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The city authorities are favorably disposed toward securing better equipment for the fire department. More modern appliances for fire fighting are needed. It would seem that the best that can be gotten would be none too good for St. Johns. While the fire commission has recommended a combination hose and chemical truck, yet many of our citizens believe the equipment would not be complete and adequate unless a pumping engine also be secured. The former would cost about \$5600, while a triple combination fire fighting machine would cost close to \$10,000. It would be apparent to all that the best way to acquire this equipment would be to vote upon a bond issue for the purpose at a special election. Twenty year bonds would be equivalent to Portland eventually paying the principal, while this city in the meantime would enjoy its use by payment of the interest only. There is no apparent call or excuse for paying for such apparatus out of the general fund, with a corresponding increase in the tax levy. It is not right that our present population should burden itself to provide something that will benefit a much larger population later on. Let posterity help to pay the bill, because it will reap a large measure of the benefits.

If there be one better way than another to ruin a town, it is for those who live in it to go about apologizing for its existence. There are some who are always ready to say, by their actions at least, that this place don't amount to much. They will tell you that the town is dead; that no one would think of stopping here; that some town adjacent is more respectable more enterprising, has better people, better enjoyments, is ahead of us in everything. This is all wrong. Even if it be true, no one should ever admit it, when it comes to making a comparison. Every good citizen of this town, should take a special local pride in all that pertains to home. The schools, the churches, the amusements, the business, pleasures, the picnics, the celebrations, in fact everything should be looked on by our own people as just as good as can be gotten up elsewhere. The town that says "we can," will always succeed. The town that says, "Oh, I don't know, I don't think it will amount to much," is never of much force. If you have no local pride, borrow some.

St. Johns citizens should spend their money in St. Johns. Every time a citizen of St. Johns spends his money elsewhere for goods that are sold here as of good quality and at as low prices, he works indirectly against himself as a resident of St. Johns, who is or should be concerned with the upbuilding of his own city. That it is the duty of every citizen of St. Johns who has at heart the advancement and prosperity of this city, to trade at home as far as possible to do so, needs no argument. It means the building up of more enterprises in St. Johns, which will contribute to the city's growth and enrichment all along the line. The wisdom of patronizing home industries and home people should not be underestimated.

An old maid in St. Johns had nearly passed through this journey of life without attracting any attention until one day, by accident, she caught her skirt on a nail and tore it just as high as you now see the slits. She had not noticed the effect that this slit had given to her appearance until she noticed a neighbor man who had called taking very much of an interest in her. Anyhow, this couple was seen frequently in one another's company after this, and the story goes that they were soon married. I do not know this to be a fact, but as she no doubt told her story, as women usually do, hence the slit skirts.—Good Government Gazette, Newberg, Oregon.

The Bachelor Club has leased the skating rink, and it is being placed in first class condition.

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Notice of Cost of Improvement

Notice is hereby given that the assessment for the improving of S. Leonard street from St. Johns avenue to Bruce street, the total cost of which is \$4,250.40, was declared by Ordinance No. 571, entitled "An ordinance declaring the cost of improving S. Leonard St. from the northerly line of St. Johns avenue to the northerly line of Bruce Street, in the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and assessing the property benefited thereby, declaring such assessment and directing the entry of the same in the docket of city liens."
The cost of said improvement is levied upon all the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land within the boundaries of the district, as follows: Between the northerly line of St. Johns avenue and the northerly line of Bruce street.
A statement of said assessment has been entered in the docket of city liens November 6, 1913, and said assessment is now due and payable at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns, Oregon, and will be delinquent and bear interest after November 16, 1913, and if not paid on or before December 6, 1913, proceedings will be taken for the collection of the same by sale of property as provided by the city charter.
F. A. RICE,
City Recorder.

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NOTICE OF Proposed Assessment

Notice is hereby given that apportionment of the cost of improving E. Bulk street from the south line of Fessenden street to the north line of St. Johns Hts. Addition, total cost of which is \$645.75, 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 resolutions.
Remonstrances against said apportionment may be made in writing and filed with the undersigned until 5 o'clock P. M. Nov. 24, 1913.
F. A. RICE,
Recorder.

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RECORDER'S Quarterly Report Aug. 1st to Nov. 1st, 1913

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| Cash on hand General Fund | | |
| August 1st, 1913 | | \$10,324.01 |
| General | \$83.43 | |
| Fines | 142.00 | |
| Licenses | 208.50 | |
| Engineer's 5 per ct. | 402.30 | 1,584.29 |
| Street bond sinking fund | | 10,967.53 |
| Street interest fund | | 4,574.63 |
| Streets | | 8,351.33 |
| Total | | \$25,801.79 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | |
| General | \$1,575.45 | |
| Salaries | 2,595.50 | |
| Light | 1,421.31 | |
| Engineers | 684.00 | |
| Health and charity | 5.50 | |
| Street repair | 2,034.80 | |
| Printing | 259.00 | |
| Road roller | 19.80 | |
| Library | 80.00 | |
| City dock | 13.95 | |
| Interest on city dock bonds | 1,800.00 | |
| Street bond sinking fund | | 10,967.53 |
| Street interest fund | | 4,574.63 |
| Streets | | 8,351.33 |
| Fire fund | | 171.50 |
| Total | | \$34,534.30 |
| Cash on hand Nov. 1, 1913 | | 1,267.49 |
| | | \$35,801.79 |

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| City Inventory | \$126,627.31 |
| Bond Indebtedness | 75,000.00 |
| Improvement Bonds | 266,302.04 |

FRANCHISES AND CONTRACTS WITH THE CITY.

- No. 16—J. C. Scott, successors and assigns to operate a water system.
- No. 31—Portland General Electric Company, a supply of electricity.
- No. 34—O. W. R. and N. Co., to lay sidetrack on Bradford street from Block 6 to Block 8, James John Addition.
- No. 78—O. W. R. and N. Co., to lay sidetrack on Bradford street to Philadelphia street.
- No. 144—Home Telephone Company, to operate a telephone and telegraph system; \$200 per year, payable January 1st of each year.
- No. 148—Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, to operate telephone and telegraph system; \$100 per year, payable October 1st of each year.
- No. 237—Portland Gas Company, to operate a gas plant; \$100 per year, payable December 1st of each year.
- No. 312—Portland Railway, Light and Power Company, to operate a street railway system on Fessenden and Jersey streets; \$50 per year, payable December 1st of each year.
- No. 365—Mount Hood Railway, Light and Power Company, to operate an electric light and power system; two per cent gross earnings, payable 1st of each year.
- St. Johns Lumber Company, lease of Bradford street; \$20 per year, payable January 1st of each year.
- Ordinance No. 508—Portland Railway, Light and Power Company, Dawson street; \$1 July 1st.
- St. Johns Lumber Company, Burlington street; \$150 per year, payable semi-annually.

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NOTICE OF Proposed Assessment
Notice is hereby given that apportionment of the cost of improving Burlington street from the east line of Jersey street to the west line of Central avenue, total cost is \$1,536.10, has been apportioned and is on file in the office of the undersigned, subject to examination.
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