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## Big Business Block

H. Hemlow of Vancouver, British Columbia, is having plans completed for the erection of a large business block to be located on lots 11 and 12, block 2, proposed plat of Caples Addition, or, in other words, at the corner of Richmond street and Columbia boulevard, near Jersey. The building will be either two or three stories, of solid brick construction, in size 80x114 feet. The lower story will be devoted to business rooms and the upper stories will be used for apartments or business offices. The cost of the structure complete will range between \$20,000 and \$30,000. Mr. Hemlow is a wealthy capitalist of Vancouver, having just finished two garages at a cost of \$70,000 and \$40,000, respectively, and has now under construction a \$40,000 apartment house in that city. He contemplates making his St. Johns business structure the finest of its kind that can be erected. He owns considerable property here, and is enthusiastic over the future of the city. The plans are well under way and construction will begin not later than January first.

This new building with the new library building to be erected only a block away will brighten up and substantialize the central part of the city, and means the enlargement of the business district.

## Looks Quite Feasible

Suppose you should see a steamboat leave the public dock on the east side near the Steel bridge and go puffing up Sullivan's gulch instead of the trains that row labor over the grade.

Suppose you should see that steamboat, and a number of others, proceed calmly through a canal of a safe depth to the Columbia river. The possibility of just such a scheme is to be taken up at the Thursday evening meeting of the North Portland Commercial club at the hall at 1140 Albina avenue. President John H. Nolte of the club says he has received assurances of the plan's feasibility. That it will, if developed, bring Vancouver and upper Columbia river points 20 to 25 miles closer to Portland, is the advantage urged. With the commercial club will meet the ladies' auxiliary and a delegation from the East Side Business Men's club. It is said that the depth of the gulch is such that a little dredging, comparatively, will be necessary to make the water depth enough to carry the steamboats, thus getting them out of the way of ocean traffic from the sea and lower river.—Sunday's Journal.

## Died in Portland

Mrs. Martha A. Hill, mother of Paschal Hill of this city, died Monday morning of last week at her home, 181 Russell street, Portland, of pneumonia. She was the widow of Charles H. Hill, the first mayor of Albina, and was aged 73 years, having resided in Portland for the past 30 years. Mrs. Hill was a member of the Central Methodist church and was prominent in early church work in Albina before it became a part of Portland. She leaves a daughter, Dr. Elta H. Schnauffer, and five sons: Paschal of St. Johns, Estes, Charles, Albert and George W. of Portland. The funeral took place last Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Holman's undertaking parlors, Rev. Mr. Walters conducting the services; interment in Lone Fir Cemetery.

Officer William Dunbar met with a severe accident recently that is proving a source of much pain and discomfort. He was standing at the foot of a hallway when a young man came hurriedly down the steps, and when he got to the bottom he slipped and fell violently against the officer, wrenching and twisting his knee joint in a scandalous manner. William has been laid up for the past ten days as a result, and is just beginning to emerge from his enforced hibernation, looking much the worse for the collision.

Rev. Rugg will speak at the First Baptist church Sunday Nov. 17, both morning and evening. All are invited to attend.

## Be a Booster

Do you know there's lots of people setting round in every town, growlin' like a broody chicken knockin' every good thing down?

Don't you be that kind of cattle, 'Cause they ain't no use on earth.

You just be a booster rooster, Crow and boost for all you're worth.

If your town needs boostin', boost 'er.

Don't hold back and wait to see if some other fellow's willin'—Sail right in, this country's free.

No one's got a mortgage on it, It's just yours as much as his. If your town is shy on boosters, You get in the boostin' biz.

If things just don't seem to suit you,

And the world seems kinder wrong, What's the matter with a boost-in'?

Just to help the thing along? 'Cause if things should stop a goin'?

We'd be in a sorry plight, You just keep that horn a-blowin' Boost 'er up with all your might.

If you know some fellow's fail-in's

Just forget 'em, 'cause you know

That same fellow's got some good points,

Them's the ones you want to show.

'Cast your loaves out on the waters, They'll come back," a sayin' true;

Mebbe, too, they'll come back "battered,"

When some fellow boosts for you. —Exchange.

