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## FURTHER DELAY DANGEROUS

### Imperative That Council Gets Busy on Sewer

Since the new council has been organized and is now ready for business, the matter of the greatest and most vital importance confronting it is the sewer proposition. This is something that cannot be evaded or side-tracked, and the sooner the wheels are set in motion and then kept going briskly the better the people of St. Johns will be pleased. The fact of the matter is that the sewer system has been delayed entirely too long. Everything should have been in readiness for letting the contract not later than the first of next month, but that is now impossible. Too much time has been lost in getting the proposition under way, and now it is up to the new council to get busy at once. The longer the matter is put off the more imminent becomes the danger of a contaminated water supply with its attendant evils. The city really cannot afford to take further chances. It is rather a miracle that the water supply remains as pure as it does, surrounded as it is by cess pools of varying depths. But the most optimistic cannot hope for it to much longer remain pure with such unsanitary and dangerous surroundings. Therefore, too much speed cannot be exercised in constructing an adequate sewerage system. The engineering department should be kept busy every minute of the day in preparing plans and details. If the force is too small, more help should be added. If council cannot make good progress at the regular meetings, owing to a stress of other business, let special meetings be called. Anything to push the work along with celerity and dispatch.

Outside of the danger from contamination, the Jersey street hard surface improvement is being held up. Nothing can be done with this desired improvement until the sewer is laid, except to prepare for it. We hear complaints every day about our poor and inadequate system of sewerage, and it is beginning to hurt the city. People do not desire to locate here when there is extreme likelihood of contagious diseases becoming rampant, which is bound to happen as soon as the water of the city becomes affected. The council has a grand opportunity to earn the thanks and commendation of the entire people by expediting matters along this line, and we believe they will do it. They are all men of at least ordinary intelligence, and they well know the danger that lurks in further delay. A good sewerage system is the best heritage we can have, so let's do it.

## Building Permits

- No. 45—To August Wilhelm to erect a dwelling on Oswego street between Columbia and Willis boulevards for C. A. Derric; cost \$1,500.
- No. 46—To A. A. Schrimshoe to erect a dwelling on North Hayes between St. Johns avenue and Maple street for the Portland Woolen Mills Co.; cost \$1,000.
- No. 47—To R. L. Lamb to erect dwelling on Portland boulevard between Fessenden and Hartman streets; cost \$200.
- No. 48—To G. E. Lee to erect a dwelling on Fillmore street between John and Leavitt streets; cost \$1,000.
- No. 49—To M. Young to erect a dwelling on Jersey street between Buchanan and Burr streets; cost \$500.

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## New Ball Grounds

At an enthusiastic meeting of the promoters and subscribers of the new athletic field located at McKenna Park on the peninsula, held Saturday night, a permanent organization was formed and a considerable sum subscribed to build and operate both an athletic field and a ball team in the Tri-City league.

Fred Valentine of St. Johns was elected president, Dr. Oscar De-Vaul of Portsmouth, vice president, James J. Foreman of Portsmouth, secretary, and L. Allman treasurer. A committee, consisting of T. A. Ketchum, O. B. Southworth and A. H. Brown, prominent business men of University Park, and Portsmouth, were appointed to draft the by-laws for the new organization. The club will be called the McKenna Park Athletic association, and the ball team will be known as the Peninsula club.

Uniforms of white, with cardinal trimmings, have been purchased and are ready for distribution. Clarence A. Partlow was elected manager of the base ball team, and will assume his duties at once. A contract was let for the building of the fence and grand-stand, and work will start immediately. Mr. Partlow, the new manager, is an experienced man at the game, being one of the original organizers of the Tri-City base ball league. He managed the Trunkmakers and Oregon City clubs in the league in 1907 and 1908.

The Peninsula team is a formidable bidder for favors, and will be a credit to the section which it represents. Olney, Fitchner, McFarland and Broughton are on the twirling staff, Pembroke is catcher, Griffith, Todd, Walter Day and Adams are the infield, Rogers, Hatch and Hershler are on the outfield, and are a trio hard to beat.

