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SCORES GRAND SUCCESS

Commercial Club Raises \$1755 in Half an Hour
and Gains Seventy Charter Members

HARMONY HOLDS FULL SWAY

St. Johns certainly did herself proud at the booster meeting in the High school auditorium Monday evening. Never before in the history of the city has a meeting of like nature been held where such a spontaneous offering in the way of financial assistance toward organizing a commercial club was tendered, where a spirit of such perfect harmony pervaded the assemblage, where enthusiasm reached such heights, and where all manner of discord, jealousy and selfishness was conspicuous by its utter absence. All seemed willing to lend their aid and finances as far as possible in organizing the new club. Names of new members came rolling in so rapidly that the secretary was unable to inscribe them fast enough, and assistance was necessary to write them down as they were called out. The amount of money pledged, besides the membership, was amazing, and far exceeded the expectations of the most ardent booster. In half an hour's time over \$1700 was pledged, and as there were a number of business firms not represented at the meeting, owing to prior engagements, it is confidently expected that the publicity fund will be easily swollen to \$2500, and the membership reach at least 150. The attendance was composed mostly of representative business men and property owners, all eager to promote something that would have a tendency to aid in advancing the welfare and further development of St. Johns. Seventy individuals asked to have their names enrolled as members and \$1755 pledged to be paid during the year. The committee on arrangements recommended that the dues be placed at \$1.00, which was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

The St. Johns Volunteer band rendered some excellent music on the streets before the meeting free of charge, and was a potent factor in attracting the men to the meeting. Sneed Bros. Orchestra rendered a number of most pleasing selections in the auditorium that were highly appreciated and heartily applauded. Few orchestras can furnish better music than Sneed's. Like the band boys, they willingly gave their services to aid in the movement.

The meeting was called to order by temporary president K. C. Couch, who, in a few well chosen words, told how St. Johns had doffed her swaddling clothes and had waxed strong and vigorous, and how a live wire commercial club could aid in its further development.

The committee's report was then read, as follows:

To the Honorable Chairman and members of St. Johns Commercial club, committee beg leave to submit the following:

General arrangements resulting as you see in this meeting.

You will specially note the services of both the St. Johns Brass Band and the Sneed Orchestra, in which they have donated their services to this meeting free.

All speakers have expressed a willingness to contribute their services freely and for the good of the cause.

We did not take upon ourselves the responsibility of suggesting the policy in general of the club other than to recommend the acceptance and co-operation of all good citizens and to eliminate politics, religion, factions and classes, and all subject matter other than for the general good of the city of St. Johns.

We recommend that the general dues for membership be \$1.00 per month and that the club accept donations to any amount by interested citizens. Peter Autzen, M. G. Nease, A. W. Davis, Com.

The report was adopted in whole by unanimous voice of the audience.

Perry C. Stroud told how the plans for the new club were first formulated. He thought all should get together, lady boosters as well, (of which there were a few in the audience) and make the St. Johns Commercial club one of the finest organizations in the Northwest.

H. C. Pennell of the St. Johns Lumber Co. said his company looked upon the movement with

great favor, and that it would do its full share and also aid in making up any deficiency that might occur for one year at least.

C. C. Chapman, president of the Portland commercial club and the best booster the Pacific coast has yet produced, who has been fittingly called a human dynamo of push and activity, was then called upon. His remarks were spoken in a most earnest manner and were deeply appreciated. He said the membership could accomplish anything a community needed or desired; that social events could be held once a month, and that a club dinner once a week would not be a bad idea. It is very seldom the case, he said, where two cities as closely connected as Portland and St. Johns that there was ever enough vim and energy displayed in the smaller city to organize a push club; that the people of St. Johns were to be congratulated upon the push they had displayed in tackling the project. He thought a paid man should by all means be secured, a man of experience in organizing and familiar with publicity work, who could devote his entire time and energies to promoting the interests of the club. That Portland Business Men's Association, Ad and Auto clubs should be invited out later on, and Booster buttons provided and worn by each member with the inscription "Welcome to St. Johns," or "Come to St. Johns" inscribed thereon. Had a good live club been in existence here, he believed, it would have had a fair chance of landing the Beloit plant here; that Portland did not care whether the industrial plants were located in St. Johns or in Portland, that that city would derive the same benefit if located in either place, but St. Johns would have been the great gainer had it been located here. Tonight, he said, was the first time he became aware of or realized the fact that the little city of St. Johns, right at his elbow, as it were, was numbered among the ten largest cities in Oregon, and wound up his remarks in predicting a glorious future for the St. Johns Commercial club.

