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The death of Homer Davenport, the great cartoonist, is a great loss to Oregon, for he was one of the best boosters the state has ever had. From the humblest beginning he forced his way to the front row as a cartoonist, with no superiors.

Primary election registration is getting to be regarded with less favor all the time. The purpose of the Australian ballot system is to obtain the greatest degree of secrecy possible. Yet before the primaries all voters must swear their allegiance to either one party or another. An independent voter has to declare his preference to one party or another before he can register. The idea of the Australian system is thus defeated. Democrats have been known to register as Republicans, and vice versa, in order that they may vote at the primaries for some candidate they have a preference for. Voters under the law really perjure themselves when they do this, yet it is done right along. But it should not be necessary to commit perjury in order to gain a degree of secrecy in voting. The primary law should be changed in this respect, and the sooner the better.

It seems strange how a community as a whole will complacently pay out good money that might be avoided, while individually the same expenditure would create a feeling of holy horror. The city dock is an instance of community extravagance. Were it an individual possession the most strenuous endeavors would be put forth to place it in shape for tenancy and no stone left unturned to secure a tenant in order to avoid or take care of the \$4000 yearly expenditure. Yet we, as a city, sit back with folded hands and murmur: "We can't do anything." And then curse and curse the stupidity of the originators of the scheme to secure a public dock. Yet we get right on our dignity and scornfully reject any proposal to sell this expensive luxury. This is the difference between municipal and individual possession. Individually we try to help ourselves, but collectively we let the other fellow do it, and damn if it is not done according to our notions. Why is it that we let such a deep lethargy overcome us, and collectively act like a lot of children so far as business acumen is concerned? It has gotten so that if one casually remarks that something ought to be done toward occupancy of the city dock, that he is answered with a snort of profound disgust. Get out in a crowd and make such a remark, and the fire of withering scorn directed at you will make you quickly subside. Yet we believe the dock occupancy and removal of the burden connected with it is far from impossible. All that is required, we firmly believe, is a little effort. If the authorities would secure an option for a side track and then ask for bids with the proviso that the city erect the sidetracks there is good reason to believe that a tenant can be secured. We believe the people of St. Johns would be only too anxious to vote further bonds for sidetrack purposes if an iron bound agreement was secured guaranteeing its lease after the work was completed.

McKinney & Davis have engineered the sale of 100 foot corner at Buchanan and Jersey to J. M. Russell, who will commence the erecting of a handsome dwelling thereon in the near future. Also three lots between Tyler and Polk streets, upon two of which dwelling will be erected. This really firm made nine sales during the month of April.

The K. L. C. E. society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Monahan Friday evening, May 3, 52 being present. The different committees had good reports, especially the Lookout committee, which was exceptionally good. There were nine active and two associate members received into the society. All went away at a late hour after a season of social enjoyment.

We were glad to see so many visitors and members of the crew on board the S. S. Mauretania last Sunday morning. We hope to see more next Sunday, as we only have three Sundays more to travel on this good ship. We are gaining on the Lusitania and will win the race yet if the crew are loyal and bring their friends with them.—Captain.

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Commercial Club

An enthusiastic meeting of the St. Johns Commercial club was held Wednesday evening. A portion of the time was taken up in perfecting arrangements for holding the sweet pea show and regatta, and appointing the various committees. President of the Good Roads association, C. T. Prall, and Phil S. Bates, publisher of the Pacific Monthly and also president of the State Editorial association, were present in the interest of good roads. A stereopticon machine and operator accompanied them. About 200 splendid views of Oregon were shown, and explained by Mr. Bates. Messrs. Prall and Bates gave interesting talks concerning the roads situation that were both interesting and instructive. A good attendance was in evidence. Following are the various committees appointed to take care of the details connected with the July events:

Executive Committee—H. E. Pennell, B. F. Crawshaw, A. A. Muck, C. H. Boyd, K. C. Couch, J. N. Edlefsen, Thos. Autzen.  
Sweet Pea Show—C. C. Curran, A. C. Gesler, C. H. Boyd, W. R. Evans, A. A. Muck, C. E. Andrew, S. W. Rogers, Ladies Auxiliary.  
Decorations—H. W. Bonham, H. W. Ormandy, C. R. Thompson, Gus Salmund, A. W. Davis, G. Velzey, T. D. Condon, C. S. McGill, C. E. Smith, A. S. Scales, John Noce, J. T. Brooks, Chas. Asper, F. L. Babcock, Chas. Sagert, Pascal Hill, Chas. A. Fay, A. C. Gesler, Ladies Auxiliary.

