

THE ST. JOHNS REVIEW

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The Telegram sarcastically refers to the ferry boat James John as an "ancient craft." The fact of the matter is that this boat is, we believe, the newest one on the river. It is ancient the other boats must bear the letters B. C. instead of A. D. along their sky line.

The article clipped from the Telegram and appearing on first page of this paper relative to the Conservatory of Music appears to be grossly overdrawn. Mr. Peterson has many friends in St. Johns who resent the imputations cast upon his ability as a musician. The Conservatory has been started here for the purpose of furnishing musical instruction at a nominal cost, and while the instruments for instruction may not be the highest priced, yet they are serviceable. The parents, however, had a right to kick if agreements were not lived up to, but we can scarcely credit that they resorted to the knocking accredited to them in the Telegram. A conservatory of music is needed here, and it is hoped that the differences may be adjusted in a manner mutually agreeable.

The fact that St. Johns will soon have a free ferry is pleasing to all our citizens. The generosity of the county authorities is as gratifying as it was unexpected. The best that was hoped for was that the county would operate the boat and the city of St. Johns pay for its lease. But the county has gone the full length and assumes the burden of all expense. This concession of the county court will not be forgotten by our citizens and its action is viewed with the utmost favor. It is also evidence of what a determined body of citizens may accomplish when they unite upon a proposition. The free ferry will prove a new incentive to business in St. Johns, and this artery of trade, so suddenly cut off, will be cemented together and grow larger and stronger as time goes on.

We have never very ardently supported free mail delivery at St. Johns at this time. Our chief objection to it is that St. Johns would only be a sub station to Portland. It would lose its identity. All letters and mailing matter would have to be addressed to "St. Johns, Portland, Oregon." Of course, if annexation takes place this objection would be removed. There is a strong movement, however, on foot to bring immediate and energetic influence to bear upon United States Senators and Representatives in Congress to persuade them to work and vote for legislation extended the mail delivery carrier service to all towns having 1000 or more inhabitants. This would do away with the sub station proposition so far as St. Johns is concerned, and there is reason to believe that such a law will come to pass in the near future.

The first word a child utters is apt to be "Mother" and the old man in his dying dream calls "Mother!" It matters not whether she was brought up in the surroundings of a city and in affluent home, and was dressed appropriately with reference to the demands of modern life, or whether she wore the old time cap and great round spectacles and apron of her own make, and knitted socks with her own needles, seated by the board fireplace, with great black legs ablaze on a winter night. It matters not how many wrinkles crossed and recrossed her face, or how much her shoulders stooped with the burdens of a long life, if you painted a Madonna here would be the face. What a gentle hand she had when we were sick, and what a voice to soothe pain, and was there any one who could so fill up a room with peace and purity and light? And what sad day that was when we came home and she could greet us not, for her lips were forever still.

President Taft is a wonderful theorist. In his last message to congress he recommended that the government construct a railroad to Alaska to connect with coal mines there. Then he recommended that the railroad be leased. He further recommended that the coal mines of Alaska be leased after the railroad has been built. Thus causing the people to pay more to ride and for freight on the railroad and pay more money for their coal than if the government operated both utilities. On top of it all President Taft now recommends that a session of the National congress be called to investigate the high price of living. First he recommends that railroad fare and coal in Alaska be increased, which causing practically means, and then recommends that an investigation be made on the cost of living. If the government can build railroads it can also operate them, and by the same token, operate coal mines.

High School Notes

Exams are now over and school has begun anew. Each student has acquired more energy and has gone to work with a will.

The High school library was closed during the two days preceding examinations. The bookworms will, no doubt, rejoice at its reopening.

The James John basket ball boys met defeat by 13 points at Vancouver, at the hands of the Vancouver High school basket ball team. Friday evening last. The boys did not bear off the laurels, they did some splendid playing, and we are proud of them. There is one thing about James John boys, when they meet defeat you imagine them victors, for they are a set of "jolly good fellows."

To have been around the school Friday morning, February 2, one might have thought it a New Year's celebration, for the resolutions that were being made. There were students here, there and everywhere resolving to do better and more conscientious work this semester. In all probability the oil can will suffer if these resolutions are carried out. Generally, however, the oil can leaks at the end of the term. There is a reason for oil burning in cold weather but "Crammer" beware, there is no excuse in June.

The Rhetorical Division No. 1 gave their program January 26, and it is now up to the Erodolophians to establish a higher standard.

Miss Vida Evans, who has been attending Washington High school in Portland has, returned to attend James John High. We trust she will be with us permanently hereafter.

The student body deems it exceedingly unwise to take the faculty as chaperones to any more basket ball games. At any rate we must never take take Die Deutsche Dame.

A number of "freshmen" students entered James John High from the grades Friday morning. They are certainly very welcome and that all success may attend their four-year course within our walls is the wish of all the other members of the High school. They are cordially invited to help us in chorus work, to join our literary circles and to help us in every way in our endeavor to build up James John High.