## A Man's Mother

But your mother's life has not been easy. Your father was a poor man and from the day she married him she stood by his side, fighting the wolf from the door with her naked hands, as a woman must fight.

She worked not the eight or ten hour day of the unions, but the twenty-four hour day of the poor wife and mother. She cooked and cleaned and scrubbed and patched and nursed from dawn until bed time, and in the night was up and down getting drinks for thirsty lips, covering restless little sleepers, listening for croupy coughs. She had time to listen to your stories of boyish fun and frolic and triumph. She had time to say the things that spurred your ambition on. She never forgot to cook the little dishes you liked. She did without the dress she needed that you might not be ashamed of your clothes before your fellows.

Remember this now while there is yet time, while she is living to pay back to her in love and tenderness some of the debt you owe her. You can never pay it all, but pay down something on account this very night. —Ladies' Home Journal.

## Five Men To Hang

Friday, December 13, will be a bloody day in Oregon, according to Governor West, who says that as a result of the people's verdict in favor of capital punishment, five men condemned to death, and possibly seven, will be hanged until dead.

"I fought for the abolishment of capital punishment because my conscience dictated to it and always will be," said Gov. West. But, he expects to carry out the verdict of the people and the condemned men will be put to death.

West said: "I regret that the seating capacity of the execution room cannot seat more people, for I would be pleased to have present every man who voted to retain capital punishment, and would undoubtedly look forward to this event with pleasure. However, we will do the best we can."

Mrs. D. J. Horsman, after spending several months at a sanitarium at Salem, returned to St. Johns on Monday greatly improved in health and feeling fine. Her many friends are glad to see her once more.

## Who Are the Laborers?

The Industrial Workers of the World are not a trade union, or a labor union, but a socialistic organization. One of the features of last spring's strike was a mass meeting in Boston addressed by two women both professors in a woman's college. One of these socialist economists declared that any wages were too low that left any surplus for dividends. This is one form of the demand that the product of labor should go to the laborers.

So it should and so it does. But who are the laborers? Certainly the men and women who tend the spinning frames and looms are not all the laborers. They are but a small part. Give them the raw material and their bare hands, and how much would their labor produce? They work with machines made by other persons entitled to their pay. They work in mills which other laborers must get their pay.

Certain persons called capitalists paid for the machines and for the buildings. The product of the looms is sold and the proceeds divided among all the laborers. Those who erected the buildings and made the machines had to be paid a long time ago. They would have starved to death if they had had to wait till the cloth was sold before they got their share of the produce. Compensation for their labor was advanced to them. When the cloth was sold wages were paid to the spinners and weavers, but the largest part of the proceeds were divided among the persons who had paid for the buildings and the machines.

As a matter of convenience these payments are called dividends, but they are really the payment of labor out of the products of labor. They went to indemnify the persons who had advanced money to pay the men whose labor went into the buildings and the equipment. This obvious commonplace should require no explanation, much less justification. But it seems to be beyond the apprehension of one college professor who expounds the economics of socialism and demands that the products of the mill shall be divided entirely among the operatives in that mill, and complains that these operatives are robbed if there are any "profits" to divide among the persons who furnished the buildings and the machinery. —N. Y. Exchange.

There might be no objection to the above if it were not for the fact that too much is taken out "for the laborers" that the laborers never receive.

## Toilet Recipes

Face Bleach—½ pt. distilled water, Juice of two lemons. Keep tightly corked. Let the juice remain on face over night. Wash off in morning with warm water and no soap.

Rub skin with slices of tomato. Let remain for five minutes then wash with borax water. To make the borax water add 1 teaspoonful borax to 1 quart water. For Coarse Skin. 3 oz. ground barley, 1 oz. honey, 1 oz. white of egg. Mix; spread on face at night and use a face mask if possible.

To whiten the hands and arms in three nights use sweet almond oil thickened to a paste with powdered chalk. Spread on arms and hands and wear a pair of loose, long kid gloves.

For forehead wrinkles.—Equal parts of alcohol and white of egg. Bind gently with bandage and leave on all night.

Tonic for the Hair.—Rub salt into the hair and then brush thoroughly.

2 oz. of sage, 2 oz. of green tea. Add 3 quarts of water and boil down one-half. Strain and bottle and rub into scalp thoroughly every night using a rotary movement and pressing gently.

