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High School Notes

After reading the succeeding paragraphs it will be evident that almost everything at J. J. H. S. during the past week was in the way of either picnics or exams.

The Faculty entertained the Seniors Friday afternoon, June 7th, by taking them on a launch party to Sauvie's island. About three o'clock the sweater-clad boys and the girls in middy-blouse costumes, chaproned by the four teachers, embarked, and the good ship Bessie swung down the stream. Khufu insisted upon sitting in the prow so that he would reach the island first. Cece sang all the way down, because he knew he never could do it on the return trip. Everybody had a carefree time except the pilot, who didn't know how hilarious an exam successfully completed makes Seniors feel. Upon reaching the island a huge bonfire was built and the hungry dozen proceeded to roast weinerwursts on sticks. After everyone had swallowed the embers of the weinies, various contests took place. Records were broken in the 50-yard dash and shot-put; willow whistles made on the spot added their primitive music to the camp hilarity. When all the competitors had distinguished themselves in their special ways the boat whistle sounded and the launch headed homeward. After a perilous trip up the river the crowd reached St. Johns with one of their number nearly dead from fright over the hair-breadth escapes from a watery grave. When the top of the hill was reached the Seniors were invited up to the lab. for rest and refreshment. Here they were served with ice cream in the test tubes and cake on exam. papers. So passed into history another Senior good time.

A moonlight picnic was given by the energetic Senior girls last Saturday evening June 8th, in honor of the Senior boys, the Faculty and the Juniors. The written invitations bade guests to the home of Miss Dickie with a postscript admonishing them to appear in picnic clothes. This was a touch of pleasing mystery. Upon reaching the home of Myrtle Dickie, each one was provided with a big stick and a bundle and then they "followed their leader" down to a beautiful spot in the vicinity of "The Slough." The Juniors, along with the Faculty and Senior boys, never ceased saying: "Well, where are we going? How much farther have we got to go?" All their questions were answered by these few terse words; "Just wait and see." Upon reaching their destination, Japanese lanterns were put on a string which had been fastened up at four-thirty the same morning by the same Senior girls; a large bonfire already laid was lighted and games were played. After the spread each was provided with a sharpened stick minus the bundle and the rest of the evening was spent toasting marshmallows. When returning it was not so light as it was going, but they got along beautifully, for "gad-lighters" or "ding-bats" were made out of the marshmallow cans equipped with candles from the Japanese lanterns. Judging from the remarks of those who attended everybody enjoyed himself.

Inspired by the picnic spirit in the air, the Sophomore class gave a picnic to the Freshmen on the evening of June 10th. The jolly crowd left the High school at 2:30 and proceeded to the slough. The ice cream was the first to reach the grounds under the convoy of the "wheelbarrow squad." When the crowd finally arrived things began to be lively. The mosquitoes enjoyed the picnic for a while, too, until they were driven away by a circle of smudges. After a few games the "eats" were served. Then came more games and a few trips in a boat half full of water and rides in the wheelbarrow, which was propelled by the boys. The picnickers then proceeded homeward over the stile and through the woods.

Miss Edith den Bleyken, a former St. Johns teacher was in town last Tuesday. Her many friends were glad to see her but sorry that she could not stay longer.

The work of the High school drawing classes were on exhibition at the library until Monday, June 17. There was work in both free hand and mechanical drawing and also in leather tooling. Some especially fine work was done, evidencing much skill and artistic ability. Reporter.

Baptist Church

Sunday School 10 a. m. Worship 11 a. m. Sermon topic: "God's Ministers and their Message." Evening, 8 o'clock: "The Old Testament Prodigal." All welcome.

Word From Geo. H. Adams

A. C. Gesler has kindly permitted us to publish the letter below, which was written by Geo. H. Adams, a former well known citizen and G. A. R. Commander of St. Johns. Many of his old comrades and friends will no doubt be glad to read what he has to say:

Albuquerque, N.M., June 6, 1912.
Mr. and Mrs. Gesler, St. Johns.

