

St. Johns is Calling You

Has seven churches.
Has a most promising future.
Distinctly 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,
Vanner and excelsior plant,
Flour mill, planing mill,
Box factory, and others.
More industries coming.
St. Johns is the place for YOU.

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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 3 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 good payroll monthly.
Ships monthly many cars freight.
All railroads have access to it.
Is gateway to Portland harbor.
Climate ideal and healthful.

COUNCIL MEETS

Matters of Importance Receive Attention

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

A number of property owners presented a remonstrance against the improvement of Catlin street and the same was referred to the city engineer to ascertain the percentage of property represented on the remonstrance.

A communication from the G. A. R. expressed thanks for the donation of \$50 granted for decorative purposes by the city.

The Western Co. requested that a fire hydrant be installed at Alma street, and the matter was referred to the water and light committee for recommendation.

Loeffelman, Oswald & Martin, contractors, reported that they had made a mistake in their bid on the improvement of Pittsburg street, and that \$400 additional be allowed or the contract be annulled. As the contract had been signed and the bonds accepted, it was decided to hold the matter over for a week's consideration and the engineer and city attorney directed to look into the matter thoroughly and make recommendation.

It was decided that an offer of wood at a price of \$2.25 per cord on the ground be tendered to the school board. The city still owns a large quantity of wood lying on the Gaton tract.

Bills totalling \$396.77 were allowed.

Considerable discussion was indulged in regarding the acceptance of St. Johns avenue, and it was finally decided that the council would visit the street in a body Friday afternoon and endeavor to arrive at some definite decision regarding it.

Chairman of the street committee, Dr. Cook, was authorized to make needed repairs on Columbia boulevard.

The petition for the sidewalk of South Jersey street was referred back to the petitioners to secure more waivers.

The city attorney was directed to draft a new weed ordinance. The mayor having vetoed the new dog ordinance, a motion that it be passed over his veto, made by Councilman Cook, Martin and Bonham voting no, and Graden, Tallman, Perrine and Downey voting in the affirmative. Two-thirds vote is required to pass over the mayor's veto.

Lumber Prospects Good

Prospects for improvement in the Northwest lumber trade, the chief industry of this corner of the United States, are said by the Timberman to be increased by the prospective construction of the Alaska railroad by the Government immediately at a cost of \$28,000,000. The new road, 416 miles from Seward to Fairbanks, with a branch of 38 miles up the Matanuska Valley, will require a large amount of lumber, not only for construction purposes, but for the development of the country to be opened, which is expected to result in a continued and growing demand for Coast lumber.

Shipments of lumber to Alaska in 1914, as reported by the Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau, amounted to more than 35,000,000 feet.

Another helpful element in the local lumber situation is that the transcontinental railroads are considering seriously the question of a reduction in freight rates so as to be able to compete successfully with the Panama Canal. With a reduction in the Pittsburgh territory to equal the Chicago rate of 55 cents, there would undoubtedly be a marked tendency to increase the market for Pacific Coast lumber.

The enlarged wheat acreage in Western Canada, it is said, will have the effect of increasing the demand for lumber.

The problem facing exporters of Pacific Coast lumber is now that of tonnage. Every day the situation becomes more acute. It is said that as vessels reach England they are at once commandeered for government use. Meanwhile large orders have been placed for export railroad

What the Germans Hold

The importance of the five per cent of French territory held by the Germans is strikingly set forth in a statement given to the press by the National Geological Society. It shows that while it is comparatively small in area it is very large in industrial and agricultural importance and says:

"Holding about 10,000 square miles of French territory, or less than one-twentieth of continental France, the Germans have behind their advance lines nearly one-half of industrial France, and the homes of one-tenth of her population. Pas-de-Calais, Nord, Aisne, Ardennes, Meuse and Meurthe-et-Moselle, of which the Germans hold all, or the largest and most important parts, are the banner departments of France. Here are the mines, the foundries and the factories, and the dairies and farms, which are the pride, the wealth and the strength of modern France. In this narrow strip under German occupation, there is produced nearly seventy per cent of all coal mined in France, ninety per cent of all the native mined iron, and nearly half of the republic's output of manufactured articles.

"The iron and steel industry lies almost entirely back of the German trenches. France stood fourth among the nations of the world in production of iron and steel, with an annual production of 3,600,000 tons of pig iron and 3,100,000 tons of steel. This industry was centered and contained in northern France, for here were the raw materials. The Flemish coal basin, extending into the Nord and Pas-de-Calais, where 1,000,000 miners were employed, produced sixty per cent of the coal mined in France, and, practically, the country's entire supply of fossil coal.

