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Don't Neglect to Vote for D. C. Lewis

Mr. Lewis is a resident of St. Johns, and, naturally, he would feel inclined to do more for St. Johns than any other representative residing in some other locality. It must be remembered that the sole reason that we now have a free ferry was because a St. Johns man was in the house of representatives. There may be other things we will want. Therefore vote for Mr. Lewis. He is an attorney, and a particularly shrewd one. A vote for Lewis means a vote for St. Johns.

May Get Regatta

Prospects are quite bright for St. Johns securing the regatta to be held during the Elks' convention in July. On account of the bridges and the crooked channel and congested condition of the water front in Portland, regattas held there have been most unsatisfactory. Without doubt St. Johns is better adapted for holding the motor boat races than any other place on the river in close proximity to Portland. The motor club, having the matter in charge, fully realize this, and intimations have been made that St. Johns can secure this magnificent feature, provided it will help in a financial way. Costly prizes will be offered so as to attract the boatmen from all over the continent, and it takes money to do this. Possibly \$500 will be required of St. Johns to land the attraction. It might get it any way, but the assurance is not so great. It is estimated that fully 75,000 Elks will attend the convention, besides their friends and other visitors who will take advantage of the low railroad rates to see the great Northwest. H. C. McAllister, who has charge of the convention details, states that 30,000 Elks may be counted upon to come to St. Johns provided that the regatta is secured. Enormous crowds of other visitors and people from Portland will also attend, swelling the number of visitors to possibly 50,000. One thousand autos will be at the disposal of the Elks, which with the street cars on both sides of the river, railroads and numerous watercraft, the visitors can easily be conveyed to St. Johns and return. When Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, holds regattas, they are pulled off at McKeesport, which is about the same distance from Pittsburgh that St. Johns is from Portland. This fact has helped McKeesport immensely, and will do the same for St. Johns. The immense amount of advertising that would accrue to St. Johns if the attraction takes place here would be worth thousands of dollars. This regatta is to be one of the star features of the convention, and motor boats from as far east as New York city are expected to participate, and will be the most magnificent event that has ever occurred north of San Francisco.

A committee from the Commercial club will interest itself in the matter and make all arrangements for the regatta, if it is possible to secure it. If it takes money to secure it, the money will be well spent. A couple of years ago this city raised \$500 for a float in the Rose carnival, and this event would be worth a thousand times more.

A Clean City

Cleanup Day was generally observed in St. Johns last Saturday. The whole community seemed to enter into the spirit of the movement, and with one accord strove to make their surroundings as clean and sanitary as possible. There were very few exceptions to the general rule. The chief of police had charge of the transportation of debris to the improvised crematory at the foot of Fessenden street. Six teams and eight men were kept busy moving the accumulations of many months, which in most instances was neatly boxed and placed along the property line by the residents. Even for this force the work was too great, and had to be continued the first of the week. Without doubt St. Johns is today one of the cleanest, if not the cleanest, city in the United States. May it keep so.

For Insurance see F. W. Valentine

Paupee Lake Disappears

We take the following from the Forest Grove Press concerning the work and ingenuity of M. W. Patton, brother of Rev. J. J. Patton of the St. Johns M. E. church:

Paupee Lake, about thirteen miles south of Forest Grove, in Yamhill county, on the Forest Grove and Newberg highway, has always been considered as worthless swamp land. But Paupee lake has disappeared. Never again will the ducks swim there in May nor the frogs sing there in June.

Has there been an earthquake? No. No earthquake or seismic disturbance or volcanic upheaval or tidal wave. Just the plucky determination, never-say-die nerve and skillful management of Mr. M. W. Patton, into whose possession the lake came a few years ago.

Satisfied that it would be worth more for raising grain than for growing ducks, Mr. Patton decided to thoroughly tile drain it, and he has met with fine success. He was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Paul Nelson, an experienced and skillful hand in land drainage. Mr. Nelson has superintended the job and has so located 41,000 tiling on the land where heretofore it was miry in June, to-day one may walk with carpet slippers without getting them muddy.

The land is a mixture of clay loam and dobe, including about 30 acres of light peat, or beaver dam land. The 41,000 tile have nicely drained about 205 acres, all of which is suitable for grain and hay and considerable of which is suitable for onions, potatoes or any kind of garden truck.

It is hoped that Mr. Patton may live many years to enjoy the reward of his enterprise and business sagacity and foresight.

