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ANNOUNCEMENT.

With this issue The Review comes to its readers under different management. Mr. D. N. Byerlee, who has been associated with the paper for the past year and a half, has disposed of his interest in the paper and retired from the firm. W. E. Byerlee has secured his interest, and the firm name will continue to be as heretofore, Markle & Byerlee. Mr. Markle will act in the capacity of editor and Mr. Byerlee as associate.

It shall ever be the aim of the present publishers to issue a newspaper in the broadest sense of the word. We want to make it better and brighter with each succeeding issue, and a welcome weekly visitor to every home on the lower Peninsula.

An earnest endeavor will constantly be made to show up the natural resources and general advantages of St. Johns. No effort will be spared in boosting and furthering the interests of this, the finest and best city on the face of the globe.

The Review will take no part whatever in factional strife. It believes that such matters should not be threshed out through the columns of the home paper. The less the traveling public knows about the different factions warring against each other in a municipality the better it will be for that city. Therefore, instead of taking sides in any question that may come up upon which the city is divided, we will give both parties a chance to air their views in the Review and let the people decide for themselves. But no mud slinging nor malicious articles will be tolerated.

The mission of the Review will ever be to promote harmony and good fellowship among our citizens. If a good word cannot be spoken of an individual none will be said. Life is short at most, and the time cannot be spared for petty bickerings and constant strife. So much more good can be accomplished with all our citizens working shoulder to shoulder in a harmonious manner, and how pleasant it is for a stranger to find every one speaking well of the city and one another. It makes him feel that he would like to live in such a locality.

While it is easy to promise much and perform little, an endeavor will always be made to assist any enterprise tending to the development and advancement of St. Johns. Viewed from almost any standpoint St. Johns has no superiors. With a little push and public spirit back of it nothing yet discovered can equal it.

No newspaper can hope to long survive unless it has the co-operation and hearty support of the people. Therefore any support given the paper will be very welcome. Very few newspapers are afflicted with too much news, and in order to get out the best paper possible all the news that can be gotten will be needed.

While the first few issues may not be as good as you think they should be, with a little more experience and a better acquaintance with our citizens a better result will, no doubt, be obtained.

Thanking all old patrons for their support in the past, and soliciting as much new business as possible, The Review wishes a prosperous and happy New Year to all.

What lies ahead no human mind can know; Tomorrow may bring happiness or woe.

We cannot carry charts, Save the hope that's in our hearts, As along the unknown trail we blindly go.

The appalling disaster caused by the earthquake and tidal wave in Sicily is more awful as the details of the scenes connected with it are disclosed.

Up to the first of the year there was a deficiency in the annual rat fall of about seven inches for this section of the country. Now if the rain man will make this up after dark there will be little objection raised.

A bill which will be presented to the legislature at its coming session, calculated to hasten the trials of civil and criminal cases in court, has been prepared by Circuit Judge F. B. Cleland. The measure provides that in all criminal cases except where the defendant is on trial for treason or murder in the first degree, five-sixths of the jury may return a verdict. It reduces the number of the jury to six in all minor criminal cases and allows the court to try a criminal case when the defendant consents. Two-thirds of a jury may decide in all civil suits and in those civil suits involving not more than \$2000 the case shall be tried by the court.

Boost for St. Johns, first, last and all the time.

Congress has appropriated half a million dollars for the relief of the Italy sufferers. A commendable act.

With the closing of the past year the old maid's last opportunity has gone glimmering for another four years.

The report that four persons had died of hydrophobia from eating franker further last week in Chicago is incorrect.

Let us all get together and not let fractional strife stand in the way of municipal development. Harmony and public spirit do wonders.

Swearing off day made business rather slack for the tobacco merchants for a couple of days, but trade is now looming up again with renewed vigor.

You have more to do with making it a happy and prosperous New Year than anybody else. Let your first resolve be that during 1909 you will add at least one new citizen to the population of St. Johns.

A new jail and court house is now agitating the property holders in Portland. There seems to be no doubt but that both are badly needed in a criminal way Portland certainly keeps up with the procession.

