

St. Johns is Calling You

Is second in number of industries. Is seventh in population. Cars to Portland every 20 min. Has navigable water on 3 sides. Has finest gas and electricity. Has two strong banks. Has five large school houses. Has abundance of purest water. Has hard surface streets. Has extensive sewerage system. Has fine, modern brick city hall. Has payroll of \$95,000 monthly. Ships monthly 2,000 cars freight. All railroads have access to it. Is gateway to Portland harbor. Climate ideal and healthful.

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Has seven churches. Has a most promising future. Distinctively a manufacturing city. Adjoins the city of Portland. Has nearly 6,000 population. Has a public library. Taxable property, \$4,500,000. Has large dry docks, saw mills. Woolen mills, iron works. Stove works, asbestos factory. Ship building plant. Veneer and excelsior plant. Flour mill, planing mill. Box factory, and others. More industries coming. St. Johns is the place for YOU.

COUNCIL MEETS

Civic Betterment League Solicits the Aid of the Aldermen

At the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening Rev. J. J. Patton, representing the Civic Betterment league of St. Johns, solicited the co-operation of that body in beautifying the city and making a little more clear the moral atmosphere. He stated that the league now had 100 members, had so far held five meetings, and that the object of the organization was wholly for the betterment of civic conditions. One of the things the league finds offensive, he stated, was empty store rooms with windows filled with posters and various announcements, which in many instances were past date. While he realized that this was a matter of personal privilege with the owners, yet he believed moral suasion could be brought to bear in such a manner that the practice would be discouraged and eventually abolished. Another feature taken up by the league was the beautifying of vacant lots, and residences and business property, also the streets kept in a cleanly manner. Card playing in the cigar rooms on Sundays is a feature the league desired to have eliminated, also, Rev. Patton took occasion to state that undue and annoying noises are made by young men on the sidewalks in the vicinity of the rink, usually whenever dances are held therein. Singing and boisterous conduct, he claimed, prevented slumber in that neighborhood until a late hour. The league also requested that an anti-expectoration ordinance be passed, penalizing all for using the sidewalks as a cuspidor. On motion of Alderman Martin, the council pledged its support and co-operation in making a more beautiful St. Johns, and a committee consisting of Alderman Davis and Martin was appointed by the mayor on motion of council to enter into details with the league in regard to the matters mentioned.

R. Graden asked that a little street repair work be done on Oswego street at Fessenden. Street committee directed to make the necessary repairs. The matter of insuring the fire department against illness and accident, which was broached last week was laid over for further consideration upon request of the committee. The property upon which the hose house on Polk street is situated having been sold, the building was ordered removed to directly across the street. Upon recommendation of the light committee, an arc light was ordered installed at the corner of Bank and Burr streets.

The West Side Booming

Richard Shepard, who has been dealing in West Side realty for the past five or six years, paid this office a visit last week. He states that the west side will enjoy the greatest boom of any suburb of Portland this year. One of the things he says is bound to happen is the erection of the St. Helens hall and contributory buildings on the 24-acre tract recently purchased for that purpose on the bluff at the northwest boundary of Whitwood Court, and that the estimated cost of the buildings is \$260,000. Also that a street car line connecting therewith will be built through Whitwood Court before the year closes, arrangements for which are now being completed. The Hamburg American Steamship Line, he avers, will also construct huge docks just north of the North Bank bridge, that several new industries have practically been secured, besides numerous residences and business houses will be erected.

Building Permits

No. 8—To C. W. Rice to erect a dwelling on Chicago street between Central and Smith avenues; cost \$150. No. 9—To S. O. Balke to erect a dwelling on Mohawk street between Fessenden and Olympia streets; cost \$1000.

Note the label on your paper.

