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According to the action of the council Tuesday evening, the telephone company is quite apt to soon get in the toils. Under its franchise it could not collect higher rates than the maximum rates charged at the time the franchise was granted. It is high time this company be brought back to the terms of its franchise with a jerk, and forced to disgorge the excess back to the users.

The Underwriters are certainly proving a great boon to the electricians, and as a result they have been reaping a rich harvest. Many changes were ordered in electrical wiring of some of the principal buildings, some seemingly without reason, which even the electricians admit do not lessen the danger. It almost looks like the underwriters were making their autocratic rulings for the benefit of the electricians. Some of the property owners who have had to dig down deep into their pockets to pay the high cost of rewiring are not feeling particularly pleased.

The socialist writer grows indignant because we disputed the assertion that millions are starving in this country. Our vest pocket Webster dictionary defines the word starve—"To perish with hunger." Any one is welcome to the belief that millions are perishing with hunger in this country, but we don't believe it. Many grow hungry at times, no doubt, but they are not perishing. The socialist writer wants us to discuss the platform of socialism. Let us look at it for a moment. "Collective ownership of lands" and then "private ownership of a home." What does that mean—the government shall own the land and the individual the shell or house upon it? "Private ownership of wealth." Even at \$10 per day, after deducting bound to be excessive taxes, living expenses, etc., how many could become wealthy? If all things are to be supplied by the government at cost why not make the wages \$100 per day? The order on the government stores would be just as valid, the shin plasters would be just that much thicker, and all would become wealthy in no time. My, but isn't it awful what grafters and extortionists these socialists are? The idea of requiring ten dollars per day of 20 minutes work. Even Rockefeller or Morgan would be shocked at such a magnificent gift. What would other governments think of us? And how quickly the country would become populated from all parts of the earth, and the beauty of it would be the more people who come the less time it would require for a day's work! Possibly with a little hustling among other nations of the earth enough people could be induced to come here to reduce the time to ten minutes per day and maintain the \$10 per diem wage. No wonder the socialists are so enthusiastic over the proposition.

A Social Event

A very pleasant and highly enjoyable social event was held at the home of Mrs. A. W. Markle Tuesday evening. Many new features of the entertainment were novel. A "pi" arrangement of the names of the club afforded much amusement and tested the skill of the ladies for a solution. Five succeeded in rearranging the list correctly. Then distribution of straws resulted in the decision of Mrs. Day and Mrs. Weeks receiving first and second prizes, which were beautiful china pieces. Mr. J. Root, a fine vocalist, was present long enough to render a couple of fine vocal selections, also Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Edlefsen a piano and violin duet. Mrs. Stroud and Mrs. Hall furnished a couple of finely rendered selections in the elocutionary line. Fine refreshments were served, and roses in profusion made the rooms like a "perfect day in June." All expressed themselves as having had a delightful evening. Especially the writer of this local, who arrived at the "eleventh" hour, and found a very royal time in having the privilege of enjoying this occasion with fair ladies and the literary entertainment, which shows the Beaver state first in all that is good. Those present were Mesdames Murray, Muck, Weeks, Chambers, Boyd, Learned, Evans, Derric, Gesler, Hiller, Valentine, Rice, Edlefsen, Wright, Stroud, Hall, Crawshaw, Harris, Grey, Day, Markle, Misses Blanche Edlefsen and Sarah Dickson, all of St. Johns; Mrs. Howes of Astoria; Mrs. Dr. Schuaufer of Portland; Miss Ella LaPorte of Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

An "Easterner." If your typewriter ribbon is growing threadbare and old, get a new one at the Review office. It costs 50 cents.

Stories of Success

FRANK A. VANDERLIP

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High School Notes

In the preliminaries held May 6, for the athletic contest with Gresham, no records were broken except personal records, but we found that we did have some talent which might be developed. All our old stars were in their places and two new men. Cochran and Baybrook distinguished themselves, the former scoring in three events. Cyril Magone qualified in all the five events and Hill and Carlson in two. Members from the Central school scored in like manner.