A Social Party

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Edlefsen entertained a party of their friends in a most delightful manner last Friday evening, at their home at the corner of Charleston and Fillmore streets. The house was tastefully decorated with cherry and apple blossoms. Music and "500" and a delicious lunch made up the evening's entertainment. The prize winners were: First gentleman's, Peter Autzen; second, A. W. Markle. First ladies prize, Mrs. F. A. Rice; second, Mrs. J. N. Edlefsen. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Edlefsen, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Edlefsen, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Autzen, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pennell, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Drinker, Mr. and Mrs. A. Muck and daughter, Emma; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Markle, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Evans, Mrs. L. Carlson, Mrs. Chas. A. Wood, Mr. Thomas Autzen, Sergeant Frank Jirak, Fort Stevens, Ore.

A Valuable Publication

The North Bank railroad has just gotten out one of the neatest and most valuable publications that has yet reached our office. By maps, splendid illustrations and interesting vignettes of the various localities in portions of Oregon and Washington, it tells a story of progress and development that we western people scarcely realize ourselves. The title page gives a gist of what the booklet contains: "This publication presents a conservative statement of conditions and resources in large portions of Oregon and Washington, a part of 'The Last West,' much of the agricultural wealth of which has remained undeveloped until this time, owing to the lack of railroad facilities heretofore. The intent of this book is to direct the attention of those who seek new locations to the advantages of the various districts of this territory, that they may visit and personally investigate those places which satisfy personal requirements." Thousands of these booklets will be placed where they will do the greatest good.

Building Permits

No. 26—To S. A. Hudelson to erect a dwelling on Ivanhoe street between Polk and Buchanan; cost \$600.
No. 27—To Rothelsberger to erect a dwelling on Kellogg street between Maple street and Weyerhaeuser avenue; cost \$1200.
No. 28—To James Bailey to erect store building on Pittsburg street between Bradford street and the river; cost \$200.

One Cent Postage

Business men of this city are pleased with the determined campaign which is being made to secure one cent letter postage. Many of them have joined the National One Cent Letter Postage Association and are assisting in the work for a lower rate. Bills have been introduced in both branches of congress, in the senate by Hon. Theodore Burton, and in the house by Hon. John W. Weeks, calling for a one cent letter rate to be instituted July 1 next.

Very energetic efforts are being made by the association to secure the passage of these bills. Mr. F. P. Drinker, Cashier First National Bank of this city, is taking an active part in the campaign and is urging local business men to give their support to the movement.

"We have been entitled to a lower rate of postage for many years," declares Mr. Drinker.

"No concerted effort has been previously made to secure it. The National One Cent Letter Postage association has now taken up the work, and has several thousand members scattered all over the Union. This association has for its sole purpose the cutting down of the present exorbitant rate on letter postage.

"The bill presented to congress recites the fact that letters of one-half ounce or fraction thereof, were carried between New York and Buffalo in 1843, a distance under 500 miles for 25 cents. Similar high rates prevailed elsewhere. The act of March 3, 1883, established the rate which is still in vogue, despite the fact that the Postoffice Department has been making enormous profits from this class of mail every year.

In 1910, 8,310,623,000 pieces of first class mail were carried by the Postoffice Department. The cost of handling and carriage, according to Postmaster General Hitchcock, was \$96,752,517.35. The revenue collected was \$154,796,668.08, leaving a clear profit to the government of \$58,044,150.73. A proportionate profit has been made each year of the last score.

"Business men of the United States are being required to pay this exorbitant profit furnishing the department with a large yearly surplus over the cost of their service. It was never intended that letter postage should pay a profit. The policy of the department, as outlined by the Postmaster General, still continues to be that costs of service rendered shall be paid by all classes of users of the mails, and that only cost shall be collected from any class.

"A one cent letter rate has been favored by postal officials for a long time. They realize that no one should be charged excessive profit on service rendered by the government.

"At the present rate, the department is receiving on first class mail 84 cents per pound, equal to \$1680 per ton, making a profit of 66 per cent. First class mail supplies 14 per cent of the total tonnage of the mails, yet it is required to pay 75 per cent of the total revenue. It has been clearly demonstrated that a one cent letter rate will amply pay.

"The National One Cent Letter Postage association is conducting an active campaign to secure this lower rate. Many business firms in the city are affiliated with this organization and I hope that many more will join as soon as they learn about the unreasonable charges now being made for carriage of letters. The association has its headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio, because the executive officers live in that city. Mr. Charles William Burroughs is president of the organization, and Mr. George McIntosh, in addition to being secretary and treasurer, is managing the campaign.

"Personally, I urge every business man to affiliate with this organization. It means that the letter postage rates will be cut in two as soon as the battle for a one cent rate is won. We have everything in our favor and there is no reason why we should not secure a one cent rate at an early date."

Frederick Ludwig Peterson and Ethel Lorraine Good were married Sunday at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Good, Seventh and Montgomery streets, Portland. Mr. Peterson has for some time been bookkeeper for the St. Johns Water Co., and Miss Good is the daughter of J. R. Good, who owns and operates a sash and door factory at Colfax, Wash.

