

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.

SWEET PEA DAY

Will Be on Friday, July 11th This Year

At a meeting of the board of governors of the Commercial Club last Thursday evening, it was decided that Sweet Pea Day would again be observed this year, and July 11th was the date selected for same. Either the St. Johns rink or the Commercial Club rooms will be utilized for the purpose, the city dock, where it was held last year, being deemed too unhandy and too far from the business district. An entertainment of special merit will take place in the evening. Ben R. Vardaman, one of the most eloquent public speakers of the continent, will be present and deliver a talk. C. C. Curran, C. H. Boyd and S. W. Rogers were appointed as a committee on arrangements. It is expected that the Sweet Pea Show this year will equal, if not excel, the superb display of last year.

C. E. Arney, a Northern Pacific railway official, requested a list of industries that are not represented in St. Johns, but to which the location is peculiarly adapted. A committee consisting of John N. Edlefsen, F. P. Drinker and A. W. Davis was appointed to assemble the desired information.

It was decided that all members of the club shall be provided with a key to the rooms. Members may secure keys from Secretary Hiller.

W. R. Evens, W. M. Tower and H. W. Bonham was appointed a committee to investigate into the feasibility of installing a bowling alley in connection with the club.

A two-day campaign resulted in adding 26 new members to the enrollment, and seven were reinstated.

The matter of securing a car for the rose shower during Carnival week was discussed, and it was decided that the editor of the St. Johns Review should be requested to solicit funds thru the columns of his paper for defraying the expenses incident upon fitting up a car that would be a credit to the city.

It was decided that lunch be served at the regular monthly meeting Wednesday, May 14th.

COUNCIL MEETS

Matters of Importance Receive Attention

With the exception of Alderman Waldref, all members were present at the regular weekly meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, with Mayor Bredeson presiding.

A petition for the improvement of Richmond street from Willamette boulevard to the river was received, and the attorney directed to prepare a resolution providing for its improvement. The petition asked for concrete paving the full width. The proposed improvement is a most vital one, as it will afford the only feasible outlet for several large manufacturing plants along the river front.

The Peninsula Iron Works asked if permission would be given the O. W. R. and N. Co. to extend its switch on Bradford street from the woolen mills to the St. Johns Lumber Co.'s wood yard. Matter referred to the city attorney and engineer for recommendation.

Ormandy Bros. asked for permission to use a portion of Alta street sidewalk for display purposes. Granted.

The committee on better ferry service reported an interview with the county commissioners, in which the latter promised to arrange to have the boilers of the boat cleaned by ten o'clock Sunday mornings, and also to make a test of running the ferry boat until ten o'clock at night for one week in order to ascertain if the traffic demanded or justified continuing such later service.

Jacob Hahn was awarded the contract of laying a gutter on the south side of Philadelphia street between Hayes and Fillmore streets. The contract price was 14 cents per lineal foot. Bills amounting to \$462.57

The Garden Beautiful

The following interesting paper was read by Mrs. T. J. Monahan at the recent Mothers' meeting:

Dear friends and fellow workers of the W. C. T. U.: Again we meet this lovely May afternoon to talk over plans and read papers that may be useful, not only to ourselves, but to others that we may come in contact with after we leave this hall and go to our several homes, inspired with the thought of the garden beautiful. My subject this afternoon is to be, the garden beautiful. There could not have been given me a subject more congenial to my taste than the one assigned me, and though I may not be able to say very much that may be new to you, I hope by the time I get through you will have been inspired by some of my thoughts and ideas to take an active part in trying to get others to join in the work of beautifying our gardens until every one who visits our little city shall exclaim "How beautiful!" Out here in this great Pacific Northwest, and especially in our now beautiful Oregon, nature has done everything wonderful, and it only remains for you and I to do our part, and we can have beautiful gardens everywhere. My own garden is not laid out with any great amount of artistic taste, I am sorry to say, and still you know we take a great deal of pleasure in our home and garden. It is the dearest spot on earth to us, and the more you beautify the garden the dearer it becomes to you.