HAVE JOYFUL TIME

Young People Celebrate Valentine Day

Fourteen young people gathered at the home of Miss Ruth Canright last Friday to celebrate St. Valentine's day. The evening was worked out in an original way, the first part being spent in traveling toward the "Land of St. Valentine." The hall and parlor, representing a railway station, were filled with a number of humorous posters, warning the guests to keep their feet off the seats and beware of crowding. Upon successfully passing a mock inspection the prospective passengers were given tickets on the "Happy Go Lucky Railroad" and the train started amid a shower of telegrams and farewell tokens from friends.

After an exciting trip in which wrecks and hold ups played an important part the travelers finally reached their destination, which proved to be the dining room converted into a realm of pink with hearts, cupids and soft candle lights. The center piece on the table was an open suitcase filled with pink carnations, while at each place were found a miniature suit case, mock telegrams and appropriate place cards.

Miss Clara Nelson was voted the most popular young lady and Mr. Louis Egan the most popular young man, while Mr. Walter Young was awarded the prize for winning the largest number of hearts. Mr. Harry Egan won the consolation thru his ability to gain "hearts." Those present were the Misses Jeanette Rawson, Gertrude Negstad, Flora Jackson, Hattie Larson, Genieve Negstad, Clara Nelson and Ruth Canright; Messrs. Louis Egan, Arvid Dahl, Harry Becker, G. Hanson, Walter Young, Harry Egan, and Conrad Negstad.

Want Better Car Service

The Commercial club is bending its energies toward securing better car service. It has submitted a proposition to the officials for consideration, and prospects are bright for the carrying out of same. It is proposed that every other car come from Portland to St. Johns direct, and return to Portland via the loop; the other cars to come in the manner now prevailing. Also to have all cars routed over the L line and Broadway bridge when completed. Single cars and ten minute service are included in the request. It is said that a gain of 17 minutes from Portland to Jersey street will thus be gained on every alternate car. Also much better service will thus be gained to residents of East St. Johns, and to those desiring to depart on the North Bank railroad.

Entertain Young Folks

The children of the Loyal Temperance Legion were entertained at the home of Mrs. J. R. Weimer on Saturday afternoon of last week. Miss Opal Weimer acted as hostess. The feature of the day being a box of many valentines, each of which expressed "Cupid's love." Out door games were played, after which a dainty luncheon was served, followed by a short program consisting of recitations and music. Those present were Opal Weimer, Idrys Weimer, Lillian Rawson, Alice Rawson, Ida Pyeatt, Della Pyeatt, Iona Cooper, Lucy Cooper, Carmoleta Henry, Alma Rassi, Ruth Edmondson, Helen Edmondson, Lillian Tooley, Muriel Van Alstine, Pauline Royer, Gladly Murphy, Amy Murphy, Pearl Bymer, Della Vinson, Liza Vinson, Virginia Peterson, Agnes Vincent, Beryl Plozman, and Masters Fred Rawson, Hershill Plozman, George Jeffcott, and Joe Black. Those who assisted were Mrs. Weimer, Mrs. Jeffcott, Mrs. Brice and Mrs. Bucher. All expressed themselves as having had a good time.

Currin says: It's a very obstinate cold that wont yield to treatment with Laxacold Tablets and Nyals Cherry Cough Syrup. Better try these for that cold that hangs on so long.

ENLARGE MILLS

Woolen Mills Doubling Its Capacity and Adding Conveniences

E. L. Thompson, manager of the Portland Woolen Mills, announced yesterday that the company's plant, located at St. Johns, will at once be enlarged to twice its present size. The need of such a change has been apparent for some time but it is just recently that the matter was definitely settled and the necessary plans completed.

For two years the mill has been running night and day in an effort to keep pace with the demand for its products, but this was found to be an impossibility under the present conditions. Most of the output is sold to the merchants of New England, the district in which the greatest woolen mills of the country are supposed to exist.

The new building is to be of brick and concrete construction and will be 80 by 200 feet in size. The roofing will be of the "Saw Tooth" variety, which will permit of the best light, ventilation and sanitation. It will be heated by steam and all the modern conveniences for the protection of health will be maintained. The motive power has recently been changed from steam to electricity, which does away with belts, shafts and pulleys, and minimizes to a great extent any possible accident to employees.