A census of the city will be undertaken under the auspices of the new Ek Lodge to be instituted here. This will be done in a most careful manner. The city fathers have agreed to sanction the census taking, and adopt the result as official. It will be quite interesting to know the exact number of inhabitants at this time. It is safe to say that the number will not fall much short of 6,000.

For Insurance see F.W. Valentine

## Council Proceedings

All members were present at the regular weekly session of the city council Tuesday evening, with Mayor Muck presiding.

Pharmacist C. C. Currin, who has been actively engaged in organizing an Elks Lodge in St. Johns, was present and asked for authority to have a careful and accurate canvass of the present population of St. Johns made at the expense of the new organization.

More than the number of members required to institute a Lodge here have readily been secured, but Elkdom requires an actual count of inhabitants up to date. On motion of Alderman Hill a resolution embodying the desired authority of the city dads was ordered drafted in readiness for adoption next week.

A dozen or more citizens residing in and around the confines of the loop of the trolley complained against motormen blowing whistles in the dead hours of the night while passing through the loop, and prayed for relief from the sleep disturbing and peace destroying annoyance. The alderman discussed the laborers to some extent, reviewing the fact that the whistle blowing on the part of motormen had to a large extent been abandoned in late years, and decided that an occasional toot might be necessary to keep the belated passengers awake, warn pedestrians of the approach of the "cussed" car and give waiting passengers farther ahead notice of the oncoming conveyance, relieving the tension of waiting through the still hours of the night with no knowledge of where a car might be located. Therefore, the complaint was gently and tenderly placed on file along with other complaints of various natures on motion of Alderman Hill.

The O. W. R. & N. Co. communicated the fact that it had given orders to its construction crew to without further delay construct a suitable and satisfactory crossing on Bradford street at Pittsburg. Four bills, amounting to \$82.57, were allowed on motion of Alderman Horsman.

Upon motion of Alderman Valentine a directory resolution for the improvement of Kellogg street from Charleston street to the Caples tract was ordered drafted in readiness for adoption next week, the improvement to consist of sidewalk and grade. This improvement was declared necessary by the Portland Library association, and construction of the new library building will not be undertaken until its improvement has been assured.

As street work has practically been abandoned for the winter months, it was decided to retire the assistant engineer until more work looms up. This means a saving to the city of four dollars per diem. The balance of the engineering force will be under the direct supervision of the street committee, and the force will be still further pared down if conditions justify.

The water investigating committee reported through its chairman, Alderman Martin, that it had a conference with H. L. Powers of the St. Johns Water Works last Saturday evening; that Mr. Powers had placed a price of \$150,000 on the plant and equipment, and in payment thereof would be willing to accept five per cent interest bearing bonds. Mr. Powers figured that based upon the present income and expenses the city could purchase the plant at the price stipulated, pay the interest and help, and at the same time reduce the present rates more than fifty per cent. Extensions, he remarked, could be taken care of out of the general fund. While he declared any anxiousness to dispose of the plant since it has gotten on a good paying basis with prospects still brighter for the future, yet in order to prevent discord and dissatisfaction, would dispose of it to the city at the price quoted. Further, he agreed to meet with the citizens in mass meeting Monday evening of next week.

The dads declined to commit themselves in any way, and decided to call a mass meeting to take place in the auditorium of the high school building next Monday night, and let the citizens decide for themselves whether or not they desired to possess the plant, and when Mr. Powers could explain any detail desired.

The improvement of Central avenue from Bruce street to St.

## The Library

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

The following books have been lately added to the shelves in response to special requests:

Pioneer Catholic History of Oregon—O'Hara.

Evolution of Dodd-Smith. A pedagogical story.

Story of An African Farm—Schreiner. A tale of weird beauty and pathos.

Masters of Fate—Schaler. Stories of such as have converted their thyme and marjoram into honey; in other words of people who, under the stress of grave difficulties, have shown skill in marshaling their physical and spiritual forces to play the part of men. Those laboring under physical handicaps of any sort will find here great inspiration.

Wireless Telegraphy—Tunelmann. A book for amateurs and students.

Napoleon—Watson. The author has made an effort to portray Napoleon as he appears to an average man; to give the great Corsican his proper historical position and his true rating as a man and ruler together with a just estimate of his achievements.