The State Interscholastic Track and Field Meet held at Eugene May 11, was one of the largest events of its kind ever held in the Northwest. Thirty High schools of Oregon were represented, sending in all over 200 competitors for the various events. A number of state records were broken and one world record, the half-mile run—Wingdale of Washington High making the time 1:36. James Johns was represented by only one man, Bill Magone, who tied for second place in high jump, coming within one inch of the final score.

Three of our lads with an enlarged sense of duty "sneaked" when the fire bell rang last Wednesday morning and helped get the apparatus to the fire. They tell us they were among the first on the scene and that they rendered all possible assistance to the fire fighters, but the faculty did not appreciate their laudable bravery and the boys are now paying the penalty for their excess of zeal and are realizing that "discretion is sometimes the better part of valor."

In the Declamatory contest held in the High School auditorium Saturday evening, May 18, the St. Johns contestants carried off five of the nine medals awarded, thus capturing 42 of the 54 points. The proud possessors of the gold medals are Alice Brown, Verne Hall and Lulu Day, while the silver medals are being displayed by Pery Bredeen and Eleanor Hodgins. The medals count 42 points toward the 151 required for the winning of the silver cup. We hope to win the remaining points at the field meet to be held at Gresham May 25.

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Notice of Cost of Improvement

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F. A. RICE, City Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review on May 24 and 31, 1912.

Notice to Creditors

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah county. In the matter of the estate of C. O. Bjork, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah county, executor of the estate of C. O. Bjork, deceased, and having qualified, notice is hereby given to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against, said deceased, to present them, verified as required by law, within six months after the first publication of this notice to said F. P. Drinker at his office at the First National Bank, St. Johns, Oregon.

NOTICE

The Board of Directors of School District No. 2 of Multnomah county will receive bids up to June 1st to supply the school of said district with 275 cords of heavy ash wood. The Board reserves the right to increase the same. Delivery to commence by July 1st. Address bids care of Clerk. J. R. TANCH, Clerk School District No. 2.

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RESOLUTION

It is resolved by the City of St. Johns: That it deems it necessary and expedient to improve Central avenue from the northwesterly side line of St. Johns ave. to southeasterly side line of Bruce street in the city of St. Johns in the following manner, to-wit: By grading said portion of street to grade as shown on profile filed in the office of the city recorder of said city on the 17th day of August, 1910, and laying a six (6) foot cement walk on both sides of said street with twelve foot curb, also of cement, together with all necessary cement crosswalks and corrugated iron gutters, 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 upon 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 Central avenue from the margin 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. 81.

That the city engineer's assessment of the probable total cost of said improvement of said street is \$6,828.48. That the central avenue improvement is to be assessed against the property in said local assessment district as provided by the city charter of the city of St. Johns.

Adopted the 21st day of May, 1912.
FRANK A. RICE, Recorder.

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ORDINANCE NO. 477

An Ordinance Declaring the Cost of Improving Tioga Street from Willis Boulevard to Fessenden 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 Tioga street from the northerly line of Willis boulevard to the southerly line of Fessenden 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. 314 to be the sum of \$7,073.42, and that the same shall be assessed according 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 land in the following annexed assessment roll and said assessment roll, which is numbered 77, 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	Addition	Amt.
18.....28.....	Point View	19.14
19.....	"	49.79
20.....	"	49.81
21.....	"	51.08
22.....	"	50.33
23.....	"	50.33
24.....	"	47.87
25.....	"	49.13
26.....	"	55.63
27.....	"	55.94
28.....	"	58.81
29.....	"	59.11
30.....	"	62.40
31.....	"	62.78
32.....	"	59.21
33.....	"	60.21
34.....	"	18.98
35.....	"	48.71
36.....	"	48.71
37.....	"	51.08
38.....	"	51.08
39.....	"	50.65
40.....	"	48.52
41.....	"	49.79
42.....	"	36.64
43.....	"	39.19
44.....	"	59.49
45.....	"	62.15
46.....	"	62.54
47.....	"	69.40
48.....	"	69.40
49.....	"	65.75
50.....	"	65.75
51.....	"	61.93
52.....	"	60.14
53.....	"	61.32
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