When the new building is completed, the mill will add a cafeteria and rest room, and also enlarge the present library, all of which will increase the comfort and convenience of the employes.

Honor Miss Willard

Fifty women attended the Willard Memorial service at the library last Monday, February 17th, the day of Miss Willard's death, is observed all over the world by the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Miss M. L. T. Hidden of Portland gave us a very interesting talk on Miss Willard's and her associates as she knew them. She began her talk with this question, "Why do we all love her memory so dearly?" Because she was lovable. She was gentle and tender to every one. Her whole heart and life were devoted to the service of God. She was not only an untiring worker herself, but she had the wonderful power of developing workers, and although she has now been sweetly sleeping for fifteen years, yet her works do follow her. As a result of the desire of the White Ribboners to honor Miss Willard and to suitably commemorate her life and labors, the annual thankoffering, the general memorial fund was established. Money thus contributed is expended in organizing and sustaining the work to which the best years of her life were consecrated, and thus year by year a worthy monument is being erected to her memory.

Forward was the word ever in her heart and on her lips, while present with us and, thus her wondrous work goes on: She lives in minds and hearts that loved her well; They feel her presence ever lingering near, Her death was but the tolling of life's bell And off she seems to comfort, guide and cheer. Her voice is heard in other voices, spared To labor on, and do great good, in turn; Her failures and successes they have shared, And yet there is so much to humbly learn.

Her followers are legion. One by one, They've swelled the ranks, till now a mighty host Are somewhere toiling scill from sun to sun, And "Good news!" is the cry from coast to coast. Her wondrous work goes on in spite of all, That's said and done to down the glorious Cause; And higher will it rise, nor ever fall, The while it helps to frame our country's laws.

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CHARMING DRESSES

You Can Make Them of Bordered Materials

When bordered material first came out, a great deal was said for and against the possibilities they afforded for the making of pretty dresses. Of course, it was mostly due to the fact that it was generally not well known just how to use those fabrics; whether the borders were to be cut off and used as inset pieces or, whether the material ought to be cut as it was, and let the border come in as it may.

But, by this time, most women know what splendid, and really



artistic results can be achieved with some of the lovely bordered goods that are now displayed in the shops.

You can get them in challis, voiles, crepes, lawn, dimities, and in foulards there are real marvels,—weaves that look as if they came from magic looms. And it is wonderful, too, how easy it is to work that material. You can arrange the border in any way that best suits you, but the tunic form of dress is particularly good for it, as the border can be worked in most effectively. The mode shown here is developed in bordered crepe. The one-piece gathered skirt is made with a one-piece, straight gathered tunic, that is gracefully draped at one side. Do you note how the border is arranged on the shoulders and at the lower edge of both skirt and tunic? Worn with the chemisette of shadow or Bohemian lace, of which the little jabot at the Robespierre collar is also made, this afternoon frock is most charming.

To Investigate Rates

The Commercial club has taken up the matter of telephone rates, and at a meeting of the board of governors last Friday the secretary was directed to express to the city council the desire of that body that telephone rates be at least kept down to franchise schedule. The franchise, which was given several years ago, specifies that rates shall not exceed those then in vogue in St. Johns. It is said that for residence phone the rates at the time of granting franchise was \$1.50 per month, and that it has since been increased to \$2.25 per month rental. It is asserted by some citizens that one dollar per month for residence phone and two dollars per month for business phone is quite profitable.

Work Soon to Begin

Work on the West Umatilla Irrigation project will, in all probability, be begun before Secretary of the Interior Fisher retires from office on March 4. Government engineers have directed preliminary work so that construction may be commenced within the next few weeks. This project will irrigate 30,000 acres along the Columbia River in Umatilla and Morrow counties and the Government will expend \$2,500,000 on the work. From two to three years will be required to water the land in this unit. More than the required 95 per cent of privately owned land in the project has been pledged to bear the expense of development.

