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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, 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

Matters of Importance Receive Attention

All members were present at the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, with Mayor Vincent presiding.

A petition for the establishment of an arc light at the corner of Midway and Richards streets was referred to the water and light committee for investigation.

A communication from a property owner asked that a change in grade be made in the sidewalk of Willamette boulevard between Burr street and the North Bank cut on the easterly side of the street.

Objection was made by a property owner on the grade of Willamette boulevard between Burlington and Richmond streets, the claim being made that because the upper side of the street was two and one-half feet higher than the lower side that the improvement would not present a good appearance.

Alderman Waldref reported that he had been informed that a number of young men and others make a habit of using the upper balcony of the city dock at all hours of the night, smoking, drinking, etc.

Engineer Burson called attention to a dilapidated condition of the sidewalk on South Ivanhoe and West Chicago streets, and it is expected that definite action will be taken later.

The fact was unearthed from the records that a grade had been established on Charleston street between Hayes and Willamette boulevard in 1906, which would make all proceedings on the improvement of this street under the new grade irregular and illegal.

The reports of the city recorder and treasurer for the month of July were read and accepted.

The following bids were received on the construction of "Riverside avenue" between Willamette boulevard and the O. W. R. & N. railroad track: M. T. Swan, \$5050.29; Cochran-Nutting Co., \$5007.08; Hahn & Reban, \$5464.94; Andrew & Herrer, \$4978.68; V. W. Mason, \$4673.03.

Alderman Munson called attention to several cracks appearing in the newly laid concrete sidewalk on North Kellogg street, and the engineer was instructed to investigate same.

It was decided that the duty of ringing the curfew bell devolve upon the paid firemen instead of the police department hereafter.

For Rent—At 311 South Jersey street, modern store building, with living rooms in rear; all conveniences; fine location. Rent, \$25.—Main 5378, or Columbia 81.

General Trade Conditions

The following is an interesting article on general trade conditions issued by the Merchants' National Bank of Portland:

With the general European war in progress, the extent of its devastation and the duration of its destruction no one being able to foresee, a forecast of the business conditions must take into consideration many factors which have never before had to be counted.

As a general proposition this country should materially benefit by the war, so far as the value of its food products and the many things which we possess and which the countries at war cannot make for themselves and must get from us are concerned.

So far as the United States Government is concerned, President Wilson is alive to the situation and has it well in hand. He has not only called to his assistance the best advice that the seat of government can give him, but he is in daily conference with and has the heartiest patriotic cooperation of the leaders in finance and business of the country.

It will be a mark of the finest patriotism and an expression of timely common sense if all people will lend their moral support to the various undertakings for the benefit of our commercial and financial welfare and express openly their confidence in those to whom leadership has been entrusted.

No declaration of war or actual battle has lessened the enormous cereal yield that we are in process of harvesting. Except for an adjustment and perhaps temporary delay of getting it to market, no single grain of our wheat and corn has been harmed or changed in any way.

The apple crop promise for the Pacific Northwest is still of the best and a normal production is predicted. It will be two or three weeks yet, however, before the figured estimates will appear.

Another cause for confidence is the granting by the Interstate Commerce Commission of 5 per cent increase in rates for the railroads between Buffalo, New York and the and the Mississippi river. It will doubtless prove a factor of far reaching importance.

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The Great Problem

The great problem before the people of Oregon is building up our state industrially, so that there may be a better home market for products and better support for the industries we now have.

Grants Pass took the initiative and voted bonds to start the construction of a railroad to Crescent City. Roseburg is taking the same steps to start a railroad to the Coos Bay country.

It is not enough to encourage the made in Oregon campaign and ask the people to purchase more of the products of the home industry. If we want the industries to flourish and make it possible to get more manufacturing enterprises in Oregon we have got to reduce taxation.

With such a program in the minds and consciences of the people Oregon would resume her old time prosperity and go ahead by leaps and bounds. To establish faith in the future of this commonwealth there must be the heartiest cooperation along constructive lines.

The thing for the people of Oregon to consider is that while they are all working to better their conditions individually, collectively they are asked to enact new laws making it impossible to accomplish that result.

