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HOW BROAD IS BOULEVARD

Some Say Eighty, Some Say One Hundred

A great deal of discussion and disension has been aroused over the Willamette boulevard situation by people owning property on each side of this thoroughfare. Whether it is an eighty foot street or 100 foot street is the bone of contention. The matter has been pretty thoroughly threshed out both in council and out of council, and yet no satisfactory conclusion has been arrived at. The city attorney, the city engineer and one or two councilmen have spent some time poring over the old Albina records in order to find its established width beyond the peradventure of a doubt, but in no instance had either one or the other been able to find anything in the records declaring that lots were sold on both sides of the thoroughfare allowing for a width of 100 feet. The residents on the east side of the roadway do not question this, but on the west side they are unanimous in the belief that no data can be found proving it to be that width. They claim to have heard some inkling of the fact that 100 feet might some day be required, and in accordance with that alleged rumor they have one and all built their houses back far enough from the present width of the street to allow for widening in case it was ever found imperative.

According to one of our citizens who made a trip to the Portland City Hall there is no difficulty to prove that the boulevard was made 100 feet wide by the old Albina council, and said it only required a few minutes to find the right "dope." Mr. Gill, who has charge of the old records, was called upon and he stated that there was no question whatever but that Willamette boulevard was made 100 feet wide by the Albina council, and in support of his statement he turned to the records and found with ease the condemnation proceedings against tracts known as Miner, Adams and Caples. Ordinance No. 213, passed by the Albina council June 24, 1891, adopting city surveyor's report, which called for a 100 foot thoroughfare was read. Ordinance No. 221, passed by the Albina council July 1, 1891, adopting viewers' report making it 100 feet wide, was also read, and both proved conclusively that this thoroughfare was established and made 100 feet wide by the act of that council. If we have this matter correctly stated there can be no question about how wide Willamette boulevard is, and if this is properly attested to we believe the west sliders are willing to capitulate. But until it is authoritatively corroborated they naturally will endeavor to hold as much ground as they legally can. They cannot be censured for this because it is only human nature, even though a 100 foot boulevard is far to be preferred by our citizens not directly interested in the controversy.

One reason advanced why the parties sent by the council to investigate the records could find nothing definite bearing on the case was because during the life of the Albina council it was known as Sixth street. Instead of Willamette boulevard, it being changed to the latter name after it had gone back into the city of Portland in order not to conflict with a street by the same name there. Our informant tells us that if they had looked for data relating to Sixth street all difficulty would have been removed.

As it stands at the present time steps will likely be taken to remove all doubt from the question by a thorough and exhaustive examination and the vexed problem settled permanently. The property owners should have all they are legally entitled to and council will see that they do. Many of the west sliders have beautiful lawns in front of their homes and it will be a matter of sincere regret if it becomes necessary to obliterate them and turn it into a street.

A couple persons were arrested last week for not paying their dog licenses. There are a number more who have not yet paid up for their canines and a few more arrests are imminent. Better to pay a dollar than to pay several for costs.

WEDDING BELLS RING OUT

June Starts Out Well in the Wedding Line

One of the prettiest weddings of the season was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Perrine in this city Sunday evening, June 6th, when their eldest daughter, Miss Anna became the wife and helpmeet of Thomas Glover. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. H. Dewart of the Methodist church. The home was tastefully and artistically decorated for the occasion. Richard Perrine, brother of the bride, was best man and Miss Laura Garton bridesmaid. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Nellie Cochran. A splendid repast was served which included all the delicacies of the season. Galloway's Orchestra furnishing delightful music while the meal was being served. The bride was the recipient of many pretty, useful and valuable wedding gifts.

Both the bride and groom are well known St. Johns young people and are exceedingly popular with all. The bride is one of our very prettiest young women, accomplished and a general favorite, and has all the qualifications for making an ideal helpmeet. The groom has been a business man of St. Johns for several years and has a host of friends. They will, of course, make St. Johns their permanent abiding place. The Review joins with the many friends in wishing the happy young couple a most happy and prosperous journey down the stream of life together.

A very pretty June wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Van De Bogart, 709 South Crawford street, Thursday, June 3rd. The contracting parties were Robert Gregg and Miss Jennie Ann Van De Bogart. Rev. G. W. Nelson, pastor of the Congregational church, pronounced the words that made them man and wife. Mrs. Nelson playing Mendelssohn's "Wedding March." D. Doyle and Mrs. Nuttall of Oregon City acted in the capacity of best man and bridesmaid respectively. Miss Maggie Dickle and Esther Hamilton were flower girls. A number of the friends and relatives of both bride and groom were in attendance. The bride was clad in pearl gray satin and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. The bridesmaid carried a bouquet of American beauty roses. A sumptuous wedding supper was served. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and valuable presents among which were a handsome clock, silver butter dish, silver tea and coffee pot, silver cake dish, silver pie knife, silver pickle fork, silver olive spoon, silver fruit stand, table linen and mats, hand painted cake plates, set of Haviland china and table linen.