Stoddard's Lectures—Stoddard. Probably the most popular travel books ever put out.

Other new books:

The Ten Thousand Dollar Arm and Other Tales of the Big League—Vandoan. Dedicated "to my friend, Frank Dillon of the Angels, who has sent many a promising young ball player to the Big League, but has never turned out a better first baseman than himself."

West Coast Shells—Keep. A description of the principal marine mollusks living on the west coast of the United States, and of the land shells of the adjacent region. Fully illustrated.

How to Get Strong and Stay So—Blakie. The aim has been not to write a profound treatise on gymnastics, but rather, in a plain and untechnical way, to "give the reader a nudge to take better care of his body, and then to point out one way to do it."

World Geography—Tan and McMurray. With many colored maps and numerous illustrations, chiefly photographs of actual scenes.

Growth of the French Nation.—Adams.

The Library association has decided to furnish three dozen folding chairs for the back room of the library, to be used by the Mothers' club and other organizations, which may find it convenient to meet there.

## Sleep is Such a Treat

It seems that a number of residents along Fessenden street and thereabouts are much disturbed by the discordant note of a trainman's whistle as the trolley cars screeching through the night at all hours. Just as they are about to drop into the arms of Morpheus, leaving dull care behind, the wailing whistle of a passing car breaks in upon their sweet and peaceful repose, and their nerves just begin to compose themselves when another shrieking noise again disturbs the wooing of Nature's restorer. The residents have suffered along until forbearance has ceased to be a virtue, and they laid their grievance before the city fathers Tuesday evening. And the fathers, while deploring that nothing but troubled dreams should come to the complainants when calm and restful sleep is greatly sought, decided after solemn pondering, that they could render no aid nor relief; that while they felt deeply sympathetic and fully appreciative of the sleep havoc wrought, the safety of the lonely pedestrian and the joy rider was of more greater moment, and much as they disliked to so resolve, could offer no succor to the sleepless ones of Fessenden street. So there seems nothing to do except to ply the ears with quantities of cotton batting and grin and bear it. Noise and sleep do not often go hand in hand, but it has been proven over and over again that man can get used to anything.

Johns avenue was accepted and an ordinance providing for its assessment of cost passed on motion of Alderman Horsman.

Work for a Greater St. Johns.

## Rally Day Services

The annual rally of the Evangelical church will be held next Sunday with special services both morning and evening. These services will consist of special music, which will be no small part of the program, and the sermon both morning and evening will be delivered by Rev. J. A. Goode of Portland; those who were privileged to listen to the inspiring sermon delivered by him last Sunday evening, as he filled the place of our presiding elder, will be glad to know he is coming again, for we consider ourselves fortunate in securing the help of so able a speaker. We are expecting a day of big things, not so much because we are to have the help of Dr. Goode, (which I am sure means much for the success of the day) but because of the loyal consecrated membership and friends of the church who are standing so nobly by the pastor in every effort made for the development of the kingdom of righteousness. We take this means of extending to the public a cordial invitation to attend our services.

The women are to have charge of the services on the last Sunday of the month, not only the Sunday school, but the preaching services as well. They have secured the help of Mrs. C. C. Poling for that day. Look for the general interest of our work along all lines is increasing the Sunday school under the leadership of our worthy Supt., growing in interest and efficiency. Let me make a plea for our "Men's organized Bible class;" every man ought to be a student of the Bible, for it is true he should know what it teaches, and if it is not true he should be able intelligently to refute it. It meets in the side room of the church every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. —Reporter.

## To Buy or Not to Buy

That is the question, and the local water works is the object. The citizens of St. Johns will be given an opportunity to express their views upon the subject next Wednesday evening in the auditorium of the high school building, when Mr. H. L. Powers, the principal owner, will meet with them. A price of \$150,000 has been stipulated, and it is up to you to decide whether or not the city council shall call a special election for the purpose of voting bonds for purchase. The question is a most vital one, and is worthy of the deepest thought and consideration. It should be viewed in all the different angles and standpoints. As to whether or not the price placed upon it by the owners is excessive we know not. It is up to the people to decide if it is worth the price to the city. Like any other purchase the chief point to be considered, is it a profitable investment? The price cuts little ice if it can be shown that a purchase is profitable at the price offered. If it can not be successfully shown that the acquirement of the water works would be a good investment, to buy would be very poor policy. Don't fail to attend next Monday night. It is a matter in which every voter is interested, especially the property owners. If you do not attend, don't kick and grumble at any action those who do attend take in the matter. It is up to YOU.