"The Nord department, all but a few square miles of whose coast land is in the possession of the enemy, is in agricultural and industrial importance the first department in France. In this department, and the departments of the Pas-de-Calais, Meuse and Meurthe-et-Moselle are the great metal working plants of the French, the huge Pittsburgh and Cleveland mills, foundries and machine shops of that country. In these departments, further, is a great part of the textile industry, the cotton, woolen and linen weaving, the working of lace and embroidery, the weaving of carpets and dyeing. Flour mills, brick kilns, distilleries, glass works, pottery works, shoe and hat factories, tobacco factories, and large plants for the production of hardware, enameled iron hollow ware, and edge tools are strewn through this thickly populated section in profusion. In the shops situated within these departments most of the French cabinet work is done, and nearly the best fields, much of the French sugar is refined.

Menace in Trouble

The seditious utterances of the Menace—a name fittingly self-applied—has brought the publishers of that anti-Catholic weekly paper into trouble with the federal court at Kansas City, and they have been ordered to trial on indictments charging them with using the mails for the transmission of obscene matter. The freedom of the press is safely guaranteed by the constitution, but when the freedom thus allowed degenerates into abuse of the privilege, those responsible therefore are justly held amenable to the law in severe penalties. The Catholics of America constitute a large proportion of our most patriotic citizenship, and any publication that seeks to array religious prejudice against them to the extent that the Menace has by its inflammatory utterances has no legitimate place in American journalism.—Gresham Outlook.

material at various mills, with no tonnage in sight to move it. Inquiries for 10,000,000 feet of Oregon pine for South Africa have been received.

Auto for hire by day, hour or trip, at very reasonable rates. Good opportunity for parties of four or less to make a trip into the country at a low price.—H. M. Waldref, 609 Fessenden street, Phone Columbia 206.

Note the label on your paper.

FOUR DROWNED

When Motor Boat Overturned Monday Night

The lives of four young people were suddenly ended by the waters of the Willamette river Monday night, when a launch was overturned in some manner. The dead are Mrs. James J. Martin, aged 27, of 601 North Willamette boulevard, St. Johns; Mrs. Doris Shannon, aged 28, of 735 Vanderbilt street, Portland; Amos Weiss, aged 24, of the same address; Clyde Davidson, aged 25, of 616 Salem street, St. Johns. The only member of the party surviving is Mrs. Minnie Weiss, wife of Mr. Amos Weiss. The following particulars regarding the distressing affair are taken from Tuesday's Telegram.

Clinging to a drifting board in the west channel of the Willamette river just below the North Pacific Lumber company's dock, Mrs. Minnie Weiss, aged 26, of 735 Vanderbilt street, was found unconscious by A. Coyle, a fisherman, at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning after a motor boat had capsized. Four persons who were with Mrs. Weiss are missing and undoubtedly drowned.

With Mrs. Weiss when the boat capsized were her husband, Amos, who was a boiler maker at the Columbia Engineering company's shops at Linnton; Clyde Davidson, who was employed as a water tender on river boats and the son of W. H. Davidson, of 616 Salem street, St. Johns; Mrs. Doris Shannon, a sister of Mrs. Weiss, who lived at the Weiss home, and Mrs. Ethel Martin, the wife of James Martin, engineer at the St. Johns Woolen mills. No hope is held for any of the party, although Mrs. Weiss cannot be convinced that her husband is dead, as he was an expert swimmer.

The boat capsized when one member of the party had trouble with the steering apparatus and tried to turn the boat at a bend in the channel by standing up and rocking it into the right direction. The man lost his balance and a second later all the occupants of the boat were in the river.

Coyle planned Tuesday to catch the early run of fish and when he left his houseboat north of the docks, he rowed onto the river where he saw a woman lying on a board, her fingers gripping the edge with deathlike tenacity. He lifted the body into his boat and rowed it to a houseboat occupied by an elderly woman who resuscitated the young woman and gave her dry clothing, while Coyle rowed out again in vain hope that he might find other survivors. The rain was pouring down and he had no success, although he spent an hour rowing to and fro. Not even the boat could be found, and it is supposed that it sank immediately.

Weiss traded his motorcycle three weeks ago for the motor boat that carried the party to death. He was a motorboat expert and had spent half of his life on the river.