Those present were Mrs. Spencer, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Nuttall, from Oregon City; Mrs. May, Marjette, Wis.; Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Sauvann, Mrs. Gelsner, Esther Hamilton, Charles Hamilton, of Portland; Earl Wood, Leonard Wood and Mrs. Wood, of Polatch, Idaho. The St. Johns guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Van De Bogart, parents of the bride; Gordon Dickle, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dickle, Myrtle Dickle, G. W. Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, Gladys Garvin, Roy Van De Bogart, Maggie Dickle, Wesley Dickle, Mrs. N. J. Bailey, Mrs. W. C. Bailey and daughter Helen, Margaret Van De Bogart.

The groom is a native of the Isle of Man and at present holds a responsible position in a foundry in Portland. The bride is one of our most handsome and accomplished young ladies and is well liked by all who know her. The happy young people will make their home in St. Johns for the present.

The soliciting committee on the Fourth of July celebration here report much difficulty in raising funds, and unless money comes a little easier there will be nothing doing. Our business men have been hounded to death in trying to finance one enterprise or another and they really cannot afford to give as generously as they would like toward the proposed celebration.

FIREMEN HAVE A JOLLY TIME

Ball Game, Ox Roast, Races, Speeches and Luncheon Make a Day at Whitwood Court a Red Letter One for the Laddies and Their Friends

The St. Johns Fire department had a gala day last Sunday, and a season of enjoyment and joy without alloy resulted. The Oregon City fire fighters were the guests of the local department and the two companies and their friends had a time long to be remembered. The St. Johns boys were the guests of the Oregon City department a couple of years ago, where they received royal treatment, and this was a return of the good time accorded them then. In the morning a ball game was played by the teams of the two companies, in which the locals won by a score of 6 to 2. The game was full of interest and some great plays were made on both sides. The clubs played for a purse of ten dollars put up by our citizens. St. Johns line up was as follows:

McNiven 2b, R. Lee p, Peterson c, W. Lee ss, Carroll 1b, Hoover 2b, Scales cf, Tallman lf, Walker rf. Oregon City—Nefzer p, Nickles c, Hart ss, Warren 3b, Long lf, Trigler 2b, Frost 1b, Gaitz cf, Selter rf. The leading attractions of the day were scheduled to take place at Whitwood Court, and here is where the ox roast took place and where the divers races and other sports were pulled off. After the river was crossed the party settled down to enjoy themselves to the full. The marvelous scenic beauty of the place, the fine shade trees and the unsurpassed spring water were all conducive to comfort and enjoyment.

The first race of the day was a 100 yard dash, and there were seven entries. The time made was 12 1/5 seconds and first prize was won by Nefzer of Oregon City; second by Frost of the same company and third by Walker of St. Johns.

The 50 yard race with eight entries was next in order, and first prize was won by R. Woodard with Walker a close second; time, 6 2/5 seconds. Married men's race, 50 yard dash, with six entries was next. A. Cox won first prize and L. Tallman second; time, 7 2/3 seconds.

A 200 yard dash was next with six entries, Vernier winning first prize and Walker second. Time, 27 seconds. Jack McNiven won first prize in the potato race and Treuchler second.

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The standing broad jump was won by Tom Carroll, whose long legs covered 9 feet 4 inches before they once more touched mother earth. Speeches were made by J. Gleason, chief of the Oregon City department; Mr. Burns, ex-chief of the same department, and F. B. Granger, chief of St. Johns department, all of which were heartily applauded by the appreciative audience.

The Fountain quartet sang several pleasing songs, and a number of vocal selections were rendered by different members. A number of the local business men helped the boys out with prizes, as follows: Gains & Davis, Mr. Ward, Geo. Simmons, Al Harris, St. Johns Pharmacy, E. O. Magoon, M. D. Newton, C. J. Miller, A. Ungar, K. C. Couch and J. P. Hendricks.

The ox roast was one of the most interesting features of the day, and the critter was browned to a nicety. This together with many other good things in the way of refreshments culminated a most enjoyable day, and the Oregon City lads were more than pleased with the fine entertainment accorded them by the local laddies.

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The Girl Question

There is nothing else in the world so sublime and so idiotic, and so criminal as mother self-abnegation, for the sum total of the result of all martyrdom of mothers is disaster for the girls. These mothers who would die for their daughters, are really doing them a deadlier wrong than malignity itself could invent, says an exchange.

