometer prints a red-letter edition for December making it practically a football number and it is richly deserved by their foot ball aggregation which has honestly and honorably won the championship of the Pacific coast. We note with great pleasure an item in the editorial column announcing a movement to hold a convention of six of the leading educational institutions of the coast to adopt rules for the purification of athletics. This is most commendable. Eliminate the brutality from football and it is the most delightful game we ever engaged in. But to do that is the rub.

The lid is to be raised Saturday. Our people should remember that there is more money in the country at the present time than ever before in the history of our nation. That there is being handled right now a greater movement of export stuff than has ever left the Pacific coast since its discovery. That this export means the immediate placing of millions more of good yellow gold into our banks and eventually into circulation here. Therefore, there is no reason for making a run upon any bank in Portland or elsewhere in the Pacific Northwest. The sensible way to do is to deposit whatever cash one may have beyond present needs into some bank for safe keeping until a profitable investment presents itself. The most unsafe proposition on earth is for one to draw out their money, take the risk of fire, burglars, mice or other animals making nests of it. There are a hundred chances for loss outside our banks to one on the inside. The banks that have gone safely through this purifying process are worthy our utmost confidence. Then let us leave our money in them and add to the account.

Why could not St. Johns have a free ferry? There is a free ferry at Sellwood with about half or less population than we have here and there are several free ferries along the river where the traffic is not half what it is at St. Johns. We would be in favor of concerted movement of our people in this direction at the first opportunity and we believe the present ferry people would sell their boat at a reasonable price to aid such a proposition. It is a fine boat and would meet every requirement here for several years. Why not get together in the city hall sometime soon and discuss this matter, the new charter, the new city dock, city park and a number of other propositions which are of intense interest to our city? It does no good to sput around on the streets about these matters and do nothing. Let us get together and accomplish something definite.

We wish to call special attention to the ad of Messrs. Muck & Derric in today's issue of the Review. This is the kind of advertisements that pay. Here you can see just what you are to pay for your goods. Another thing. We all know Muck & Derric. We know them to be honest, honorable, upright business men, but when you go to the city you do not know what you are going up against. Here you can phone Muck & Derric if you have not time to go for your goods and they will deliver them to you. Look this list over and you will find many articles as cheap or cheaper than they are in the city. Why not trade at home then and save your car fare and a half day's time? It would not be half as tiresome to walk eight or ten blocks to their store and look their goods over as to walk a half dozen blocks to the car line here and three or four miles on the sidewalks in Portland looking for bargains, particularly when you can do as well or better at home. Think of this. It is the people who think that get the best of every proposition anyway.

Bring in your printing now.

**IT'S UP TO YOU.**

Fire at St. John, Wash., about 3 o'clock this morning destroyed Gains' Implement store, the City Bakery and the Novelty store. The loss is estimated at \$15,000, about half covered by insurance.—Telegram December 10.

This is a tip to our city council and business men. Will you let our fireboys pay their own expenses incident to fighting your fires until all are disgusted and quit, or will you provide them with good quarters and a fund that will at least replace any loss they may sustain while working for you and pay them something for their hard work training for the occasion when it comes as come it will? It is up to you. This is only a matter of difference in the state and the next time it may be in Oregon.

A petition is being circulated and freely signed by the citizens asking for the establishment of a justice of the peace district for St. Johns. We are not yet fully posted on the situation but have been informed that the nearest justice of the peace is located at Mount Tabor and that there are several hundreds of nearby citizens tributary to that point than there are thousands to St. Johns. Therefore we trust that every citizen of St. Johns will sign the petition asking that O. R. Downs be appointed to the office during the remainder of the present term and that the powers that be may grant the request. It would be a matter of the simplest justice that this be done and we hope our people will take that interest the matter which will receive recognition at court.

We believe the citizens of St. Johns will almost to a man commend the action of the mayor and council in revoking Richard's saloon license, particularly since the call was made for the special session for that purpose before Mr. Couch was aware of a petition being circulated asking for it. We are also glad Richards had the grace to leave the city, for his presence here was like flaunting a red flag in the face of an angry mob to some of our citizens and we feared mob violence. Such action would have been as deplorable as the work of Richards himself. There is nothing so unreasonable, so lacking in judgment, so devoid of logic as an angry mob. An innocent friend of ours was hung, years ago, for the crime of another man, who later confessed his guilt on his death bed. Our friend's neighbors have had to endure the consciousness of having participated in a brutal murder.