When Coyle gave up the search he summoned the harbor patrol Elidor, which responded bearing Patrolmen Tilton, Jackson, Jaekel, Hazen and Earl Nelson. They conveyed Mrs. Weiss to the emergency hospital. Later she was taken to the quarters of Matrons Sampson and Smith in the city jail. The shock was so great that she was delirious for a short time, but under the care of the matrons she regained her strength and told a somewhat incoherent story of the tragedy.

"It must have been about 9 o'clock last night," said Mrs. Weiss, "when Amos, Clyde, Doris and myself started for a short spin in the new boat and after running on the river for a little while we decided to visit Mrs. Martin in her apartments at St. Johns. We did this and then asked Mrs. Martin to take a ride with us. We ran up the river after she got into the boat and it was on our way to take her home that the accident happened. Everything is in a dreadful haze to me, but if I remember correctly, one of the men in our boat—I can't remember which one—was having trouble in steering and stood up to help the boat make a turn. Then all I remember is being in the water. I haven't a recollection of what happened after that and I don't

To Repeal Wage Scale

Another kink was taken in Commissioner Daly's Utopian ideals yesterday when City Attorney LaRoche sent an ordinance to the City Council virtually repealing Mr. Daly's ordinance as passed last winter providing a \$3 a day minimum wage for all workmen engaged by municipal contractors.

The change as proposed by Mr. LaRoche is said to be for the purpose of removing the possibility of the city suffering a large financial loss by the measure being held invalid by the courts. The change as proposed would exempt from the minimum wage and the other provisions of the ordinance the men engaged in street and sewer work. There is but little other municipal work that could be affected by the ordinance. If the change is adopted by the council it will be virtually the annulment of the entire minimum wage issue.

Those who have followed the situation declare that the system has not done what Mr. Daly said it would do. Instead of providing a \$3 a day wage for laborers it has enabled Syrians and Italians to get all of the city's sewer work thus taking the bread and butter from the mouths of Portland laborers.

The ordinance requires that contractors taking contracts from the city shall pay not less than the city's scale of wages for workmen. The lowest wage for laborers is \$3 according to the city's scale.

Syrians and Italians have averted the minimum wage by banding together, underbidding regular contractors and after getting the contracts, doing the work and dividing the profits. Each of the workmen is a party to the contract or in other words is a contractor. No men are employed, so no \$3 minimum wage has to be paid. It is said that on some contracts the men have netted less than 75 cents a day.

Records in the city's department of public works show that since March 26 when the minimum wage measure went into effect Syrians and other aliens have procured all but two or three of the sewer contracts. Out of the men engaged in sewer construction now, it is said only about 8 per cent are Americans. The others are Syrians, Italians and Russians.

City Attorney LaRoche says the pulling of the teeth of the Daly ordinance is necessary for the protection of the city. It is probable the validity of the ordinance will be tested on the ground that the City Council is merely the agent for property owners and has no right to pay more than the going wage for workmen engaged in doing street or sewer work for the property owners.

If the city should require the payment of the higher wage it is said the city might have to pay back the difference to the property owners. Mr. LaRoche says the city should take no further chances and it is for that reason he recommends the changing of the ordinance.—Oregonian.

know how I caught the plank that saved my life."

Mrs. Weiss has been married six years. She was formerly Miss Minnie Wilson of Walla Walla, where her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Weiss, live. Mrs. Shannon was her older sister and was separated from her husband some years ago. Shannon has since remarried and lives at Walla Walla. Weiss is survived by his father and mother, George Weiss and wife, and two brothers, Ned and Howard Weiss, of 510 Salem street, St. Johns. Davidson's father, W. H. Davidson, of 616 Salem street.

All the bodies were recovered and taken to the St. Johns Undertaking parlors.

Back to the Farm

Would you like to own a choice little farm in Yamhill County, Oregon? If so, come in and see what I can do for you. I have a few friends with choice little farms who wish to exchange for City property.—Dr. W. J. Gilstrap, First National Bank Building, St. Johns, Oregon.

Take your next picture on an Anasco film—the court decreed original film. Get it at The St. Johns Pharmacy, Anasco dealers.

THE LIBRARY

Interesting Notes for the Library Patrons

Hours:
Afternoon, 12:00 to 5:30.
Evening, 7:00 to 9:00.
Sunday, 2:30 to 5:30.

Books Received:
Barrie—Half Hours.
Containing the four clever and brief plays:
Pantaloone.
The Twelve-Pound Look.
Rosalind.
The Will.

Burnham—The Right Track.
A Christian Science story.
Hopkin—Life of Admiral Foote.

