

St. Johns is Calling You

Is second in number of industries. Is second in population. Cars to Portland every 16 min. Has navigable water on 3 sides. Has finest gas and electricity. Has two strong banks. Has five large school houses. Has abundance of pure 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. Woollen mills, iron works. Stone 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

Matters of Importance Receive Attention

All members were present at the regular weekly meeting of the city council Tuesday evening with the exception of Councilman Waldref, with Mayor Bredeson presiding. The Portland Woolen Mills Co. asked that Crawford street at the intersection of Philadelphia be repaired, and the engineer and street committee was authorized to remedy the defects. J. F. Mitchell, who had the bones in one of his feet broken by being run over by the hose truck while returning from a fire several weeks ago, put in a claim of \$24.65 for medical attention and loss of two weeks' time. As the accident happened previously to the passage of the ordinance insuring firemen, and as the accident happened while returning from a fire, the claim was rejected.

A monthly financial statement showed that there was \$6,463.65 still remaining in the general fund.

A report of the city engineer stated that there would be at least \$700 excess cost in the proposed improvement of Willamette boulevard between Burlington street and St. Johns avenue, without taking into consideration any bonded indebtedness that might now exist upon any of the property affected. Matter was held over for one week in order that the engineer might ascertain definitely what the excess cost would probably amount to, including present bonded indebtedness.

An ordinance was passed accepting deed from J. E. Kirk for a strip of land on Willamette boulevard between Burlington and John streets, which was acquired by purchase for the purpose of straightening the boulevard, the purchase price of \$200 being generously donated by A. S. Benson.

A resolution directing the city engineer to prepare plans, specifications and estimates for the improvement of Willamette boulevard between Burlington and Richmond streets with concrete surface and cement sidewalks, 15 foot curb, was adopted. The matter of dilapidated pavement in various parts of the city was discussed, but definite action deferred until a more thorough investigation had been made.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

H. Williams, burning weeds, \$5; Peter Thompson, burning weeds, \$5; St. Johns Hardware Co., supplies, \$7.20; J. T. Harbin, sharpening tools, \$81.25; Edmondson Co., supplies, \$5.75; Bert Olin, street work, \$15; E. C. Robison, street work, \$15; John Kline, street work, \$12.50; Oregon Journal, adv., park sites, \$3.60; Barthold Barg Co., steel tape, \$3.90; F. L. Emerson, burning weeds, \$5; Bonham and Currier, supplies, \$3.03; J. Hahn, street repair, \$5; The Oregonian, advertising, \$4.80; Evening Telegram, advertising, \$2.90; making a total of \$110.88.

Surprise Birthday Party

A surprise birthday party was tendered Thomas Cavanaugh at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Crouch, 931 North Ivanhoe street, Monday, April 8th, the occasion being the 80th anniversary of his birth. Besides the family several of the neighbors were present. Appetizing refreshments were served, and useful presents from those present conveyed their high esteem. Mr. Cavanaugh has been living with his daughter for the past five years, having come here from Chicago. He has about recovered from a stroke of paralysis which he suffered last October. While he has lived the time allotted to mankind, yet his host of friends join in wishing him many more years of useful life.

W. E. Swengel and family have moved to Minidoka, Idaho, where they will make their future home. Mr. Swengel had been in the harness business in St. Johns for a number of years, and will continue the same business and also add a line of hardware in his new location.

A More Excellent Way

How the Railway clubs of the Southern Pacific have contributed to the "Safety First" movement is well described in an editorial from the Los Angeles Times:

The common carriers of the country have learned that John Barleycorn in the habiliments of Death sits at many a railroad crossing, at many a switch, and on many a siding, and rides upon the pilot of a hundred engines every day in the week. They might have nailed up the saloon door to their employes, and practically did so by forbidding a trainman under pain of discharge to enter any habitation where John Barleycorn had his domicile. The rule would have done little good if they had not discovered a "more excellent way."