**City Water Works O. K.**

We have always contended that we had the best drinking water in St. Johns that ever chased that hot-fuzzy taste from your throat and palate and we are not recanting a word of it yet. We went with Mr. Edlensen the other day out to the works and learned something more about the policies of the water company. They have sunk their well down to the water supply and enlarged it so as to make room for three pumps. Two of these have already been installed and the other one will be put in within a short time. The growth of the city has been very rapid and it has required an immense outlay of money for the company to keep step with this growth. Mr. Edlensen says, though, that he is determined to keep ahead of the demand instead of permitting it to get ahead of him, hence this addition to the pumping force which will just about double the capacity of the plant. It is very commendable and should make the patrons of the company have a very pleasant feeling towards these hustlers.

From the pumping station we took a drive out to see the big dry-docks from the point above them, where we had never been since coming to St. Johns. It is the prettiest view we have seen in St. Johns. From this location one may look directly down on the dry-dock, where at this time we saw two big windjammers receiving an overhauling. Raising the eyes we look up the river to see all West Portland spread out over the slope from the water front to the top of Portland Heights and Council Crest, and the entire river is in full view from Portland down to Linn-ton. This is a most desirable place for a city park and the committee in charge of that matter should look into this location before making their purchase. We asked Mr. Edlensen about it but he was not able to give us much information beyond the fact that the property there belonged to several different individuals. We will endeavor to find out what the property can be purchased for and give a more extended writeup next week.

The pencilpusher and his family were delighted with a visit from a cousin we had not seen for more than a quarter of a century. Mrs. Lillie Morrow, of Estacada with her daughters, Gertrude and Bessie and little son, Byerlee Morrow, came down Friday and returned Saturday night. We could have talked all night over old times and did half the night. We hope they will come when the weather is nice and stay a week, so that we can have a real visit.

**City Council.**

The regular holiday meeting of the city council was held in the council chamber Tuesday evening. No business was done except to pass a bunch of 19 bills aggregating \$731.20, which have been hanging fire since the holiday season started and returning the bill of D. L. Page for correction. Mr. Page worked on the city hall during its construction, did splendid work for the city, would not stand for the rottenness of the Youngferdorfs and is perhaps the means of preventing a sloop job of work being foisted upon the city and by every sense of right should be paid in full for every day he worked. The council is in favor of doing this, but the trouble is that the timebook has been taken by some one of the contractors, presumably because it contained evidence which, to say the least, would disparage their interests, and it is the only source from which positive evidence of the exact time Mr. Page worked and the council appear to be afraid to pay the bill without these figures, for fear they would be censured later by the citizens. We believe that Mr. Page's affidavit to the correctness of the amount should be sufficient warrant for the payment of the bill, and that no sensible citizen would object to the payment made on that basis. It has been a long time and Mr. Page should have his money.

It was informally determined that it was the sense of the council that Philadelphia street should be improved to the water front, sufficient land be purchased and a dock 500 or 600 feet in length erected, that deep sea-going vessels may receive and discharge their cargoes here, and that bonds be voted to provide the means for so doing. Of course this was not an official decision, but the expression of each one of the aldermen in the discussion.

It goes without saying that this should be done, and that it should be done at once. Every day it is delayed will add to the expense of the proposition by the steady advancement in the value of the property concerned. The bonds may be made payable 20 years from date if need be and long before that time a dock of this sort will have earned a sum sufficient to pay the bonds and not a dollar need come from the pockets of our property holders. With such a dock in St. Johns properly constructed millions of bushels of wheat and other products from contributing territory would pass through this dock instead of being handled in Portland. The O. R. & N. would be too glad to bring this export stuff here over their line around St. Johns instead of shipping into Portland for export, thus relieving to that extent the congestion of business there. Shippers would much rather have their products pass this way where vexatious delays will be avoided and the seagoing vessels would take it as a boon to sail up to our dock and take on a cargo without the trouble of going through all those drawbridges and making the troublesome passage of Swan Island between here and the city. Everything is in favor of St. Johns. Everyone recognizes the favorable situation for an export dock here. Once the dock is in, you could not keep the business away if you would; without the dock nothing will ever induce even the river boats or coastwise vessels to land here. It seems to us the very uttermost bounds of business folly and indifference to permit the present conditions to hold any longer.