"What the hero of Fort Henry and the Mississippi accomplished was no accident of fortune, but was prepared for in the earlier stages of a life devoted to the highest aims. He was a genuine American sailor. His qualities of mind and temperament have the smack of the salt sea—the free play and rough force of old ocean. He was a true child of the sea—of fluent spirit, moved by powerful impulses, loving honor, bold and affectionate. Yet he was more than this. To the simple sailor-spirit of indomitable loyalty to duty was added a religious enthusiasm that fitted him to contend with foes more formidable than winds or waves. Here lay the real strength of his character."

Haeckel—Evolution of Man.

This was the first attempt to render the facts of human germ-history accessible to a wider circle of educated people and to explain these facts by human tribal history. No other branch of natural science yet remains so exclusively confined to its own technical students; no other branch has been so wilfully obscured and mystified by priestly influence, as has the germ-history of man. Few educated men have any suspicion of the fact, that these human embryos conceal a greater wealth of important truths, and form a more abundant source of knowledge than is afforded by the whole mass of most other science and of all so-called "revelations." The name of Darwin is indeed in every mouth. But few persons have really assimilated the theory of descent as reformed by him, few have made it part of themselves.

Lodge—Pioneers of Science.

A course of lectures on the history and progress of astronomy, the merit of which consists in their simple statement and explanation of scientific facts and laws. The figure of each Pioneer in turn is presented with vividness as a living figure and his influence traced on the progress of thought. Some of the most interesting chapters are: Galileo and the Inquisition. The Discovery of Neptune. Bessel—The Distance of the Stars.

Lagrange and Laplace—The Stability of the Solar System, and the Nebular Hypothesis.

Nicholson—The Ancient Life-History of the Earth.

A comprehensive outline of the principles and leading facts of the science which is concerned with the living beings which flourished upon the globe during past periods of its history.

Rawlinson—Story of Parthia. Except in respect of their military prowess, it is doubtful if justice is done to the Parthians by any classical author. They occupied the position of the second nation in the world from about B. C. 150 to A. D. 226. They were a check and a counterpoise to Rome preserving a balance of power "and preventing the absorption of all other nations into the Tyrant Empire. They afforded a refuge to those whom Rome would fain have hunted down, allowed a freedom to their subjects which no Roman Emperor ever permitted, excelled the Romans in toleration and in a liberal treatment of foreigners and gave the East a protection from foreign foes, and a government well suited to its needs, for a period of nearly four centuries."

Tolstoi—War and Peace.

A panorama of Russian affairs, public and private, during the war with Napoleon, in the guise of a family chronicle. The reader sees through the eyes of the principal characters and colored by their emotions, the entire life of the nation

Annual Alumni Reunion

The second annual reunion of the Alumni of Room 15, Central School, was held in the assembly hall of the school on the evening of the first day of June.

Nearly every member of the M. F. Burghdoff's one hundred eighty graduates was present. The hall was crowded with the jolly boys and girls as they renewed old friendships and played games and sang songs.

A registration booth was conducted by Miss Lenore Kilton and in a beautifully hand painted folio she recorded the signatures of the entire assembly.

A program was given under the supervision of a committee from each class. Walter Andrews winning high honors for the excellent productions he secured from his class, and the double committee work done by him.

Violin solos were delightfully rendered by Flavius West and Leon Peterson accompanied by Miss Lola Murphy. Miss Miller sang in her pleasing way, and Clyde Thayer proved to his delighted audience that his voice has gained wonderful richness and volume.

"Meg Merrilies," Miss Margaret Nelson, wrote and recited a poem for all classes, and when the clapping ceased, she told Olga had her picture taken, speaking in the quaint Norwegian style.

Miss Opal Weimer played as she never played before, and the piano keys fairly spoke under her magic touch.

Randolph Howard made all the boys envious of his excellent piano achievements.

Again and again Russel Smith was called back to whistle his way into the hearts of his classmates.

Refreshments were served at the headquarters established by each class, in different parts of the hall. Sandwiches, punch, cake, lemonade, candies, fruit and cookies of all sorts disappeared as if by magic.

The guests of honor were Supt. C. H. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Monahan and Mr. Tanch.

One important feature of the reunion is to acquaint the outgoing grammar school class with their future school mates and thus encourage a desire for a continuation of their education. Souvenir cards were given to the departing guests and on each card was listed the classes which M. F. Burghduff has had the pleasure of graduating from Room 15 Central School.

June '12, Owl Club—34 members.

Feb. '13, Satellite Society—20 members.

June '13, Star Society—14 members.