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MAN DROWNED

At Lower End of the City Sunday Afternoon

A sad case of drowning occurred last Sunday afternoon, in which John Campbell lost his life. He was one of a jolly party of picnickers who drove in a wagon from Portland to a point of land at the river edge of the Ogden farm, opposite Linnton, where the tongue of the Slough enters the Willamette river.

The party, of which Mr. Campbell, his wife and little boy were members, enjoyed themselves for a while in regular picnic style followed by a picnic dinner. After dinner some of the party went in bathing, and finally Mr. Campbell decided to go in also.

Before the body was found, a motor boat speeded off to Linnton where the harbor patrol was notified by phone to come at once. Remarkable time was made by the patrol in reaching the scene, arriving shortly after the body had been found.

There were almost one hundred bathers and picnickers close at hand when the accident occurred, but it was so sudden and unexpected that the drowning could not be averted.

The body of Mr. Campbell was conveyed by the harbor patrol boat to the Portland morgue, and the wagon load of picnickers, which had been so jolly and full of life when they came, slowly proceeded homeward in a sad and sorrowful manner.

John Campbell was aged about 36 years, and physically was a splendid type of manhood. He resided at No. 90, West Willamette boulevard, Portland, and is survived by a widow and two small children, we understand.

Will Be Biggest Ever

Preparations for the biggest time St. Johns ever experienced to be held on Labor Day are going on in a smooth and gratifying manner. A feature of the Firemen's Tournament on that day that will be unique and at the same time highly entertaining and enjoyable will be a street dance to be given in the evening.

The fire departments of Oregon City, Corvallis, St. Helens and other places will compete for the prizes. All the departments in the entire Willamette Valley have practically given assurance that they will be represented here on Labor Day.

Following is a list of those who have subscribed funds for the event:

- St. Johns Fire Department, special fund, \$27.50
Peninsula National Bank, 15.00
Cummins & Ringle, 35.00
T. C. James, 35.00
First National Bank, 15.00
Bonham & Currier, 10.00
St. Johns Hardware Co., 10.00
Miller & Scammon, 35.00
Couch & Co., 10.00
J. J. Pitchford, 5.00
P. G. Gilmore, 10.00
Gatton & Son, 2.50
G. G. Gatton, .50
N. J. White, 10.00
T. D. Condon, 35.00
Robt. Anderson, 2.50
W. C. Roe, 2.50
Gregory & Gregory, 5.00
W. Jower, 2.00
Wong Lee Laundry, 1.00
Willamette Lumber and Paper Co., 5.00
St. Helens Fire Dept., 5.00
M. A. Gunst & Co., 10.00
Hart Cigar Co., 2.50
Balke-Collender Co., 10.00
Lang & Co., 5.00
J. R. Smith Cigar Co., 2.50
Mason, Ehrman & Co., 5.00
Portland Mfg. Co., 15.00
St. Johns Planing Mill, 5.00
Peninsula Iron Works, 5.00
E. R. Sully, 3.00
Multnomah Theatre, 10.00
St. Johns Cash Market, 10.00
P. R. L. & P. Co., 25.00
Pennington & Co., 10.00
Dan's Restaurant, 15.00
Corvallis Fire Dept., 5.00
Roy Wilcox, 2.50
E. A. Gensman & Son, 2.50
Ormandy Bros., 10.00
St. Johns Lumber Co., 15.00
Jones Milling Co., 5.00
Portland Woolen Mills, 15.00
St. Johns Garage, 2.50
Frank Clark, 3.00
H. F. Clark, 2.00
Anton Poepping, 2.00
Alex. S. Scales, 2.50
St. Johns Undertaking Co., 5.00
Ed Rawson, 1.00
C. J. Muck, 2.50
Peninsula Sand & Gravel Co., 2.50

A Delightful Surprise

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Keliher were delightfully surprised Sunday afternoon, August 2, 1914, when a number of their friends came in to help them celebrate the 25th anniversary of their married life.