It is so in all the relations of life—the more time and attention you give to anything the more you become attached to it. How many times have you passed some lovely garden and just longed to be permitted to take a walk through it; just to breathe the air laden with perfume, flowers and shrubbery? And, don't you know, that I believe that the home that is surrounded with a nice garden has a tendency to sweeten the life and temper of the family, for to a certain extent our surroundings has a great deal to do with us. So let us try and make life worth the living by beautifying our own gardens. Let us launch out this beautiful May day with a new zeal and inspiration, that we may get a greater vision of nature in all its grandeur, that we may go forth to work with a united effort to interest all of our people to help in the grand work of beautifying and building up the most beautiful spot in Oregon. There is one thing I wish to mention before I close, and that is in reference to our vacant blocks, that the weeds are allowed to grow up with no one to look after them. The sidewalks are almost impassable at times. Why cannot we interest our city councilmen and get them to help us to beautify the town? And now, dear friends, if I have said anything that will help any of you to a nobler, grander idea of life and the way to obtain it, I shall consider that what little I have done has not been in vain. Thanking you for your attention, and hoping we may all get some good out of this and go forth from this meeting this afternoon with a greater vision of how to go out into life to help beautify and make life worth living; thank you.

were allowed. The improvement of New York street between Smith avenue and Fessenden street was accepted. The recorder stated that the contractor on the Fessenden street improvement between Jersey and Smith avenue had consumed a little over five months over time on the improvement, but as the state of the weather was mainly responsible for the delay, council decided not to impose the penalty provided in the contract.

A resolution providing for the improvement of Leonard street between St. Johns avenue and Bruce street by grading, six foot cement sidewalk and 18 foot curb was adopted.

Better Bargains For Sale—seven full lots on Olympia street at \$300 each, plus cost of street improvements. Terms, 10 per cent cash, balance \$5.00 a month.—S. C. Cook, 308 S. Fessenden street.

Work for a Greater St. Johns.

THE LIBRARY

Interesting Review of the New Books

The names of all the children who have school gardens are posted in the library. On the table beneath the names will be found a collection of books on gardening for children.

Colored pictures of a few of the birds to be seen in and near St. Johns during May are now on display. If you see a bird which you are not acquainted with, come in and look up his name.

Have you read "Everybody's Calendar" for May? If not, you are missing some clever fun. It is posted on the library bulletin board.

The St. Johns branch of the Socialist party has presented the library with a copy of Bouck White's much talked of book, "The Call of the Carpenter." It will be placed on the shelves as soon as it can be catalogued. It is a book which stimulates much discussion, for readers are apt to either enthusiastically endorse or violently reject the author's point of view. It is an attempt by a sincere Christian to free Christ's teachings from the wrong which he feels has been done them by an institutional Christianity, from the beginning in close alliance with an empire founded on slavery and exploitation of the many Christians, the "religion of slaves," a religion of quietism whose value as a hypnotic for this uneasy class was recognized by the Emperor Constantine. Quite a different Christianity—a religion of revolutionary democracy—he believes was taught by Christ, the legitimate descendant of the prophets who represented that democratic spirit of the Hebrews which no foreign or domestic tyranny could stifle. The use of a working class movement founded on the same idea as that of Christ but antagonistic to institutional Christianity, makes it an act of tardy justice to take stock of the real teachings of Christ, who, in Mr. White's opinion, takes his place today in the heart of the revolutionary labor movement.

John Howard Melish of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, says: "The aim of this book is to make Jesus the most interesting person in history, and it succeeds splendidly. It is a book which every one interested in the religion of Christ should read in order to get the social basis of the Gospel. It is a book which every one interested in the social question should read, that he may have a new view of the religion of Christ." A. Conan Doyle—Lost World. It is not so much a lost world as one that has survived. For the world—a piece of world—which the little group of English scientists and adventurers stumble on in the heart of South America is an elevated plateau where amid conditions that have not varied for eons, the life of the Jurassic period persists unchanged. The iguanodon, pterodactyl and dinosaur flourish, and after combating successfully with all of these the party meets, as a crowning adventure, a tribe of ferocious man-apes—the missing link! The climax of the tale comes with the losing in a London lecture room, filled with scoffers who refuse to believe the strange tale, of a youthful pterodactyl. If you wish an idea of the excitement caused, consult the dictionary for a picture of the animal in question. The Lost World is the most imaginative of all the author's books. A highly interesting tale of outlandish adventure of a sort to stir the pulse of even the most jaded novel reader. There is a good deal of fun incidentally and an abundance of animation and dash.