Block systems are good, and so are all other mechanical devices, but unless you get the man at the throttle valve to leave whiskey alone, deaths occur on the track. By the introduction of a "more excellent way" a report upon the Southern Pacific system shows that in four years ended July 30, 1912, 150,000,000 persons had traveled on trains of that road "without killing a single passenger through collision or derailment." In one small railroad town of 3,000 inhabitants, twenty-nine saloons had flourished, and kept on flourishing in spite of the rule forbidding trainmen to patronize these places. Then the road introduced its "more excellent way" in the establishment of a club house to take the place of the saloon, and six months later a dozen of the saloons had closed their doors because they would not pay. Two years after the club was opened only seven of the twenty-nine saloons remained in business. Guidance was superior to obstruction, and education left prohibition away behind.

Something had to be done, for no man was required to pay entrance fees nor monthly dues to enter a saloon, so the railroads had to make their clubs as free as water that runs in the rivulet or as the air that circulates around the globe. The saloon is the most democratic place on earth, where all distinctions are left behind as each man enters the door. So in the clubs all men stand upon a plane of social equality. Another thing, the railroad club houses assume good behavior on the part of all who enter them, and there is never seen a sign prohibiting swearing, smoking, expectorating, or any other improper act. There are no rules of conduct. The men are put upon their manhood and upon their good behavior. In an article in a recent issue of the Outlook, the discussion upon this subject closes as follows: "Social welfare workers will find food for reflection in the remarkable success of this enterprise, which vigorously suppressed every tinge of paternalism and patronage in order to lay hands upon the most elusive, unwitting individual, the adult, independent, self respecting worker, and keep him out of danger, the danger zone of the saloon."

Destroyed by Fire

The residence of former Councilman J. E. Jennings on Hartman street was almost totally consumed by fire at about one o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings had been living in Portland for some time and their house here had been vacant. A party desired to rent the house, and Mr. and Mrs. Jennings came out Sunday to clean it in readiness for occupancy. After coming down stairs with his arms filled with miscellaneous articles, Mr. Jennings accidentally struck an oil stove that had been used in heating water. It was upturned and a blaze started immediately in such volume that Mr. Jennings was unable to extinguish it. The fire department made good time in getting to the scene, but the flames had gained such headway and it requiring about 900 feet of hose to reach the flames, that they were unable to save the building and it was almost totally destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$1500 with insurance of \$1000.

Satisfaction is the word—Gilmore, the Barber.

WHAT IS NEW

In the World of Fashionable Dress

The simple dress this season is really charming. The lines are straight, the waist blouses enough to give an easy comfortable look, the skirts are trim and narrow. Of course there are women who carry these things to the extreme, whose waists blouse so that they hang over their girdle, whose skirts are so narrow that they can scarcely hobble, but these women caricature every fashion. If you take a dress like that illustrated, formed by combining 7647 and skirt 6913, you will get just the right lines—the waist closes at the front—and you have a choice of the cool looking open neck finished with Robespierre collar, and a trim high neck with smart turn down collar, that gives the fashionable mannish note. Then there are the elbow sleeves shown with turn back cuff, but



If you prefer a long sleeve, one in regulation shirtwaist shaping is provided. There are six patterns sizes 34 to 44, and for size 36, 2 1/4 yards 36 inch material required. The skirt is in five gores with the front closing that is so convenient, and you may work buttonholes through, or use snap fasteners underneath, and trim the lap with buttons covered with the skirt material. Five sizes in this, 22 to 30, and the 24 inch size requires 3 1/2 yards 36 inch material. If you wish to combine the waist and skirt in one piece effect, a girde of soft satin or moire will give a pretty finish.

The same simplicity of line noticeable in mother's clothes is carried out in the suit for little son, of which a good example is 7537, which is thoroughly practical, and possess the advantage of being adapted to every material. White or natural color linen with collar, cuffs and pocket of blue, and wide black patent leather belt would be very good looking, and there are galateas, plain and striped, cotton poplins, repp, chambray gingham and pique available among the wash materials, with serge, wool bedford, corduroy and cheviot in the heavier fabrics for cold weather wear. Three sizes, 2, 4 and 6, and the boy of six requires three yards 36 inch material. Each pattern is 15 cents.

