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The Toastmaster

The lads and lassies of the James John high school delighted their friends by their clever performance Saturday evening. The auditorium of the new school building is neatly and comfortably furnished...

Investigated Landings

County Judge Cleeton, and Commissioners Hart and Lightner, with Road Superintendent Chapman, were in St. Johns Friday investigating county roads and ferry landings. They agreed that while a boat operated upon a cable would be much more economical and allow better service it would be impossible to install it under the law as passed.

The Short Ballot

Americans rarely realize that our custom of electing ten or 20 public officials at one time is absolutely unique among the nations. Of course the people do not really select each as the ten or 20, they only elect them. No electorate on earth ever had in mind at one time so many favorites. So the politicians do the selecting beforehand by pasting a trademark label, such as "Republican" or "Democrat," on certain men, and the people if they like some one prominent candidate who bears it, will vote for every one else with that same label.

Herald a New Era

For the past three years the Southern Pacific company has had a crew of engineers camped five miles south and east of Estacada, which is on the Cazadera branch of the Oregon Water Power company. During these three years surveyors and their assistants have plodded over every square mile of southern Multnomah and northern Clackamas counties, have platted every inch of ground and have worked out the rough details of a hydroelectric power station, and have surveyed lines for transmission cables that will supply current for railroad industrial and family uses throughout northern Oregon and southern Washington.

Will Build on Peninsula

Preparations for early construction of the monster packing plant which will be built on the Peninsula by Schwartzchild & Sulzberger of Oregon are being rushed. Work on the foundation plans have already started. The main building of the new plant will be four stories after the first portion is completed.

Looking for Suckers

Special to the News-Palladium. Berrien Springs, Mich., May 27.—The West is looking for suckers, says a former Berrien resident, Rvin Morgan, who is now in Kent, Wash., working for G. L. Parce, another former resident. Here is Morgan's opinion, written to a friend, of that part of the great Northwest which he is in: "If you want to see where they sting you for property come to the coast. There are any amount of people who are stung who would be glad to get out of here, some that have been here for 20 years who have not been lucky enough to find a sucker. Every other man you meet is selling real estate. If he thinks you want to buy anything he is a bully good fellow. If you don't the next time you meet him and speak to him he grunts like an Indian hit with a pumpkin."

Memorial Day—Thanks

We take this means to extend our hearty thanks to the citizens of St. Johns for their cordial and patriotic efforts in the proper celebration of Memorial Day; for their liberal aid in a financial way; for closing their places of business and rendering aid in every way possible. Your Post is now third in point of numbers in this department and we hope by the department of its members to be a credit to the city. The following resolutions were adopted at their last regular meeting, June 3, 1911: R. H. Miller, Commander, Gordon, Adjutant.

The play was a surprise to the audience, not that it was a brilliant or masterful production, or one requiring intricate technique in stage setting and appliances. On the contrary, it was merely an incident in the life of a college student, requiring no paraphernalia that might not be picked up in almost any home if we may exclude the professors' whiskers.

But the simplicity of the play and modest environments were more than offset by the inimitable acting of the different characters. There wasn't a slip on the part of any one during the entire performance and no trace of that lack of ease on the stage so common to amateurs. Their deportment was that of professionals all the way through.

Arkie Anderson, in the double character of spendthrift schoolboy lover and hired girl, was a peach, and kept the audience laughing as long as he was in evidence. Carlson, the abducted, played his part equally as well. Cecil Magone was a "scream" as the Freshie who "loved and hoped." Miss Couch—well, all she had to do was simply to act "natural" to make her all her role implied, the charmer of both Freshie and Soph, and her performance was not such a surprise when we consider that the bright-eyed little Miss has perhaps already experienced in real life something of that which she so cleverly delineated.

