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SEASON OPENED SATURDAY

St. Johns Started Things Right by Capturing Both Saturday and Sunday's Games

If there is anything in an auspicious beginning the Apostles should win the pennant this season on the diamond. The first game was won by this virtuous bunch with a score of 9 to 5 and the second game was a shutout in their favor. The game Saturday would have been even more favorable had it not been for bad coaching on the part of the captain of the saints. St. Johns has a good bunch and they should be well supported by the lovers of the game. There should have been 500 on the grounds Saturday. There would have been many more than there were, we think, if it had been generally known. There will be regular Saturday games played every Saturday if sufficient patronage can be worked up. This will give those an opportunity to patronize the game who are opposed to the Sunday game and if a sufficient patronage can be developed it may be that another year the boys will play Saturday only. It would be the wise thing for our people to give them the best of it on Saturday anyway.

The Wanderers started off well and for a time had the game in their pocket, but their young pitcher, Broughton, suddenly lost control, about the seventh inning and Ray, who succeeded him, was worse and the Apostles came out victorious.

The feature of the game was the first home run of the season which was made by Cal Gell of the Albina team. Anderson's batting for St. Johns was another feature worthy of mention, but the spectacular play of the day was Outfielder White's throw to the plate, putting out Jack Heiser, who had attempted to catch. White caught a fly up against the left field fence and threw the ball accurately into Catcher Clark Moore's hands and Heiser was out on a close play.

Ray, of the Albina team, became angered at a decision of Umpire Alex Cheyne and threatened to strike the official, but was quieted before a mix-up occurred.

Wakefield, the big pitcher from Elma, Wash., made good with the St. Johns fans, for he fanned 11 of his opponents and fielded his position nicely. The teams lined up as follows:

St. Johns	Position	Albina
Wakefield	p	Broughton, Ray
Clark Moore	c	Heitsmith
Parker	1b	Helser
Fleming	2b	Burns
Philbrick	3b	Pattison
Brown	ss	Schrader
White	lf	Ray, Broughton
Houck	cf	Gardner
Anderson	rf	Geil

Score by innings.

R.H.E.	St. Johns	Albina
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Summary.

Struck out—By Wakefield, 11; Broughton, 3; Ray, 1. Bases on balls—Off Wakefield, 3; Ray, 2; Broughton, 2. Two-base hits—Moore, Helsler. Three-base hit—Anderson. Home run—Geil. Stolen bases—St. Johns, 3. Left on bases—St. Johns, 7; Albina, 5. Umpire—Cheyne.

SUNDAY'S GAME.

It was rumored that the Vancouver aggregation was coming over Sunday to scrap with our boys, but for some reason this was not the case and the Wanderers returned to make an attempt to even up the score they lost the day before.

Albina was greatly strengthened at some points Sunday but was clearly outclassed, and in spite of hard work was shut out.

"Ole" Anderson, the Saints' twirler, teased the Wandering Willies with his shoots and curves, until he had fanned 13 and had allowed only four hits. Ray, who was in the box for the tourists, was hit regularly in the five cantos he decorated the mound. St. Johns' five runs were all secured while Ray was in the box. Brown made the best batting record of any of the Saints, getting three hits out of four times up. Ruppel, the new catcher, is "all the candy," and it has to be a hot one that gets by him. He is the equal of Otto Moore, who played his position last year, so the Telegram says.

St. Johns scored in the second, Houck, the Saints' long centerfielder, fouled out to the Wanderers' catcher, but Philbrick and Ruppel, the next two up, hit and scored on hits by Brown and Anderson.

In the third Clarke Moore led off with a three-bagger, scoring on a clean bingle by Parker.

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THE PASSING OF THE OLD AND INSTALLING OF NEW

Monday Night Marked the Departure of the Old Council and Witnessed the New Officials Take Oath of Office

After a twelve months term of Rooseveltian strenuousness the city council met for the last roll call last Monday evening in accordance with the provisions of the charter to assist their successors to take the oath of office. All members of the council were present except Peterson, who was absent on leave.