Let every one work as though the standard of our school depended upon what you make it by your individual work.

If you have a hammer, don't knock, build with it. We are glad to note that some three new members have been added to our High school from the outside. Those coming in are Hazel Nutting, Gabriel Marquit, Albert Wrinkle and Gladys Palmer.

The High school auditorium was filled to overflowing with the crowd that gathered to hear Opie Read on Monday evening, February 4th. The evening was spent in listening to an imaginary address given by one of Mr. Read's famous characters, Mr. Jucklin, who brought his audience from the height of humor to the depths of stern reality. The applause with which the well known author was received, and which was resumed at different intervals, showed the appreciation of his audience.

Methodist Church Notes

Clarence True Wilson of Chicago had a good hearing on the temperance question last Sunday. The speaker wore in the story of rebuilding Jerusalem as a background and outline for his address. Jerusalem was the seat of government, the real headquarters of the Hebrew nation. A wall about that city sufficiently strong to protect meant ultimate security against their foes. So in the temperance question the nation itself must have a law that will reach the very heart of the liquor traffic. The "Local Option" laws are good up to the limit of their strength, but a "wet law with a wet administration makes things wet, while a dry law with a wet administration makes things damp." Mr. Wilson holds that the ultimate success of all dry laws rests with the attitude of the nation to the traffic.

On Sunday morning the pastor will give the first of a series of sermons on "Christian Service," the first theme, "High Ground Protection for the Valley."

A beautiful girl is very likely to believe she was made to be looked at; and so she sets herself up for a show at every window, in every door, on every corner of the street, in every company at which opportunity offers for an exhibition of herself. And believing and acting thus she soon becomes good for nothing else, and when she comes to be a middle-aged woman she is that weakest and most sickening of human things—a faded beauty.—Ex.

A fool drinks when he is not thirsty, and some men when they are thirsty drink until they are fools. It seems man is bound to make a fool of himself.

We generally find that for which we are looking, especially if we are looking for trouble.

Stories of Success

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Notice of Cost of Improvement

Notice is hereby given that the assessment for the improvement of Baltimore street from Edison street to Bradford street, the total cost of which is \$1,577.92, was declared by Ordinance No. 456, entitled "An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Baltimore street from Edison street to Bradford street in the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and assessing the property benefited thereby, declaring such assessment and directing the entry of the same in the docket of city liens."

The cost of said improvement is levied upon all the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land within the boundaries of the district, as follows: Between the southerly line of Edison street and the northerly line of Bradford street. A statement of said assessment has been entered in the docket of city liens February 7, 1912, and said assessment is now due and payable at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and will be delinquent and bear interest after February 17th, 1912, and if not paid on or before March 17, 1912, proceedings will be taken for the collection of the same by sale of property as provided by the city charter.

F. A. RICE, City Recorder.
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Notice of Cost of Improvement

Notice is hereby given that the assessment for the improvement of Baltimore street from Edison street to Jersey street, the total cost of which is \$2,456.87, was declared by Ordinance No. 455, entitled "An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Baltimore street between Edison street and Jersey street in the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and assessing the property benefited thereby, declaring such assessment and directing the entry of the same in the docket of city liens."

The cost of said improvement is levied upon all the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land within the boundaries of the district described as follows: Between the northerly side of Edison street and the westerly side of Jersey street. A statement of said assessment has been entered in the docket of city liens February 7, 1912, and said assessment is now due and payable at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and will be delinquent and bear interest after Feb. 17th, 1912, and if not paid on or before March 17, 1912, proceedings will be taken for the collection of the same by sale of property as provided by the city charter.

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ORDINANCE NO. 456

An Ordinance Declaring the Cost of Improving Baltimore Street Between Edison Street and Bradford Street in the City of St. Johns, Oregon, and Assessing the Property Benefited Thereby, Declaring Such Assessment and Directing the Entry of the Same in the Docket of City Liens.

The city of St. Johns does ordain as follows:

That the council has considered the proposed assessment for improving Baltimore street between Edison street and Bradford street, in the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and all objections made thereto, and hereby ascertains, determines and declares the whole cost of said improvement in manner provided by Ordinance No. 424 to be the sum of \$1,577.92, and that the special and peculiar benefits accruing to each lot or part thereof or parcel of land within the assessment district, by reason of said improvement and in just proportion to such benefits, are in the respective amounts set opposite the number or description of each lot or part thereof or parcel of land in the following annexed assessment roll, which is hereby adopted and approved as the assessment for said improvement, and the recorder of the city of St. Johns is directed to enter a statement of the assessment hereby made in the docket of city liens, and cause notice thereof to be published as provided by charter, which assessment is as follows:

Lot Block Addition Amt.
2.....4.....James Johns.....123.65
3.....".....".....123.65
1.....".....".....123.65
4.....".....".....123.65
1.....".....".....123.65
2SW1.....".....".....43.28
2SW2.....".....".....60.37
3SW1.....".....".....43.28
3SW2.....".....".....60.37
2.....".....".....128.52
3SW1.....".....".....45.78
3SW2.....".....".....82.87
.....".....".....128.65
.....".....".....128.65
Crawford street vacated to Woolen Mills.....74.13

Passed by the council this 6th day of February, 1912.
Approved by the mayor this 6th day of February, 1912.