In addition to these are several good fast men who are trying for the team. Ed Kennedy, Portland's former first baseman, may play the initial sack for the "Suburbanites." If the big leaguer joins the team, he will break up more than one close game in the Tri-City this season.

The manager of the motion picture theatre, located at Portsmouth, donated the theatre for next Saturday afternoon and evening, seven performances, to the association. A special benefit program will be put on in which a fine base ball film, a dandy scrapping match picture, and several comedy sketches will be prominent features.

The athletic field will be ready for occupancy about May 1. The business men are taking much interest in the proposition, and everything looks favorable for a successful season.—Journal.

## Filled to its Capacity

The extraordinary importance of the modern Young Men's Christian Association in the twentieth century city is emphasized by statistics obtainable at the Portland institution. The great 8-story building at Sixth and Taylor streets was opened six months ago and considered ample for twenty years. Within 60 days from the opening every available inch of room was being utilized. Today it is the permanent residence of 267 men, and 70 take their meals there daily. An average of 75 different classes, meetings and gatherings are held in the building every night, Sunday excepted. Three physical directors are regularly employed and more than 1,500 men and boys take part in physical work. There are 283 members on the rolls, and in excess of 3,000 men visit the building daily. Probably the most striking statement is the fact that the Portland Young Men's Christian Association has more students than any other single educational institution in Oregon—908 have registered this season. There are classes in carpentry, plumbing, brick-laying, trades, chemistry, mining and assaying, automobile, gas engines, electricity, telegraphy, book-keeping, typewriting, show card writing, salesmanship, architectural, mechanical, sheet metal and free hand drafting, apple culture, poultry raising, and fifty other subjects.

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## NEW COUNCIL IN CONCLAVE

### Gather Up the Reins For Another Year

The first meeting of the new city council convened Tuesday evening with all members present and the mayor presiding. A number of visitors were in attendance to see that the new council got started right.

A petition for the improvement of Fessenden street with hard surface roadway and cement sidewalks, from the river to the east city limits, was the first matter taken up. Three petitions were out for the improvement of this street, but only one has been returned to the city hall so far. The matter was referred to the city engineer and street committee to ascertain if the property will stand for the class of improvement asked for.

Petitions for widening St. Johns avenue, James street and Bruce street in the North end to sixty feet was presented by M. L. Holbrook who offered to give twenty feet of his ground for the purpose, and he believed the parties owning land on the other side of the streets should be willing to do as much. Referred to street committee for report.

A remonstrance signed by a dozen or more property owners against the widening of Willis boulevard to 80 feet was read. The signers claimed they would suffer great loss by such a procedure, and believed it much better to improve a 60 foot street in a first class manner than to poorly improve an 80 foot street. The engineer's report showed that at the present time part of the street is 80 feet, part 60 feet and part 40 feet. Miss Caples was present and stated that they would be willing to pay the \$100 difference to break the deadlock on Richmond street and improve it to a 60 foot street. Matter was referred to the street committee and engineer to make report.

Two bids for the construction of a bell tower were received. The first one opened was by A. A. Schrimshoe and the amount of the bid was \$475. The other bid was by L. W. Stadelman, and he offered to erect the tower for \$480. Referred to the building and grounds committee and city engineer for recommendation.

Bills to the amount of \$117.15 were allowed. The engineer asked for instructions regarding an excess of rock that had been placed on Burr street and for which no provision has been made for payment. The excess over the engineer's estimate is in the neighborhood of 100 yards. Referred to the street committee, city attorney and engineer.

The following report of the chief of police from April 13, 1909, to April 8, 1910, was then accepted and ordered filed:

Number of arrests, 230.  
Causes of same—Intoxication 89; assault and battery 7; disorderly conduct 16; other city ordinances 40; assault 8; vagrancy 7; concealed weapons 2; adultery 2; fighting 2; indecent and immoral conduct 2; cases taken to the juvenile court 11; number of cows impounded 12; number of horses 10; dogs killed and buried 21; lodging furnished 66; meals for which they performed work 69.