Dear Friends: I have contemplated writing to you for some time, but one thing and another has prevented. Better late than never, so here goes. Well to commence with, I have found this place better than I expected in some respects. It is quite a place of about 15,000—a railroad town. No end to shops, etc.; woolen mill, large saw mill, broom factory, creamery, ice plant, Indian school contemplated, canning factory, etc. Large pay roll. Credit system altogether from one month to another and everything much inflated in prices. Population is largely Mexicans, although the majority are of the better class—some very well to do. My folks are comfortably located and getting along fairly well. I have purchased a little place near the others, 125 feet front 140 feet deep, 3-room house, stable, well, about 50 fruit trees and other shrubbery, irrigating ditch on one side and in the rear; plenty of water. All fenced and in good shape, price $1400. Have everything coming along in good shape, but it keeps me moving. My grandson is living in my house. A Grand Army Post here of about 60 scattered members, but a rather slow one compared with St. Johns. In some respects this is a fairly good country and some are making money and a general improvement, land is high as in every other place. I am here with my children and as comfortable as can be and try to be contented as possible and they are doing all they can to make it pleasant for me, but personally I would much rather be in St. Johns two to one. If anything should happen to make any material change in family affairs, back to St. Johns I would go. I do not say much but keep up a deuce of a thinking all the time. How are times there? I suppose matters are about the same. How are the children coming on? Good, I hope. I have not forgotten my good friends in St. Johns, nor cannot. Kind regards to Miss Kent, Jack and others, and let me hear from you. Yours truly,
Geo. H. Adams.

A Handsome Car

The St. Johns car at the Rose Carnival last Friday was as fine as the finest in the rose shower. It contained more roses than any other in the parade. The Ladies Auxiliary, with Mrs. F. W. Valentine as chairman, spared no pains in making the car the thing of beauty it proved to be. That their efforts were appreciated and the city of St. Johns looked upon with favor by the people of Portland and the visitors, was demonstrated by the vast amount of cheering that greeted the car and its occupants as it passed through the streets of Portland. Roses by the hundreds were dispensed broadcast, and the occupants of the car were kept busy in casting them out. St. Johns certainly did not have to take a back seat by any means in the rose shower parade and its exhibit of roses at the armory was second to none in beauty and profusion. Thanks to the ladies, St. Johns received her full meed of advertising at the Rose Carnival.

Factory at St. Johns

Architect Lewis I. Thompson has prepared the plans and specifitions for a new factory building two stories high, 85 feet wide and 200 feet in length, to be built for the Multnomah Mohair Mills adjoining their present factory at St. Johns. A basement will be excavated under a portion of the building. It will contain the heating and ventilating plant, the blower system being decided upon as the most suitable for their purposes. The upper story will be used for a loom room, and has a capacity for 20 machines. The lower floor will be used for storage purposes. The building is being erected by day labor.—Daily Abstract.

The above refers to the Portland Woolen Mills Co., which expects to add another building to the plant here.

Mrs. L. A. Hodges of Portland, recently from Los Angeles, visited Mrs. J. J. Patton last Saturday.

Sunday Closing

Postmaster Monahan is seriously contemplating the idea of discontinuing to open the general delivery window at the postoffice on Sunday. At Salem, The Dalles, Vancouver and a number of other places the postoffice is closed all day Sundays, where it is said to prove very satisfactory, and Mr. Monahan believes it would be a good idea to adopt the same system in St. Johns. More boxes will be installed, and the Sunday mail will be distributed as promptly as usual, and the postoffice lobby will be kept open as heretofore. There seems to be not a very strong call for mail at the window Sundays. For instance, last Sunday 136 called for mail and 56 received mail. The others "drew a blank." If Mr. Monahan falls in line with some of the other places and keep closed shop on Sundays, he will provide that any one looking for special or urgent mail may secure same during the time the mail is being distributed by notifying the postmaster giving point the letter is expected from and the party to whom addressed.