Kennedy-Noble—White ashes. A story which is concerned with the romance of fire insurance. Big business interests enter into the plot. The date of the story is 1914, so the dramatic burning of Boston, which comes as a climax, is allowable without any violation of facts of known history.

Dissolution Notice.—Notice is hereby given that the firm of Burkard and Mueller has been dissolved.—Burkard and Mueller.

Self Trimmed Dresses

The woman who does not want an admired dress is rare and no dress is more admired than one which is made by the wearer and carries a touch of personality and originality with it. No dress materials ever shown have offered so much opportunity for really artistic decoration and real economy as the beautiful materials—"the dresses that trim themselves." Many beautiful dress patterns are spoiled by an unfortunate choice of trimmings and many a beautiful dress is out of reach of the woman who



wants it, because the cost of trimmings carries its price beyond her limit.

Take No. 7476 as an example—except the few findings, not a bit of extra cost is added to the cost of the material, and who says it is not artistically trimmed has no liking for simple beauty. The border of these fabrics used any way you please blends in color scheme with the body of the chosen pattern, and no mistake of shades is possible and there isn't the chance of over-trimming it. Naturally only materials of soft texture lend themselves to this method of self-trimming, such as foulards and crepes, voiles, charmeuse, crepe de chine, dimities, Swisses and the like.

Will Be a Great Success

St. Johns is bound to have a Fourth of July celebration that will eclipse anything of a like nature ever held on the Peninsula. Negotiations for attractions that will attract widespread attention are now going on. Each committee is working its very best, and funds are still being subscribed with gratifying generosity. It is understood that Vancouver will not celebrate this year, and it is proposed to divert the immense crowds that habitually attend the Vancouver celebrations to St. Johns this year. Tell your friends there will be something doing in St. Johns on the Fourth. A list of events will be published in the near future.

It is confidently expected that all business houses and residences as well will decorate for the jubilee, and that as many business interests as possible be represented by floats in the parade. Prizes will be offered for the best decorated floats, also for the best decorated buildings.

Who Will be the First

That a rose car be fitted up in a manner reflecting the public spiritedness of St. Johns for the rose shower during Carnival week, it is necessary that funds be raised for that purpose. The Review is ready to receive all subscriptions toward that end. The object is a worthy one, and should meet the approbation of all. The expense will not be large, but the more money the better the display. No sum, no matter how small, will be refused. Don't wait for some one else to lead the way. Bring or send in your contribution at once. A list of contributors will be published from week to week. This appeal is in pursuance of a request by the Commercial club. Who will be the first?

Curran says: All things being equal, trade at home.

Gilmore's Barber Shop—a specialty on children's hair cutting.

AN ABLE PAPER

On How to Furnish the Home Tastefully

The following excellent paper was read by Mrs. Elizabeth Olsen at the Mothers' meeting, subject, "Good Taste in Furnishings."

I think the furnishing of the home a delightful task, and yet a problem. A home cannot be made in a day, nor a week, nor a year, and the wise woman will not try to, but will buy slowly, deliberately, and thus wisely, only the things actually needed at the start. I say the furnishings of a home is a problem, and it is, because there is not only one but many questions to be considered in the buying of one piece of furniture. Why do we fail so often to make our home beautiful? There are three reasons we might mention—lack of trained color sense; we overlook the laws of appropriateness, and last but not least, lack of money. Why have our homes successfully furnished, anyway? Because we want that peace of mind that comes from really beautiful surroundings. Some homes are as noisy as a saw mill—because of the children? no, but because of the furnishings. Then we want our home successfully furnished that it may please our friends.

