

# ST. JOHNS REVIEW

## To Be Big Milling Center

When a group of men plank down about \$10,000,000 in cash on a business deal they show their confidence in the business they are acquiring. Moreover they don't risk such huge sums—particularly in the midst of a world war—unless they feel that they are on firm ground.

And that's what happened in Portland the other day. No finer, bigger proof that Portland is to lead as the Northwest's biggest wheat shipping and flouring mill center has been offered than the action of Max H. Houser and associates in their purchase of the Portland Flouring Mills company and its subsidiaries. The purchase of this gigantic corporation by Portland men whose largest interests are centered in Portland and the Northwest mean that the Rose City has been definitely put in the dominating position on the North Pacific coast.

Not only will Portland benefit from the profits made in the grinding of wheat into flour, but she also stands to win her desire—more ocean commerce.

With the wheat export business of the Northwest centered on the Columbia river, ships from Liverpool and the Orient will meet in Oregon. They will come laden with the products of other lands and depart with those produced in the Oregon country.

Portland is the largest flouring mill community in the Northwest now. Moreover more than one-third of the entire grinding capacity of the mills in Oregon are within the city limits of the state's metropolis. This percentage will further increase shortly when two mills now planned will be erected. One of them is virtually ready for construction at the St. Johns terminal where Portland's \$3,000,000 bulk grain elevator is being built.

All told there are 112 flour mills in the state. They are scattered through the wheat belt of Eastern Oregon and of North Central Oregon. They range in size anywhere from 50 to 2000-barrel daily capacity. Outside of Portland the largest ones are Pendleton, The Dalles and Astoria.

There are four great mills in Portland—all situated on the waterfront. Each is so located that the wheat can be taken direct from the cars, thence to the bins, down through the grinder for sacking and loading aboard vessels lying at the docks just outside the mill doors.

The total value of the Portland mills is better than \$1,000,000. Their daily grinding capacity is 6750 barrels of flour. They, combined with the other mills in the state, can turn out 18,000 barrels daily.

In short the milling capacity of the state already is so great that they can grind Oregon's normal wheat crop of 18,000,000 bushels in about seven months if kept in operation daily.

Almost 1,000,000 bushels of wheat were ground in Portland alone last year and approximately 75 per cent of it was sold to the allies.

In times of peace the figure is greater because the mills are not held to a limit as they now are by the government.

During normal times the value of flouring and grist mill products is about \$9,000,000. Now it is much higher by several million dollars despite curtailment of production.

Before the outbreak of war, one of the sights of Portland harbor was the long line of great ships—the wheat fleet—waiting for cargoes of Inland Empire grain.

And they will return—only in greater numbers. As of old they will give employment not only to great groups of waterfront workers, but likewise contribute their tens of thousands of dollars each to the merchants, dry dock men, repair men and supply men.

This Houser and his associates appreciate and will make possible Portland, the second largest grain shipping port in America, is designed to swing upward.

Portlanders who have the city's interest at heart and are in position to swing an immense traffic to her from the world at large now are in control of the largest grain company and the largest mills in the Northwest.

They realize that the city is the logical flour and wheat center and have put down their hard cash to back up their judgment.

Such confidence is well worth emulation on the part of every loyal Portlander. It is by development of such industries that the city's wonderful prosperity can be maintained and made

## Doesn't Like New Law

The Florida Grower, in commenting upon the recent newspaper zone-rate law, gives the law a hard blow, as follows:

This issue is mailed under the provisions of the obnoxious and wholly un-American zone-rate law, which has the effect of taxing and placing a burden on readers of a publication, the heavier the burden the further from the city of publication. That is, the cost to send the paper is higher and the result in the end must be that the subscribers will have to pay that difference.

Since when has it become the policy of the people of this United States to place a tax on reading matter and to create sectionalism in this country? Is this your policy that has now been made into a law? If it is not and you believe it wrong, send a line to your representatives in Congress telling them that they are not carrying out the wishes of their constituents if they leave such a disgraceful law on the statute books. It is frankly not a war measure; it is not to earn more money for the postoffice department. It is likely to decrease the income of the postoffice department because it will drive so many publications to the wall unless they can place the burden on the subscriber. Nearly every paper in the country will be obliged to raise its subscription rates to live. The law says that on and after July 1, 1918, and until July 1, 1919, the rates shall be:

For the 1st and 2nd zones, 11c per lb; for the 3rd zone, 13c; for the 4th zone, 2c; for the 5th zone, 21c; for the 6th zone, 21c; for the 7th zone 3c; for the 8th zone, 31c.

These rates are to be increased year by year until at the end of the fourth year the rates will be as follows:

For the 1st and 2nd zones, 2c per lb; for the 3rd zone, 3c; for the 4th zone, 5c; for the 5th zone, 6c; for the 6th zone, 7c; for the 7th zone, 9c; for the 8th zone, 10c.

