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At the end of an old year it is always fitting that we retrospect and review the happenings of the year that has gone to ascertain if our community has progressed or retrograded, or merely held its own. We find that St. Johns has forged ahead at a rapid rate during 1911. More street improvement and of a better quality was accomplished the past year than in any two years of its previous history. About twenty miles of streets were improved and five miles of sewers laid. We find that 88 new residences were constructed which, in proportion to population, is more than were built in the busy city of Portland. The postoffice receipts showed a steady gain every month in the year over corresponding months in 1910. All the industries ran steadily throughout the year, while in some instances the number of employes have been increased. There was no boom at any time, but a constant, steady, healthy progress. Certainly the people of St. Johns have reason to feel well satisfied with the progress made by this the seventh city in Oregon in point of population, and second in manufacturing.

Council Proceedings

All members were present at the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday night with the exception of Councilman Hill.

The first matter taken up was a petition for an arc light at the corner of North Edison and New York streets. Referred to the water and light committee by the mayor.

Bills to the amount of \$158.10 were allowed on motion of Alderman Perrine; all yes.

It was decided to accept the improvement of Crawford street, after the contractor had obligated himself to supply several yards of rock lacking in the spring. The woolen mills company claimed the opening of this street at this time was absolutely essential to the operation of its plant.

Soc. Perrine told of a visit to his home of Senator Gaylord of Wisconsin, and in discussing the subject of street surfacing the senator informed him that it had been discovered that there was no patent nor could there be one on what is known as bitulithic hard surface; that there was a patent or copyright on the name, but not on the product; that any city could use the composition without fear of infringement. Mr. Perrine stated that he had sent for authentic data, which might prove of some benefit to this city.

Bids on the improvement of S. Gresham between Ida and Buchanan streets were opened, as follows: M. T. Swan, \$3,382.19; Knowles & Kaunse, \$2,879.80; Peterson & Co., \$3,168.60; Allen & Williams, T. H. Cochran, \$3,040.03; C. E. Wheelock, \$3,043.60; Peninsula Sand & Gravel Co., \$3,189.25. Referred to the engineer for report next week.

Councilman Bredeson then registered a protest against the five per cent for engineering and printing imposed on improved property, believing it unjust and unequal for. Mayor Couch believed that the cost of improving cross sections of streets should come out of the general fund. Soc. Perrine contended that all streets should be improved out of the general fund. As the charter would have to be amended to effect these changes, the attorney was requested to render an opinion on the feasibility of either plan, and whether the city could take the bonding act in these instances.

An opinion of the city attorney stated that the Woodhouse building on Philadelphia street was eligible for saloon purposes, according to the statutes. What or who called forth the opinion was not divulged. On motion of Alderman Muck the document was laid on the table.

Soc. Perrine took occasion to disagree with the attorney's opinion recently rendered on street improvement, and where more than one street is involved decided the assessment could go to 100 per cent without a waiver. Mr. Perrine could not construe the charter in this light. He also wanted action taken on correcting a discrepancy in the rock crusher lease, and was very emphatic in demanding that a lease be at once entered into with the St. Johns Lumber company for use of streets. Matter was held over for one week.

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Well Recommended

B. F. Crawshaw, who was last week elected as publicity man for the St. Johns Commercial Club, comes to this city highly recommended as a capable, dependable and wide-awake gentleman. He takes the position without a contract, and, therefore, has confidence to believe that he can make good here. It is up to every member of the club to extend to him the glad hand, and aid as far as possible in making his work a success. From a number of high testimonials, we select one by A. W. Norblad, attorney at law of Astoria, from which port Mr. Crawshaw hails. It will give the people of St. Johns an idea of the kind of man the new publicity promoter is, and what may be expected of him:

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 20, 1911.
To the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, St. Johns, Oregon.

Gentlemen: I understand that Mr. B. F. Crawshaw of this city filed an application with you for the position of secretary of your organization. It gives me great pleasure to testify to the value and ability of Mr. Crawshaw. For six months I was temporary chairman of the local Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Crawshaw succeeded me and I then became president and remained in that position during an entire year when Mr. Crawshaw was secretary so that I came in contact with him a great deal and am thoroughly familiar with his work and the kind he can do and I know fully what he can accomplish.

In the first place Mr. Crawshaw more than doubled the membership since he has been in office and the volume of work he has done is really remarkable. I was engaged actively in the law practise when I was secretary so that I could not give only a portion of my time to the work and consequently a great deal of the work fell to his lot upon his assuming office. It was but a very short time before it faded away and then he started a crusade for new members with the success suggested. He has given unsparingly of his time and any number of evenings I have found him at his desk. His work is logical and he knows just how to go about it. Before I came west I had been engaged in Chamber of Commerce work in two large cities there, so that I know when this work is right.