McKINNEY & DAVIS.

Work on the Willamette Railroad, the projected line from Eugene to Coos Bay and south along the coast, is being rushed and it is expected that trains will be running from Eugene to Mapleton next fall. It is thought the line to the coast will be completed early next spring. Construction work is being pushed along the Siuslaw westward.

SAFE TO USE

Garbage Cans May be Used Without Police Interference

Some people may wonder what those galvanized cans are for that adorn the principal business streets of the city at certain points. It is becoming quite apparent that their purpose and mission is misunderstood by the people in general. Some try to use them for a leaning post, and would sit down on them if council had thoughtfully provided a substantial lid therefor; others seem to see how far they can miss them with an orange peel, and the small boys like to give them a kick or hit them with a stick to hear the musical (?) hollow sound that emits therefrom. Occasionally, but not so you can notice it scarcely, some one inadvertently but actually deposits a little rubbish therein, but as he does so he is very careful to look fearfully around to see that no one is looking. Since our people are so indiscriminating, and in order to enlighten misapprehension, it might be well to state that the cans were placed on the streets by the city council in the hope that rubbish that usually finds its way into the streets might by some miraculous chance accumulate therein, not by the action of the wind, but by hand. That the fears of the timid may be allayed, we will state that there is no penalty attached to the act of throwing bits of paper or other litter into these receptacles. Rubbish of most any sort may be tossed therein with perfect impunity; in fact, the cans are really there for that purpose, little as the people seem to realize it. Do not be afraid of making the cans too full. In its wisdom council has provided for that contingency. We believe there have been rare instances during the year or more that these cans have innocently and unobtrusively reposed on the sidewalks, when they have been emptied, and set again. Therefore, it is to be hoped that no one will ever henceforth and forever hereafter fear to throw an empty bag, orange wrapper, banana peel or other litter into these garbage cans, since it can be done with perfect safety.

High School Notes

Interesting Happenings at James John

The girls' basket ball team of James John met the Park Place girls on their floor Saturday evening. A very interesting game was played, though the official score was 16 to 13, in favor of Park Place. At the end of the first half the score was 8 to 5 in our favor, but during the next half so many fouls were called on the James John girls that they were not able to do much good work. Gertrude McCarty's free throws were notable for she succeeded in scoring five out of seven free throws, while by the same play Park Place secured only six out of seventeen. Sunday, Feb. 16th, the Hyak Klalawas took their semi-monthly hike. This hike followed the plan of the hare and hound chase. Of the 22 girls assembled at the High school building at 11:30, eleven were chosen for hares and eleven for hounds. The "hares" were then given a half hour's start, and with two large bags of torn bits of paper, they left a white trail behind them. The "hounds" readily followed the lead and showed themselves good scouts, though the "hares" certainly deserve credit for the blinds they gave. The light showers of rain did not discourage either party. When the "hares" were finally discovered hidden in the woods near the slough, both parties amicably partook of lunch as they sat about a large bon fire. Five o'clock found them laughing and singing on their way home.

The "Freshies" are at last getting used to the high school methods and have learned to come to classes at the right time. Their arrival has enlarged the Freshman class so that it was necessary to have extra desks put in their room. The total number of Freshmen is now 34, being nearly half the number of the whole high school.

Last Friday morning the basket ball team went to Clatskanie and played the high school there the following evening. The game was very fast, as the teams were very evenly matched. Clatskanie won by superior team work, the score being 32 to 19. Dailey did the starring for his team, making thirteen points on the score. In spite of the loss of the game the team had a dandy time, and at the same time left a good name for their school in Clatskanie.

The high school basket ball team is training hard this week for the game with Forest Grove H. S., to be played here Friday night of this week. Forest Grove is one of the strongest teams in the state, Newberg H. S. defeating it by only one point.