This means that it will cost five cents a pound to send newspapers from Tampa to Jacksonville as against one cent a pound at the present time, which is the rate that has built up so many newspapers in this country and which has made it the best informed and most intelligent population of any country under the sun. It will cost ten cents a pound to send the Grower to Seattle or Los Angeles and certainly someone must pay besides the newspapers if they are to live.

The American Federation of Labor has entered its protest to the now existing wrong and every organized body of citizens in this country should likewise voice a protest. It is not a square deal; it encourages sectionalism and tends to bar the reading public from its rights. No other civilized country in the world has ever tried to discourage the spread of information to such an extent as is carried in this law and we firmly believe that when the citizens of this country fully awake to the injustice fastened upon them by their legislators that they will make themselves heard and demand that their servants carry out their will.

permanent. And the way to help is for every one to do each his share—and part of that share is to have faith in the city, faith in the state, and then show that faith by buying Made in Oregon Goods—and thus keep the Pay Roll Dollar Rolling Round Home.—Telegram.

"What is a phenomenon?" asked one workman of another. This enlightening definition is quoted in Young's Magazine: "It is like this: Suppose you were to go out into the country and see a field of thistles growing." "Yes." "Well, that wouldn't be a phenomenon." "No, that's quite clear," agreed the other man. "But suppose you were to see a lark singing away up in the sky." "Yes." "Well, that wouldn't be a phenomenon." "No; that also seems clear." "But imagine there is a bull in the field." "Yes." "Even that wouldn't be a phenomenon." "No," but, now, Bill, look here. Suppose you saw that bull sitting on them thistles and whistling like a lark—well, that would be a phenomenon."

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## Big Attraction Coming Registration in September

James John Lodge, No. 1509, L. O. O. M., propose to live up things in St. Johns for five days beginning Tuesday, August 20, Chas. E. Royer, John Noce and other members of the lodge, acting as entertainment committee, have completed all arrangements for a big, merry carnival and out door frolic which will be staged on the school house grounds at Jersey and E. John streets. Beyond question this will be the biggest amusement event St. Johns has enjoyed in a year. In addition to many novel local features, the Moose have arranged for the appearance of the entire Foley and Burk Combined Shows, the same that made the girls' victory carnival at Seattle such a brilliant success. That the Foley and Burk shows were selected in preference to all others for this notable event, the biggest in the history of Seattle, is proof that St. Johns people are going to see something worth while.

Conspicuous in the Foley and Burk aggregation is a monster two ring trained animal hippodrome, presenting the aristocrats of the animal kingdom in a program of forty amazing acts. There is Yuma, the horse that says his prayers, climbs into bed and covers himself up unaided. When the fire alarm sounds he arises, rushes into a burning building and rescues a child, restoring it to its mother's arms. Then there is Trixie, the equine with a human brain, who assumes artistic poses, solves ordinary mathematical problems, picks out colors and actually laughs as unmistakably as any human being can. Polli ponies and trench dogs are seen in a realistic war drama and two other schools of diminutive ponies execute intricate military drills. Scores of riding dogs and monkeys and Iastus, the Charlie Chaplin mule, are other features of this wonderful show. A continuous performance is given.

The numerous side shows team with novel acts, mystifying illusions and living curiosities from all parts of the world. The largest boy and smallest man, seen so frequently on the screen in Keystone comedies, the girl who defies death in the electric chair, the tattooed Australian bushman and the living half lady are a few of the attractions to be seen in one mammoth pavilion.

Another show presents Nettie, a girl so large that it takes six men to hug her; also a genuine hairy baby from Borneo.

The Hawaiian village offers a bevy of beautiful damsels from the mid-pacific isles in native songs and dances. Among the artists are noted ukulele and steel guitar soloists who present a musical program of unusual excellence.

Among the riding devices may be mentioned a \$10,000 merry-go-round, a mammoth Ferris sky whirl and a new model U-Boat. There will be special programs every day, plenty of music, a jazz trail of a thousand joys and sensational free acts every afternoon and evening, so it will be seen that there is no lack of amusements to keep the crowd entertained every minute.

The fact that the event is under the auspices of the Moose is a guarantee that it will be a big success. Every one should plan to attend at least one night out of the five.

Brunswick Talking Machines at Currin's.

Sometime early in September, every man in Oregon between the age of 18 and 20, and 32 and 45 year, inclusive, will be required to register under the new draft law, now before Congress.

These age limits are as yet tentative, as the bill has not been finally acted upon. Minor changes may be made in the age limits. But they will be in general as stated in the foregoing.