A business men's through car to Portland once or twice daily would be a great convenience, and it can no doubt be had if our business men would stand together on the proposition and request it as a body. Why not tackle it?

Always speak a good word for your city. If you do not like it or the people in it, it would be better to seek a more congenial location—better for you and better for the city. A pleasant word and a cheerful smile make life pleasant for all.

Jim Hill is inaugurating a publicity campaign wherein he is booming the available points along the North Bank road. This should prove a great factor in building up the good sections through which this line traverses. Mr. Hill has a great eye for the future of his new and expensive line.

The verdict of murder in the first degree rendered by the jury in the Finch murder trial at Portland last week apparently met with popular favor. The murder was a particularly atrocious one and there seems to be little doubt but that Finch will get what he deserves when the sentence is executed.

According to a recent Supreme Court decision John D. Rockefeller will be enabled to keep his twenty-nine millions of oily dollars. No intelligent man really believed any other conclusion would be arrived at. Johnny has the nation by the throat, and there seems to be no way of breaking his grasp.

Billy Sunday, formerly base ball player, but now turned Evangelist, has been holding forth in Spokane with enough singers and musical instruments to run an opera. They will have to go some to keep up with Billy, however. He can make as much noise as they can and do it with a good grace and a clear conscience.

The Oregonian did itself proud in its New Year number. The paper fairly teemed with good things concerning the Northwest, with Portland as the keynote. The illustrations were fine and the descriptive matter glowing. The publication was highly appreciated by those who had friends in the East, as it told more about this section than hundreds of letters could have done. May each New Year number of the Oregonian be greater than its predecessor.

Since Johnson has won a heavy weight championship a number of papers throughout the country are bemoaning the fact that a color-man now bows the belt. Jeppies, the only available man for the job, has drawn the color line close and will not fight the chocolate race to regain the trophy. A man who would so far degrade himself as to engage a prize fight should have no reason for drawing the color line, according to the way a good many people think.

Andrew Carnegie, after making millions and millions of dollars out of the steel industry and now retired from active business, is very kind to testify before the tariff commission that the tariff is and long has been too excessive on steel. We believe every one familiar with the steel situation will heartily agree with him, but the public in general would have appreciated Andy's confession more had he made it before he retired from business. It is apparent that since he has made his pile out of the business he is unwilling that others should climb the same ladder he ascended. How unselfish this wily Scotchman really is is proven by his strenuous opposition to the proposed income tax.

Honnville's Monthly for sale at this office.

Now is the time when every citizen in this city should put his shoulder to the wheel and push and boost for St. Johns. Every indication points to a most prosperous year and a little boosting will do wonders toward helping the good thing along.

The New Year's eve revels in Portland were certainly something strenuous, if the reports published in the dailies were correct. A snap shot of some of the antics would likely have made some of the participants shudder were they to see it next day.

A little heat in the street cars would be more than welcome these days. It is not very pleasant to sit in one of those refrigerator cars and shiver all the way to Portland. The powers that be should be jogged up a little by the Commercial club or some other body of representative citizens.

Patronizing home institutions as often as possible is one of the ways to help your city. It scarcely ever pays to be lured by the special sales advertised so often in the big dailies. While one or two articles may be reduced for the time being, the deficiency is always made up on any other article you may purchase. Help your home merchant and he will help you.

The Portland Commercial club has introduced a novel feature that should be adopted by every community in Oregon. It is the appointment of a Newcomers' Special Committee, and that committee held its first meeting last Saturday and outlined a plan to be carried on throughout the entire year. Each and every newcomer will be given the "glad hand" as a result. The local Commercial body might do well to appoint such a committee. New arrivals cannot help feel cheered and encouraged when the hand of welcome is extended to them.

Those beautiful roses. The children enjoy it. The schools took a vacation. Tough on the street car service. The webfoots are nearly "killed". It certainly made a harvest for the plumbers. Snow shovels do not seem to be popular. Oh, for a warm, gentle chinook zephyr. What shall we tell our friends in the East? Will we ever regain our reputation for truth and veracity? Most people are willing to let the party who placed it on the sidewalks take it away.

NOTICE.