Picnic on the Fourth

The Ancient Order of Hibernians will hold a picnic and old fashioned Fourth of July celebration on Columbia University grounds at University Park on the National birthday. Sports of all kinds will be indulged in, such as boat races, boy and girl races, fat man's race, sack race, ladies' tug of war, dancing, etc. A ball game will be pulled off between the A. O. H. team and the Knights of Columbus club. A day of pleasure and enjoyment is promised to all. Lunch will be served on the grounds. An invitation is extended to every one. The grounds are ideally situated for picnic purposes. The people of St. Johns are especially invited to spend the day at the University.

Civil War Statistics

According to the war records during the civil war there were 200 soldiers under the age of 14 years, 1,151,000 between the ages of 14 and 18; 1,008,888 between the ages of 18 and 21. The number of 22 was 615,911. The majority of the officers were under 25. Of these boys 40,000 died of wounds; 220,000 died of disease and 280,000 were wounded.

The southern army was much like ours, so that the wonderful marches and the fearful battles fought, the like of which were before unknown, were made and fought by boys.

New Cure For Snake Bite

A foreigner with an unpronounceable name, who is employed on the lumber operations on Trout Run near St. Marys, was bitten Monday on the right hand by a rattlesnake while at work, and immediately applied first aid to the injured. He quickly dispatched the snake and cutting off the head bound it to the wound. He then opened the body of the reptile and ate some of the fat. He came here at once and imbibed a generous supply of firewater, and although it put him down for the count, he came out of the stupor none the worse for his experience and returned to his work. —Ridgeway Record.

Best Buy on the Market

Half interest in three acres in Whitwood Court will be sold cheap for cash or negotiable paper if taken at once, in order to enable owner to close another deal. This property is better and better located than other property near it which sold recently for $1400 per acre. This undivided half interest, if taken before July 10th, will be sold for $1000. If the buyer cannot sell the same within three years for twice that amount, the present owner will pay to him a forfeit of ten per cent. per annum on the $1000 invested. If you want to make the best buy offered in St. Johns for years, inquire at Review office.

There is no real need of anyone being troubled with constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets will cause an agreeable movement of the bowels without any unpleasant effect. Give them a trial. For sale by all dealers.

Council Proceedings

All members present at the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening with the exception of Aldermen Perrine and Davis, Mayor Muck presiding.

The matter of purchasing the colors for the new ferry boat, which will be completed probably Saturday, was taken up, and it was decided that the city purchase the flags, to be selected by the finance committee and Captain Fuller, the latter stating the cost would be between $30 and $35.

Mr. Hunter objected strongly to the existence of a stable near his home on Fessenden street, declaring that the odor emitting therefrom was something terrific. He wanted it removed. Alderman Hill said the stable was on his property, that he had permitted its erection with the understanding that it was to be only temporary, and that he had never received any remuneration for the use of the ground and had no objection to its removal. The health and police board had declared it unsanitary, and it was decided to order its removal by the owners.

Bills to the amount of $48.91 were allowed on motion of Alderman Horsman; all yes.

The license com. reported favorably upon the renewal of license by the four saloons. Accepted and licenses granted on motion of Mr. Horsman.

The improvement of Fessenden street from Buchanan to the east city limits was accepted by council on motion of Mr. Horsman.

The city attorney and street committee were directed to look into matter of opening up of Tyler street through the Harris tract, and eliminate any jog that might exist in the street in their report.

It was decided to refer the petition for the improvement of Philadelphia street back to the petitioners, to have it exchanged for a waiver petition, after which proceedings will start without further delay.

A resolution to improve Fessenden street from Jersey to Smith avenue with concrete paving was adopted on motion of Alderman Valentine.

A resolution to improve South Ivanhoe street from Richmond to Mohawk was also adopted on motion of Mr. Valentine.

Time and manner ordinances for the improvement of Olympia street from Myers to Charleston, Polk street from Willamette boulevard to Jersey street, and Burlington street from Bradford to the center of the city hall block were passed unanimously on motions of Aldermen Horsman, Valentine and Horsman, respectively.