Those present: Mrs. Julia Marselliot and Mrs. Blanche Richards of Forest Grove; Mrs. J. C. Petters, Hazel Petters, Paul Petters, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Petters, Helen and John Petters, James Stasek of Portland; Mrs. Leora L. Richards, Victoria, B. C.; Miss Emma Johnson of Antigo, Wisconsin; Mr. and Mrs. John Jewson, Lewis Keliher, Mattie Keliher, Earl Keliher, Hazel Peterson, Frank Wright.

ARE TO BLAME

Women Partly Responsible for the High Cost

Paper written by Miss Lulu Magone and read at the Mothers' meeting in the Library at the last meeting. Subject, "Are Women to Blame for the High Cost of Living?"

Yes, in some ways, we are to blame. All thoughtful, observing people who have lived long and seen the great changes that have come over our country, agree on this point. There are not enough farmers to supply every one with an abundance of food, and when the demand is greater than the supply prices always soar.

Some women will say: "I do not see how the way we spend our money has anything to do with high prices?" So will try to tell how it is done and how we may remedy matters. We need not look shabby in order to cut down the high cost of living. Our grandmothers wore nice clothes, made of the best material, but they bought goods which they knew would be serviceable and took good care of their clothes.

So the only way the manufacturers can supply the demand for cheap silk is to mix other materials with a little silk. I have read that a solution of tin is sometimes used. It gives the desired rustle and weight, but cracks very easily, which real silk does not do.

It is very wasteful to buy clothes that can only be worn a short time. On the other hand many people dress elegantly and waste nothing. Marion Harland says: "Waste is always vulgar," and Mrs. Rorer says that "if we are wasteful the next generation will want for the necessities of life."

We try to evade this "doing without" by going in debt at the grocery store, but the groceryman must borrow money to pay for these groceries and pay interest on it, and the only way he can get it back and so avoid failing in business is to raise the price on his groceries.

Am glad the schools are now teaching domestic science, for the girls are being trained to buy wisely and waste nothing. They find that it takes as much skill to spend money wisely as it does to earn it, and it gives them a respect for house work. They will do their share to bring down the cost of living when they have homes of their own, and their families will not feel the sting of poverty on account of their poor management.

Whereabouts Not Known

No word has yet been received concerning the whereabouts of Rex Dryden, who left his home in this city suddenly several weeks ago. No reason is known why he should disappear in such mysterious manner, and his wife is naturally much concerned regarding him. It is said that he is somewhat of a roving disposition, and the supposition is that his mania for seeking new fields came suddenly upon him and he immediately took his departure without intimating his intention to any one.



Or it may be that he has met with foul play. Efforts are being made by the local Lodges of which he is a member to locate him.

from the waste parts of vegetables and the table scraps of an average sized family. This was recommended for economy, but it seemed wasteful to me to feed so much good food which cost so much more than wheat, and had been carefully cooked to be fit for the human stomach to creatures with gizzards, that cared no more for it than they would for worms and grasshoppers.

The writer could not have believed in using anything that happened to be left for the next meal, and it made me wonder if the saying is a true one that a French family could live on what a American family throws away. If the saying has been true, I do not think it will be so much longer, for the women's magazines are full of helpful suggestions and many interesting books have been written on the subject.

Even our great country cannot produce an unlimited amount of food, clothing, etc., and our purses are also limited. So if we buy what we cannot afford we, or some member of our family, must do without things which are needed for health or happiness.

Leaving the Country

Every train and boat for the South carries large numbers of Hindus from Astoria and if the exodus keeps up much longer, Astoria will be entirely deserted by the East Indians. The majority of the Hindus employed at the Hammond mills have gone, and the balance are preparing to depart in the immediate future. It is alleged that the men are returning to India by way of San Francisco where, it is said, a vessel has been chartered to aid in a revolution which is expected to break out in India as a result of England being occupied in the general European war.

Be sure to come to the W. C. T. U. meeting at the Library next Monday at 2:30. There will be election of officers for the coming year. We will also have the yearly reports of the different departments. It will be very interesting; everybody come. Also, remember the picnic at Columbia Park August 21. Come and bring your lunch and have a good time.—Reporter.