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BOOST FOR THE PENINSULA

W. M. Killingsworth Predicts a Glorious Future in an Industrial Way for St. Johns.

Bridges are now nearing completion, crossing the Willamette and Columbia rivers, built by the Portland north bank Hill road. The O. R. & N. company has built its line along the east bank of the Willamette river from the terminal grounds at St. Johns, affording terminal rates along the entire six miles of deep-water river front. This road is being extended, crossing the bridge spanning the river to Vancouver.

Hence, you will observe that all railroads to Oregon from north and east reach Portland at this particular advantageous location on the peninsula, thereby making it the distributing center of great magnitude. Furthermore, it has been ascertained by actual survey, that the arm of the Columbia running along the north boundary of the peninsula can be rendered available for manufacturing and shipping purposes at a nominal cost, and almost doubling Portland's wharf advantages.

As positive evidence that the Greater Portland will be built upon the peninsula, I call your attention to the fact that the numerous bridges which fret the channel of the Willamette are steadily driving heavy business to the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette rivers. Already, we have located there mammoth carshops, coal bunkers, wheat elevators, terminal grounds for transcontinental roads, a variety of lumber manufactures, flour mills (the largest in the Pacific northwest), veneer works, a drydock to accommodate the largest ships, woolen mills, and last, not least, Swift & Co. is building one of the largest packing plants on the Pacific.

This firm purchased over three thousand acres, that will not only be used for their own purposes but all railroads entering Portland will have their terminals on this tract of land. A dredge has been for months engaged in deepening a channel in what is known as the Oregon slough so that this favorite tract of land will have both railroad and ocean accommodations. Scores of other small industries could be mentioned. No question; transcontinental and foreign maritime commerce and great manufacturing industries must of necessity center and are now being established upon the

lower peninsula. Portland cannot expand over the precipitous, broken heights on the west and the greater city of the immediate future must be built chiefly on the peninsula, between the two rivers.

There is not room elsewhere to accommodate the business of the greater metropolis. The absolute needs of commerce, transportation and manufactures, which must be located where the rivers and railroads meet, unavoidably and inevitably determines the location of Metropolitan Portland. The peninsula is the only locality possessing all these indispensable advantages, and is at an elevation well above all possible floods of water.

Never, in the history of the Pacific coast, has there been presented to capitalists and home-builders, opportunities for certain, speedy and immensely profitable investments in real estate, such as are now offered in all sections of the peninsula, between the rivers. Go over the ground; consider the facts which I have set forth, and that the tide of good immigration and capital is flowing this way, and you will agree with me that the Portland of the Pacific will speedily become as the New York of the Atlantic.—W. M. Killingsworth in Sunday's Journal.

Will Become a Fruit Grower.

E. C. Monnich is the next man to leave St. Johns. Mr. Monnich is a Michigander and has always had a weakness for the big red apple and always kept his eye peeled for a chance to surround a bunch of bearing trees. Last week he traded his St. Johns property for ten acres of 11-year old trees near Scio, Oregon, and will move his family there within a week or so. We are very sorry to lose Mr. Monnich from our circle of friends, but we believe he has done well. There is nothing so attractive as a well kept orchard in full bloom or with a heavy load of fruit upon it. Mr. Monnich says his trees are heavily loaded with bloom now.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner of University Park took dinner and spent the afternoon at the home of D. Perkins, Sunday.

DOINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

An Interesting Session Tuesday Evening in Which a Large Budget of Municipal Business Was Disposed of

The council met in their third regular session Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock and were all present except Harry Hunter unavoidably absent.

The first item of consideration was the application of R. S. Moore to connect his new building with the Jersey street sewer, which permission was granted on motion of Dobie, the work to be done under the direction of the city engineer.

Petition to establish grade on Buchanan street between Wil. boulevard and Dawson street signed by J. S. McKinney and others was accepted on motion of Davis and adopted on motion of Dobie and engineer instructed to establish the grade as petitioned.

Communication of Newell, Gossip & Walsh offering to do the work of city engineer for the sum of \$100 per month was accepted and placed on file on motion of Dobie.

Water pipe on county road came up for settlement and the water company was instructed to make written request.

The limits of assessed property on the Polk street improvement was the next topic considered. The resolution was passed before the new charter was adopted, but the ordinance authorizing the work was not passed by the council until after the new charter was adopted and the resolution did not set the limits of the assessable property and the council referred the matter to the city attorney for a written opinion, on motion of Dobie. The Thompson street matter was referred to the street committee. In the matter of the cement walks on Polk street the city attorney was instructed to draw up a resolution and contract which would comply with the charter.