An ordinance repealing the water-main-lowering ordinance afforded considerable discussion pro and con. Upon the final vote Alderman Valentine and Jennings voted no, Hill, Hiller and Horsman yes. The two former believed the repeal would jeopardize any hope of lower water rates for some time to come. Mr. Hiller conceded this, but believed the ordinance was ill advised and should be repealed. Alderman Hill was strong for repeal, as was also the city attorney. Whether the council can force the water company to relay the water mains disturbed by street improvement at its own cost after they have been laid in accordance with the terms of its franchise remains to be seen. The city attorney, however, contends that council has this power.

Have a Look

At a recent meeting of the Commercial club County Assessor B. D. Sigler who was present by invitation and addressed the meeting, was requested to send blue prints of the St. Johns assessment roll. The Blue prints showing the assessments have been received and can be seen at the commercial club rooms where they will be kept for the next two weeks to afford an opportunity to all who may desire to examine them and if there should be any objections or suggestions, they will be given proper consideration by the assessor's office. They are open for the inspection of the general public who can examine, them at any time at the headquarters of the Commercial Club.

Each age of our lives has its joys. Old people should be happy, and they will be if Chamberlain's tablets are taken to strengthen the digestion and keep the bowels regular. These tablets are mild and gentle in their action and especially suitable for people of middle age and older. For sale by all dealers.

The Library

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

It is a matter of common comment among visitors to European countries that all the women, young and old, do the most beautiful needlework—and do it as a matter of course. To some extent the same skill was shown by the women of our own country in its earlier days. It is with the hope of giving some small stimulus to a revival of interest in such work among the girls and women near at home that several individuals have decided to offer the following prizes for white needlework to b exhibited at the Multnomah county fair at Gresham in September:

MULTNOMAH COUNTY FAIR TO BE HELD AT GRESHAM IN SEPTEMBER—WHITE NEEDLEWORK

First and second prizes in all instances:

1. For the best plain hemming—table napkin or square of muslin done by a child under 10 years of age. Judged on quality of work.

2. For the best set of buttonholes made by a girl under 12 years of age.

3. For the best apron, hand-sewing, made by a girl under 15 years of age. Judged on design and quality of sewing. Must be white without lace or embroidery.

4. For the best towel made by a girl under 18 years of age. Judged on design and quality of work. Must be white, may be ornamented with embroidery, drawn work, crocheted or knitted lace, or any hand work.

This contest is open to children living in Multnomah county outside school district No. 1.

Prizes are also offered—

1. For the best piece of needlework, knitting or crocheting made by a girl under 18 years of age. Article must be all white.

2. For the best piece of needlework knitting or crocheting made by a woman over 60 years of age. Articles must be all white.

Open to residents of Multnomah County. Prizes to be announced later.

It will be seen that the point most emphasized is the quality of work rather than its elaborateness. Indeed, simplicity of design is one of the ends aimed at. This list of prizes will be kept posted in the library and whatever help possible in the way of books giving instructions and suggestive designs will be gladly furnished. Since instruction in sewing is given in the Portland schools, the main part of the contest has been limited to children outside of the city proper.

Roses Appreciated

That the Sons of Veterans of Washington appreciated the roses contributed by the boys and girls of St. Johns schools is evidenced by the following resolution. It was a neat little favor, and our youngsters deserve due credit for their kindness:

Spokane, Wash., June 6, 1912.

Whereas, certain citizens of Portland and St. Johns, Oregon, gave much time in assisting the Portland camp to gather the wealth of wonderfully beautiful roses which were sent to us in order that we might more fittingly decorate the graves of our soldier dead,

Be it Resolved by Gen. Chas. King Camp No. 4, United Spanish War Veterans, in regular meeting assembled, that we acknowledge our deepest gratitude and sincere thanks for such patriotic action to

Hon. A. A. Muck, Mayor, St. Oregon,
Hon. F. A. Rice, City Recorder, St. Johns, Oregon,
The President of Portland Chamber of Commerce,
Commander John Hulford, Portland Camp, U. S. W. V.