George M. Hyland followed Mr. Chapman with one of the finest and most eloquent addresses ever heard in St. Johns. Mr. Hyland is a gifted orator, possessing a most pleasing voice and personality. For years he has been in publicity work, and his remarks were both interesting and instructive. Both Mr. Hyland and Mr. Chapman lent their aid and talent to the formation of the club freely, generously and cheerfully.

Mr. Chapman then stated it was time to see who was willing to join the new organization, and asked all who were willing to join to give expression to the wish. Names came in thick and fast, until about 70 had been enrolled. Others desired to give it more consideration before tendering their names. Subscriptions were then asked for and many responded spontaneously.

A feature not to be overlooked, and which was productive of much merriment, was the appearance of City Attorney A. M. Esson, gotten up to imitate an old moss back (although Mr. Highland contended that there wasn't "no such animal" since the glacial periods) with the chin feathers, alfalfa locks and all. He deprecated all proposed improvements and modern facilities, thought things were better as they used to be; didn't want to hear the noise of new industries; thought a free ferry a useless expense, declaring that the people on the opposite side of the river could stay over there and we could stay over here; that we had gotten along without it so far and could well continue to do so; thought we were getting altogether too extravagant with money, which would be better to save; that a commercial club would cause confusion, bustle and activity, when we should have peace and quiet; therefore he was persistently and unequivocally ferriest it. It is needless to state that Mr. Esson is really one of the best boosters St. Johns has.

The meeting showed what could be done in St. Johns when all decided to forget past differences and unite in pushing St. Johns to the very front row. It was truly a

revelation to those who firmly believed the people of St. Johns could not get together. That much good will come of it is assured.

A vote of thanks was tendered Messrs. Hyland and Chapman, and also to the St. Johns Band and to Sneed's Orchestra for their very efficient aid, so willingly and cheerfully tendered.

On suggestion of Mr. Chapman two citizens were selected as captains, and they in turn to select ten lieutenants to solicit for new membership. Messrs. A. C. Gesler and J. F. Hendricks were appointed as captains.

Following are the names of those who enrolled at the meeting, and it is assured that a number more will be enrolled before next week:

H. W. Bonham, A. C. Muck, F. W. Valentine, Chas. C. Woodhouse, Jr., A. W. Davis, R. F. Wilson, J. F. Hendricks, J. N. Edleson, Alex. Scales, Frank Test, Paschal Hill, J. B. Holbrook, J. F. Gillmore, J. S. McKinney, C. S. Magill, W. S. Gilmore, R. P. Douglass, E. C. Hurlbert, S. L. Dobie, C. B. Russell, F. A. Rice, Peter Autzen, P. H. Edleson, W. R. Harr, A. C. Gesler, H. L. Wright, C. R. Thompson, C. H. Boyd, A. D. Robinson, J. A. Haran, H. C. Schade, A. Sear, T. H. Cochran, A. A. Larowe, L. D. Jackson, S. W. Bugbee, M. G. Nease, F. P. Drink, R. Alsberge, C. E. Andrew, Thomas Olson, F. L. Peterson, R. McKinney, C. H. Smith, Mr. Taylor, W. S. Kellogg, Ed. S. Currier, Wm. Edmondson, C. E. Bailey, C. C. Curran, T. D. Condon, Perry C. Stroud, H. L. Nutting, W. A. Bennett, C. F. Butterfield, Rev. F. J. Kettenhofen, H. C. Pennell, C. E. Wheelock, K. C. Couch, Mr. Snyder, Thomas Autzen, H. E. Mulholland, Capt. F. E. Smith, L. H. Chambers, Thos. Carroll, F. Marion, A. W. Markle, Sumner Newell, C. H. Carter, H. S. Simmons, E. O. Learned.