After reading the minutes of the last two meetings the mayor called O. R. Downs to administer the oath of office to Recorder Esson, who in turn performed the same duty for Treasurer Tauch, Attorney Collier, Councilmen at Large Davis, Dobie and Johnson, Councilmen for the First Ward Tryon and Windle and for the Second Ward, Bonham and Hunter, in the order named. These gentlemen were all called up by the retiring mayor, then calling Mr. Brice to the stand and upon his taking the oath vacated the chair and Mr. Brice was escorted to his seat by President King of the retiring council.

Mr. Brice's first words were to call for a speech from Mr. Couch, the retiring mayor. Mr. Couch replied that he had but a few words to say, but that he wished the new council the best of success in all their work. That he realized that there were many things the old council had not been able to clean up as they had desired to do, if there was any way in which he could be of assistance to them in taking up the threads as they were being left by the retiring council he would be most happy to do anything in his power to help them, and wished them to use the great freedom in calling on him for any assistance he might be able to render.

Mayor Brice then called his newly elected council to their chairs, and Recorder Esson expressed his appreciation for the kindly treatment he had received from the hands of the old council and expressed the hope that his coming year's service might be fraught with as pleasant associations. He paid a high compliment to A. R. Jobs for the thoroughly business-like manner in which he handled every proposition left to his hands, that in every case where he was chairman of a committee during the year, there was on file a clear, clean, concise type written report of the same on file in the archives of the city, and recommended the emulation of his example to the newly elected members.

Mayor Brice then called upon the members of the old council for something in the way of an address. The first to respond was Chas.

Lingquist who said he had but few words to say and that they were in the way of advice. "Whatever you do," he said, "work together in harmony and do your best for the best interests of the city. By working in harmony more can be accomplished and easier than when discord mars the proceedings."

Mr. King then declared he was highly pleased to see so many good looking men gathered in the bunch who were to steer the ship of state for the city, and that he wished for the new councilmen a most harmonious term of office.

He was followed by Mr. Leggett, who also urged the council to work together harmoniously for the best interests of the city in general. Called attention of the new council to many things which were in progress and as yet unfinished, some of them of urgent necessity and should be pushed forward with vigor and gave them his best wishes for abundant success.

Mr. Walker stated that he had little to say except to echo the words of his colleagues who had already spoken.

Mr. Jobs declared that he hardly knew whether to congratulate the newly elected or to tender them his sympathies. He said he thought the new council composed of representative business men who would do the best they could for the city, but could not expect them at all times to have the same opinion as to the ways and means, and hoped that their work might be successful and harmonious throughout the year.

Mayor Brice then arose and said that he felt the responsibility placed upon him by the people in electing him to the highest office in the municipality and that the work of the mayor and council for the coming year will not be what would be called a picnic. He said he had served on the council one term and that during that term they had their share of troubles but nothing of a very serious nature, and that he would like to see the incoming council work together in harmony so far as possible, work for the city's interests and wherever one could compromise a situation without compromising their ideals to be free to do so. He said he did not know whether he could say that he felt grateful to the people for electing him or not, but that he felt highly honored by this expression of their confidence in him and that he would try and discharge his duties to the best of his ability.

He then declared the first action of the council would be to elect the president of that body for the com-

ing year. Hunter then placed in nomination S. L. Dobie for the position and there being no other nomination Mr. Dobie was elected unanimously by acclamation.

On motion of Dobie the meeting was continued as heretofore, to wit: Tuesday of each week.

The following committees were then named by the mayor:

Streets and Docks—Windle, Tryon, Johnson.

Licenses—Bonham, Hunter, Windle.

Water and Light—Johnson, Davis, Bonham.

Buildings and Grounds—Hunter, Tryon, Johnson.

Health and Police—Dobie, Bonham, Windle.

Liquor License—Tryon, Davis, Dobie.

Mayor Brice then appointed Health Officer Dr. Vincent to succeed himself and on motion of Dobie the appointment was confirmed by the council. The other appointive officers were not named.

The question of salaries was discussed briefly and on motion of Davis was laid over until Tuesday evening.

The rules of order governing the working of the council were taken up and referred to a committee with instructions to report Tuesday evening. The committee consisted of Dobie, Hunter and Johnson assisted by City Attorney Collier.

The matter of bonds for the different officers was laid over until Tuesday evening.

Adjourned.