Unanimously adopted this sixth day of June, 1912.

Geo. W. Duffy, Commander.
Attest:
Ira Honefenger, Adjutant.

So successful was the recent excursion of the Portland Commercial club to Tillamook county that another special train load of Portland people will make the same trip June 25, 26 and 27. This excursion will be a visit to the Tillamook county beaches rather than an industrial jaunt and is calculated to give Portland people a better knowledge of the great country lying so close at their door.

For Rent—A five-room modern cottage. See Couch & Co.

A Review of Reviews

(Under this heading will appear from time to time items taken from our files of things and events that transpired at the time the Review was first issued. This week we started with the first number issued, dated November 11, 1904, at which time J. H. Crome was editor):

From a population of 250 people January 1, 1902, St. Johns has now more than 2000 inhabitants. It has three churches—Methodist, Evangelical and Seventh Day Adventists.

Ed. L. Stockton has accepted a position in W. H. King's real estate office.

Chris Bihns sold the corner next to the millinery store to M. L. Holbrook the first of the week for $1100. This is a clear gain of $610 in four months. It is understood Mr. Holbrook will cover the entire lot with a business block at once. (The St. Johns Furniture Co. now occupies this site—Ed.)

C. W. Potter, formerly one of the owners of the Linnton saw mill, is building a fine residence on his city lots in St. Johns Park.

Superintendent Scott of the St. Johns Water Co., completed 2800 feet of two inch mains along the east side of the boulevard tapping the Hub Land Co. tract.

The real estate firm of Chipman & King has been dissolved. Mr. Chipman is associated with the St. Johns Land Co., and will be local manager. Mr. King will continue business at the old stand.

Willard Shepard, a brother of Richard Shepard, recently arrived from Iowa to visit his brother and is looking around with a view of becoming a resident of St. Johns.

C. D. Edwards sold his house and lot near the veneer works for $550. Daniel Brecht was the purchaser.

S. I. Ogden of North St. Johns called yesterday and stated that the work continues boring for oil, and the prospects are encouraging.

A fine three-story block, corner of Jersey and Broadway is rapidly nearing completion. The ground floor consists of four excellent store rooms and have been leased to the following: W. A Edgerton, the grocer; Mr. Muck with clothing and furnishing goods; Shepherd & Tufts, real estate, and the postoffice. The second and third floors will be occupied and fitted up in elegant style by the Hotel Rich conducted by Mrs. Rich. The building is being erected by Cochran Bros., and will be known as the Cochran block. The cost will be about $7500.

St. Johns was incorporated January 5, 1902. Its first officers, who are the present incumbents, with the exception of the late C. I. Culp, are: Mayor, Chas. A. Cook; Councilmen, T. J. Monahan, Guy Bugbee, E. B. Hurlbert, Chas. D. Hughes and W. H. Hamilton; F. C. Clark, Recorder; C. R. Organ, Marshal. The board of education consists of J. F. Poff, chairman; Albert Culp, S. I. Ogden; J. E. Tanch, clerk. Commercial club officials: W. H. King, president; R. Shepherd, vice president; E. C. Hurlbert secretary; T. J. Mohahan, treasurer.

Principal Resigns

It is with sorrow and much regret that Miss Clara Boss' host of friends witnesses her departure for California. The five years during which she has held the position of principal here have been most fruitful ones, and her significance to the school and students both as a superior instructor and as a wholesouled friend and companion cannot be over estimated. Only by special inducements did Miss Boss consent to come to St. Johns, and it is a matter for gratitude that we have been able to keep her so long as we have. It is difficult for comparatively small schools to attract strong teachers, whose interest is centered in their students and who are devoted to their profession, and those who know her best and are most competent to appreciate her, feel that the High school has been fortunate indeed, to come in close contact with one, who by her forceful personality alone is fitted for high and responsible positions, and we keenly realize that in the withdrawal of her influence the school has suffered an inestimable loss.

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