A Popular Minister

Rev. James E. Murphey of the Congregational church has received an unanimous call from his congregation for another year. Rev. Murphey has been a most faithful and earnest worker, and his efforts are appreciated by his congregation. Not only is he popular with his congregation, but with the citizens in general, all of whom are pleased to know that he and his family will remain with us for another year at least. Principally through his efforts the enlargement and beautifying of the church edifice has been made possible, and it is now one of the finest edifices to be found in any small city. Rev. Murphey performed considerable of the carpenter work with his own hands.

Work for a Greater St. Johns.

Buyers' Week a Success

In order to cement a closer community of interest between the jobbers and manufacturers of Portland on the one hand and the merchants and the buyers from three states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho on the other, over 300 merchants traveled to Portland and registered at Buyers' Week headquarters. The vanguard of buyers began showing up before the day of registration and had been crowding the headquarters from early morning until the end of the week, which was filled with business and pleasure planned by the reception and entertainment committees of the Jobbers and Manufacturers of Portland. As each man registered, theatre tickets were given him, so that his wife might have some way of amusing herself while he was about the city on business or attending any of the meetings or entertainments that had been provided. A blanket ticket was also given each guest, which provided for every detail, even down to car fare, for the various entertainment features which had been given the visitor during the week. From the standpoint of both the buyer and jobber, the first Buyers' Week was acknowledged a distinct success.

Honor the Living

When all our cares are ended, and we are laid away, when safely we have wended to a realm of endless day the folks will come a trooping to take a farewell peep, and watch with eyes down drooping while we are planted deep. Ah, then they'll round us flutter to shed the briny tear, and many a lip will utter kind words we cannot hear; they'll come with wreaths a twining, they'll laud us to the skies, and show their tributes shining to dull, unseeing eyes. Yet oft we tread a winding and rocky path of life, while folks go on unminding, nor help us amid the strife, and oft we droop and languish a long and dreary while, yet see, to soothe our anguish, no bright and friendly smile. We leave the words unspoken, the helpful praise unaid, till hearts lie cold and broken within their narrow bed. The world seems always giving the dead the voice of cheer. Why can't it show the living more kindness while they are here? If we could come from glory and hear folks praise our clay, we'd smile at their sweet story and upward wing our way. —Ex.

Lafferty Quite Active

Representative Lafferty introduced in Congress a memorial of the last Oregon Legislature, calling for the enactment of a law closing the drawbridges at Portland for two hours each morning and evening, and has also called the memorial to the attention of the Board of Army Engineers, asking that a Departmental regulation be issued at once to that effect, without waiting for a law. Representative Lafferty secured the existing order, which closes the bridges for two half hour periods each morning and evening, on June 25, 1913, and he is in full sympathy with the memorial asking that the closed periods be made two full hours. If the War Department, which has control of the matter, refuses two full hours, Mr. Lafferty will endeavor to secure the passage of a law making such closing mandatory.

He has also introduced in Congress a memorial of the last Oregon Legislature, requesting Congress to investigate the grain bag trust, and has also called the memorial to the attention of the Attorney General, with a request that his department investigate the matter and prosecute any combination found to exist.

How is Your Title?

Have your abstracts made, continued or examined at the Peninsula Title, Abstract and Realty Co. Accurate work. Reasonable fees. H. Henderson, manager, 311 North Jersey street.

Subscribe for the St. Johns Review and keep posted on the doings of the city.

TEXT BOOKS

Will be Furnished by the School District

By a vote of 90 to 16 it was decided that the school district should furnish text books instead of the parents hereafter. This applies to all grades except the high school, and will be inaugurated at the coming term of school. The vote was taken at a school meeting held in the high school auditorium last Friday evening, at which Chairman of the Board, F. P. Drinker, presided. Geo. H. Lemon and A. W. Davis acted as tellers. It is estimated that the initial cost to the district will be between \$2500 and \$3000, with an annual maintenance expense thereafter of about \$500 yearly. The increase in taxation involved in free text books will be but slight. A person paying taxes on \$1000 valuation will thus have his taxes increased to the extent of 60 or 70 cents the first year and 12 or 15 cents thereafter per year, and a large percentage of our citizens are not paying taxes on so large valuation as \$1000. The attendance, while large for a school meeting was not as large as might have been expected on a matter of so much importance.

