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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1908.

Jack la Rose would smell just as sweet by any other name—the long card variety for instance.

Klickitat county's citizens joined in a monster optimistic rally at White Salmon, Washington, last Saturday. Expert publicity men and railroad officials were present from Portland to take part in the event, which was one of the most successful ever held in the "Evergreen State".

The death of the empress dowager and the emperor of China was a signal for the starting of another revolution in the flower kingdom. Fourteen banks were closed the first of the week and the regent of the empire has troops stationed at points of vantage in Peking to quell any uprising that may manifest itself.

Smaller things than the average person imagines could have changed Mr. Taft's victory of Tuesday into defeat. Take the combined Taft majorities in Delaware, Indiana, West Virginia, Connecticut. They amount to only 89,000, consequently a turn around of only 20,000 votes would have given these states with their seventy electorals to Bryan and made him President.—Ex.

Unhappy indeed must be the man who, because of political disappointment can not find something in life for which he can express his thanks daily, and his especial thanks upon the holiday set apart for that express purpose. While it is natural that disappointment in love or in business should create depression, yet there is surely something, somewhere which will suffice to more than equalize the balance if it is but brought out and properly enjoyed. For one thing if you can not rejoice because your plans have not been bettered, you can at least rejoice that things are no worse. Cheerfulness is a habit that may be, and should be cultivated by every human being. It will help you bear reverses with a smile and face the future with hope.

We told our annexationist friends last year when the levy was made that they could look for a much heavier levy this year for the city of Portland, but we did not anticipate an increase of nearly 50 per cent. Last year the levy was a little over 4 mills, while this year the indications are that it will have to be over 6 mills. The prospects are good for an increase in taxation for several years to come and St. Johns, if she is wise will stay on her own side of the ditch. Portland is paying \$148,000 per annum interest on bonds now and this will be doubled within the next few years. New bridges are to be built, new tunnels to be dug and it all costs money. The property owners have to foot the bills. Some people think our city government is expensive. It may be and perhaps a careful financier might be able to make a better showing than is being made now, but we would like to see the color of his hair.

In the attempted assassination of Francis J. Heney last week we have the culmination of all the rotteness that is festering in San Francisco, and not only in that city but in many others where the lawless have been freed from their just punishment by the leniency of the courts and the trickery of shyster lawyers. There are many men who denounce the reform movement that is sweeping over the country, of which Francis J. Heney's work is but one feature. Men, too, who would be insulted if they were to be placed on a level with this assassin by their fellows, and yet a man who defends the very things which led to this assassin's work, and who denounces the efforts of those who would eliminate the evils which conduce to such conditions cannot be in his heart one iota better than the red-handed assassin himself. If we would have cleaner lives, safer places of abode, we must oppose the evils and put them out of our city, not harbor them and foster them for the sake of business. San Francisco has been moved many times more and made to see the effects of her rotteness as she would never have seen it by any other means than this shooting of the great prosecutor. So long as our courts pander to the evils of our social and official life just so long will assassins be bold to do their evil deeds and the life of no citizen will be safe who opposes their dirty work. Then the only way will be to meet these workers of evil with the rigorous measure of the law and insist on its enforcement to the letter. In this way and only in this way may we ever expect to cope with these fiends. And if our courts will not enforce the laws then let us remove the courts and elect others.

We have always been in favor of statement No. 1. We are in favor of it still and believe that it is the solution of the senator question. There are one or two things that should be done, however, to make it thoroughly efficient. One of these things is that when a man registers and swears that he affiliates with and is a member of one certain party and then votes and works for an opposite party from the primary to the close of the election that should be made conclusive evidence of perjury. It is charged that a number of democrats, old died in the wool democrats, entered the primary of the republican party in Portland, taking prescribed oath, and by their concentrated effort succeeded in nominating the weakest man in the political field at the time for senator. Then, when it came to the election, instead of supporting the man they nominated, they dropped him and voted for a democrat, voted and worked with and for democrats ever since as they had always done before, making it a clear case of swearing their allegiance to the party simply to place a man into power by fraud.