Mr. Crawshaw is a man of mature judgment, intellectual, courteous, energetic and thoroughly at home in any line of development and promotion work. He is one of the best public speakers we have here, is original in thought and a splendid writer and worker. In fact I cannot say too much for him and he merits everything I say and what I do say is not out of pure regard for the man, much as I regard him, but the actual fact.

In my opinion he meets every requirement of a live, up-to-date C. of C. secretary.

Personally I should regret very much to see him leave here and I know my organization would lose a valuable man, but you will be fortunate in securing his services and as long as Oregon retains him that is some satisfaction.

With the very best wishes for the future success of the organization I am, Yours very sincerely,
A. W. Norblad.

A Surprise Party

A very pleasant surprise party was given in honor of Ed Westhefer's 20th birthday, Monday, Dec. 25, 1911, by his sister, Viola Westhefer. Those present were Misses Viola Westhefer, Veva Bean, Catharine and Hazel Gensman, Vina Swan, Benlah Beam, Rosa Swan, Edna Greene, Martha Harper; Messrs. Ed Westhefer, Frank Knowles, Elfrid Wikberg, Henry Walker, Roy Gagnon, Ben Swan, Raymond Dregger, Lester Emerson, Bill Louis, Fred Martlette. Refreshments of cream candy, wafers and punch were served and a good time enjoyed by most, if not all who were present.

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New Year Receptions

The showing that can be made with but little effort was never more fully demonstrated than upon New Year's day. Several of our business firms decided to hold little receptions on that day and be at home to their friends. Announcements to this effect were sent out. The result was far beyond the expectations of the most optimistic. Cafe Bros secured the services of Perrine's Orchestra and gave beautiful plates as souvenirs. Mr. Gesler procured 400 plates, which he believed would prove ample to provide each caller with one. This was a sad mistake, for inside of an hour or so every plate was gone and people were still coming in in big throngs. He took the names, however, of those who failed to get souvenirs which they will receive when a new shipment arrives. At Bonham & Currier's the crowd was just as dense. Here a couple of demonstrators proved the merits of M. & J. coffee and Towles syrup and biscuit, and many there were who sampled the delicious combination. A splendid pianola furnished music and handsome calendars were presented to the visitors. At the St. Johns Pharmacy the crowd was large all afternoon. The supply of costly art calendars provided for the occasion were soon exhausted by the unprecedented gatherings, and it became necessary to close up shop for a short while in order to replenish the supply. Music was furnished by the latest improved hornless phonographs. At the St. Johns Furniture store great interest centered by reason that \$40 worth of prizes were given away. The Sined Orchestra furnished music at this store. Several other business places kept open houses for a time. It is estimated that 1500 people surged from one store to the other, and the streets presented a most animated appearance all afternoon. The music rendered at all the stores was of the highest order and greatly appreciated by the multitude of visitors. The various receptions were a rare treat to the people. It gave them an opportunity to meet and greet one another, and establish closer relationship between business man and patron. Such an outpouring of people was entirely unexpected, but the surprise was altogether agreeable, and furnishes a basis for the business men to plan and prepare for their receptions the first of next year.

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Who Got The Goose

Our readers will remember the wail that went up last week from the police department over the loss of a certain goose which the worthy chief had acquired possession of and had cultivated and fed and curried and bedded down and exercised until it was in the pink of condition to prepare for the festal board.

One feature of the case, however, was not touched upon. How did the noble chief secure, procure or acquire the aforesaid goose? He has no goose factory, none of the paraphernalia necessary for the development, nourishment and maintenance of embryotic geese. Then if he did not propagate and grow the late lamented goose, did he invoke the power of the law with which he is clothed (and sundry blue clothes and brass buttons, to be exact) and arrest the has been goose for exceeding the speed limit, or for driving on the sidewalk, or was it for violating the curfew ordinance? The chief may not keep a prisoner thus but said prisoner becomes the property of the city until such time as the case is disposed of. It might be well to investigate this point.

Yet another feature that promises sensational developments is being injected into the case. A good friend of the chief informs us, on the quiet, that a friend of his who is in the habit of being out late at nights, has been regaling him with divers and sundry, luscious, sumptuous, greasy stories of the fat, tender and altogether delectable goose which he tapped at his Christmas dinner, and upon which he has since been feeding until he is becoming as oily as the tongue of a soap box orator. The writer does not mean to insinuate that George purloined the chief's goose, or that he feloniously acquired possession of the same, but the two incidents coinciding so exactly, the chief's empty Christmas platter, George's week-long feasting on the juicy fatness of his Christmas goose particularly when the neighbors and Richmond have no recollections of hearing the flutlike warblings of any goose about George's home, are strikingly suggestive. But we should let the mantle of charity shield our neighbor. The goose might have strayed from the domicile of the chief in the night, and his eagle eye alighting on George, after having been stall fed so long would be sure to follow anything of the color of bright alfalfa, and being ravenous for fresh feed, might have viciously assaulted George, who, in self defense would have to kill it. Not knowing to whom it belonged of course, to prevent it from spoiling, he naturally would eat it. No, "Bull," we hardly think George stole the chief's goose. Anyway George says he didn't have any goose at all, it was a gander. xxx

Letter from A. T. Bolden

Coquille, Ore., Dec. 28, 1911.

