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Bachelors' Excursion

Monday was Labor Day, and it was also Bachelors' Day. Together with their friends and sweethearts to the number of 38 they chartered the gas boat Argosy and hid themselves to Sauvie's Island, one of the most delightful picnic grounds imaginable. After a successful landing had been made, all proceeded to enjoy themselves to the greatest possible extent. Daunting was one of the first things indulged in, music being furnished by friends from St. Helens with accordion, and "tripping the light fantastic toe," the bachelors and "best girls" made merry. A beautiful supply of the good things of this life were on hand, and after disposing of a generous quantity of the same, the sports were on. Following are the names of the victors and the prizes they were awarded:

- 100 yard dash—Maud Willeford; prize, diamond back comb.
- 50 yard dash—Gladys Garvin; prize, silk handkerchief.
- Ladies' ball throwing—Sarah Cowles; prize, copper pin tray.
- Egg race—Marie Thorman; prize, ink stand.
- Potato race—Lillian Oihus; prize, shirt waist set.
- Men's 100 yard dash—Dick Webster; prize, silk necktie.
- 50 yard dash—"Bim" Johnson; prize, pair cuff buttons.
- Standing broad jump—Ben Lee; prize, brier pipe.
- Hop, skip and jump—"Skeeter" Steiglish; prize, silk tie.
- Running broad jump—"Stub" Simmons; prize, brier pipe.
- Ball throwing—H. Fassett; prize, brier pipe.

A sensational base ball game between the ladies and gentlemen followed. Georgia Perrine essayed to do the twirling for the "weaker" sex, and she had 32 strikeouts in the nine innings, and almost scared several of the bachelors to death with the cannon ball speed she placed on the ball. Sarah Cowles was the catcher and she showed up in splendid form. She threw 19 batsmen out while endeavoring to steal bases. The other ladies put up a splendid game, not an error being charged up against them. And it is said the bewildered scorer kept strict tab. H. Fassett and M. L. Davis was the battery for the gents, and outside of 22 home runs being made off of Fassett, to say nothing of triplets, two base hits and singles, he acquitted himself well. The score was finally declared to be 9 to 7, in favor of the fair ones.

As many of the participants were almost famished at this time, a grand rush was made for the commissary. Everything that was left from lunch was taken care of, and as a side issue potatoes were roasted (or burned) on a large stump that had been sacrificed for the purpose. Brother Stubbs and Uncle Munn were the official photographers, and the development of several of the films are looked forward to by a few of the picknickers with a great deal of apprehension and anxiety.

The Willamette Four, ably assisted by Bro. Bidges, were the songsters, and the birds in the trees were outclassed for once. Patches and Frickers were the only ones absent. Bachelor maid Patches could not come, and the excuses made by Frickers for both were really pathetic. These two are the only ones that will be heavily fined for their non-appearance.

One of the bachelor maids fell into the river while displaying how nimble he was in running on logs. He was dragged out by the crowd and hung up on a hickory limb to dry.

Ask Bro. Figet how he crossed the river and who assisted him.

The excursion in the way of real enjoyment exceeded any previous event ever pulled off by the bachelors. Dances and house parties will be the most important features to be indulged in by the bachelors the coming winter. If you are a bachelor and not yet one of the bunch, send your name to W. E. Coon and enroll among the fun makers. You will thus insure yourself a lively and merry time the coming winter.

C. R. Greisen, representing that peerless horticultural magazine, "Better Fruit" was "restituting" about Portland the first of the week after an extended trip to the principal cities of the Atlantic coast. Chris, like our "Jacob" has been deservedly "promoted" and now travels under the title of Assistant Editor of his magazine. He reports meeting with a hearty reception from and doing a good business among the Yankees and other denizens of the eastern seaboard.

Are you using printed back envelopes? If not, why not?