In any business transaction where an object was accomplished by fraud and there was any loss sustained by the party defrauded there would be a cause for action to recover and in any case where false swearing was indulged in the perjurer could be held to answer for the crime. If there was a contract requiring the performance of any certain work, the party to that contract who had been induced thereto by means of perjury could not only recover from the perjurer if responsible but would be released by reason of the perjury and the fraudulent means that led to the contract.

If therefore, it can be proven that in the late primaries these fraudulent practices were indulged in as charged, not a single statement No. 1 man should vote for Chamberlain and every one of the men who thus perjured himself should be prosecuted. If men are permitted to commit perjury with impunity in politics they will do so in other business. There will be no integrity whatever in their social or business life. We sincerely hope that such is not the case for we would regret very much to know that men who are prominent in the social, financial and political life of Portland are so corrupt, so very lacking in the first principles of common honesty as to commit perjury to bring about their political ends. As it is charged, however we hold there will be a thorough examination and that justice may be meted out to the guilty ones and have honest men vindicated. Chamberlain has made a good record as governor with few exceptions and while not our choice for senator, might do well there, but if he is placed in his present favorable position by fraud he should be deposed. If however, he was elected by fair means, and these men cannot be proven guilty of perjury as they are charged we think every man who pledged himself to stand by statement No. 1 is bound by every sense of honor so to do.

The chief of the army engineers made his report to the government last Wednesday and asks for \$1,000,000 for the Cello canal, \$450,000 for the mouth of the Columbia and about \$5,000,000 for coast defenses.

JUST BY WAY OF COMPARISON. During the last 15 days the Laubers Transfer and Feed company have received 309 tons of freight. This shows at least that one firm is doing some business since the saloons were closed in St. Johns.

They carry Acme and Cherry hard wall plaster and Chain Elsa and Standard brands of cement. Any one who is thinking of building soon would do well to patronize them; for they can furnish the best goods for the least money. They also carry Cupid, Olympic, Hood River and Silver Dust brands of flour and a complete line of cereals. For a short time they are giving free a package of wheat hearts with every sack of Olympic flour. Order your flour now and get a present before this offer is withdrawn.

We wish to secure a good correspondent and solicitor in every section of the Peninsula. Will not the different push clubs take this matter up and see that their own particular locality is covered each week with one or more correspondents. If two correspondents from the same locality sends the same item we will cut out the duplicated notes. This means much to the Peninsula and we hope our friends will take hold of the matter and give us all the news on the entire Peninsula. Any one wishing to do this work please call at our office or address us here and we will give all the information necessary for the work.

The genial features of C. T. Prall was seen in the city yesterday. Mr. Prall is now located near North Yakima, where he is engaged in the government reclamation service. The work appears to agree with him for he is looking the picture of good health.

As we go to press we learn of a most brutal murder of the watchman on the ship Washington lying at the drydock. Robbery is supposed to have been the incentive. The victim's name was M. C. Rasmussen, was a Dane and supposed to live in San Francisco.

UNIVERSITY PARK.

Mrs. H. V. Rand spent Sunday in Carlton with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Briggs.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shatto an eight and one half pound son, November 15th.

Captain Eli gave one of his famous lectures on Sea Monsters at the Methodist church last Wednesday evening. A large audience attended and declared it very interesting.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Peterson of Portsmouth, a baby girl, last week.

The M. W. A. lodge will give a masquerade ball November 24, at the Artisan Hall. Prizes will be given. Admission twenty five cents.

A Library Tea was given at the public library here. It was well attended and Mrs. Kerr and Mrs. Beard served tea from the table in the rear of the room. Nasturtiums were the decorations. Miss Isome, the city librarian was present.