The exact date of the opening registration day has not yet been set, and cannot be set until Congress passes the law to lower and extended the draft ages. But it is considered certain that the law will be passed very soon and that the registration day to be proclaimed by the President will be early in September.

Every man who comes within the designated ages should keep himself very carefully informed, for his own protection, about the status of the new draft measure, and especially as to the day fixed for registration. Failure to register on the proper day will subject the neglectful person to heavy penalty. Ignorance will not excuse him.

Oregon is now pretty well versed in the procedure to be complied with by men of draft age on registration day, for already two such draft registration days have been held in the state.

The first was that of June 5, 1917, when all men from 21 to 30 years of age, inclusive, were required to register for military service. The second registration day was that of June 5, of this year, when all men who had attained their 21st birthday since registration day of the preceding year were required to register.

The coming registration day will be even more important than these two, for the number of men to be registered is estimated at fully one-third greater than on June 5, 1917. It is believed that in Oregon alone, fully 100,000 men will have to register.

So far as possible, registration places on the coming registration day will be in regular voting places. Local Boards will be in full charge of the registration.

Local Boards already have received instructions to make all preliminary arrangements at once for conducting the registration, so there will be no delay when the President's proclamation is issued. Registrants are to be appointed for each precinct, on the ratio of about one to each probable eighty registrants.

Interpreters also will be provided where necessary to facilitate registration.—Adjutant General, Portland.

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Why don't you make some pictures and send them to the soldiers. Currin Says So.

## St. Johns' Honor Roll

Following is a list of those from St. Johns who have enlisted in Uncle Sam's service. Persons knowing of any names omitted will render a favor by reporting same to this office.

Taylor M. Whitmore, Athill W. Irvine, Dean H. Knowles, Earl H. Knowles, Theodore Bugbee, H. Bryon Poff, Armand Olin, Claude E. Harris, Russell Poff, R. P. Galloway, Chas. E. Garlick, Murne Donaldson, Glenn Haskell, Ray Clark, Benajah T. Swan, Hubert Martin, Leon Sorber, Donald Strickland, Lowell Anderson, John La Villett, Frank L. Thompson, Orion Lear, Hal J. Davis, Donald N. Trowbridge, Bert Larson, Alan Rutherford, Homer Plasket, Henry Brandenberg, J. W. Welsh, David Howe, Clyde Heath, Walter Mayer, Fred Semalling, John Boggs, Ernest Johnson, Hiram Eatrington, Kenneth Simmons, Thornton Toole, Eugene Hiatt, Dove Walker, August Jensen, Ray Meyer, Walter Pearson, Elmer Maples, Roy Gagnon, Lester D. and Basil B. Smith, Bryant Kilkenny, Paul Rude, Emory Gillmore, Lewis Wirth, Harold Meredith, Ray Hawkins, Hugh Ward, Kindle C. Satterlee, Gordon and Wilbur Bellingier, Zelta Rice, Leslie B. Moulton, Harry Truman, Frank Green, Walter Rickson, Frank Whitney, Thomas Reynolds, Carlyle Cunningham, Percy Smith, Frank Whitney, Arthur C. Clark, Alphonso Fox, Harry O. Hughes, Geo. Downey, Thos. E. Edwards, G. and Ingolf Willikson, F. Edward Isbell, Graham Moxon, G. Lincoln Fassett, Harley Manning, Grover Carroll, Clyde Miller, Adolph Ascher, John Basy, Wm. Moe, Albert Hyde, Reed Chamberlain, Ray Vanderbeck, Richard Barley, Cecil Magone, Frank Bugbee, Ivan Faber, Bert Sundstrom, Gail Perrine, Norman Nelson, Grover Barron, Harry J. Simmons, Thos. Roberts, Max J. Witters, A. Tallman, G. W. Stevens, Christ Lind, William E. Galloway, Geo. Worthington, Jack L. Douglas, Joy Milton Carnahan, Elmer Flynn, J. Elmer Thomas, Eugene Small, Howard and Basil Holcomb, Carl Smith, Sprague B. Marsh, William Ward, Bert Sundstrom, Glen Weiser, Louis St. Johns, John F. Brownley, Ross Gatten, Thos. Cochran, Dewey Brown, Henry J. Amala, Alva and Ralph Smith, Eugene Thurmond, Harry Reichmeyer, George Schmidt, William Sneed, Alec S. Cokals, Louis Fletcher, Roy Mueck, Paul Irvine, R. L. Smith, Frank Steichen, George I. Letson, Merie Andrew Teeling, Guy Edwin Teeling, Albert Wrinkle, Eneas Small, Raymond Sprinkles, Robert and Roy Andrews, Leonard H. Gagen, Frank Carlson, John B. White, Donald M. Flynn, Raymond Smith, Tony Hallicki, Fred Marlett, Albert V. Marcy, John Balke, Edward Crosson, Anton Pieklip, F. E. Wright, Vernon C. Scott, Emil Bronsart, Lester E. Ellis, Fred De Villette, Elmer Sneed, Harry W. Fassett, Percy M. Johnston, Fred Sterritt, Willis Vinson, Claude L. Peters, Lester E. Barry, Cyril W. Magone, Jerome H. Whisler, Eugene Brown, A. Earl Jayne, Wyeth Jayne, John McGregor, Thos. J. Donlon, Roy Thompson, J. Morton Lindley, Wylie R. Hessinger.