James Bailey is having a neat little store building erected near the ferry landing on Pittsburg street.

The Library

Open Hours: 1:00 to 5:30 and 7:00 to 9:30 p. m.
Sundays: 2:30 to 5:30

The topic for discussion at the next mothers' meeting, May 6, is: "The Reading of the Child up to Ten Years of Age." In anticipation of this meeting a number of interesting books and magazine articles on the subject have been collected and may now be found on the magazine rack. The list is as follows:

Children's reading—Bryant—How to tell stories to children.
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Field—Finger-posts to children's reading.

McMurray—Special methods of primary reading.

Scudder—Literature in school. Wiggins—What shall children read? (Chapter four in "Children's Rights") by the same author.

A few new books—Altspeier—Free Rangers.

McNaughton—The Andersons, by the author of the Three Miss Gramhams.

Edersheim—Life and times of Jesus, the Messiah.

Standard Bible Dictionary.

Thompson Seton—Arctic Prairies. A canoe journey of 2000 miles in search of the caribou; being the account of a voyage to the region north of Aylmer lake.

No other man has written of the North with quite the same contagious enthusiasm as has Seton. This is his latest book and is as attractively illustrated as the earlier ones.

Martin—Home life on an ostrich farm. A cleverly written story of personal experience by the wife of an ostrich farmer in South Africa.

Shaw—Outlook for the average man. What of the positions and prospects of the average young man in the face of vast current and impending changes in economic and industrial society? This is the question which Albert Shaw undertakes to answer.

James—Heroes of California. The book is just what the title names it—a recital of the deeds and life stories of the men and women of California, who have accomplished things worth telling, to the number of 52. All fields of endeavor are touched upon. The hero-comedian, Diaz, and the hero-comedian, Carson, are given place, but so are the poet-hero, Markham, the patient hero of agriculture, Burbank, and the honest hero, of the free harbor, Stephen M. White.

Sedgewick—Tante. The unusual and fascinating story of a young Norwegian girl, whose own romance was for a time overshadowed and almost destroyed by her loyal devotion to her guardian—a beautiful and famous musician. The story has to do with the girl's disillusioning as to her guardian's character. A charge copy.

Hear LaFollette

About fifty St. Johns citizens journeyed to Portland on Tuesday to hear LaFollette speak at the Gipsy Smith tabernacle. The delegation was headed by Mayor A. A. Muck, who for years has had a personal acquaintance with Mr. LaFollette, and by reason of the friendship existing between the two, reserved seats close to the speaker's stand were retained for the St. Johns delegation, in spite of the fact that many were standing when they arrived. This courtesy was fully appreciated by the St. Johns folks. LaFollette's address was full of fire. He flayed both Taft and Roosevelt and upheld Senator Bourne, to whom he paid high tribute. He handled the trust problem without gloves, and stated if he was president they would not be permitted to exist, that he was a perpetual candidate for president and fully believed he would be elected sooner or later. The address was most interesting and applauded frequently.

The Philo Christo class is still growing, 44 at Sunday school last Sunday, a large crowd at business meeting Tuesday night at the home of J. E. Kilkenny, 1021 Dawson street and a pleasant time enjoyed. If there is a young man or woman in St. Johns without a church home our young people will gladly welcome you and make your stay both pleasant and profitable while you are here. Come and get acquainted, take a trip to Palestine and enjoy a fine banquet at the end of the journey.

Mrs. Rose Lee is on a visit to her sister at McMinnville.

High School Notes

One week ago Friday a program was given by the students of German in High school. Although there were parts of the numbers given which some of the audience could not understand, the accompanying action and manner of expression made the meaning quite clear. The program was opened by the German song: "Dei Wacht am Reine," which was followed by "Introduction to Germany." Then a humorous comparison of Chicago with Berlin, was given by Cecil Magone. A duet was rendered in German by two of the girls, and a dialogue was given wholly in German. The action of the German matron, her daughter and the cobbler interpreted the meaning to the audience. But the crowning event of the afternoon was the German-English "Meisterschaft" by Mark Twain, given by seven of the German students. The audience was convulsed with laughter at the attempts made by participants to speak that "impossible language."

Base ball is in full swing at St. Johns. We have much new talent and with a couple of weeks' vigorous practice shall be able to put a strong team on the diamond.

Monday night the girls had a base ball meeting and elected a manager and captain. The girls decided by unanimous vote that they would have outdoor baseball. The trouble is that when the time for real practice comes the girls will not show up. Nettie Toole was elected manager and Marcella Richards captain.