Feb. '14, Busy Bees—12 members.

June '14, Corona Club—39 members.

Feb. '15, Central City—24 members.

June '15, Royal Republic—37 members.

Tribute to M. F. Burghduff's graduating classes:

Hark! what sounds peal forth.

Ring! ring! ring!

Mark! from south to north.

Bring! bring! bring!

Ah! 'tis sounds of boundless joy, All the world cannot alloy.

Sing! sing! sing!

OWL.

Laugh! ye stately owl.

Ha! ha! ha!

Chaff! ye ancient fowl.

Rah! rah! rah!

Lordly bird in wisdom dressed, Throw your knowledge to the west.

Lah! lah! lah!

CRESCENTS.

Shine! oh Crescent Moon.

Gleam! gleam! gleam!

Fine! oh silver boon.

Dream! dream! dream!

Lovely queen, oh shed thy light.

Fill with joy this matchless night.

Beam! beam! beam!

STARS.

Star! thou evening lamp.

throughout this tremendous epoch. The battle pieces are wonderful analysis of the sensations and emotions of a combatant."

Young—The Sun.

A general view of what is known and believed about the sun in language and manner unprofessional but precise.

New Charge Copies.

Grey—Lone Star Ranger.

Wilson—Ruggles of Red Gap.

These are also on the regular shelves.

Items From Daily Abstract (Portland's Official Paper)

Commissioner Dieck of the Department of Public Works is planning to start the annual weed cutting campaign. It will be conducted this year on a different basis from that pursued the past two years. Instead of the city cutting weeds and grass on vacant lots and assessing the cost to the property owners, the latter will be notified to clean up their premises, and if they do not comply with the orders they will be arrested for maintaining a nuisance.

Bids for paving 70 miles of highway in Multnomah County under the \$1,250,000 bond issue will be opened by the County Commissioners at 11 o'clock June 9, the first day of the Rose Festival. If awards are made at once Roadmaster Yeon expects to have paving operations in full swing a week afterward.

The last preliminary in the way of advertising for bids was cleared away at a meeting of the Commissioners Wednesday. Specifications for 12 types of pavement were approved and ordered advertised and a form of separate contract, under which contractors will bid at nominal sums to maintain the roads they have laid for five years beyond the five-year period covered by surety bonds given with the construction contracts, also as agreed upon and ordered advertised concurrently with advertisements of the specifications, but separately from them.

It seems practically certain that at least two miles of road will be paved with wood blocks as a test of the durability of that type of pavement when properly laid. The advertisements as prepared by Roadmaster Yeon call for bids on wood block pavement for one mile on the Base Line road, east of the Twelve-Mile House, toward the Sandy River, and for one mile on the Sandy road east of Fairview.

Advertisements for this pavement have been asked with the understanding that the wood block people will stand the difference in cost between wood block and other types of pavement on which estimates had been based.

Glare! glare! glare!
Far! from out thy camp.
Stare! stare! stare!
Thrust aside the robes of day.
Come and twinkle while you may.

Flare! flare! flare!

BUSY BEES.

Dance! you busy bees.
Trip! trip! trip!
Prance! and pleasure please.
Dip! dip! dip!
Leave your work and come to play.

Life is only one short day,
Flip! flip! flip!

CORONAS.

Cry! on crowned chick.
Peep! peep! peep!
Fly! your wings spread quick.
Leap! leap! leap!

Now Corona chick rejoice,
Spread your wings and raise your voice.
Cheep! cheep! cheep!

CENTRAL CITY.

Hear! oh city neat.
Chime! chime! chime!
Cheer! and stay thy feet.
Time! time! time!

Make the town with anthems ring,
Nights like this a blessing bring.

Chime! chime! chime!

ROYAL REPUBLIC.

Bow! Republic Grand.
Bend! bend! bend!
Now! oh royal band.
Blend! blend! blend!

Though you're dignified forsooth,
Sing in heart, rejoice in youth.
Bend! bend! bend!

Stop! for why be glad?
Guile! guile! guile!
Hop! don't dare be sad.
While! while! while!

Room fifteen doth reunite,
Joy doth reign supreme tonight.
Smile! smile! smile!

—Meg Merrilies, Alumni Poet.

For Rent—One 6 room house, \$8.00; one 7 room house with 1 acre, \$8.00; one 6 room house all remodeled, \$10.00.—Peninsula Security Co., Room 5 over First National Bank.

Special sale on Initial Stationery on display in our window. Twenty boxes given away free, is your name in our window? Look, at The St. Johns Pharmacy.