

WOES OF THE PURSER

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Bids must be strictly in accordance with printed blanks, which will be furnished on application at the office of the Recorder of the City of St. Johns. And said improvement must be completed on or before Sept. 25th, 1909.
No proposals or bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the mayor of the city of St. Johns, certified by a responsible bank for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the aggregate proposal.
The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved.
By order of the city council,
A. M. EASON, Recorder.
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STREET CAR TIME TABLE

LEAVE ST. JOHNS			
A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
5:45	12:40	7:00	
6:05	1:00	7:10	
6:25	1:18	7:20	
6:40	1:35	7:40	
6:48	1:54	8:00	
6:55	2:12	8:25	
7:05	2:30	8:50	
7:20	2:50	9:10	
7:35	3:08	9:30	
7:55	3:26	9:50	
8:15	3:44	10:10	
8:35	4:02	10:30	
9:00	4:20	10:50	
9:22	4:40	11:10	
9:44	5:00	11:30	
10:06	5:15	12:00	
10:26	5:30		
10:50	5:45		
11:12	6:00		
11:34	6:20		
11:56	6:40		
12:18 p. m.	6:50		

St. Johns Ferry Time Card.
Leave East Side (A. M.)—6:40, 7:10, 7:50, 8:30, 9:10, 9:50, 10:30, 11:10, 11:50. P. M.—12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 2:30, 3:10, 3:50, 4:30, 5:10, 6:00.
Leave West Side (A. M.)—6:50, 7:30, 8:10, 8:50, 9:30, 10:10, 11:50. P. M.—12:10, 12:50, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 6:20.

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CHURCH NOTICES.
Baptist church—C. L. Owen, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 7 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m.
Methodist church—S. H. Dewart, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m.
Holy Cross Catholic church, Portsmouth Station: 8:15 a. m., low mass; 10:15 a. m., high mass; 7:30 p. m., vespers and benediction.
Christian church—Meets every Sunday in Tabernacle as follows: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., and V. P. S. C. E. meeting at 7 p. m. R. J. Johnson, pastor.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Portsmouth—Rev. Dr. Van Waters, Chaplain. Sunday Services 7:30 a. m. Sunday school 10 a. m. Holy Communion first Sunday in the month at 11 a. m.
Evangelical church—Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Junior K. L. C. E. 2:30 p. m.; Senior K. L. C. E. 7 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. Chester P. Gates, pastor.
First Congregational Church—G. W. Nelson, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. V. P. S. C. E. meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m. A seat and welcome to all.
Baptist Church, University Park. Rev. A. B. Waltz, pastor. Regular services every Sunday morning and evening.
German Baptist church—Services held each Sunday at Baptist church as follows: Sunday school 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m. Rev. Faltmeier, pastor.
German Lutheran—Services at 10:45 a. m. every Sunday morning at corner of Peninsula avenue and Kilpatrick street, University Park. All Germans of St. Johns cordially invited to attend. C. Buechler, pastor.
Christian Science Hall—Holbrook blk. Sundays 11 a. m.; Wednesdays at 8 p. m. Subject: Truth.

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