The contributors to the publicity fund and the amounts they each subscribed follow:

Names	Amount per mo.
Whitwood Rock Quarry	\$10
Johnstone's Toggery	10
Portland Manufacturing Co.	10
St. Johns Water Co.	10
St. Johns Lumber Co.	10
Portland Woolen Mills	10
Peninsula Bank	10
Bonham & Currier	10
Calef Bros.	10
First National Bank	10
Chas. C. Woodhouse Jr.	10
T. D. Condon	10
C. C. Curran	5
T. H. Cochran	5
Couch & Co.	5
Capt. F. E. Smith	5
A. D. Robinson (per year)	25
McKinney & Davis	25
Peninsula Sand & G. Co.	25

The next meeting has been called for Monday evening of next week in the council chamber of the city hall.

ADDRESS OF K. C. COUCH

Ladies and Gentlemen: We have met tonight for a purpose that must appeal strongly to every man, woman and child interested in the welfare and development of St. Johns—the organization of a live and vigorous commercial club. And it is befitting that this meeting for such a beneficent purpose should be held in the auditorium of the James John High school, which building stands as a magnificent and splendid monument to the man who gave more than any and all of us to posterity in this, his beloved city—a man, who with miraculous prophetic vision foresaw to a great extent what was to come to pass in a short span of years. Were this pioneer, James John, here to meet with us tonight, his pride and satisfaction over the marvelous development and the changes time has wrought in this city of his dreams would be unbounded.

Tonight as we hark back over the vista of years since James John first set his foot upon St. Johns soil and pronounced it good, we cannot help but realize that St. Johns has indeed grown and flourished and waxed strong. While young in years it has long since doffed its swaddling clothes and today it stands at least the eighth city in Oregon in point of population. What it might have been had a good, live commercial club been organized and perpetuated from the time it began to take on metropolitan airs until the present time is more than we can know. That its growth and development would have been promoted and advanced by a strong commercial organization during the past few years cannot be denied. It gives me great pleasure tonight to know that at last a movement to form such a club has been inaugurated, backed by representative business men and private citizens, that bids fair to rival any other club of like nature in the Northwest, outside of Portland.

The time seems most propitious for launching this new organization,

The Doom of the Turk

Now the turkeys' days are numbered and he won't have long to wait. For the proclamation's issued fixing our Thanksgiving date. At the end of this November there will be a royal feast, And we'll hear a cry for turkey from the highest to the least.

There'll be pumpkin pie and fixin's down each eager throat to toss. There'll be many palate ticklers and the tart cranberry sauce, And there'll be a lot of dainties some will feel inclined to shirk, But not one of all the eaters will decline a slice of turkey.

There'll be children, mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, With the turkey on the table as the object that enchants, And if they are still as hungry as on feasting days before, They'll not stop at one good serving, but will pass their plates for more.

There'll be trouble for the carver, though he tries to do his best, When too many call for drumsticks and too many want the breast; There'll be frequent calls for "stuffing" in the most persuasive tones, And before the feast is ended there'll be nothing left but bones.

So get ready, Mr. Gobbler, and get ready, Mistress Hen, For Thanksgiving day is coming, and you'll see your finish then. Now, at last, your days are numbered, and you won't have long to wait. At the end of this November you'll be smoking on the plate.

—Theodore H. Boice.

While dissension and factional differences have been more or less rampant in this little city during years that have passed, today this to a great extent has disappeared, and our citizens apparently are more willing than ever to join hands and work together in harmony. It is true that errors have been made in this municipality. Man is prone to err, but I believe they were errors of judgment rather than of the heart. But tonight let us get together, and if we have any differences or unkindly feelings, let us bury them deeply. Man can accomplish but little individually, but collectively and with concerted effort a community can accomplish wonders.

St. Johns has reached a stage in its steady progress where the aid of a helping hand such as a good live club could furnish would be of material benefit. With the great natural advantages and resources it possesses a little push and well directed energy would prove a source of much assistance. The world at large should know of our advantages, how ideally we are situated for manufacturing and industrial institutions, our railway and marine facilities, our superb streets, our fine city dock, our excellent schools, our healthful climate and the beauties and comforts that surround and environ us. It is beyond peradventure of doubt that St. Johns is destined to become the great shipping and manufacturing port of the Northwest. It is bound to come in time, but the time can be hastened through the offices of a strong commercial club, such as I have reason to believe this new organization will become.