The Wild West

Considerable interest has been aroused in this vicinity through the announced appearance of Buffalo Bill's Wild West and Pawnee Bill's Far East at Portland, Sept. 19 and 20.

Col. Wm. F. Cody, the original and only "Buffalo Bill," travels with the big exhibition and positively appears at every performance rain or shine. Arrangements have been made with the railroad officials to run excursions at special rates from the various stations along the line and there will be special provisions for the accommodation of those who wish to visit the exhibition. To the small boy and grown-up Buffalo Bill will be the chief attraction, for his fame is not dimmed by the years which have elapsed since he helped write the story of the west through his heroic deeds. One of the principal contests of the red men, in which he took active part, will be pictured in the open air melodrama, the Battle of Summit Springs, an engagement in miniature, introducing more than one hundred Indians and as many cavalrymen and soldiers. Contrasted with this scene will be an Oriental Spectacle which will picture the gorgeous beauties of the Far East, its pageantry and people, its pleasures and pastimes, and its strange costumes and customs. Turning again to American history there will be An Attack Upon an Emigrant Train, A Holiday at "T-E" Ranch, and the Great Train Hold-Up by Indians, showing varied pictures of early life upon the boundless plains. Rossi's Musical Elephants will be a particular feature of the Far East scene, and as an individual feature of the Wild West section of the exhibition, Ray Thompson's Trained Western Range Horses will be shown in feats of grace and equine skill. Sharpshooting by Johnny Baker will be a particularly attractive feature, and a bunch of bucking bronchos will furnish the principal comedy element of a truly exhilarating and strenuous exhibition.

Charles Bredeson is a candidate for Committeeman from District No. 15. He believes that the people should rule, and therefore is flat-footed for Statement No. 1, "Charley," as he is familiarly called, is so well known to the people of St. Johns that no introduction is necessary. He is a man who has no patience with rings, cliques and factions, and his standing on any public matter may readily be ascertained. While the office of Committeeman is rather diminutive, it is nevertheless important, and we predict that the vote Charley receives will be something to be proud of. A man of integrity, and possessed of hosts of friends, there is no reason why he should not be elected to the office to which he aspires.

C. C. Chapman, promotion manager of the Commercial Club, has been touring Western Oregon urging the land owners to cut up their tracts into such holdings as will permit the men of average means to acquire a home when he comes to the state. His argument shows that in many regions tracts are entirely too large now for the humble homeseeker to purchase. As the great future of the fruit business, dairy industry and other agricultural lines is with the small tract on which the owner does most of his own work, Mr. Chapman voices the general hope of the state that land will be so segregated that every man coming will have no difficulty in securing such acreage as he can work to advantage.

Many new towns of Oregon and Washington will be seen on the map now being issued by the Portland Commercial Club, which brings this whole region up to date and fills up gaps noted in existing maps. Changes in the railroad situation will be shown and the accurate mapping of the two states will be a valuable aid in informing strangers of the opportunities that exist in the Northwest. Accurate data of each locality will be given, the map being reproduced from plates used by the Government Census Bureau.

Oregon fruit has scored another triumph, Hood River fruit growers having just made what is believed to be the biggest sale of fancy apples on record. The New York commission firm of Steinhardt & Kelly has closed for about half the fancy apples grown in the Hood River district, the purchase amounting to between 125,000 and 150,000 boxes, or over 200 carloads.

Preach the gospel of St. Johns. Work for a Greater St. Johns.

A Social Affair

The following clipping from the Willamina paper tells of a social affair held at the Parker mill, and as the Parkers are so well known to St. Johns people, we publish same:

The Parker mill was the scene of a social affair Friday evening when about forty of the Christian Endeavorers and their friends went out in autos, carriages and a-foot with well filled baskets for an evening lunch and picnic. The grounds were beautifully decorated with small firs, vining maples and ferns where a long table was spread with a bountiful supply of good things. After supper a large bonfire was built where all gathered around to eat watermelon and play games, after which they returned to their homes having had a most enjoyable time and a desire to often meet on similar occasions.