Once this dock is built, others will be induced to erect other docks along the water front until every available space will be occupied with docks and warehouses and the development of St. Johns will receive an impetus that will be irresistible and her growth will be unprecedented in the history of the coast cities. This is not the emanation of a hot air proposition, but is the conclusion of a close study of the situation, after a knowledge of what is back of St. Johns, supported by the opinions of some of the most observing and conservative business men both here in St. Johns and in Portland, with whom we have conversed on the subject.

**When to Go Home.**

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show your self your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by St. Johns Drug store.

**NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.**

In order to insure a change of advertisement the copy for such change should reach this office not later than Wednesday, at 3 o'clock p. m. Please remember this and save the printer's

**Lost Everything by Fire.**

The fire bell aroused the citizens at 1 o'clock Thursday morning, and a bright light east of the central school showed that the fire was well under way when the alarm was given.

About a hundred citizens and the fire department turned out, but too late to be of any assistance. Some of the nearer neighbors who were aroused before the general alarm was given reached the burning dwelling in time to be of some assistance. D. L. Page, in his haste to help his neighbor, did not wait for even his shoes, but ran over barefooted and assisted in removing what could be saved.

The house belonged to Mr. Quigley and was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. S. Stanton Neeland, a young couple who were married last August. Mr. Neeland had added nearly \$300 worth of new furniture to that which Mr. Quigley had left in the house when they took possession, and all of this was lost but three chairs, a rocker and a small table. The house was insured, but Mr. Neeland had no insurance on his goods and consequently lost everything, which included a fine silver set, a present from Mrs. Neeland's mother. Mr. Neeland and the neighbors who first came to his assistance took Mr. Quigley's furniture first, a good part of which was saved, including an organ, bed and other articles which we do not remember. Mrs. Neeland was ill at the time and fainted from the excitement, and her husband was obliged to carry her all the way to her father's house at Newport station, where she is still confined to her bed.

These people will certainly have the sincerest sympathy of their friends in the city.

**Watch Us Grow.**

J. E. Tanch has just completed the St. Johns school census and he gives us the following figures which are both interesting and suggestive:

Children of school age, i. e., between the ages of four and 20 years: February 1904, 309; February 1905, 539; February 1906, 737; February 1907, 1004; November 1907, 1108. On the basis usually considered conservative the estimate of the population for St. Johns has passed the 4000 mark considerably. This makes a fine showing and there is no reason why it may not be doubled in the next four years if our people will all pull together and work for a greater St. Johns; but if they go to bickering, dividing into factions, trying to bury their identity in the corporate limits of Portland, as a few dissatisfied ones advocate, there will be an end to this rapid advancement and we will be the tag end of nothing.

**Monthly Meeting of C. E. S.**

The Keystone league of the Christian Endeavor society of the United Evangelical church held their monthly business meeting last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thayer. There were about 40 members and visitors present and a very enjoyable time was had. After the transaction of the regular order of business the evening was spent in playing games and jokes on one another. A notable feature of the evening was the conformational stunts performed by several present, including the pastor. The society extends a cordial invitation to you to attend its Sunday evening meetings at 6:30 and also its business and social meetings.

**United Brotherhood Elect.**

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the United Brotherhood: N. A. Gee, P. P.; A. J. Schelter, P.; Alice Galloway, V. P.; Ed. L. Stockton, treasurer; Jas. H. Gee, secretary; Mrs. Frederick, chaplain; Claude Armstrong, sergeant; Susan Galloway, M. of A.; Charles Vandusen, I. D. K.; Clarence Ticer, O. D. K. They had a good time and will have another at the dance which will be given tonight in M. W. A. building. All visiting members are invited.