Good Entertainment

"The Strollers" provided fine entertainment and amusement at the St. Johns High auditorium last Saturday evening. It was the first number of the Lyceum Course of five numbers, and in spite of the inclement weather was well attended. Harry Longstreet, one of the quartet, was a whole show in himself, his humorous readings being greeted with great applause. David Whitehead proved himself a finished violinist, while Hayden Thomas and Alfred Humfeld rendered pleasing solos. The Strollers first appeared in evening dress, and then in Scottish costume and finally as sailor boys. The entertainment throughout was most pleasing and well received by the appreciative audience.

FIENDISH PAIN OF PILES

Done away with by a pleasant internal medicine.

All the worst tortures of human life, rolled into one, can hardly compare with the fiendish pain of piles. The victim eagerly buys anything that will bring a moment's ease, but the trouble usually comes back. Get HEM-ROID—a scientific inward pile cure, that frees the stagnant blood and dries up the piles. HEM-ROID (tablets), sold by St. Johns Pharmacy and all druggists, under guaranty. Dr. Leonhardt Co., Station B, Buffalo, N. Y. Write for booklet.

Word comes from Graceville, Minn., that R. W. McKeon had the misfortune to break his arm while cranking up an automobile last week. While with his many friends we sympathize with him in his hard luck, yet we are constrained to remark that if "Bill" had stuck to the printing business there would not have been the slightest danger of meeting such an accident in that employment. Just a glance at autos as they pass in the street is as near as a printer ever gets to them.

Council Proceedings

All members surrounded the board at the regular session of the city council Tuesday night, with Mayor Couch presiding as usual.

The first matter taken up was a petition for the improvement of Gresham street from Buchanan to the south city limits. As there was some question as to whether the property would stand for the improvement, matter was referred to the street committee for investigation.

Chas. C. Barhite asked that his saloon license be transferred to James Mallon and H. C. Brazee. Upon the recommendation of the liquor license committee the request was granted.

Robinson & Foster, contractors, asked for extension of 60 days time on the improvement of Crawford and Tioga streets, claiming that unfavorable weather had interfered with completing the contracts on time. Granted in both instances on motions of Aldermen Valentine and Hill, respectively, all yes.

A number of property owners interested objected to the viewer's report on the proposed opening of Bradford and Crawford streets. The reports and remonstrances were held over for two weeks in order to give the date time to make a full investigation of conditions.

A remonstrance signed by Geo. M. Hall, A. D. McDonald, M. F. Lov, et al., threatened council that they would not pay their assessments upon the Jersey street improvement in its present condition, and warned council against issuing warrants against same. The Solons thought the remonstrators had become unduly excited, that there was no intention on the part of the council to make assessment against the property until the work had been completed satisfactorily; that the street was accepted only to open it to traffic; that they did not believe the contractors would ask for payment until they had shown a better street. Alderman Hill stated that while he had been one of Westrumite's staunchest supporters, he would be the last to vote for payment until it was a good street, and that the property owners had no cause for alarm.

The following bills were allowed on motion of Alderman Muck:

B. J. Simmons, \$22.50; Henry A. Harrar, \$45; Wm. S. Skans, \$15; Thurston Jonson, \$30; E. W. McLean, \$30; D. J. Horsman, \$25; total \$167.50.

A resolution providing for a special election to be held Dec. 5th for the purpose of ratifying the ferry bonds was adopted on motion of Alderman Muck.

G. W. Bates & Co. and the First National Bank of St. Johns were bidders on \$25,500 worth of improvement bonds. On motion of Alderman Muck they were awarded to the latter; all yes.

Bids for the improvement of Newton street were read, as follows: C. E. Wheelock, \$4,391.91; P. J. Peterson & Co., \$4,462.90; Peninsula Sand & Gravel Co., \$4,106.77; T. H. Cochran, \$4,138.10. The Peninsula Sand & Gravel Co. being the lowest bidders, the contract was so awarded.