The Review has severed its connections with the magazine, edition which is being gotten up to boost the lower peninsula. This course was decided upon for the reason that the new management will be unable to devote the time necessary to make this magazine the success it deserves. Mr. Merritt will, therefore, continue the work on his own responsibility, and we trust he will succeed in making it a grand success. We thank the business men for their support while The Review was identified with the enterprise.

Something Good To Eat

In the way of choicest meats and fish can always be found at BIT GOOD & COLE'S Meat Market. No stale or tainted meats are ever permitted to enter their market and the public can ever rely on their meats, poultry and fish being absolutely fresh and pure. While the quality is guaranteed, the prices are right. It cannot be expected that their prices are quite as low as old, diseased and tainted meats can sometimes be purchased for in Portland, yet for the quality of the meats they handle their prices cannot be beaten anywhere. If you are not a patron of their market, give them a trial order and you will soon become one.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Note the label on your paper.

You get full weight and first quality at the Central market. Just try it awhile.

Honnville's Monthly for sale at this office.

Have your property insured in the St. Paul or Northern fire insurance companies. They are the best. S. L. Dobie, agent.

FOR SALE—lot 50x200, eight room house and barn. Price \$2500 half cash balance time 7 per cent. Call at this office. 4tf-o

100x100 corner, St. Johns Heights \$700 If taken at once. This is a No. 1 investment.—McKinney, St. Johns Heights.

If you want to buy, rent, sell or exchange property see Wolcott, (The Rent Man.) 401 South Jersey. Side entrance.

DRY CORD WOOD and good coal at Weimer's transfer and Storage, 109 East Burlington. Get in your order quickly—amount is limited.

Leave Telegram "The Alaska Tour" coupon votes for Mrs. Valentine at the Post Office, Review office or with your carrier.

Parents should not overlook the fact that Frank Clark is prepared to furnish all kinds of school books at very reasonable prices. If your children need any new ones, give him a call.

Two corner lots South St. Johns \$325 each if taken within few days.—Don't fail to see these if on the buy.—McKinney, St. Johns Heights.

All our meats are government inspected and the best that money can buy. They are neatly and carefully handled. Come in and leave your order for free delivery. Ward's Central Market.

All kinds of laundry work done promptly. Rough dry washing 6 cents per pound. Calls made for laundry at any place. Ring us up Phone Jersey 331. St. Johns Laundry. Churchill Bros., proprietors.

I have several homes that can be sold on the easy payment plan.—McKinney, St. Johns Heights.

I have a 49-acre farm with house, barn, good well, 15 acres cleared 4 acres orchard, price \$2500. Will trade for St. Johns property. McKinney, St. Johns Heights.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE. Two acres inside city limits of Yamhill, Yamhill county, Oregon. Will sell or exchange for St. Johns property. D. C. Tallman, Jobs Mill. 4tf-o

NOTICE.

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 send 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.

NOTICE.

"In 'vain, in 'vain!" cried the young man distractedly. His hair fell in long wisps about his brows, and his countenance was deathly white. The crowd pressed close. "In 'vain, in 'vain!" he cried again, with wringing of hands and gnashing of teeth. "What?" cried the crowd. "What is 'vain'?" "The letter 'V'!" cried the young man as he escaped.

Dignity of the English Waiter.

The English hotel waiter belongs to a race which is slowly but surely becoming extinct and carries about him the melancholy aura of the doomed. Every bad waiter at a British inn has in him at least the making of a duke's butler. No glimpse of avarice mars the perfection of his monumental manner, and if at the last he condescends to accept your valet it is with something of the air of a disrowned king.—London Sketch.

Where Women Are Wanted.

What strikes you about Auckland is the dearth of women. It is said to be the same all over New Zealand. There are far more men than women, and lots of men have to go without wives.—New Zealand Herald.

Not Sanguine.

Majestic Person—Do you know, my lad, that every British boy has a chance of becoming prime minister of England? Youngster (thoughtfully)—Well, I'll sell my chance for a shilling.—Tit Bits.

Winning Coupon No. 1541 not having been presented, a second drawing will take place Jan. 14, 1909, provided chair is not called for by that time.

Subscribe for the Telegram—best evening paper on the coast. See Ed Stockton.

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