When we try to dazzle then we become a failure. If the keynote be simplicity, order, cleanliness and harmony, it is made a standard of taste by which other homes are measured. The furnishing of the home falls mostly upon the mistress, and she knows that her home passes judgment upon her, and so she endeavors to make the best of what she has. There are certain principles which enter chiefly into the furnishing of a home—the lines of the room, the amount of light entering the room, the use of the room, and the use of the article. We sometimes get the idea that furnish or decorate means added to and has nothing to do with original construction. A bond of kinship should unite all the elements in the room. Rooms must be considered not only as individual rooms, but in their relation to the other parts of the house. For instance, what a sharp contrast from a bright green upholstered parlor into a dull and faded sitting room with all cast off furniture. So many of us are not permitted to build our own house; we must make possible somebody else's impossible idea. We find the ceilings too high; we can lower them with a drop border. Then if the ceilings are too low we can use the narrow border, or none at all. A friend of mine lives in what I have always called a doll house. The ceilings are exceedingly low, and somehow or shown such excellent taste in the home furnishing put the drop border in their rooms. I always felt that I was being smothered when ever I visited with them. The drop border spoiled the whole effect. Now as to colors, the warm colors are red, orange, yellow; the cool colors are green, blue and violet. Hence rooms on the south side of the house could have the cool colors, and in those rooms where is received little or no sunshine the warm colors could be used. To enlarge the rooms, use cool colors. Now as to our floors, shall it be rugs or carpets? Our grandmothers and grandfathers, perhaps, my cling to the carpet, and I will not quarrel with them. It does feel fine to jump out of a warm bed in the winter time and step on a well padded carpet, and I say let them have their carpet, but when cleaning day comes, from a hygienic point of view, and as a labor saving, give me stained floors and rugs. In the bed rooms, especially, I prefer the stained floors and small rugs well placed with reference to their use. We have one bed room in our house that has a carpet, and that room is a night mare to me when cleaning day comes, for I must take everything down and cover them up, and then sweep as carefully as I may. I will raise a dust. Mother always said that if raising a dust would clean a room I certainly would clean it. Whereas the stained floors, all I have to do is throw the rugs out on the porch, go over the floors with my mop and go out doors and clean my rugs, and all the dust is out doors and

not in the room settling on walls and curtains and bed, to be breathed in.

On the hall floor upstairs I would put a small rug or strip of carpet and no carpet on the stairs. Circumstances alter cases. If I had a large family of children I believe I would carpet the stairs, to deaden the noise. I called on a lady one afternoon. She has nine boys. From necessity she believes in bare floors. After spending half hour in that home I said away with your notion of sanitary bare floors, or else give me rubber heels and soles for the shoes of each boy. I should put rugs on all the floors downstairs, be the rugs large or small. On the kitchen floor linoleum with rugs spread where you have to stand or walk most. In the selection of rugs we must always keep in mind the color scheme, and that it is quality and not quantity we want. The Oriental makes are the best all around rug we can buy.

Now as to furniture, let us go to the bedroom first. The charm of this room is its simplicity. An iron or brass bed is better than mahogany from a hygienic point of view. It is said that a certain collector of antiques slept on an old cot for years. He was waiting to buy an old fashioned four poster bed. Let us buy the furniture that meets our needs, not that of the last century, merely because it is old and rare. A dresser, a straight chair or small rocking chair, some soft dainty curtains at the windows. Some one else will hang the pictures in this home, for that is not in my subject. The furniture may be light colored wood in natural finish or painted white. The whole room should have the effect of daintiness and freshness, which comes from light furnishings, and that immaculate cleanliness which is possible in any home.

In the reception hall, be it large or small, the general color scheme should be cheerful, extending a cordial welcome to the guests. Its furnishings are not a complex matter. They should be simple, suitable and rather formal in character. A crat rack is a necessity. Do not buy the creations which combine shoe box, umbrella stand, seat, bureau and glass and crat rack (from experience I say), for the umbrellas and coats get tangled and the seat is always full just when you want to open it to get your hat or something out. Choose a good plate glass for mirror framed in plain stained hardwood, hang it where the light falls on the person, not on the glass. One or two chairs, and, if room, a small table and seat, thus you have a complete hall outfit.