Baltimore street bids: Knowles & Nelse, \$2,383.80; T. H. Cochran, \$2,190.02; Peterson & Co., \$2,587.84; Bid awarded to T. H. Cochran.

Alderman Perrine asked that a lease be entered into with the St. Johns Lumber Co. for use of portions of Bradford and John streets, and the city attorney agreed to have a lease ready to submit to council next week.

The city engineer submitted a profile of a roadway from Williamette boulevard to the dry dock. The draft showed a six per cent. grade and a most pleasing route. The engineer and street committee were directed to confer with Mr. A. M. Stearns, a portion of whose land would be affected, and ascertain if the roadway could not be pushed through as profiled.

Hood River and Albany have held their apple fairs and are ready to show their prize winners at the Oregon apple show in Portland November 15-18. Both fruit displays were a credit to the two apple centers and they will be heard from when the prizes are awarded at Portland. Preparations are complete for this event and it promises to be the best exhibit yet held by the state horticultural society.

\$14.80 to Spokane and return, Nov. 22 and 23, 1911, via the North Bank Road for the National Apple Show. The tickets are good for return until December 2. Visit the greatest apple show in the world and enjoy the E-KAN-OPS carnival.—O. M. Cornell, agent.

High Class Pictures

Thrilling and exciting scenes were depicted in the most thrilling and exciting manner at the Multnomah theatre Monday and Tuesday when "The Battle," and "Lost in the Jungles," were presented. That Fred is a capable manager is not only shown by the high class pictures presented, but also by the way they are shown on the screen and the general management of the theatre.

Special arrangements are made with the General Film Co. of Portland for each program, and many supreme feature photoplays are being presented at each change of program.

Mr. Pelletier, a high class singer, offers the best in ballad, and Shantland and assistant in music and effects.

Philathea Class

Last Sunday, Nov. 12, a fine large class of young ladies assembled in the class room of the First Baptist church for the purpose of studying the Sunday school lesson.

The class meets every Sunday morning at 10 a. m. at the church and it is urgently requested that all young ladies attend these meetings. Come girls and help us get a larger attendance than the Baraca's have so that we get to keep the classroom again for next month.

For the benefit of those who have no quarterly you will find the lesson in the book of Ezra, 8th chapter 15-36 verses.—Mrs. W. T. Ford, reporter.

Building Permits

No. 96—To F. E. Smith to erect a garage on New York street between Fessenden street and St. Johns avenue, cost \$250.

No. 97—To L. N. Coffin to erect a dwelling on Buchanan street between Fessenden and Seneca; cost \$1650.

Must Be Sold

A fine, new modern nine-room house, three blocks from car line, only ten minutes walk from center of town. To buy the ground 100x100 feet and build now will cost \$4500. A rare opportunity for a home, or as an investment as it can be bought NOW for the cost of the house alone.—A. B. Powers, Linton, Ore. R. F. D.

J. H. Johnstone of the Toggery has leased the rooms now occupied by Lang & Co. Elite millinery and what was formerly Gammell's pool hall in the Holbrook building, and will take possession of the whole the first of January. It is his intention to place therein a mammoth stock of goods, making it the largest and most up-to-date establishment in the City. The room will be thoroughly overhauled and remodeled. French plate glass will be used in the front, besides other modern improvements. A huge electric sign will also be placed at the building.

Capt. G. H. Dunbar, late commander of the United States Dredger Chinook was in the city Monday bidding old friends good bye, preparatory to leaving for an indefinite stay at his old home in North Castine, Maine. Captain Dunbar was a careful, painstaking, efficient officer, and the big dredger did fine work under his command. His many friends here sincerely wish him a pleasant trip and hope that he may soon return.

A special committee of the Portland commercial club is boosting flax culture with the hope of building up an industry in this state. A meeting was held during the week and considerable progress is being made. Investigations have shown that flax of exceptionally long fibre can be grown here and all facilities are favorable for linen manufacture.

The St. Johns Dairy Produce Co. at 206 North Jersey, is now better able than ever to supply the wants of their patrons. Come and see. Telephone Col. 194. 52-3

Good second hand safe for sale cheap at H. F. Clark's, the furniture man.

The funeral of Rudolph Kerner at Portland Sunday was largely attended by St. Johns friends.