J. F. Hendricks, on behalf of the fire ladders was given an opportunity to present his proposition. Mr. Hendricks stated that the fire department needed a sum of money on hands at all times in order to enable them to do prompt and efficient work at fires. When the boys were obliged to pull their apparatus to the fires they arrived there completely out of breath and so exhausted that it was always

some time before they could work to any advantage, and that this delay in getting into vigorous action was many times fatal to the service. The department, therefore, needed money to pay for teams to haul the vehicles bearing the different apparatus to the fires. In case of accident to any of the firemen, too, a very probable occurrence, it was urgently necessary to have a fund to which ready access might be had in order that the disabled fireman might receive the best and most prompt assistance and care.

After some little discussion the council unanimously granted the request of the department for an appropriation of \$25 per month for a maintenance fund. This is what we have always advocated, and what we believe to be one of the wisest actions on the part of the council. We have a good, enthusiastic, growing, capable department and this substantial recognition by the council will put every member on his mettle to do the best in his power in cases of fire. We congratulate both the council and the department on this action.

Windle brought up the condition of the planking leading to the slips at the ferry landing. These planks have never been nailed to the stringers and the center stringer has sunk into the mud so that the planks spring and endanger the safety of vehicles and occupants. On motion of Windle the street committee was authorized to have the planks nailed down.

Mr. Windle also presented the matter of having the street grader go over the improved streets and to have holes in the graveled streets filled with gravel. After some discussion the street committee was authorized on motion of Dobie to expend not to exceed \$100 in this work.

The street committee reported unfavorably on accepting the improvement of Philadelphia street as it stands because not complying with the specifications and instructed the city attorney to draft a resolution providing for the changing of the grade to conform to the surface of the street as it is at present.

On motion of Davis the treasurer was instructed to pay to the

contractor who did the work on Philadelphia street five-sevenths of the amount due him on contract.

On motion of Tryon resolution with reference to Richmond street was adopted as read, and the resolution in reference to Oswego street was referred back to the city attorney for correction.

Six bills aggregating \$142.41 were ordered paid on motion of Tryon.

The annual report of the city treasurer was adopted on motion of Davis and ex-Treasurer Hall released.

Condemnation proceedings on Willis boulevard, formerly Lively street, through the Maples tract, was referred to the city attorney and street committee to be reported on at the next meeting.

Re-plat of a portion of the P. T. Smith addition changing the facing of certain lots from Modoc street to Burlington street was adopted by the council on motion of Dobie.

On motion of Tryon the handling of scow loads of gravel over the city dock was discontinued and the chief of police was instructed to notify the gravel men accordingly and to enforce the restrictions.

Ordinance fixing the salaries of the city officials during the present year was railroaded through.

R. S. Clark was appointed special policeman for the school board and the appointment confirmed by the council on motion of Dobie. His salary was raised from 50c per annum to \$1. Such extravagance of the council came as a surprise.

The mayor appointed J. H. Black chief of police for the current year and the appointment was unanimously confirmed by the council, as was the appointment of city engineer, Charles Andrews.

On motion of Dobie the building committee was authorized to have the necessary changes made in the wall between the treasurer's office and the recorder's office and to install the necessary furniture in the treasurer's office, the work to be done by day or contract whichever seemed the best and most economical to the committee.

Committee on rules and regulations requested further time for making their report.

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	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Frakes	3	0	1.000
Woodburn	4	1	.800
St. Johns	3	1	.750
Vancouver	3	1	.750
Salem	3	2	.600
Oregon City	2	2	.500
East Portland	1	5	.167
Albina	0	6	.000

Before the largest crowd of the season Woodburn defeated St. Johns here this afternoon by a score of 3 to 1. Both pitchers were in fine form and the teams back of them played good ball. Woodburn made all three of her runs in the first inning on singles by Hunt and Shorey and a two-bagger by Mickels. St. Johns made her lone tally in the fourth on three hits by White, Philbrick and Ruple. There were a number of brilliant features to the game, but the ones that pleased the fans most were Nathman's one-handed catch of a high throw to first and a high fly that Mickels picked off the fence. Next Sunday Woodburn goes up against the West Portland team on the Portland grounds, when a new pitcher that Woodburn has signed will make his initial appearance. The score by innings:

Woodburn	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
St. Johns	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Batteries—For Woodburn, Bowen and White; for St. Johns, Ruple and Wakefield. Bases on balls—Off Wakefield 1, off Bowen 1. Two base hit—Mickels. Struck out—By Wakefield 7, by Bowen 6. Double plays—Ruple to C. Moore.