HOW TO GET THERE

Two gay young frogs, from inland bogs, Had spent the night in drinking. As morning broke and they awoke, While yet their eyes were blinking, A farmer's bull came in the swale, And caught them quick as winking. Ere they could gather waders, hoses, Or breathe a prayer for past offenses, The granger grave—that guileless man— Had slumped them in the milkman's can. The can filled up, the cover down, They soon are started off to town. The lockless frog began to quack, And sobber up on cold milk shake. They quickly find their breaths will stop, Unless they swim upon the top. They swim for life and kick and swim, 'Till their weary eyes grow dim. Their muscles ache, their breath grows short, Their heads are swimming in the water. "Pat, pat, my lad," the other cries, "A frog's not dead until he dies. Let's keep on kicking, that's my plan. We may yet see outside this can." "No use, no use," faint heart replied, "Turned up his toes and gently died. The heavier frog, undaunted still, Kept kicking with a right good will. Until, with joy too great to utter, He found he'd cleared a lump of butter. And climbing on that chunk of grease, He floated round with greatest ease.

MORAL. When times are hard—no trade in town— Don't get discouraged and go down. But struggle still—no matter what— A few more kicks may bring the better.

Strong support for the Northwest movement to open the Columbia River to navigation from the sea far into British Columbia is given by Premier Wilfred Laurier himself. Recently he met delegations from Oregon and Washington at a conference held at Nelson, B. C., and gave his unqualified endorsement of the project. He signified his willingness to carry forward the work on his side of the boundary line, or, if any way can be found, he will join with the United States in accomplishing the work as a whole. He has given orders for surveying the river on the Canadian side preparatory to starting work.

Reflecting the prevailing prosperity throughout the Pacific Northwest, Portland has just passed through the most successful August in its history, a month elsewhere accepted as one of midsummer dullness, when business of all kinds is in the doldrums. Not by any small percentage has Portland outdistanced former records, but by a wide margin. All the wealth comes from the soil, rivers, mines and forests of the tributary country; Portland is merely the mart where the products come. Prosperous conditions here testify to the well filled purse of the producer in the nearby territory.

The loss by the forest fires of some of the large saw mills near the timber belt ought to be a warning to the owners and others who intend building saw mills in the future as to the great risk they run in locating their mills in such a region. There are numerous sites on the Peninsula, especially so at St. Johns, adapted to the use of saw mills and other industries and the danger from forest fires is eliminated.

B. R. Hutchinson and his son and family of Bancroft, Wis., who have been spending the summer in St. Johns, left Thursday morning via Billingham, Wash., for their home. Mr. Hutchinson goes home well pleased with our western country and at some future time may see fit to visit us again or possibly locate here if he can dispose of his property in the East at an advantage.

David Byerlee of the Review force and Jack McNeiven of Calif Bros. left Sunday morning for a week's outing in the mountains of Southern Oregon, where they will hunt the savage trout and angle for the wary "bar" and ferocious deer. We expect stories on their return only equalled by those of the Strenuous Teddy.

L. B. Moulton has been investigating conditions at Klamath Falls, and if satisfactory will locate there permanently.

Clever Boxing

Some fine boxing was witnessed by the spectators at the skating rink the evening of Labor Day. First on the program was a four round bout between Joe Lukowski and Bill Foster. Foster being ill, Bobby Evans agreed to take his place. Bobby made a good showing against his much heavier opponent, but it was evident that had the bout went much longer the Polander would have bested Evans. The bout was fast and some clever boxing ensued. No decision was rendered, but had one been given it would have been a draw. The Journal stated that Evans made a monkey of Joe, but such was far from being the case.