A resolution to improve South Hayes, Polk to Buchanan, was adopted.

An ordinance to amend the vehicle ordinance was passed after some little discussion.

Councilman Davis thought some action should be taken toward correcting the impression given by the city dailies that St. Johns was a wide open town, when the fact of the matter is the city is the most regulated one in the state, and the regulations imposed here are being emulated in various cities of the Northwest.

Mayor Hendricks stated that he would like to see the various committees appointed do their work in committee room and then make their report for acceptance or rejection to council, instead of being thrashed out during the regular session. Much time, he believed, could be saved in this manner.

W. G. Lytle suggested that chairs and tables be allowed in the saloons, but action on the sugges-

## At the Stock Yards

Receipts at the Portland Union Stock Yards to April 9th have been: Cattle 2444, calves 79, hogs 1339, sheep 353 and horses 32. The general tone of the market is steady. Cattle have been strong to high with a few loads of extra quality selling at higher prices than have heretofore been given. The sheep market has been steady to high in all grades. A few sheared sheep are now coming into market and where they have shown quality they have brought good prices. The hog market while still high has eased off slightly. Tops are selling from \$11.00 to \$11.10, while there is a tendency to pay under the 11 cent mark for anything that is not first-class. Cattle buyers are looking for cheaper prices when the grass cattle run begins and from country reports there will be quite an offering of warmed up grass cattle that are thin in flesh. There is some inquiry for sows and feeders, and while good hay fed animals will not show lower prices, it is reasonable to expect that a lower range of values will apply when the grass cattle run begins.

D. O. Lively, General Agent.

tion was deferred. The mayor then appointed the various committees for the ensuing term as follows:

Streets and Docks—S. C. Cook, W. W. Windle, C. L. Johnson.

License—J. S. Downey, J. E. Hiller, A. W. Davis.

Water and Light—W. W. Windle, A. W. Davis, S. L. Dobie.

Finance—A. W. Davis, S. L. Dobie, J. E. Hiller.

Buildings and Grounds—C. L. Johnson, J. S. Downey, S. C. Cook.

Health and Police—S. L. Dobie, S. C. Cook, J. S. Downey.

Liquor License—J. E. Hiller, W. W. Windle, C. L. Johnson.

Chief of Police—R. McKinney. Day Policeman—Robert Johnson. Night Police—J. W. Dunbar and Geo. Etheridge.

City Physician—A. W. Vincent. City Engineer—C. E. Andrew.

Upon motion of A. W. Davis all appointments were confirmed by council.

It was then up to council to elect a president of that body. S. L. Dobie and A. W. Davis were both placed in nomination, and a ballot resulted in Dobie securing three votes and Davis four. Mr. Dobie then moved that Mr. Davis be made the unanimous choice for the honor, which was accordingly done.

## Had a Happy Time

The Junior Society of the Christian Church held their regular monthly meeting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Schelter on Brunswick street last Friday evening. There were about 25 of the members present and after a short business session the young people spent the remainder of the evening in games, telling stories and visiting. They were just the happiest bunch of "youngsters" you ever saw. This little society is doing a fine work. They are growing in numbers very rapidly and are learning to carry on the business of the society in a splendid manner. When they graduate from the Junior to the older C. R. society there will be no drones to go into the older body, but all workers. Mr. and Mrs. Schelter deserve and received the thanks of the society for their splendid time they enjoyed in their happy home. A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Schelter and the house was given to the society for the time.

## Lost to St. Johns

The Western Coopperage plant, which rumor had it was going to locate near the dry dock, will not come here. The difficulty they had with the railroad company at Aberdeen, Wash., has been satisfactorily adjusted, and on account of the pressure brought to bear upon them by the business interests of that city, they have purchased more ground and will remove their plant upon it there immediately. It is said that the company has sold their holdings near the dry dock to a Portland syndicate for something over \$600,000, and that it will be held as an investment. The fact that the coopperage plant will not locate here as expected will be quite a blow to the parties owning land in the immediate vicinity of the proposed plant, as some of them had raised the price of their realty in anticipation of the coming of this large industry.

