

St. Johns is Calling You

Is second in number of industries. Is seventh 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 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. 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

With the exception of Councilman Garlick, who is off on a vacation all members were present at the regular weekly meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, with Mayor Bredeson presiding. K. C. Couch, on behalf of a number of property owners of Willamette boulevard, asked that the boulevard between Burlington street and St. Johns avenue be hard surfaced with the sidewalks left out, thus practically wiping out any excess cost that might exist upon the improvement of the street. The street improved in this manner, he contended, would permit of use of the street for pedestrians as well as equestrians, and those so disposed could construct sidewalks also in front of their properties. This manner of improvement met with the approbation of the council, and a resolution directing the city engineer to prepare the plans and specifications for improvement in the manner outlined by Mr. Couch was adopted.

Petitions for fire hydrants at the corners of Decatur and John streets and Hudson and Polk streets were referred to the water and light committee.

A communication from the water company stated that a hydrant had been installed at the corner of Oswego and Hudson streets, as requested by the street committee.

The Portland Woolen Mills Company asked that steps be taken toward repairing Crawford street north of Pittsburg street, but as council had made arrangements to use the rock taken from the improvement of Crawford street between Burlington and Pittsburg streets for this purpose, no further action was necessary.

The lessees of the city dock asked that the projecting roof of that structure on the water side be trimmed off so as not to interfere with discharging cargoes from vessels, and which in their estimation was a serious and annoying handicap. Referred to the dock committee and engineer for recommendation at the next meeting.

An offer by Daniel Brecht of \$25 per year for the rental of the river ends of New York and Fessenden streets was accepted, with the understanding that the leases terminate whenever the city desired vacancy of same.

As no bids were received for supplying the city hall with wood, the building and grounds committee was authorized to procure an adequate supply in the open market.

An ordinance adopting the viewers' report on the opening, laying out and establishing of St. Johns avenue received first and second readings.

A resolution requiring that all contractors use rock from the city quarry for use on St. Johns streets hereafter, provided same may be acquired when needed, was adopted.

Alderman Martin suggested that the city should derive interest from city money lying idle in the banks, and on motion the finance committee was directed to investigate with that idea in view.

The city recorder was authorized to issue a license to the skating rink management for the ensuing quarter at \$25 for the three months' license, the management agreeing not to run on Sundays and to close down when it disturbed any religious meetings.

Alderman Wright suggested that it would be advisable to call a halt upon labor on the streets, as the city exchequer was commencing to assume a lank and hungry look, but the street committee offered no encouragement along this line, contending that the work being done was absolutely necessary.

Alderman Munson stated that the time had elapsed upon the notice given certain property owners to renew their sidewalks, and that it was up to the city to do the work and charge it up to the property owners. No action was taken, however.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid: Chas. E. Miller, repairs for horse cart, \$5.50; Vera Schudlo, nursing smallpox case, \$18; P. D. Cunningham, bicycle tags, \$3;

Not a "Disease Center"

This office is in receipt of the following communication, and while the author's name has not been made known to us, we publish it in order that a mistaken idea might be corrected:

Mr. Markle—Dear Sir: Would you please call Dr. Vincent's attention to the enclosed clipping from last evening's News in regard to St. Johns being the center of typhoid fever. If such is the case the people should know it, so they could take some means of protecting themselves against it, and if it is not true it should be contradicted at once. Dr. Vincent has said the water was all right. Has the reservoir been cleaned out this year? Please let us know in your next issue of the Review, and oblige a few of your subscribers.

The following clipping from the Daily News was enclosed:

The typhoid epidemic in Portland is spreading so fast that city health inspectors are more than alarmed. This morning's mail brought notice of eleven more cases that have broken out in the city since Saturday. This brings the total of typhoid cases in Portland now to about three dozen. Apparently there is something very rotten about the gas plant at Linnton, for six of these eleven new cases were reported from there, or from persons who have been employed there right along. Some of these patients have been digging a ditch there. Impure milk is believed, though, to have caused the trouble in most cases. Two of the eleven patients have been eating at lunch rooms in the city, and The News has already pointed out, on the authority of Milk Inspector, Mrs. Bransford, that shockingly filthy milk is still being served over the counters at such places. The disease center at present is at St. Johns, and Mrs. Bransford devoted the day to an examination of conditions in that community. Other inspectors are now rushing hither and thither trying to trace the epidemic to all its causes. The situation is now certainly alarming in a high degree and it is up to everybody who eats in lunch rooms and restaurants to be very careful where he eats and to be very shy of the milk there, whether bottled or not. Practically all milk served in bottles in such places is bottled right on the premises, often amid filthy conditions. Most of the new typhoid patients have been removed to hospitals and the health authorities can now hustle only to check the spread of the disease.