The second preliminary was a six-round exhibition between Frankie O'Brien and Kid Exposito. The Kid had the best of the argument and had O'Brien on the defensive all the way through. The bout was lively and full of interest. No decision was rendered. The main event of the evening was what was to have been a ten-round affair between Guy Lee of Portland and Jack Dolan of San Francisco. For the first three rounds the bout was as clever an exhibition of boxing as one would care to see. In the fourth round Lee winded his man by hitting in clinches, which was mutually agreed upon, and in the fifth he had him so wobbly that Dolan's second threw up the sponge.

Acc Clement refereed all the bouts. The St. Johns Athletic club is gaining quite a reputation for pulling off good, clean boxing matches, and many Portland sports are attending.

It is a queer world we live in. One of our citizens evidently is so patriotic that he allowed his love for our national emblem to overcome his sense of honesty. At any rate Tuesday evening Paschal Hill went over town leaving his beautiful American flag flying. It was seen as late as 9:45 and when Paschal came home at 11 o'clock it was gone, the halyards hanging loose. Paschal says his flag was the largest in the city, but that now that it is gone he will get a larger one, for he means to keep the largest flag flying in the berg. It is right to be patriotic. No citizen who does not love the flag of his country and is not willing to defend it at all hazards is a true citizen; but one should remember the commandment, "Thou Shalt not Steal," even Old Glory.

Mrs. A. Isenbath and son Harold, left Wednesday for an extended trip through the Middle West. They will be gone about two months and will visit Omaha, Chicago, Alma, Detroit and other Michigan points, and returning will visit Kansas City and Denver and other cities enroute. Mrs. Isenbath will visit a sister whom she has not seen for 19 years, and anticipates a delightful time throughout her trip.

Prune picking has begun already in some localities. Prunes are not generally ripe until hop picking is over, and therefore are ripe earlier than usual this season. The hop growers are worrying about getting their pickers this year on account of so many going prune picking, and they fear that the prune pickers will be so full of prunes that they will not be able to pick hops.

The Sisters' house of St. Clements' Parish is completed, and six sisters are now living in St. Johns. The Sisters are to be the teachers of the St. Clements' Parish School. The text-books to be used in the school are the same as in the public schools. Music will also be taught and Christian Doctrine.

A unique social and entertainment representing a fishing outing will be given under the auspices of the J. K. L. C. E. of the Evangelical church Wednesday evening, Sept. 14, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Poff, 203 East Burlington street. All are invited. Admission, a smile; program, free; fishing, 5c and 10c; refreshments, 5c and 10c.

The Willumbia band is preparing to put a theatrical on the boards for the benefit of that musical aggregation in the near future. They are a persevering, faithful, enterprising bunch and our citizens should do the handsome by them when they make their debut. Watch the Review for their announcement later.

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Pretty Good Times

The "Old Boys," meaning the members of Compton Post, have had a pretty good time this summer. Three picnics at Columbia Park and a private jollification in their hall every two weeks, surely they are growing young. Their co-workers and auxiliary have had a very profitable season. The L. of G. A. R. are building up and are in a fine condition. The W. R. C. have made amazing strides. New members have been added at almost every meeting and they are now on a level with any Corps in the state. At their last meeting they pledged themselves to assist a soldier's widow, eighty years old and helpless. She will be kept at the Patton Home where she will receive the best of care. The society is very glad that at last the financial condition allows them to be in reality a Relief Corps. Mrs. R. H. Miller, Press Correspondent.

For sale—Nice new plastered 5 room cottage, 175 feet from post-office, has bath and pantry; concrete walks around the house, fine roses, etc. Nice six-foot cement walk in front with street improvements; lot 50x100 with alley on back. Will trade for vacant lot as part payment or will sell on easy terms. Any one wishing a nice close-in home, this is your opportunity. The price for a few days is cheap. A. W. Davis, Owner.

Oregon's game birds are wanted in the South. Louisiana has arranged to stock her lands with 500 Chinese pheasants, purchasing the birds and eggs from a Corvallis grower. The birds will be protected for five years, when they may be shot by hunters under certain regulations.