**K. of P. Elect Officers.**

At the meeting last week the K. of P. lodge elected their officers for the coming term as follows: George R. Black, C. C.; W. C. Alderson, V. C.; W. A. Storrs, prelate; R. L. Brunson, Master of Work; J. H. Black, K. of R. and S.; G. G. Gould, M. of F.; D. F. Horsman, M. of E.; A. Unger, Master at Arms; L. F. Clark, Inner Guard; C. L. Goodrich, Outer Guard; Perry J. Miller, trustee for three years.

**Odd Fellows Open Initiation.**

Odd Fellows, of course they are odd, or they would not give away their initiatory ceremonies, but these odd fellows are going to do that very thing just for a social good time one week from tonight and you will miss the time of your life if you don't get next to some good Odd Fellow and get an invitation to Bickner's hall Friday, December 20.

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Apples, per box	1.00	Fleece lined Underwear, regular 60c, at	.45
Italian Prunes, regular 10c per lb	.05	Men's good wool Underwear, reg. \$1.25, at	.95
Sugar, per sack (subject to change)	5.55	Children and boy's wool Underwear, reg. \$1, at	.70
Sugar, 18 lbs. for	1.00	Men's white stiff bosom Shirts, reg. \$1, at	.80
Tomatoes, 3 cans for	.25	<b>10 per cent off on all shoes</b>	
Tomatoes, per case	1.90	Ladies' black satin shirt waists, reg. \$1, at	.40
Picnic Ham, per lb	.12	Ladies' white shirt waists, special at	1.00
Jap Tea, regular 50c grade	.35	<b>Hardware Department</b>	
Corn, 3 cans for	.22	Coal or wood Heater, regular \$7.50, at	6.25
Sunrise Cream, 3 cans for	.23	Coal or wood Heater, regular 6.00, at	5.00
Royal Soap, 10 bars for	.25	Air tight Heater, regular \$3.50, at	2.95
Coffee (with every lb. 1/2 lb free)	.25	Wood Heater, regular \$7.00, at	5.25
Dr. Price's Breakfast Food, 3 pkgs for	.25	Oil Heater, regular \$5.00, at	4.00
Gold Seal Baking Powder, 5 lb. can	1.25	Oil Heater, regular \$4.00, at	3.00
Best Creamery Butter, 2 lbs. for	.65	Ready Mixed Paint, per gallon	1.40
		Glass Wash Boards, regular 50c, at	.40
		Assorted Axe Handles, choice	1.10

**Commercial Club Card Party.**

The Commercial club gave a card party to their members, wives and sweethearts at their last Wednesday night meeting which was a great success in every sense of the word. Five hundred was the amount advanced and although it was a very bad night and not nearly so many attended as could be wished a most delightful time was enjoyed by all present. The result of the games was the presentation of the principal prize, a 'Japanese loving cup' commonly used to serve bouillon, a beauty, hand painted, to Chas. Bailey and an unique salt shaker as consolation to Mrs. Moxon for being in the hole when time was called. There is no use attempting to tell what a jolly time it was. The members can find out by coming out to the next one. Do not forget that next Wednesday evening a smoker will be given. If you do not smoke you can come anyway, sit in the corner and fan yourself while the others do the work. Do not fail to come anyway. Then at the next meeting, the 25th will be given a Christmas dance. Of course you couldn't stay away from that.

The Bickner building is rapidly being finished and will be occupied perhaps the coming week by Butterworth and Scarborough.

**NOTICE OF City Election**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 155 of the City of St. Johns passed and approved October 8, 1907, a special election will be held in said city on Monday, January 6, 1908, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the proposed amendment to the Charter of the city of St. Johns, Oregon.

The following have been designated as polling places for said election: FIRST WARD—No. 209 W. Burlington street, next door to St. Johns Hotel. SECOND WARD—City Hall. Polls open at nine o'clock A. M. and close at seven o'clock P. M. of said day. By order of the Council. A. M. ESSON, City Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review December 13, 20 and 27, 1907.

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As you may be aware, I have recently taken charge of the business here myself, and am doing STRICTLY CASH business, which enables me to furnish my customers the best meat at reduced prices, as I save the expense of bookkeeping, and also as I do no delivering the customer gets the benefit of the money thus saved.  
Come in and inspect our meats and get our prices.  
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