For the girl that has tastes and habits beyond her station in life inculcated in her has not been fitted for life. She has been unfitted for it. She has been given desires that she can never gratify, she has been taught appetites she can never indulge, she has been given ambitions she can never achieve, and the inevitable outcome is a disgruntled, discontented, bitter woman, who is a torment to herself and to everybody about her. Sometimes she is even worse.

There are thousands of mothers milking cows on farms, and keeping boarding houses and making dresses in the cities, to send some daughter to a fashionable school, where she will consort with the daughters of millionaires and appear to be better off than she is.

It is natural that mothers should want to save their daughters from hardships and responsibilities when they are young, but it is a mistaken kindness. The hardships are there. The difficulties are there, and sooner or later they must be faced. Happy in that hour is the girl whose mother has taught her a sane view of life and the value of things, and who has bred in her strength, and courage, and self control.

A self-sacrificing mother is the greatest misfortune that ever befall any girl. Realize that, mothers, and divide your burden with your daughters. Teach them to carry weight. Stiffen their backbones with responsibility, and you will never have to weep over a daughter that had better died in her cradle. To make character you must exercise it. They do not train prize fighters on chocolate creams and by having them roll on pink silk cushions.

Lots of Street Work

St. Johns streets are being improved at a rapid rate and South Hayes, West Richmond, South Stafford, Allegheny, Wall and half a dozen others are in course of improvement. Cement walks are being laid on all streets that are being improved and the amount spent for this kind of work this year will reach \$100,000. The rock crusher is being rushed to its full capacity and every street improved must have a strip of macadam at least 12 feet wide.

Expect to Strike Oil Soon

We clip the following from the Nysaa Sun, which is published in Malheur county, in the heart of the new oil fields there:

J. P. Wilburn and T. W. Davidson, two prominent business men of Union Oregon, spent the latter part of last week and the fore part of this week in Nysaa and vicinity looking after the interests of the Eastern Oregon Oil and Gas Company of which they are heavy stockholders.

During their stay in this city they made several trips to their oil wells which are located seven miles southwest of the city with business men of Nysaa. The gentlemen report having sold a large number of shares to the wide-awake businessmen of this city, who are always ready to take stock or help in any way some enterprise which will help in the building up of Nysaa and vicinity.

D. M. Hunt who has three drilling outfits in use at Union, Oregon, and an experienced well driller arrived in Nysaa Monday and closed a contract with the Eastern Oregon Oil and Gas company to sink their well near this city. He believes that oil will be struck between 1200 and 2000 feet and will begin operations in the early part of June.

Mr. Wells has been in the oil drilling business for a number of years having sunk wells in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, California, New York, Kansas and Oregon. The deepest oil well which he drilled was located at Folsom, West Virginia at a depth of 3248 feet.

The Eastern Oregon Oil and Gas company have decided to make Nysaa their trading center which will mean a great thing for our city. After oil has been struck they will build their pipe lines to tanks at Nysaa which will be their distributing point. Messrs. Wilburn and Davidson expect to spend between \$15,000 and \$20,000 in Nysaa endeavoring to strike oil and it is unimaginable the good this enterprise will do for our city in case of oil being struck in sufficient quantity for shipping.

The gentlemen believe they will have struck oil between the 1st and 15th of July.

Had a Splendid Time

Members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. who attended the Encampment at Corvallis June 2, 3 and 4, report a splendid time and a royal entertainment by the people of the city. There were between four and five hundred Grand Army men present and almost two hundred members of the W. R. C. and L. of G. A. R. The Encampment will be held next year at Astoria.

Our sodas and ice creams are of the best. North Bank Pharmacy. Work for a Greater St. Johns.

JUDGE DOWNS' COURT

An Interesting Case Tried There Monday

An interesting case was held in Justice Down's office Monday afternoon. George McNair brought suit for damages against Albert Olen for cutting down a large tree and a fence on what he claimed to be his property. The ground in question is located adjoining Cedar Park and Mr. McNair claimed that his lot extended several feet inside the fence, and that the tree which was cut down, among others within Cedar Park, belonged to him and should not have been razed. "Cap" Snow was attorney for the plaintiff and Judge Greene looked after the defendant's interests. "Cap" prosecuted the case with his accustomed vigor and told how perfect was the lumber contained in the fence, how badly the plaintiff wanted it for use in other purposes, how fine the tree was and how many cords of wood it made, that the deed called for five feet inside the fence, that the maps all showed the lot to be 50x100, that the tree and fence both belonged to the plaintiff and no one had a right to remove either without the consent of Mr. McNair, that the fence was twelve feet high and many feet long, and repeatedly tried to impress upon the jury how beautiful the lumber was, not a blemish or scar marring its perfectness, that it had a market value of at least \$20 per thousand feet, and that damages most assuredly should be assessed against the ravisher of this beautiful fence and noble tree. When the Captain concluded he had painted such a fine picture that no one could doubt but that if he had stated the case correctly that damages broad and deep should be charged against Mr. Olen.