Misses Grace Stucker and Flora McNeiven and Messrs. Jerome Whistler and Louis Kelliher went Monday to Oregon City where they join the Vierhus family for a season at hopping the hops and other athletic sports for their annual outing.

Allen Murray, who has been located at Catlin, Wash., for some time, his daughter of Portland, and son and wife of Seattle were guests at the home of A. W. Markle Sunday. Mr. Murray left yesterday for Clearfield, Pa., where he will spend the winter.

Oregon's hop crop promises to be generous, with first class quality. The yield is now being gathered and great care is taken in the picking to get a crop clean of leaves and stems that will bring the usual good figure that Oregon hops command in the world's markets.

Mrs. A. F. Learned and her sister Mrs. J. D. Sutherland, are leaving this week for a visit to their old home in Maine. They will also visit in New York, Boston and some of the other principal cities of the East.

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"The Joy of the Godly Life," Sunday evening, Sept. 11, at 8 o'clock, at the Evangelical church. Morning worship: topic, "Lessons from Sinai." You are cordially invited to attend. C. P. Gates, pastor.

Building permits from January 1st to September 1st of this year show a total amount of \$1,511,050. The same period last year showed a total of only \$570,050. Thus it will be noted that St. Johns is on the move.

The St. Clements schools will open next Monday, Sept. 12th, and all branches will be taught with music extra. There will be three class rooms opened at once and another later when conditions warrant.

Now is the time to have that winter suit renovated. Bring it to the St. Johns Cleaning, Pressing and Dye Works. Our prices are right, 111 South Jersey Street, next to Princess Theatre.

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Suicide at St. Johns

S. E. Hamilton, who formerly conducted a rooming house at Vancouver, committed suicide by the carbolic acid route at about 2 o'clock Tuesday morning in the Central hotel. Hamilton had been going to the bad at a pretty lively rate for some time prior to his death, and when by hook or crook he was unable to raise any more money, he obtained a bottle of the acid and retired to his room and drank it. The strong odor of the acid was detected by the hotel attendants, and upon breaking in the door the unconscious man was discovered. Medical aid was summoned, but too late to be of avail. The body was conveyed to Portland at an early hour Tuesday morning.

The deceased was a married man, but by mutual consent the two had parted about three months ago, and since that time he had been on the downward road. Thos. Glover and Thos. Condon were both victims of bad checks manipulated by the suicide.

Building Permits

No. 117—To A. O. Veam to erect dwelling on Stafford street between Polk and Tyler; cost \$1000.

No. 118—To L. Riehl to erect dwelling on Chapel street between Holbrook and St. Johns avenue; cost \$700.

No. 119—To M. Tabinski to erect dwelling on Armour street between Midway and Oregonian avenues; cost \$650.

No. 120—To Albert Felsman to alter residence by addition of pantry and kitchen on Hartman, between Charleston and Cruikshank; cost \$200.

No. 121—To J. L. Ford to erect stable on Swift boulevard, between Allegheny and Tyler; cost \$80.

No. 122—To F. Bartlett to erect dwelling on Allegheny, between Hendricks avenue and Banks street; cost \$300.

No. 123—To D. Bush to erect dwelling on Barr between Swenson and Zeigler; cost \$750.

No. 124—To R. W. Sorber to erect dwelling on Fox between Oswego and Richmond.

A farewell party was tendered Ben Hutchinson, son and wife at the home of Chas. Foss Sunday. The occasion was a delightful one and a jolly good time was enjoyed. Guy Bement and wife and Geo. Foss and wife were also present. Mr. Hutchinson, son and his wife left for their home in Wisconsin yesterday.

The subject for the devotional meeting of the Epworth League for Sunday, Sept. 11, will be "Mercy to the Fallen," and as prepared will prove most interesting. Special music will be rendered by Mrs. Sandifer. Everyone is urged to come and a warm welcome is assured.