Building Permits No. 60—To N. J. Bailey, to erect dwelling on Stafford street between Ida and Alma; cost \$800. No. 61—To Smith-Wagoner Co. to erect dwelling on Willis boulevard between Weyerhaeuser avenue and Bruce street; cost \$500. No. 62—To L. Nachazel to erect a dwelling on Ivanhoe street between Alma and Ida; cost \$300.

Many changes are to be made in the personnel of the St. Johns post-office. Postmaster T. J. Monahan has sent in his resignation to take effect as soon as possible. Miss Mabel McLean, his assistant has gone to her old home in Wisconsin where she will be married. Mrs. Rex Dryden, (formerly Miss Anna Robertson) is now temporarily doing Miss McLean's work.

Mr. Monahan is retiring to resume his position as manager of the St. Johns office of the electric light department of the Portland Railway Light & Power Company, which he held for some time previous to accepting the office of postmaster. The St. Johns postoffice is in the third class and the salary is now \$1700 a year, with \$400 allowance for clerk hire. It is surprising to the general public to learn that in Oregon City and Albany, both of which have smaller population, the allowance for clerk hire is \$4000, just ten times as much as allowed for the St. Johns office.

Acting on a tip quietly given, Chief of Police McKinney, of St. Johns, Sunday arrested Henry Lieke, of that place, for having stolen goods in his possession. Upon being arrested, Lieke implicated Joe Mahoney, a checker at the S. P. & S. freight depot, and a truckman there, whose name he claimed not to know, as the thieves, saying he had goodnaturedly allowed them to leave their loot at his place until they could dispose of it, at the same time admitting that he knew it had been stolen and that he and the unknown man had taken it to St. Johns in a buggy.

Lieke has hitherto borne a good reputation in St. Johns. He is a Wells Fargo driver and has also worked for the O. R. & N. and the Union Meat company. When arrested he had in his home a large amount of velvet of fine quality, about which he tells conflicting stories. He was taken to Portland Sunday by Detective Dryden of the S. P. & S., who says that Lieke while driver for the Union Meat company was always reporting a ham or other piece of meat short.

The woman of today has good health, good sense, good temper, bright eyes and a lovely complexion, the result of correct living and good digestion, wins the admiration of the world. If our digestion is faulty Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will correct it. For sale by all dealers.

Official Notice is Vital

That absence of official notice is particularly vital to an election has been demonstrated in regard to the ferry bonds voted upon in March. It seems that the ordinance authorizing and providing the time and manner of holding the election was published eight days before the election, whereas the charter says ten days are necessary. The bonds had been held up accordingly, and the attorneys who are passing upon the bonds are seriously debating whether or not to take a chance upon the same. Since there was a notice given, by placard and by publication in the shape of an ordinance, it is likely they will be accepted, even if two days discrepancy in publication does exist. Had there been no notice whatever the bonds would not have been looked at for a minute. It is vexatious that more speed has not been made in the sale of the bonds. The free ferry is needed worse every day, but nothing can be done until the money is secured and the sale consummated. Then the county commissioners have six months in which to construct the boat and tow her down to St. Johns. They say three months will be sufficient time, however.

Care of Orphan Children

The Supreme officers of the Order of Owls at a meeting recently held resolved that the order is now in a position to care for and educate orphan children of deceased Owls that may require support and education from the general order. Provision has been made for a building, attendants and all the requisites thereto to give such children proper care, clothing, education and attention. It is located at a beautiful point in St. Joseph county, Indiana, overlooking the St. Joseph river and the St. Joseph valley. This is the first step toward the accomplishment of the threefold purposes of the order, which is: Care for the orphans, care for the aged and aid the infirm, sick and disabled.

Miss Mabel McLean, who has been employed in the postoffice since Mr. Monahan took charge of it, resigned a few days since and returned to her old home in St. Croix Falls, Wis., the fore part of the week. Miss McLean leaves many friends behind who would greatly enjoy being there to assist in throwing the rice and old shoes.