St. Johns certainly is not a "disease center" for typhoid or any other infectious disease. Dr. Vincent, who made an investigation, stated at a recent meeting of the city council that he had found three or four cases in this city, but in no instance could the inception of the disease be traced to St. Johns water. Except in one instance all cases had their origin from drinking water on the west side of the river. In the case excepted the victim is believed to have contracted his illness at the St. Johns Lumber mills by drinking water from an old well, and at that time the case had not yet been pronounced typhoid, although the symptoms were present. The well at the mill has since been replaced by a new one. There is little fear of a typhoid epidemic in St. Johns, but that one should be careful of what they eat or drink at all times is a most excellent plan. However, there is not the slightest danger in drinking St. Johns water. Drink lots of it, and keep your system flushed out so that disease will not readily gain a foothold.

St. Johns Review, advertising and printing, \$84.70; Bert Olin, burying dog, \$1; John Kline, six days' work on streets, \$15; Geo. Skaar, ditto, \$15; E. C. Robison, ditto, \$15; Geo. W. Warner, running steam roller, \$1.75; John Klum, three days work with team, \$15; Peninsula Iron Works, manhole ring, \$6.75; George H. Lemon, seven days street inspecting, \$21; Bert Olin, six days street inspecting, \$18; making a total of \$219.70.

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THE LIBRARY

Interesting Notes for the Library Patrons

New Books: Bentley—Woman in Black. Has been called by one critic the only good detective story of recent years.

Coulter—Children in the shadow. The author is the founder of the Big Brother Movement, and his book is one that no social worker—indeed no voter—can afford to miss reading. To quote from the introduction: "When a child is arraigned in court, there are always three delinquents, the child, the parent and the community, and the last is the worst sinner, for it let the slum grow, that wrecked home and child alike."

Gross—Lincoln's own stories. Wherever Lincoln's fame as a statesman has reached, there, too, has gone his fame as a story teller. He was not a professional story teller. That is, he did not tell stories for the sake of exploiting his humor. He told them as they were called into being by events; sometimes to illuminate an argument or to controvert one; very often to conceal his purposes or to throw some persistent inquirer off the trail; at times to let down an ardent office seeker gently. In this little book we have 200 pages of his best stories retold.

Mabie, Louise—Wings of pride. The story of a marble heided belle of society who finds that she is after all the daughter of poor parents and who finally finds the courage and good sense to meet the new conditions of her life nobly. There are two love stories brought to a blissful ending—those of the heroine and of her sister.

McKeever—Training the boy. Mr. McKeever is a professor in the Kansas state agricultural college. His book is one of eminent good sense. The following quotation is from the preface: "I have a profound faith in the common boy—and that means practically all the boys, for there are few natural born blockheads. But the common boy has within his being at infancy all the latest possibilities of intellect, of morals, of spirituality, necessary for developing him into a citizen of great worth. The motto of this book is: Train the little boy, and not merely part of him."

Oregon School Laws for 1913. For the Children: Pyle—Garden behind the moon. A real story of the moon angel, and also concerned with a Prince, Hans Krout, a giant and a big black winged horse. Howard Pyle is now famous as a writer and illustrator of beautiful children's books, and this book is one of his best.

Tappan—Golden goose and other fairy tales. Translated from the Swedish. Some of the other fairy tales are, The roof of sausages, The little wild man, The stolen princess, and The simple minded giant.

Notes From the Journal The City of St. Johns has accomplished a great deal in the way of civic improvements during the past few months, and it is mostly due to the stand the Commercial club and other improvement bodies of the vicinity have taken in support of the city officials. Among the things secured are the new fire hydrants and street improvements which have been put in lately.

The St. Johns Water Co. has been busy all summer replacing the old wooden water pipe with cast iron pipe, and within the next few months the city will be supplied with water through iron pipes. The St. Johns Water Company's supply stood the test second to none, according to the state board of health's last inspection. Several new gas mains are being laid by the St. Johns Gas company.

The Portland Railway, Light and Power Company has the north side of the loop nearly ready to begin service. This is a change that people of this vicinity have long desired.—Sunday's Journal.

Satisfaction, is the word—Gilmore, the Barber. adv.

More About Parks

To the Editor: There are some people in St. Johns anxious to sell out and leave, and strange to say quite a percent of them are opposed to parks and park bonds. One man said: "There is lots of open brush and woods, so why buy parks? I want to sell out and leave." To those like disposed I am addressing this letter.