Chas. Foss and crew of men are busy on a further extension of excavation for Mr. Bush at Whitwood Court. It is Mr. Bush's intention to construct a modern business structure on the site that will be a credit to Whitwood.

The best way to be happy is to be free; the best way to be free is to save; the only way to save is to put your money in the bank. The First National Bank pays 3 per cent.

Girl wanted at once to do housework and learn to assist in dressmaking. Good home, good salary, good opportunity. Mrs. Zella E. Johnston, 531 South Jersey Street.

Meier & Frank had 31 pages of advertising in Sunday's Journal. This is the largest splurge in newspaper advertising that has ever occurred in the Northwest.

The Misses Gertrude and Pauline Moore of Irvington, and Miss Vida Evans of St. Johns, were guests of Miss Joyce Winslow last Thursday.

R. W. McKeon of Canby is spending a few days among his old cronies here. "Mac" is always a welcome visitor to St. Johns.

L. Liehl is constructing a cosy little home on Chapel street in the North End.

M. Tabinski is erecting a small dwelling on Armour street.

Council Proceedings

Council had one of the shortest sessions in its history Tuesday night. Business on the table was comparatively light, and as a result the session was short.

The first matter taken up was a claim by Mark O'Neil, a Portland attorney, for services alleged to have been rendered in the dim and dusty past, or to be more accurate, in 1903. The claim was for \$100. All favored the motion to turn it over to the city attorney for investigation except Alderman Downey, who believed the claim should be allowed.

A report of the St. Johns Transportation Co. for the months of February, March, April, May, June and July showed that business had been rather light compared to the cost of maintaining the ferry. As the report was not up to date, it was referred back to the company.

Claims against the city to the amount of \$415.13 were allowed. M. T. Swan asked for and was granted an extension of two weeks' time on the improvement of Midway avenue. Difficulty in securing lumber was the reason for the request.

A directory resolution was adopted for the improvement of Macrum avenue, from the O. R. & N. Co. tracks to Columbia slough. A resolution to improve North Jersey street, from Catlin to the Weyerhaeuser tract, was adopted. The proposed improvement of Fillmore street was held over for waivers by certain property owners, the assessed valuation of their property not standing for the improvement.

An application for transfer of liquor license now in name of Sam Cochran to Thos. Condon was agreeable to council.

Mothers' Meeting

Those attending the mothers' meeting on Monday last, at the home of Mrs. Hollenbeck, spent a most enjoyable afternoon. Aside from the usual good program, two choice piano selections were well rendered by Miss Edna Hollenbeck and greatly enjoyed. Another treat, a surprise, was in store for us. Whether it was because Monday was a holiday or the fact that we met at Mrs. Hollenbeck's am not sure. However, a delicious lunch, consisting of ice cream and cake, was most daintily served. If all knew of the many pleasant hours spent at these meetings am sure the attendance would be greatly increased. Press Correspondent.

Chas. Foss received word last week that a young daughter had arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Caves at Hancock, Wis., making Charley an uncle once more. Mr. and Mrs. Caves visited in St. Johns not long ago.

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The next thing in order is hop picking. They say about half the population of St. Johns, more or less, are going hop picking this year.

Rev. Mr. Feldmuth of the German Baptist church, is to be transferred to Los Angeles, to which place he expects to go in about two weeks.

Wm. Osaher and family of five of Eureka, Cal., are new arrivals to locate in St. Johns, having taken up their residence on North Fillmore street.

The Misses Gladys and Minnie Isenbath are spending the week with friends at Dilley, Oregon, and will return tonight or tomorrow.

The family of W. Schmaling of Milwaukee, Wis., are pleasantly located on Fessenden street, corner of Gilbert.

Albert Felsman is having a kitchen and pantry added to his residence on Hartman street. J. L. Ford is building a stable on Swift boulevard.