Preach the gospel of St. Johns.

## A FEW LOCAL BREVITIES

### And Items of General Interest to the Public

R. L. Lamb is erecting a small residence on Portland boulevard.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. David Sorber, Monday, April 11th, a son.

M. Young is building himself a neat little dwelling on Jersey street, near Burr.

Mrs. H. G. Ogden of Dayton, Ore., greeted her many friends here last Saturday.

Chas. Derric is having a fine modern residence constructed on Oswego street.

G. E. Lee has begun the construction of a handsome home on Fillmore street.

Thomas Glover has been making some noticeable improvements to his business place on Burlington street.

R. W. McKeon left his new ranch at Canby long enough to say "hello" to his St. Johns friends and cronies last week.

The Portland Woolen Mills Co. is erecting another residence on North Hayes, which will be occupied by one of its employees.

Messrs. Hoagland & Gordon, who are located in the Jower building, spent several days in Scio this week looking the situation over.

M. S. Cobb and family attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Lulu Ellison, at Roseburg the first of the week. Death resulted from consumption.

A girl, 13 years old, who goes to school, wants a place to help with light housework for room and board. Address 524 Tiogo Street, St. Johns, Ore.

The Electric Theatre is putting on fine shows all the time. A tour of the moving picture shows of Portland will convince anyone that the local theatre has got them all "skinned." The pictures are all clean, wholesome and highly interesting.

W. E. Swengel and wife were in attendance at the United Evangelical Conference which was held in Dallas last week. They took occasion while there to visit our former townsman, H. G. Ogden, who showed them all over his ranch, which Mr. Swengel says is thoroughly up-to-date in every respect.

The sensationalism that one or two of the evening dailies injected into the Hindu fracas has not been healthy for their circulation, as a number have stopped their subscriptions and one dealer has refused to handle one of the Sunday papers by reason thereof. It doesn't pay to wander too far from the truth, even for a newspaper.

There will be "big doings" at the W. O. W. Camp next Wednesday evening. District Organizer W. L. Plummer will be present for the first time since last December. Preparations are being completed for a rousing meeting. No member should absent himself from the Camp on that night.

A local business man in looking over his books for the year ending April first discovered that his business had increased a little over 40 per cent over the year previous. In looking over our files we find that this same establishment spent over 25 per cent more in advertising in the Review for the year ending April first than it did during the previous year. "Nuf ced."

Fred Washburn, lately appointed one of the official umpires of the

Tri-City league, dropped into the office the other day, and it took us some time to recognize the fact that he and ye editor used to be boys together way back in the Keystone state. Fred has been on the coast for the past dozen years and has changed wonderfully since we saw him last, which was about 16 years ago.

Richmond street through the Caples tract is being graded and work is progressing rapidly. The deadlock existing by reason of the Severance estate not being satisfied with the viewers' report still prevents the completion of the street to Jersey. It is expected that this matter will soon be adjusted, however. Now if some of the brush would be cut in that neighborhood the result would be quite pleasing.

R. R. Churchill has opened up a real estate and insurance office in the room formerly occupied by Wocott's millinery on South Jersey. As R. R. has plenty of push and energy in his makeup, there is but little doubt that he will make a success of the realty business. He still retains his interest in the laundry, but owing to ill health on account of the confinement, was forced to seek an avocation that provided for more fresh air.

J. F. Sampson, who had his arm broken at the St. Johns lumber mills some time ago, attempted to commit suicide the latter part of last week. He became despondent over the ill success attending the knitting of the broken bones, and rather than take chances of his arm ever becoming useful again, decided to end it all. Owing to prompt medical attendance the poison he swallowed failed of its object, and he is now almost fully recovered from its effects.