A Merry Gathering

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Beam, 811 Lynn avenue, was the scene of a merry gathering of the younger set on the night of the 14th. The reception hall and rooms were most artistically decorated with red crepe paper streamers and festoons of hearts, while beautiful bunches of Oregon grape and pussy willows added the needed touch of green. The evening passed very quickly with games appropriate to St. Valentine, and lest some might have been overlooked by him, penny comics were distributed among the guests, which caused much laughter and good natured chaffing. Refreshments consisting of fruits and nuts were served after which all departed for their homes with many thanks to Miss Beam for a most delightful evening.

For Postoffice Site

An appropriation of \$5,000 for a postoffice site in St. Johns has passed both houses at Washington, and when this city transacts ten thousand dollars worth of business annually through the local office, it will be in line for a postoffice building. To Hon. A. W. Lafferty may be ascribed credit for getting the appropriation for the site through congress and the House of Representatives. Lafferty is still making good.

PARK NEEDED

D. C. Lewis Tells Why and Suggests Ideal Location for Same

Editor St. Johns Review: Some time ago I called attention to the real need of a park for St. Johns. In the article I suggested that the side hill, gulches, knobs, knolls, mesas, etc., all bundled together on the Willamette river bank, extending from the S. P. and S. R. R. tracks and bridge over the deep cut, along the boulevard to Mr. Stearn's place, all be acquired and turned into a park. This land is now as cheap as it will ever be. It is ideally situated, overlooking the river, so that nice winding paths and almost natural springs could be created or constructed. We need the parks. The following from the Journal of the 17th tells why we need them:

"There is need in Portland for more land for parks, for more playgrounds, for public docks, for public libraries and for other public purposes. The need of these tracts of land for public uses is very great. They are a part of the program for public progress and public welfare. It has been demonstrated, for instance, that the extension of the public park system in Kansas City has reduced the juvenile delinquency 60 per cent."

Every child kept in the right path until manhood or womanhood is reached means less crime and bettered conditions. We need less restrictive laws and more actual freedom than some advocate in order to make our people strong. Give us a water view park where the mind's fancy can run riot. D. C. Lewis.

The Library

Open Hours: 1:00 to 3:30 and 7:00 to 9:30 p. m. SUNDAY: 2:30 to 5:30

Saturday, Feb. 22, the library will open for the usual Sunday hours only, and books will not be exchanged.

Saturday evening at eight o'clock Seumas MacManus, the Irish lecturer, will give the last number of his course at the North Portland Branch library on Killingsworth Ave. This is directly on the St. Johns car line. The subject of the lecture will be Irish Fairy and Folk Lore. Mr. MacManus will conduct a story hour for children in the same building at three o'clock Saturday afternoon. At his first lecture over 200 people were turned away after room was filled.

Gardening and poultry books are popular these spring-like days.

The Garden Magazine will tell you what to do in your garden each month and how to do it. New Books of the week: Bonon—Lavenpro.

Readers of Hewlett's Open Country will remember the old man who, having been afflicted with most of those afflictions which most men dread, lived simply in an old shepherd's hut and when asked to explain his strange contentment, "There's my night and day brother, both sweet things; There's likewise the wind on the heath." The original of these lines is found in Lavenpro, the best known book of that strange mixture of gypsy, gentlemen, scholar—George Bonon.

Bourget—Weight of the Name. A novel translated from the French.

Creagan—Great Missionaries. Brief life sketches of a dozen and odd of the most famous.

Hall—What Tolstoy Taught. "Anyone may reject Count Tolstoy's teaching; no one can ignore it; his doctrine is dynamic, revolutionary, fatal if false, a message of peace if true. It has made a profound impression upon the world, and it would therefore behoove us to at least to know exactly what the doctrine is."

Here is a straight forward, simple account of that doctrine by a plain man, Bolton Hall, author of Three Acres and Liberty.

Deland—Iron Woman. Remarkably realistic study of hard headed and masterful woman, mill owner, contrasted with Helena Ritchie, who thru her great love and experience of life, saves her David, now in early manhood, in a great moral crisis. Was formerly on our 5 cent shelf.