After the park proposition is submitted if we vote to leave conditions as they are and against parks it will be an open announcement that we don't want settlers to come. Any intending settler on arriving in St. Johns and learning that the park proposition had been defeated would at once conclude we were a lot of "mossbacks and standstills" and would look elsewhere. So sales would be reduced consequently, and the man wishing to sell will greatly lessen his chances of a sale if he votes against parks.

During the warm summer weather St. Johns, with a good park system, would have large delegations and throngs of visitors and picnic parties daily, and these things would add to the life of the place and better conditions. The people of the congested districts would be with us a part of their time, and this would lead to many real estate sales being made. The Park Committee is doing everything possible to work out a proposition that will add to the comfort of the St. Johns laboring element, and to pave a way for increased business and to stimulate activity in real estate and in other lines. When the city council puts a proposition up to the voters, I venture to now state, it will be fair and to vote it down would be a misfortune.

Let's not kick St. Johns—why not all become boosters? The better the conditions, the more people will come here, and the more sales of property will result. Vote for parks when the proposition is submitted. D. C. Lewis.

Lents Has Troubles

The citizens of Lents are fast finding out that annexation with Portland does not cure all the ills, real and imaginary, that Lents previously was afflicted with. It has found out that Portland has troubles enough of its own without rushing to the rescue of newly added territory. Lents was in a far better position to secure for itself what it is now vainly asking Portland to supply for it. In fact Portland can provide nothing that a small municipality or community could not more readily and with far greater ease secure for itself.

Additional police protection, better fire protection, more water mains, more street lights, more playground facilities, extensive street improvements, a change in the numbering and naming of streets. This is a partial list of the things wanted by the people of Lents following their recent admission to the city of Portland.

A delegation from the district appeared before the city commission yesterday and explained their needs in a systematic manner which showed considerable rearrangement. The delegation was composed of about twelve persons. Each one had a certain request to make. The chairman called on each member of the delegation, who, in turn, presented one of the requests.

Mayor Albee assured the delegation that the commission would do everything possible to accommodate the district, but asked that consideration be given the fact that the city is not well off financially.

The region around Dallas has this year turned off an immense crop of hops of unusually high quality, and for some time the city has been overrun with buyers who are anxious to relieve the growers of their holdings. A few sales have been made at 26 cents, but many of the farmers are holding for better prices and it is thought there will be no general unloading until the price reaches 30 cents. Shippers are having difficulty in securing cars to handle the hops, and as the warehouse is full, the delivery of the product will have to stop unless the car shortage is relieved.

HIGH SCHOOL

Items of Interest Regarding School Doings

The new school year has begun with both assembly rooms crowded, the total enrollment being 70. Besides the class coming in from the grades, there are a number of new pupils who have come to town during the summer. The H. S. welcomes them all most cordially.

The Senior class starts out with the largest number on record, and we hope that the 17 members will all be members in June. They intend to take immediate action in regard to class pins and other class plans. This shows they have not lost any of the spirit and vigor that characterized them as Juniors. Their officers recently elected are: President, Everett Smith; vice president, Wilbur Bellinger; secretary, Maggie Dickie; treasurer, Frank Bugbee.

The domestic science work in the H. S. has begun in good earnest with Miss Twining of Portland as teacher. The equipment will accommodate a class of twenty-four, giving each girl a desk for work and cupboard room for her cooking utensils and supplies. The mixing bowls and flour boards, the aluminum kettles and pans, and the little gas cookers with their tiny ovens are enough to delight the house-keeping spirit of every girl. A fine, large gas range, a fireless cooker, two large cabinets and two kitchen sinks complete the equipment of the room. The course, as planned, is a practical one, including instruction in food values and the cooking of plain foods. The H. S. is to be congratulated upon this addition to its courses of study, for it is in great demand. With only two or three exceptions, every girl in the H. S. has classified for "cooking."

The H. S. Athletic Association at its first meeting of the year elected as officers: President, Everett Smith; vice president, Florence Wass; secretary, Frank Wright; treasurer, Frank Bugbee. These leaders assure good and enthusiastic work in the various enterprises that are supported by this organization.

Football practice has begun under the coaching of Mr. White, who says there is prospect of a fast team. The boys are not very heavy, but speedy playing will count.

The girls have reorganized and elected officers of the Hiak Klattawa. They are planning a tramp for Saturday and they hope the weather will be propitious.