Sty'les in furnishings vary, but good colors, good designs and appropriate furnishings are always in fashion and a satisfaction. In the living room, which is the dominant room in the house, I would not put sets of like furniture in here, but I would have firmness and plainness. Do away with carved and scroll-worked furniture in this room, and in all rooms for that matter. The furniture should be made for comfort and to last. Avoid cheap things. Remember "a cheap article gives satisfaction but once—when you pay the bill." A good article costs more in the start, but in the end is the cheapest, because it never has to be replaced. That is why I suggest we furnish our homes slowly, because in the most homes we do not have money enough to buy good furniture at the start.

All furniture should be of adequate size and shape for comfortable use. The objection has been raised that some of the arts and crafts furniture needs a derrick for moving it about the room, and some of it does, but a chair is not built to be trundled about the room like a go-cart; it need be moved but little and at infrequent intervals. There is a satisfaction in settling one's self into a commodious chair for an evening, which is never felt by the owner of frail furniture. The table should have firmness, so that the child could not push it over whenever he comes near it. The table should be adequate to hold a few books, magazines and a reading lamp. A couch covered with leather, denim or burlap is better than plush-like texture.

It is well to reflect that whatever we buy we encourage manufacturers to produce. The dining room, the color scheme being warm and cheerful, chairs and table should be of dark brown. The yellow brown varnished furniture do, but cheapen

SCHOOL NOTES

Happenings Told In An Interesting Way

The right kind of spirit for the Katawa was shown last Friday by the few girls who took the trip. Despite the fact that the weather was uncertain and roads muddy, the hikers started out with the full intention of enjoying themselves as much as ever. The hike was long enough to make them know that they had hiked, but short enough to make them want to go soon again. Every girl reported, "the best time we ever had."

Monday evening all those aspiring for track honors tried out for places on the team, which will meet Vancouver High school this Friday at Vancouver. Vancouver has a team which promises to be a strong contestant, for they have won the Southwestern Washington championship, besides winning dual meets from such schools as Lincoln High and Oregon City. The records of James John are so much better than those of Vancouver that we expect to win an easy victory.

Last Thursday afternoon the track team of the James John High School, composed of Basil Smith, Cyril Magone, Eugene Thurmond and Homer Plasket, with their coach, left town bound for the State High School track meet at Eugene Saturday. The team had hopes of bringing back three or four medals, but the bad weather of Friday and Saturday prevented them from doing as well as they anticipated. However, their efforts were not without reward, for they succeeded in winning six points. This is not as bad as it might be, for there were twenty-nine schools that did not win a single point. Cyril Magone won first place in the pole vault against about fifteen competitors, and this was done by a vault of only ten feet, which is a foot below the height he is capable of. Basil Smith took third place in the broad jump and made an excellent showing in the high hurdles, though he did not succeed in winning a place.

As a result of his work in the pole vault at Eugene Saturday, Cyril Magone has been invited to attend an all star track meet at Corvallis given by the O. A. C. on May 17th. All the winners of first places at Eugene will compete with a number of the best college track men of the state and the O. A. C. team.

Sparks From Eugene. "Doc" Thurmond says that the tooth ache and half mile runs do not go well together.

Homer claims that the eats on the campus given by the girls of the university were equal to those of the Arzoy picnic. "Pinkie" on the train—"Look at that China pheasant, boys!" His cousin failed to look.

Some claim that that mile runner from Athena was the comment of the grand stand. The James John boys confirmed this opinion on the train Sunday morning.

Revenge is sweet. The wonderful McMinnville basket ball center failed to win a place in the pole vault.

Baker took eleven athletes to the meet and did not get a single point.

the effect of the room, whatever color the walls and floors may be. A plate rack is an addition to the room, providing it is not abused by placing upon it brightly or lightly colored plates. Pewter or the old plates of subdued color tones are better. A room spotted with a display of garish china can never be anything but distracting, whereas a few old pieces selected with care are an enrichment. Remember I am giving you authority, not my words, and they do away with your china closet or else hang curtains inside the doors. The average sideboard is most generally a catch-all, and is really not of much service. Also they say do away with the rug under the dining room table, but place rugs about the table when they are of direct service to those approaching the feast. The idea is to do away with all useless articles and all shine off furniture, floors and walls and avoid imitation in everything, choose the plain and simple, the endurable and useful and appropriate, and we will have a home most beautiful.