The Flax Industry

The Salem Commercial club has appointed a committee to encourage the flax industry in this state. Simultaneously with this announcement comes that of H. A. Brewer, manager of the Portland Linseed Oil Company, that the Willamette Valley flax crop is exceedingly gratifying, and that it has been proved by actual demonstration that flax can be grown profitably for seed, as well as for fibre. There are about 300 acres of flax grown at the present time in the Willamette Valley. The farmers in Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho also are beginning to raise flax again. Agricultural experts are now agreed that the flax crop does not really exhaust the soil, as once supposed. The Portland market guarantees the flax grower \$1.25 a bushel, but the farmer will get as much over that price for his crop as current quotations call for. Last year a Portland company gave every grower who asked for it a 14 pound sample of flax seed, and this gave the industry quite a boost.

In the Hop Fields

The hop season started last week with an army of over 10,000 people, who will garner the crop this year. The crop this year will amount to about 130,000 bales, which is valued at \$5,000,000, thus placing Oregon first amongst all the hop producing states in the Union, averaging about 40 per cent of the total output of the United States. The crop is of a better quality than for years past, according to prominent growers. Growers are expecting big prices for their crops this year, quite a number having contracted their output for 20 cents a pound. Last week's rain, while temporarily embarrassing the pickers, greatly benefited the hops, both in quality and weight. A large number of St. Johns folks are included in the army of pickers.

Three Railroad Systems

Three railroad systems now connect Portland with the upper Willamette Valley, for President Strahorn, of the Portland, Eugene and Eastern, drove the golden spike at Monroe last Wednesday noon, near the boundary of Lane and Benton counties, thereby completing the West side link of that line from Portland to Eugene. Over 1000 visitors journeyed to Monroe for the occasion, which goes into history as the beginning of a new era in development of the country that is adjacent to the new line.

For Sale—Set of Trap Drums, Columbia 218.

Free Bible Training

The Bible Institute of Los Angeles opens its Fall term September 22. This school trains young men and women for all kinds of Christian work and makes no charge for tuition. Any Christian young man or woman of good moral character, properly accredited, will be received. The course of study includes: Biblical Introduction, Bible Chapter Summary, Analysis of Scripture, Book Studies, Bible Doctrine, Use of the Bible in Christian Work, Sermon Preparation, Teacher Training Methods of Christian Work and Missions. Under the splendid leadership of Dr. R. A. Torrey, of International fame, all students are assured of a thorough, systematic and satisfactory Biblical education. For full particulars address T. C. Horton, Superintendent, Auditorium Building, Los Angeles, Cal.

Money in Hogs

In our last issue we stated that one hog, which weighed 556 pounds, was sold by Charles Langbehn and brought him nearly \$50. Mr. Langbehn now informs us that he sold five hogs at the time and they averaged 556 pounds, or a total of 2780. The price paid was 8 cents and the five porkers brought him \$222.40.

Mr. Langbehn says with proper attention hogs can be made to pay a better profit than any other farm commodity, and that he realizes more than \$1 per bushel on all the wheat he feeds them. Besides the five sold on the market he has another five promised to the same firm, and while they will not average quite as much as the first lot, yet they will bring him around \$200.—Tekoa, Wash., Blade.

Prophesied Years Ago

The arrival of the diaphanous hobble and the slit skirt is the fulfillment of the prophecy and the hopes of Sir Charles De Puyster Goldwin of Scotland, who lived 200 years ago, according to an ancient manuscript found recently by Miss Faith Corson Skith in an old trunk in the attic of her home at Cornish, Colorado. The manuscript was dated 1704, and reads in part: "The time hath come when I think there is much to be revealed to my children's children in clothing the human form. I cannot believe that men will forever wear wigs, swords and knee breeches and such like fopperies. Ladies should not be so circumspect in their dresses, which are cumbersome and the long trains which supply their majesties of this year of our Lord seems to me naught but a design to conceal that which the Creator meant should be revealed. Perhaps posterity will learn that there is naught to be ashamed of in that which God hath created, no matter what station in life may be mentioned."