## Aberdeen Here Saturday

Reinforced by their crack brass band of 33 pieces, the baseball team from the Grant Smith-Porter Ship Company's yard at Aberdeen will arrive in Portland early Saturday morning to do battle with their St. Johns brethren in a two game series. The first game will be played at St. Johns Saturday afternoon, starting at 3 o'clock. Sunday afternoon the teams will mix at the Vaughn street grounds. This game will be preceded by a regularly scheduled League game between the Peninsula club and the St. Johns aggregation, starting at 1:30.

Aberdeen has a strong outfit, having cleaned up all the teams in its territory and lost only one game this season. The invaders expect to take the locals down the line. Both games should be close and full of excitement, as the teams share the rivalry of the shipbuilding organizations whom they represent.

In May the St. Johns yard won the National blue pennant for the best wood ship construction record in the country, and Aberdeen won the red flag signifying second place honors. In June the yards exchanged places, Aberdeen grabbing the blue flag and St. Johns the red flag. The brass bands from both yards will be out in force at the games, so there will be plenty of music.

Plans are being made for a big parade down town Saturday night to advertise the Sunday games and to celebrate the winning of the Nation's highest wooden shipbuilding honors for May and June.

All shipbuilders are asked to assemble at the Multnomah Hotel at 7 p. m. A big dance will be given at the Club House Saturday evening.

## Multnomah Attractions

Saturday, August 17th—PAULINE FREDERICK in "Madame Jealousy," Paramount.

Sunday, August 18th—DOUG FAIRBANKS in "Mr. Fix-it," Arctur.

Wednesday, August 21st—NORMA TALMADGE in "De Luxe Annie."

Thursday and Friday, August 22-23—MARGUERITE CLARK in "Prunella," Paramount.

Saturday, August 24th—BIG BILL HART in "The Dawnmaker."

Sunday, August 25th—CHAS. RAY in "His Own Home Town," Paramount.

Wednesday, August 28th—DOROTHY DALTON in "Mating of Marcella," Paramount.

Thursday and Friday, August 29-30—JACK PICKFORD in "Miles-Minute Kendall," Paramount.

Saturday, August 31st—THEDA BARA in "Cleopatra," FOX PRODUCTION EXTRAORDINARY.

Sunday, September 1st—BIG BILL HART in "The Captive God."

Wednesday, September 4th—DOUG FAIRBANKS in "Flirting With Fate."

Thursday, September 5th—ENID BENNETT in "Keys of the Righteous," Paramount.

Friday, September 6th—SERGEANT EMPEY in "Over the Top," It cost 60c to see this picture in Portland.

Saturday, September 7th—FANNIE WARD in "On the Level," Paramount.

Sunday, September 8th—ANN PENNINGTON in "Antics of Ann," Paramount.

Wednesday, September 11th—ELSIE FERGUSON in "Barbary Sheep," Paramount.

Thursday and Friday, Sept. 12 and 13—MARY PICKFORD in "M'Liss," Arctur.

Saturday, September 14th—BIG BILL HART in "The Patriot."

Sunday, September 15th—SESSUE HAYAKARVA in "Call of the East," Paramount.

This program subject to unavoidable changes.

## Unconscious Slacking

Jim Jimpson stopped his touring car, and let the motor run, while handing out, with face ajar, some facts about the Hun. He pushed hot language from his throat for minutes seventeen and all the time his idle motor was burning gasoline. A million cars thus wasteful stand, as we proceed to press, the gas thus burned, throughout the land, would make a lake, I guess. Ere long methinks that Uncle Sam will shut off the supply, and then, from York to Yuba Dan we'll cuss the wasteful guy. I see men slacking every day, unconscious that they slack; Jinks throws a pair of shoes away, because one has a crack. Bilks squanders money where he sups, but has no ill intent; Jones feeds a string of useless pups, not worth eleven cents. Crips buys more garments than he needs, and gorgeously he's dressed; Crump blows himself for Cuban weeds, when twofers would be best. We all should save in every style, to swat those Teuton scamps, and when we have a little pile, invest in bonds or stamps.—Wait Mason.

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