A. D. Hait and wife spent Monday and Tuesday with his brother in law, D. F. Horman. Mr. Hait is general passenger and ticket agent for the Southern and Union Pacific railways at Cincinnati, Ohio. He was here thirteen years ago, and the changes he noted were numerous and unbelievable. He states that eventually he expects to make St. Johns his home, as he believes it to be the finest little city he has ever seen.

Iron Mike, which has quenched the thirst of thousands at the Peninsula National Bank corner, has been restored after a long dry spell. But Mike would hardly know himself, he has improved so greatly during his time off duty. The new fountain put in by Gilbert Overstreet is a beauty, and must be seen to be appreciated. No better water anywhere in the world than is supplied by Iron Mike No. 2.

Is your husband cross? An irritable, fault finding disposition is often due to a disordered stomach. A man with good digestion is nearly always good natured. A great many have been permanently cured of stomach trouble by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all dealers.

## High School Notes

Tuesday evening, November 12, Montville Flowers visited St. Johns and gave his reproduction of Christmas Carol in the High School auditorium. This was the second number on the Lyceum Course given by the High School Athletic association. The character of Scrooge was well brought out by Mr. Flowers, who certainly accomplished his purpose in making his audience see the miser Scrooge as he really is and as Dickens intended him to be. When Mr. Flowers, in the words of Tiny Tim, had wished every one a very "Merry Christmas" the audience came back to the present with a sudden rustle and a clapping of hands. And, as the crowd passed down the stairway their appreciation expressed itself thus: "Now wasn't he just fine?" "He was just splendid!" "Why you would think that that was a real story." "I could listen to him for a couple of hours more."

Mr. Flowers was appreciated by those who were present, but especially by those who are in any way acquainted with Dickens. At the end of the interpretation every one was well enough acquainted with Mr. Flowers to appreciate him as a man as well as a lecturer.

Our Lyceum Course is already a success. Even if we make nothing above our expenses, we shall feel proud of ourselves in having brought to St. Johns such talent as we have enjoyed so far in the musical entertainment of the Gray Concert Company and the recital of the great Montville Flowers. Ask anyone who heard Flowers Tuesday evening; they will tell you it is their only regret that they cannot hear him again. And yet, the biggest and best number of the course is yet to come, in the form of a musical treat on the evening of Thanksgiving—a genuine Thanksgiving feast of music. The Bergen-Marx Company is renowned from coast to coast. The evening spent with them will be a fitting climax for your Thanksgiving holiday.

Hazel Nutting, a member of the Sophomore class and Marie Hamilton of the junior leave us this week. Hazel goes to Silverton and Marie will take up her work again in the Washington High. We all regret very much to lose them as they are both active members of the student body.

The first attempt of our organizations for this year is to be made Friday Nov. 15, by the Witanagemote. The work is in the hands of competent class men and an interesting program is expected. All visitors will be gladly welcomed.

So far no games of basket ball have been scheduled, but the boys are planning to organize a sub team and the girls will soon have their team ready for some battles with other girl teams.

The Witanagemote had a special and private musical practice Tuesday afternoon in preparation for Friday. A Junior.

## Practice and Come

To the Left Hand and Backward entertainment. Fun for old and young. See window cards for place and prizes for stunts. Here are some of the stunts for which the most proficient will receive prizes:

Left hand writing; left hand nail driving contest for boys; left hand button sewing contest for girls; holding left arm suspended for given time for ladies, gentlemen, boys and girls; spelling backward; saying the alphabet backwards.

A short program will be given and some new faces will appear. Three competent judges will award the prizes. Come and enjoy yourself Friday evening, November 22. Admission, including refreshments, 25 cents. This entertainment will be given by the M. E. church choir for the benefit of the organ fund. —Mrs. H. O. Brown, Chairman.

Currin says: Vinol will give you strength.