To Be Pitied

That man is to be pitied in whose character the milk of human kindness has turned sour and whose stock in trade is invective and adjectives. Every man should, early in life, establish a censorship over his thoughts and speech. When they begin to be too harsh and critical; when he finds there is a tendency to chronic fault finding and uncharitable criticism, he should strive to get another view point before his character is permanently warped. Reformers are always needed, but a common scold is not a reformer; rather a deformer.—Ex.

The human body, says an exchange, consists of the head, thorax, abdomen and legs. The head contains the brains in case there are any. The thorax contains the heart and lungs; also the liver and lights. The abdomen contains the bowels, of which there are five—a, e, i, o, u, and sometimes w and y. The legs extend from the abdomen to the floor and have hinges at the top and middle to enable a fellow to sit when standing, or stand when sitting.

ANNIVERSARY

Of Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Gunsolus

A very pleasant social gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Gunsolus, 126 Fessenden street, September 3d, it being their cotton wedding. The decorations were fine and the many dainty, beautiful and useful presents were highly appreciated by both Mr. and Mrs. Gunsolus, but the most amusing one was when one package was opened and found to contain a roll of cotton batting. It was soon discovered that one G. A. R. man, in his haste to procure a present, did not take the time to inquire what he should get, but hastened to the store for his purchase, and when on arrival at the store remembered it was a cotton wedding, and in his excitement could not think of anything else, so procured the roll of cotton batting, which can be used in a comfort, and we have an invitation to the comfort tacking, which we hope will be in the near future. Covers were laid for twenty-eight, and the very nice and dainty refreshments that graced the tables will not soon be forgotten by those so fortunate as to be present. The afternoon was passed in social conversation. Among the many friends present was Mrs. Bemer, an old time friend of Mrs. Gunsolus. As always happens to such pleasant gatherings, the time for home returning came too soon, and we, after wishing them many happy returns and thanking them for their kindness, took our leave, telling them we expected to return with our paper presents in one year, but we will have to keep an eye on our G. A. R. man, or he will put in an appearance with a roll of wall paper under his arm.—One of those present.

Has Right to Consolidate

The Supreme Court Tuesday, in an opinion by Justice Burnett, affirms the decision of Circuit Judge Eakin that the cities of Seaside and West Seaside had a legal right to consolidate. E. B. Tongue, District Attorney of the Fifth Judicial District, filed quo warranto proceedings to determine the legality of the officials of the consolidated city to hold office. Attention is called to the attempt of Portland to annex St. Johns, the cases being declared dissimilar. Regarding the Portland case, the opinion says: "The procedure was inaugurated solely upon the petition of some individual residents of St. Johns, and by virtue of the provisions of the special act incorporating the city of Portland. It was an effort of Portland to absorb St. Johns under the charter of the former, in the absence of any motion of consent of the latter. There was no concerted action between the two municipalities as required by section 2103, Lord's Oregon Laws, so that the Portland-St. Johns case is clearly distinguishable from the present one."—Oregonian.

In order to insure a change of advertisement the copy for such change should reach this office not later than Wednesday, at 3 o'clock p. m. Please remember this and save the printer

NOTICE OF Proposed Assessment

Notice is hereby given that apportionment of the cost of improving E. Richmond street from the north line of Smith Ave. to the south line of Fessenden street, total cost is \$2,068.16, has been apportioned, and is on file in the office of the undersigned, subject to examination. Assessment district extends back to the center of lots, blocks or tracts of land abutting on said street as provided by the city charter and resolution. Remonstrances against said apportionment may be made in writing and filed with the undersigned until 5 p. m. Sept. 22, 1913. F. A. RICE, Recorder. Published in the St. Johns Review Sept. 5 and 12, 1913.