Editor Review: It has been 50 long since I wrote that maybe a short letter from this isolated region might be of interest to many of your readers. We look for the day to come that brings our St. Johns Review to us and we devour every line with avidity. Am well pleased with outlook for lower peninsula and am more than pleased to see such a large push club and such unanimity with all, to see that St. Johns' end of Portland shall not be behind in making Portland what she is surely to be, the first city on the Pacific coast. I have been so busy that I can hardly snatch time to write even a short letter, and when I tell you that during the month just closed I wrote up 47 men and led the state of Oregon for my company, the Continental Casualty Co., and while I may differ from some of my neighbors in St. Johns on politics, religion, annexation or consolidation yet your readers, and my friends must acknowledge that I have some claims as to being a hustler and loyal to any cause I may espouse.

Railroad is all the talk down here and business still continues to be good. The many logging camps of South Powder Logging Co. together with their large mill at Marshfield runs every day. The second trial of Frank Garrison, the murderer of Roy Perkins, came off

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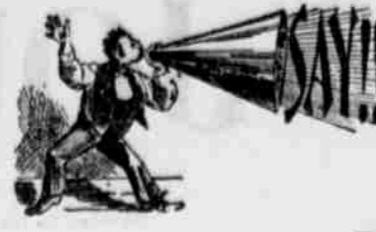
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here last week in Coquille resulting in a second verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, and unless Governor West interposes his reprieve to life imprisonment, will hang in Salem some time in the near future. However, as the Governor has gone on record already on that subject, Frank Garrison, like Webb, will escape the necktie party.

It is snowing here today and the ground is white, and for fear of tiring your readers and filling too much space in your always welcome paper and wishing all a happy and prosperous new year, I am, as ever,
A. T. Bolden.

The Library

Open Hours: 1:00 to 5:30 and 7:00 to 9:30 p. m.
Sundays: 1:30 to 5:30

Report for the month of Dec. 1911
Fiction circulated.....1450
Non-fiction circulated.....1255
Number of books circulated.....2805
Per cent of fiction.....51
Attendance—adult.....1998
Total juvenile.....1688
Applications for new cards—adults.....3086
juvenile.....49
Total number of applications.....70

That the growth of the library is a steady one is shown by the statistics for December. Libraries always expect a falling off of patronage during the Christmas month, when everyone is getting ready for the holiday season. Nevertheless, the St. Johns branch shows again an increase in both circulation and attendance over any previous month.

The Engineering News, a weekly journal of civil, mechanical, mining and electrical engineering.

Scribner's magazine will run a new serial by the author of "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" and "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," during the year.

Interesting articles in the library January magazines:

Century: New records of Napoleon by British officers at St. Helena; Tripoli, as an American sees it.—Richard Morton; The American Undergraduate.—C. S. Cooper.

McClure's: How Burns caught the Dynamiters.—Burns; A New Conscience and an Ancient Evil.—Jane Addams; Stories by John Fleming Wilson, Alexander Irvine, and Owen Johnson.

Outing: What it Costs to Run an Automobile.—John Earle; The Ranch.—Stewart Edward White; Rhode Island Red, a Rising Poultry Breed.—Arthur S. Wheeler.

Garden Magazine: Pruning Dormant Fruit Trees.—W. H. Jenkins; Planning the Garden.—Thos. J. Sneed; An Interesting Family of House Ferns.—Leonard Banou.

World's Work: A City With a General Manager.—Henry Vincent; Pensions, Worse and More of Them.—Chas. Francis Adams.

Outlook: The Russian Treaty.—Theodore Roosevelt; A story by Tolstol.

Scribner: The Sheep of the Desert.—Kermit Roosevelt; Labor Exchanges in Germany.—Elmer Roberts.

Bargains:--

In taking inventory, we discovered we are overstocked on some lines, so, in order to cut down our stock, we are cutting prices to the quick until sold.

Some Cuts

Regular \$4.00 Oil Heaters.....	Sale price \$3.35
" 8.00 Coal ".....	" " 5.50
" 14.00 " ".....	" " 11.00
" 7.50 Wood ".....	" " 5.65
" 11.75 " ".....	" " 9.00
" 2.25 No. 12 Tesston Hand Saw sale ".....	1.85
" 1.85 No. 36 18 inch Level, Sale ".....	1.60
" 3.75 No. 8 Bailey Plane.....	" " 3.25
" .75 Block Planes.....	" " .45

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- Councilmen Second Ward**
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