Officials of the Portland Rose Festival have been advised that the moving picture trust will send ten operators, with five moving picture cameras, from the headquarters of the trust in Europe to Portland to take complete pictures of the coming Festival parades and exercises. These films, when manufactured, will be distributed very widely and shown all over the world. It is estimated by Festival officials that no less than 100,000,000 people will see the attractions of Oregon roses in this way.

E. C. Hurlbert has sold all of his property in St. Johns and says he will hunt a dryer pasture. Ed has resided in this city for the past eight years, during which time he has built and sold twenty-two houses. The overpowering dampness that has settled upon the city is drowning him out, he avers. However, like the cat, we expect to see him back endeavoring to carve another fortune out of the city, whether it is wet or dry. In spite of any local conditions that might exist he will have to travel many weary miles before he finds the equal of St. Johns from a business man's point of view.

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Wanted—To borrow \$300 or \$400 from one to three years. Gilt edged security. Call at this office.

Wanted to exchange—Good modern house, finely located, all modern improvements, for vacant land in St. Johns. Call at 500 South Hayes Street.

For Sale—Thoroughbred Plymouth Rock and Bull Orpington setting eggs, \$1.00 per setting. Inquire of L. A. Smock, 1415 Oswego Street.

Standard shirts and Helmet Collars in great variety may be found at Noyes Babbitt's. If you want anything in this line, call while the assortment is large and complete.

Doesn't your suit look shabby? Why have it that way when you can have it Cleaned and Pressed on short notice at the St. Johns Cleaning, Pressing and Dyeing Works.

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Despise your dimes and you'll never, never double your dollars. Dollar doublers find much help at the First National Bank.

## NEW OFFICIALS SWORN IN

### All Told They Make a Pretty Likely Bunch

The two new members of the city council were sworn in with becoming ceremony Monday night, and Messrs. J. W. Davis and J. D. Kelliker retire from the field of action. Both have performed their duties in a creditable manner and can look back upon their past record as aldermen with a good deal of complacency and satisfaction. J. S. Downey and W. W. Windle are first class representative citizens and the general public can look for nothing but gilt edged service from each one. The council as a whole would be very difficult to improve upon, and we believe the end of the term will prove that each one had been faithful to each trust imposed upon him and that the reins of government had been handled ably and well. A. M. Eason, who renewed his oath of office, is a gentleman in every sense of the word, faithful, honorable, well versed in every detail that relates to the recordership, possessed of a good knowledge of the laws and customs of the state of Oregon, a first-class municipal judge, careful and accurate, we believe we are not exaggerating the truth when we state that he has proved to be the very best city recorder St. Johns ever possessed, and we know he will continue to serve the people of St. Johns in the same careful, accommodating and affable manner as he has done in the past. W. Scott Kellogg, who succeeds J. E. Tanch as city treasurer, is a fine young man, intelligent, of irreproachable habits and character, and possessed of a thorough knowledge of book-keeping, he is well fitted in every way to take care of the city's exchequer in a satisfactory and competent manner.

Under the new law newly elected city officials must file a statement of the amount of money they have expended in securing said election. The voucher sworn to states that the sums named are all that the candidate has spent, and also includes all sums spent for him by any person, club or organization. The following list which has been filed shows that no official went in very deep. The money was mostly spent for cards:

J. F. Hendricks, no expense; A. M. Eason, \$8.50; W. Scott Kellogg, \$8; H. E. Collier, \$7; A. W. Davis, \$5; S. L. Dobie, \$5; C. L. Johnson, \$5; S. C. Cook, \$6; W. W. Windle, \$4; J. S. Downey, \$6; J. E. Hiller, \$5; making a total of \$59.50.

## Referred to City Dads

Ed. Review: Since it seems apparent that we will have the new city dock on our hands for some time to come, why would it not be a good plan to get something for its use? I understand that a number of our business concerns are availing themselves of its use to quite a considerable degree, and yet it seems that the city is getting nothing for the privilege, and the city is paying \$10 per month. I believe, for a watchman. A public dock does not necessarily mean a free dock, and if these concerns are saving money by the use of the dock, would it be asking too much if they pay the watchman's salary at least? Citizen.

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