The Sophomores evidently had a most harmonious meeting on Tuesday evening, for they elected their officers in less than half an hour. The official roll reads: John McGregor, president; Alice Wrinkle, vice president; Arline Shaw, secretary; Curtis Phillips, treasurer.

The Lyceum committee is busily engaged in delivering season tickets for this year's course. The course contains six numbers, one more than in previous years. Among the attractions are two musical numbers, The Commonwealth Male Quartet and the Stelz Concert Co.; two entertainment numbers, The Floyds, magicians, and Robert O. Bowman in character portrayals; and two educational numbers, Dr. Green, who will deliver his popular lecture, "The Key to the 20th Century," and Chapin, who impersonates Lincoln in a three act drama. The committee considers itself fortunate in securing such a talented and popular course for the High School and citizens of St. Johns. The first number, The Commonwealth Male Quartet, will be given Tuesday, October 14th. To make the course a success financially, the committee needs the cooperation of every student. Each one should do his utmost to dispose of several season tickets.

Reporter.

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FASHION FINDS INSPIRATION IN FAR-AWAY LANDS

Many new fabrics for dresses and suits suggest the Far East rather than the Futurist or Impressionist ideas. The style of the gown itself with the unimportant sash broadly folded and knotted low over the hip strengthens this effect of Orientalism very pleasantly. Printed or brocaded silks in rather bold Persian or Turkish designs when draped loosely in blouse and skirt serve to broaden shoulders, waist and hips to meet the present requirements. No. 7976 offers a picturesque illustration of these broad lines. The plain sash against the figure of the material is brought out in strong relief and with its soft folds serves to tone down a design that might otherwise be too striking. Five and one-half yards of 36 inch printed silk or brocaded charmeuse is required to copy this dress in size 36.

No. 7960 shows one of those unconventional little coozer blouses in printed silk with quaint Futurist roses scattered over the surface. These are usually worn with a plain skirt in a color that harmonizes effectively with the blouse. The drop shoulder and the Y-neck heighten the youthful effect of the blouse, and quite a new design is brought out in the petticoat. A two-piece skirt with slightly raised waist-line and a clever arrangement of tucks on the side to give a bit of drapery completes an attractive afternoon costume.

For the blouse in size 36 3/4 yards of 36 inch material will be needed, and for the skirt (No. 7959) 2 1/2 yards of 36 inch material. Each pattern 15 cents.

To obtain either pattern illustrated fill out this coupon and inclose 15 cents in stamps or coin. Be sure to state number of patterns and size, measuring over the fullest part of the bust for dimensions. Address Pattern Department.

Gold Found in Portland

Portland may go into the mining business. Opportunity for a rich gold mine has developed at Mount Tabor Park, where ore has been uncovered by T. Tanna, park foreman, assaying \$1092.63 a ton in gold. That the strike, which was first made about three weeks ago, was really a strike did not become known until yesterday, when the Montana assay office completed an assay on a sample of the ore taken there by Park Superintendent Mische.

Originally it was thought that the yellow metal found in the ore was pyrites of copper, commonly called "fool's gold," and upon this supposition the rush of prospectors to the park three weeks ago terminated in disappointment to a small army of ambitious mining men.

When the announcement was made yesterday that the assay showed gold, Park Commissioner Mische conferred with City Commissioner Brewster and arrangements were made immediately to protect the interests of the city. City Attorney La Roche was called into consultation, and after an investigation reported that under the act by which the land was originally acquired as a donation land claim, no exemption was made of mineral rights. For that reason it is said to be impossible for any one to file on the park property for mining purposes.

A complete investigation of the strike will be made to ascertain the extent of the ore found. If it is considered practical, it is likely that the city will consider opening up a mine to take out the ore. Members of the city commission, upon hearing of the find yesterday, were all in favor of a complete investigation being made. It is believed that all would favor mining the ore if there is any chance of it being profitable.

Arrangements were made by Park Superintendent Mische to prevent persons from intruding on the property for mining purposes, it being his opinion that if the strike became known there would be a scramble of persons with picks and shovels, and in consequence there might be no park left within a few hours. Attendants at the park were instructed to guard the premises carefully.

The ore which brought the sensational assay was taken from the round near Interlink Drive, on the side of Mount Tabor. It is not in the same place the original "strike" of three weeks ago was made. Park officials were expecting yesterday that some one would file on the property for mining purposes, but no such intrusion was learned of up to the hour the park closed.—Wednesday's Oregonian.

Took a Peep First

A young lady at Bath Beach had occasion to complain about one of the bathroom attendants, an old fellow, who, in the hurry of cleaning up, would sometimes burst in upon her in her bathroom without knocking.