In the meet at Columbia University, Cyril Magone tied for third place in the high jump with a University boy. The distance was five feet five. Although James John won no place in the meet the jump shows that Cyril Magone's knee is in good condition and with further training he will be able to make a good record.

Mid-term exams are over at last. What a relief to say those words! After ten weeks' hard study some of the pupils still found themselves lacking in knowledge of some studies. But there is hope for them, as they have another chance in June and maybe their smile will be as bright then as those who now received from go up. The Freshmen did well in their exams considering that it was their first examination at High school.

The silver cup trophy of the Gresham meet was on exhibition at High school, Tuesday. It is a beautiful cup and will be given to the school that gets 150 points out of 300 points.

Good Endorsement

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma, Jesse J. Dunn, has the following to say concerning Mr. D. C. Lewis, candidate for state representative:

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that Mr. D. C. Lewis, the bearer hereof, has been for many years past a member of the bar of the Supreme Court of the Territory of Oklahoma, and is at this time a member of such bar in good standing, and trustworthy in his profession, and as such I commend him to the bench and bar to whomsoever these greetings may come.

Mr. Lewis has been on the coast something like six years, having located in Klamath Falls before coming to St. Johns. He is a member of the Commercial club, and is with the Oregon Electric people in the right of way department, and is on the road most of the time. A vote for Lewis is a vote for St. Johns.

The Mail Order Citizen

The man who buys his goods of a mail order house and expects his neighbor at home to buy goods of him, or to buy labor of him, or to buy professional service of him, is economically a leech. He is sucking industrial blood out of the town, and gives none back. He sends his profit out of town, like a Chinaman, and has no more right to a standing in the community than a foreigner. We are all neighbors industrially in our home town, and the man who sends away for his goods is not one of us. He is of another industrial system, and deserves no local man's support. The fact that this is economically wrong is recognized by the mail order houses themselves. There is such a thing as "tainted" dry goods and "tainted" furniture. All of such that are not bought at home, of men who befriended you, are "tainted."—William A. White.

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For Secretary of State



BEN W. OLCOTT

Voters of St. Johns will make no mistake by voting for Ben W. Olcott for secretary of state. Mr. Olcott has been occupying this position for the past eight months, and has made good in every sense of the word. He has the run of things now and is entitled to serve longer. It is a wise people who retain in office men who have proven all that could be asked. No man could have made a better record than Ben Olcott. He has the disadvantage of a Portland competitor, a man who has served ten years in office and wants to continue in a different sphere. By reason of his faithful and capable service, and by all ethics of politics Mr. Olcott should be elected by overwhelming majority. Be sure to vote for Olcott and you can have no regrets.

Constipation brings many ailments in its train and it is the primary cause of much sickness. Keep your bowels regular, madam, and you will escape many of the ailments to which women are subject. Constipation is a very simple thing, but like some simple things, it may lead to serious consequences. Nature often needs a little assistance, and when Chamberlain's Tablets are given at the first indication, much distress and suffering may be avoided. Sold by all dealers.

A. A. Bailey appears to be far in the lead for county commissioner. He is a good, clean man with a legislative record of several years. He promises St. Johns all she is entitled to. Bailey is a good candidate to join forces on. Look for Bailey's name when you are marking your ticket.

Wall paper in new and artistic designs is now on sale at the Peninsula Hardware Co. Prices range from eight to 25 cents per double roll. Selection may be made from 50 or more different patterns.

NOTICE OF Proposed Assessment

Notice is hereby given that apportionment of the cost of improving South Gresham street from Buchanan street to Ida street, total cost is \$1,041.23, has been apportioned and is on file in the office of the undersigned, subject to examination.

Assessment district extends back to the center of lots, blocks or tracts of land abutting on said street as provided by the city charter and regulations. Remonstrances against said apportionment may be made in writing and filed with the undersigned until 5 o'clock P. M. April 29, 1912.

F. A. RICE, Recorder.
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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon and county of Multnomah.
Elsie M. Brown, Plaintiff
Vs.
Barney E. Brown, Defendant.
To Barney E. Brown, above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and suit within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer or otherwise plead to said suit that plaintiff above named will apply to the above named court for the relief demanded in her complaint, to wit: For a decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and yourself and absolutely divorcing plaintiff from you, restoring her maiden name to her, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable.

This summons is published pursuant to the order of the Honorable J. P. Kavanaugh, Judge of the above entitled circuit court, made in open court in this cause, on April 12, 1912, which order prescribes that this summons shall be published in the St. Johns Review once a week for a period not less than six weeks. The first publication of this summons was made on April 12, 1912, the last publication thereof will be May 21, 1912.
A. M. ENGLISH, Atty for Plaintiff.

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