Music—C. E. Bailey, Dr. B. F. Rambo, F. A. Rice, W. R. Evans, P. C. Stroud, E. F. Wilson.  
Transportation—Peter Autzen, P. H. Edlefsen, O. M. Cornell, T. H. Cochran, W. S. Gillmore, Capt. F. E. Smith, J. S. McKinney, S. W. Bugbee.  
Badges—T. J. Monahan, Daniel Williamson, J. F. Gillmore, Dr. Jayne.  
Industrial Exhibit—A. Larrowe, Peter Autzen, A. K. Jobs, C. H. Carter, C. G. Bock, N. J. Bailey, H. W. Ritchie, L. D. Jackson, R. P. Douglass, W. A. Bennett, H. E. Harris.

Publicity and Printing—B. F. Crawshaw, A. W. Markle, Ed. L. Stockton.  
Public Comfort—F. W. Valentine, S. L. Dobie, Dr. H. O. Brown, O. E. Learned, W. L. Churchill, O. J. Gatzmyer, J. F. Gillmore, G. W. Overstreet, D. F. Horsman, W. S. Kellogg, L. J. Wright, Ray Davis, Ladies Auxiliary.  
Reception—A. A. Muck, Dr. J. McChesney, F. J. Kettenhofen, W. H. King, J. H. Johnstone, L. B. Chipman, W. M. Tower, C. G. Schmeier, A. H. Blackburn, Rev. G. W. Nelson, F. C. Couch, Ladies Auxiliary.  
Finance—K. C. Couch, A. A. Muck, J. N. Edlefsen, C. B. Russell, C. E. Bailey, N. E. Ayer, F. C. Knapp, P. Autzen, H. W. Bonham, W. R. Evans, Thos. Cochran, J. J. Hurlbert, P. H. Edlefsen, T. D. Condon, Thos. Glover, C. C. Curran, W. Tindall, R. D. Jackson, M. L. Holbrook, J. B. Holbrook, A. Benson, A. C. Gesler, H. W. Ormandy, Sumner Newell, J. H. Johnstone, A. R. Jobs, Chas. E. Smith.

Wrong Methods or Right

Editor Review: Every few days one hears the remark: "Taxes are too high; taxes are awfully high; taxes about equal the rent." This should not be so, for the state of Oregon has a heavy surplus, and is really out of debt. State taxes should be low, and if there is any cause for high taxes, the reasons are due to local conditions, and if due to local causes, then the people are practically responsible themselves for misgovernment, if they are misgoverned.  
Now, why high taxes? I am not writing about St. Johns' conditions alone, but about other cities as well. In last week's Review I had a short article about doing public work right end foremost, in which I suggested that before much if any paving was done, the city be sewered.  
Let us see what wrong end foremost methods cost.  
Two hundred million dollars is not much; but it is more than some of us St. Johns poor people have, and \$200,000,000 is the amount the civic or reform league of Chicago says it has cost the people of that city to do its work wrong end foremost, more than the work should have cost. That is, to pave the streets first, then to dig up the pavement, and to cut through the pavement to put down sewers and other underground improvements necessary, has been an absolute waste of \$200,000,000, and this waste has to be met in increased taxes.  
It is hoped that the St. Johns city officials will have the encouragement of the people to do the city work along proper lines, then the home builders, the laboring men who are paying on the installment plan, will not have several months of their wages, unnecessarily piled on top of necessary payments. Insist on the city improvements being first class and done right end foremost.  
D. C. Lewis.

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July 2, 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 1912.  
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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 easterly side of Buchanan street and the westerly side of Ida street.  
A statement of said assessment has been entered in the docket of city liens May 1st, 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 May 15th, 1912, and if not paid on or before June 1st, 1912, proceedings will be taken for the collection of the same by sale of property as provided by the city charter.

F. A. RICE, Recorder  
Published in the St. Johns Review on May 3 and 10, 1912.

Proposals for Street Work

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Recorder of the City of St. Johns until May 21st, 1912, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the improvement of Fessenden street from the westerly line of Buchanan street to the westerly line of Oswego street in the manner provided by ordinance No. 475, 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 \$10,652.86.  
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 date of the last publication of notice of proposals of said work.  
No proposals or bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of 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, Recorder.  
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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon and county of Multnomah.  
Elsie M. Brown, Plaintiff  
Barney E. Brown, Defendant.

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 so to appear and answer or otherwise plead to said suit that plaintiff above named will apply to the court to have said suit for the relief demanded in her complaint to set for a decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and herself, 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 22, 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 22, 1912, the last publication thereof will be May 21, 1912.  
A. M. HENSON, Atty for Plaintiff.

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