The school will have one week's vacation during Thanksgiving's week. Dr. Christmas' new office at Hodge station is completed and he expects to move in this week.

Miss Flossie Harbick of University Park and Arthur Marshall were united in marriage Thursday morning of last week at the Catholic church at half past ten.

A drug store is being installed in the unoccupied part of the cement building at Portsmouth.

Mrs. E. Perry of Holton is visiting her daughter Mrs. J. E. Brous of Ben and Cleat Inghram of Portland and Cleat Inghram of Portland have bought an acreage in Metzger and intend moving out on their new place in the near future.

The Congregational church of University Park gave a recital at the church Friday evening, November 13. The program was as follows: The Lance of Kanna, Mrs. Gilman Rhapodice Hougrouse, No. 2. Last Moo Cow Moo, Miss White Spring Song, Woodman, you and Lehman, Mignon Abbott.

On Board the Victory, Miss Brant Piano Solo, Miss D'Oust Because, I Know a Lovely Garden, Miss Howell Abide With Me, King Charles.

Refreshments were served in the dining room. Oregon Fern.

St. Johns Passenger Rates Pursuant to instructions the committee appointed by President R. G. Brand of the Maegley Junction commercial club met Mr. Adams of the North Bank road and after a thorough discussion secured the following passenger rates between St. Johns and Portland: One way, 28 cents; round trip, 45 cents; commutation book of 25 tickets, \$4.50, or 18 cents a trip. This is another signal victory for these gentlemen, for the proposition was flatly turned down when first presented. It also proves that the North Bank road desires to work in harmony with the people of the Peninsula in building up and developing this section. St. Johns, the very best and most valuable part of the entire territory should join our enterprising neighbors at Maegley and show them and the North Bank our appreciation of their efforts for the advancement of this part of the Peninsula by patronizing the new St. Johns station as much as possible. The time card going into effect Sunday will show the following trains: Train 1've St. Johns ar. Portland No. 1 7:01 a. m. 7:30 a. m. No. 3 5:02 p. m. 5:30 p. m. Train 1've Portland ar. St. Johns No. 2 5:35 p. m. 6:01 p. m. No. 4 9:15 p. m. 9:41 p. m. As soon as the tracks of the Northern Pacific are arranged so they can be used five passenger trains each way will be put on, all of which will stop at St. Johns.

About 8 o'clock last night the residence of Mr. Rathburn at McKenna avenue and Bowdoin street, in Portsmouth was discovered on fire and before any one could get to the building the whole interior was ablaze. Mr. and Mrs. Rathburn were over in Portland at Mrs. Rathburn's mother's home for the night and everything in the house was burned. When the fire was at its height the water heater exploded and a number of cartridges were fired which sounded like a scattering volley of infantry in action and made the bystanders skip for shelter. We were unable to learn if there was any insurance. The St. Johns fire ladders turned out to the alarm but realized that it was too far for them.

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ORDINANCE NO. 203 Approved by the Mayor November 12, 1908. H. W. BRICE, Mayor. Attest: A. M. ESSON, Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review, November 20, 1908. The city attorney in his written opinion has put it up to the council to either grant or deny a license to sell intoxicating liquors in St. Johns. The city council will alone be responsible for the evils which may follow the restoration of the saloon, because they have the power in their own hands to keep it out. It is a fearful responsibility to assume. They are all perfectly aware of what those evils are, the suffering of the little children by the poverty stricken, run-crazed parents, the wives beaten by brutal, drunken husbands, murder, arson, all the crimes of the decalogue are the direct consequences of the saloon, everybody will concede this. It is then directly up to the city council to say whether or not they will bring these evils upon St. Johns. Can they afford to assume the responsibility? A trip Sunday over on Alberta street showed a wonderful growth of the city in that vicinity within the past year or two. Whole blocks have been built up in that time. On several of the streets will be seen a string of houses costing from \$200 to \$3500 that look as though they were just from the builders' hands and all of them filled with contented busy people.

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