K. C. COUCH, Mayor.
Attest: F. A. RICE, Recorder.

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RESOLUTION

It is resolved by the city of St. Johns: That it deems it expedient and necessary to improve the street from Edison street to the westerly line of Buchanan street to the southeasterly city limits, in the city of St. Johns in the following manner, to wit: By grading said portion of said street to subgrade as now established, on each side of said street, for a width of sixteen feet abutting the curb, and by laying thereon a concrete pavement six inches thick. Said work to be done according to the plans and specifications of the city engineer on file in the office of the city recorder relative thereto, which said plans and specifications and estimates are satisfactory and are hereby approved. Said improvements to be made in accordance with the charter and ordinances of the city of St. Johns, and under the supervision and direction of the city engineer.

That the cost of said improvement to be assessed as provided by the city charter, and the property especially and particularly benefited thereby, and which is hereby declared to be all of lots, parts of lots, blocks and parcels of land between the termini of such improvements abutting upon, adjacent or proximate to said Fessenden street in equal proportion to each lot abutting thereon from the marginal lines of said street back to the center of the block or blocks or tracts of land abutting thereon or proximate thereto.

That all the property included in said improvement district aforesaid is hereby declared to be Local Improvement District No. 77.

That the city engineer's assessment of the probable total cost of said improvement of said street is \$10,540.96.

That the cost of said improvement is to be assessed against the property in said local assessment district as provided by the city charter of St. Johns.

Adopted the 6th day of February, 1912.

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RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Mayor of the City of St. Johns, Oregon, to Execute a Contract for and in Behalf of Said City to and With the County Court of Multnomah County, Oregon, Conditioned: That the Said Court Shall Operate the Ferry Boat "James John" Across the Willamette River at St. Johns Free to the Public, Which Operation Shall Begin on or About the Fifteenth Day of February, 1912, and Continue Till Such Times as the Ferry Boat Now Building by Said County Shall be Placed in Commission, on Such Terms as Shall be Most Advantageous to the Public and the Said County Court; and Binding the Said City of St. Johns to Indemnify and Save Harmless the Said County Court From Costs or Other Damages Resulting From Boiler Explosion or Other Accident Due to Inherent Defects in the Said Ferry Boat, "James John."

It is resolved by the city of St. Johns, Oregon:

That, whereas, under the provisions of chapter 15 of general laws of Oregon as enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon in the year 1911, the county court of Multnomah county, Oregon, is directed under certain conditions therein imposed on the city of St. Johns, which said conditions have been fully met by the said city, to acquire and operate a free ferry on the Willamette river at St. Johns; and, whereas, under the said provisions of the said law, the said county court is now building a ferry boat to be operated as in said law described; that in the usual course of construction said new ferry boat cannot be placed in commission sooner than about May 15th, 1912; and, whereas, the public service demands that a substitute boat be at once placed in commission; and, whereas, the said county court has signified its willingness to operate as a substitute boat the ferry boat, "James John," owned by the St. Johns Transportation company, provided the city of St. Johns assume the risk of boiler explosion or other accident due to inherent defects of said boat.

Therefore, be it further resolved by the city of St. Johns, that the mayor of said city be, and he is hereby, authorized, directed and required to forthwith execute a contract for and in behalf of said city to and with the said county court of said Multnomah county, Oregon, binding the said city of St. Johns, Oregon, to indemnify and save harmless the said county court of said Multnomah county, Oregon, from loss, costs or other damages resulting from boiler explosion or other accident due to inherent defects in the said ferry boat, "James John."

Adopted by the council of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, in regular session assembled this 6th day of February, 1912.

F. A. RICE, Recorder.
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RESOLUTION

It is resolved by the city of St. Johns, Multnomah county, Oregon:

That, whereas, it appears to this council that to enable it to proceed with the petition for improvement of Fessenden street from Buchanan street to the southeasterly city limits with hard surface improvement, that it will be necessary for property owners interested, or others, to provide for the payment of the amount of cost of said work over and above that provided for and lawfully assessable under the city charter; and,

Whereas, the Holbrook Investment company, a corporation, and one of the petitioners for said improvement and being one of the principal owners of the property to be assessed for said work, and having full knowledge of all the facts, on the 18th day of January, 1912, file in the office of the city recorder of the city of St. Johns an agreement in writing binding said Holbrook Investment company to assume and pay all cost of said improvement of said portion of Fessenden street in excess of amount lawfully assessable under the city charter;

Wherefore, said promise and agreement is hereby accepted by the city of St. Johns as consideration for the making of said improvement during the year 1912, and the city recorder is hereby directed at the proper time to notify said obligors of the amount due under this agreement.

Adopted by the council February 6th, 1912.

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