Swat the Fly

With the approaching hot weather comes the urgent request from all health officers for cleanliness and care of garbage. Decay of refuse matter is one of the worst disease breeders. Continually comes the call for more care. Now with the hot weather comes the fly, one of the greatest instruments in the disease spreading that is known. Why not get rid of the fly? All disease germs cannot be killed, but the germ carrier can be kept from the home. A few fly killers in the house and a little care about the screens will do wonders. When you see the flies crawl around the sugar bowl or cream pitcher, did it ever strike you that he may have come from some one's open garbage can? Do you realize that the fly crawling on your baby's bottle nipple may have come from some cuspidor? Are you willing to allow that to go on unmolested? Does the thought of the millions of tuberculosis germs from that cuspidor and the fly's foot worry you in connection with your baby's health and happiness? It should. SWAT THE FLY! Manager Nelson of the Electric has conceived the unique idea of giving a roc flykiller with each 10c admission at any matinee next week. Don't you think it a good idea? Every citizen in St. Johns should co-operate with the Electric in this plan to quell every St. Johns home with plenty of "swatters." There are six of those matinees—none too many fly-killers for any home.

Vacation Reading

If you are going out of town for the summer or a part of the summer, take your reading with you. At the library vacation cards will be furnished you on which ten books may be taken out at one time and kept until October 1st without renewal. In order to meet more satisfactorily the demands of the increasing number of readers over 300 books were added to the library the first of the week. Suggestions as to titles for future additions will be appreciated.

The Pythian Sisters

The Pythian Sisters will give a lawn social, Thursday evening, June 15, at Dr. A. W. Vincent's. Admission 10c. Ice cream, strawberries and cake will be served. The capital prizes will be awarded to the winners of the recent series of card parties. These card parties will be continued after October 1, 1911.

There is one medicine that every family should be provided with and especially during the summer months, viz: Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed. It costs but a quarter. Can you afford to be without it? For sale by all dealers.

W. J. Chaney, formerly with A. B. Lindboe, is now the hustling assistant of McCabe & Corbett, the hardware and grocery men. A better selection could not be made by this firm.

Wanted—Girl for general house work by Mrs. L. Holbrook, East St. Johns.

The Fraternal Brotherhood base ball team defeated Oak Grove Sunday at McKenna park by a score of 9 to 3.

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A regular morning operation of the bowels puts you in fine shape for the day's work. If you miss it you feel uncomfortable and cannot put vim into your movements. For all bowel irregularities HIRBINE is the remedy. It purifies, strengthens and regulates. Price 50c. Sold by St. Johns Pharmacy.

Christian Church—Sunday school 10 a. m., Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., C. E. 6:30 p. m. Junior Endeavor 3 p. m. Everybody invited to all these services. Tabernacle corner New York and Leonard streets. A cordial invitation is extended to all.—J. R. Johnson, Pastor.

J. E. Tanch and J. F. Hendricks attended the school board convention at Gresham last Friday and report very interesting sessions.

Preach the gospel of St. Johns.

PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENT BONDS CITY OF ST. JOHNS

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned at his office in the city hall at St. Johns, Oregon, until Tuesday, June 20, 1911, at 6 o'clock p. m. for sale of not less than par value and accrued interest of Improvement Bonds of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, (the same being issued by authority of Ordinance No. 384) for the whole or any part of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars. Said bonds will be issued in denominations of \$500 each, payable ten years from date, and bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and subject to all the conditions imposed, directed and stipulated by what is known as "The Bancroft Bonding Act," under which act, as amended, said bonds are issued. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

Proposals for Street Work

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns until June 13, 1911, at 5 o'clock p. m. for the improvement of Macrum avenue from the O. R. & N. tracks to the southeasterly city limits in the manner provided by ordinance No. 383, subject to the provisions of the charter and ordinances of the city of St. Johns, and the estimate of the city engineer, on file. Engineer's estimate is \$6,424.91. 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 60 days from the date of accepting bids. No proposals or bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check payable to 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. F. A. RICE, City Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review May 26 and June 2 and 9, 1911.