The council met in their first regular meeting, Tuesday evening. The mayor was detained by a meeting of the schoolboard for a short time and upon arrival went into a star chamber session for some time before the regular session in the hall.

Mayor Brice called the council to order at 9 o'clock and after reading the minutes of the provisional meeting called for the report of special committee on rules, who asked for more time and were given until next regular meeting.

The question of salaries then came up and the following schedule was read: City attorney, \$60 per month; recorder, who is to pay his deputy, \$100; treasurer, \$25 per month; engineer, \$100 per month; chief of police, \$75 per month; night police, \$70 per month; mayor, \$3 each meeting, and councilmen \$2 each meeting.

On motion of Dobie the schedule was adopted.

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A VISIT TO ROGUE RIVER

St. Johns Resident Makes a Trip Through That Fertile Valley and Tells All About It

Editor Review: After lying dormant for years the Rogue River valley is waking up. Grants Pass, Jacksonville, Ashland and Medford display an activity that will even make a St. Johnsite sit up and take notice. Grants Pass and Jacksonville have got out of their swaddling clothes, Ashland has shed its knee pants, while Medford has reached a point where she wears the best of clothes and the Panama hat. Medford is the largest and best town in the valley. It is a place of large warehouses, fine blocks, stone walks and stores filled with high class stocks. In the center of one of the largest fruit valleys in the world, the big and the little fellow work in harmony for the same end. The old mossbacks who have neglected their opportunities are being weeded out all over the valley. People from the middle west are here in large numbers. There are few undesirable. Any of the towns appeal to the eastern man. The farms are owned by all classes from the common laborer to the millionaire. The towns have the finest schools in Oregon. They are built of brick and are supplied with all the necessary apparatus.

At present Medford and Ashland are the objective points of many homeseekers. The Ashland man calls attention to the fine water which runs with terrific force from many faucets on the main streets. Medford's water is poor, but her people tell you they are going to spend \$350,000 to bring in water from 30 miles away that will make Ashland's system look like 30c. Ashland exhibits the peach orchard that brings home the medals everywhere the fruit is shown, while Medford points to the pear orchard which produced a carload of fruit that netted the owner \$4,800. Ashland says we are going to pave our principal streets. Medford says so are we. New residences are going up all over the valley. Lumber and household goods can be seen going into the country daily. There is an air of prosperity everywhere and the visitor feels it.

Real estate is moving rapidly and at greatly advanced prices. Lands that were sold last fall at \$100 per acre, now bring \$200 readily. One firm in Medford has sold \$150,000 worth of farms since

last August. Messrs. Potter & Goold of St. Johns have the honor of paying the record price for land in the valley \$825 per acre. I was out to their ranch—and it's a dandy. It lies between a pear orchard for which \$1000 an acre was refused last fall after the fruit was picked, and Mrs. Potter Palmer's place. (The queen society woman of America threatens to build a bungalow and spend her annual vacation here.) I have talked with several orchard authorities in Medford, and they tell me our St. Johnsites will never regret their buy. The real estate men say they are doing a fine business, and the merchants appear to be more than satisfied with the new people coming in. There appears to be plenty of land for all purposes. Raw land sells from \$10 an acre up. Cleared land may be had for \$100, while orchards bring from \$250 up. I was shown a fine 45 acre peach orchard at Ashland, new house and barn, with private water system and water piped to the house for \$225 per acre. The trees were 8 years old, alfalfa is one of the staple crops of the valley yielding as high as 7 and 8 tons per acre without irrigation, and selling as high as \$18 per ton. This land brings up to \$300 per acre, and there are hundreds of acres of it.

One of the sights of Medford is the 70 or 80 automobiles owned there and they are not all owned in town, either. Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Fridtgrover may be seen any day riding in their bubble wagons. The sight made me feel sorry for some of my former Minnesota friends.

The day I was at Ashland all the business houses closed at 1 p. m. and every able bodied man in the town hid himself out on the boulevard to plant trees. The sight of these people at work gave the impression that Ashland will do.

The Park hotel at Ashland sets an example that all hostleries in the fruit raising districts might well imitate. It provides its patrons with good Newt-on and Spitz apples. Not the little measly ones, covered with warts, but some hotels place before you, but the kind that every one who tastes likes more. If there is anything that will make a homeseeker shy

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