Shorey to Meingold to Nothman, Umpire—Provost.

Where St. Johns Will Play.

- May 2—St. Johns at Vaughn street, Portland.
- May 3—Albina at home.
- May 10—West Portland at home double header.
- May 17—St. Johns at Vancouver.
- May 24—East Portland at home.
- May 30—St. Johns at Woodburn double header.
- May 31—Oregon City at home, double header.
- June 6, 7—St. Johns at Salem.
- June 14—West Portland at home.
- June 21—St. Johns vs. East Portland at Vaughn street, double header.
- June 28—Vancouver at home, double header.
- July 4—Albina at home, double header.
- July 5—Oregon City at home, double header.
- July 12—Albina at home.
- July 19—East Portland at home.
- July 26—West Portland at home, double header.
- August 2—St. Johns at Oregon City, double header.
- August 9—St. Johns at Vancouver, double header.
- August 15—St. Johns at Salem.
- August 16—East Portland at home.
- August 23—Salem at home.
- August 30—Woodlawn at home.
- September 6—St. Johns at Woodburn, double header.
- September 7—Albina at home, double header.

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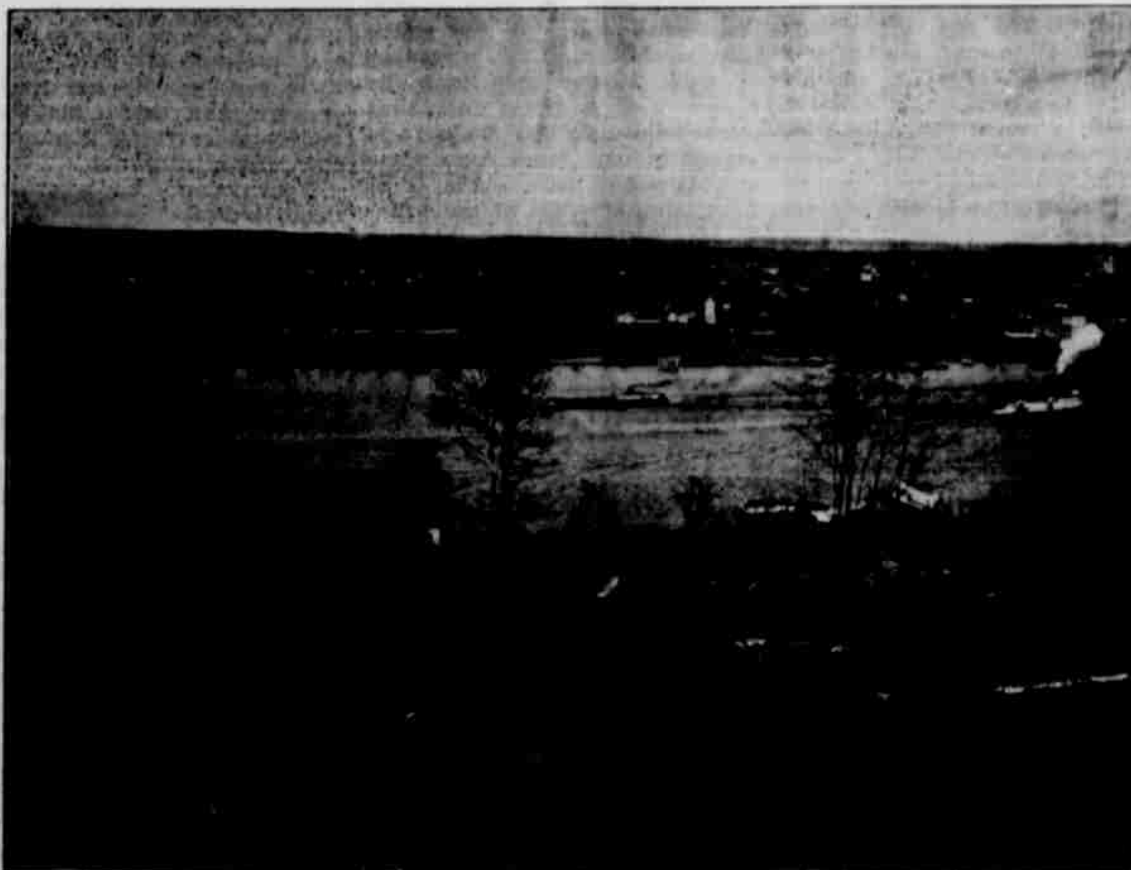
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