Judge Greene, however, with his usual shrewdness had obtained a copy of the deed which showed that all the lot extending into Cedar Park was excepted and did not become part of the property purchased by Mr. McNair, and the evidence showed that the plaintiff had read his deed and was satisfied with it. This little joker that the plaintiff's attorney was not cognizant of took all the wind out of "Cap's" sails, as he had not been informed that such a proviso had ever been made. He was game, however, but began to retreat. The tree did not look of so much moment and he backed up to the fence where he took another stand. The fence belonged to the plaintiff, he contended, as it was not upon the property mentioned in deed. He believed the jury should give the fence at least to his client, and he stayed with it until it went to the jury, which consisted of P. W. Hinman, Wm. Edmondson, J. H. Carrlight and Chris Oihus. The deed was so plain and the wording so unmistakable that the jury at once rendered a decision against the plaintiff, fence, tree and all.

The exchange of witticism between the Judge and "Cap" was very entertaining to the assembled audience, and the fact was again demonstrated that neither leave any stone uncovered to win a case.

A most enjoyable dance was held in Bickner's hall Saturday evening. About eighty couples were in attendance and enjoyed themselves to the full. Karr's orchestra furnished splendid music for the occasion and the best of order was maintained throughout. Another dance will be given Saturday, June 19, which promises to be more than ordinarily interesting. A prize of three gallons of the famous Hazelwood ice cream will be given to the lucky holder of the ticket calling for the prize. These dances have become so popular that they will likely become a permanent attraction, and lovers of good dancing will have at least one night occasionally that they can count upon having a good time.

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LOCALS PLAY A FINE GAME

And Win a Hard Fought Game in St. Johns

One of the most interesting games of base ball of the season was pulled off at the Jersey street grounds Sunday last. Forest Grove, which stood at the head of the Tri-City league, were the opponents of the locals. These two clubs had played two games previously, and each won one. Therefore the game was more than usually interesting to decide which was the best club. It was the first appearance of the Colts upon the local grounds and they conducted themselves in a gentlemanly way. The only kicker they have is Kelt, the catcher, and he is ever willing to protest against anything and everything. The contest was an exciting one. Good plays were intermingled with bad ones, but on the whole the game was good and well worth witnessing. It was called in the seventh inning, when the score stood 6 to 5 in favor of the locals, in order that Forest Grove could catch their train homeward.

Forest Grove started out well by making two runs on errors in the first inning, and St. Johns also made one run in the same inning on a bad throw to third. In the fourth inning the Apostles crossed the plate four times and also added one in the fifth, which concluded their run getting. The colts began to find the ball in the sixth, and aided by a couple of errors, piled up three runs. They made a hard try for another run in the seventh, but the third man was thrown out trying to stretch a two bagger into a triple, and was snipped by Stone's perfect throw to third from far left field. Adams played a splendid game for the locals at second. Summers did the best stick work for St. Johns, getting two two-baggers and a single in a row. Shultz played a star game for the Colts in left field.

The batteries were: St. Johns, Oliney and Pembroke; Forest Grove, Robinson and Keel. The score by innings:

R.H.E. St. Johns.....1 0 0 4 1 0 0-6 10 4 Forest Grove...2 0 0 0 3 0-5 8 2 St. Johns has a strong aggregation and they deserve better support by the home people. Only about a hundred tickets were sold, when there should have been at least 500. Why more people do not turn out at these games is a problem hard to solve.

An Eye For Business

Three youths in St. Johns bid fair to become high financiers. They had use for a little of the needful last week and adopted a unique plan to secure it. Their parents all have standing accounts at the grocery stores, and taking advantage of this fact they went to the grocers and ordered eggs and strawberries. Securing them, after ordering them charged to their parents, they peddled them around to the other stores or sold them to private individuals. They took a chance on their parents discovering the fact, but they played their hand a little too strong and discovery resulted. The young financiers had a busy time explaining, and hereafter they will likely adopt some other avenue on the road to wealth.

Getting Under Way

The Monarch Lumber Company, whose mill when completed, will be one of the largest in the Northwest, have practically completed their small mill and started in sawing for the first time last Friday. They have a supply of logs and will immediately commence getting out timbers for the large mill and the other buildings. The concrete work for the foundations and the dry kilns is completed and they expect to make rapid progress in the future in finishing the mill. When completed this industry will give employment to over 500 men and will be a great help towards building up the peninsula.

Preach the gospel of St. Johns.