

ST. JOHNS REVIEW

A Handsome Structure

The new club house for the use and benefit of the employes of the local woolen mills is rapidly nearing completion. It is a magnificent structure, one of which St. Johns, as well as the employes, should well feel proud. Besides being an attractive building it is thoroughly substantial. It is being constructed entirely for the comfort, entertainment and convenience of the employes. Everything will be free to them except the bare cost of the food, and the meals served will cost less than could be obtained at home. Moving pictures, gymnasium, dancing room, reading rooms—everything will be complete. The Portland Woolen Mills has ever had the interest of the employes at heart, and in presenting the use of this attractive and finely appointed club house, which will cost \$20,000 or more, the management is only continuing a policy adopted when the mill was erected, and that is, nothing too good for the employes. Superintendent Carter's policy has ever been that if you treat your employes—right they will treat you right. And by pursuing this policy he has proven to his entire satisfaction that he is right in his views. A more minute description of the new club house will be given when completed.

Educational Opportunity

Headquarters, Camp Lewis American Lake, Wash.—Editor St. Johns Review: Authority has been received from the War Department to initiate educational and vocational training at this camp in addition to the military training received. Any young man wishing to enlist is permitted to choose the Arm of the Service in which he cares to enlist. Any soldier serving in whatever Arm is permitted, not required, to undertake educational or vocational training three hours daily during five days of the week. It is believed that this educational opportunity furnished young men who have not yet entered college or learned a trade, will induce a large number of young men, unmarried, to enter the Army for the purpose of either increasing their earning capacity after discharge, or for the purpose of entering college in a higher grade than he would otherwise enter. This educational advantage is in addition to the other privileges accorded soldiers of the Army. The present pay and all allowances, such as clothing, subsistence, quarters, medical attention, dental treatment, life insurance, etc., are usually estimated at \$100.00 per month. The improvement may be gained by other young men who have not yet served in the army. Yours sincerely, William H. Johnston, Major General U. S. A. Commanding.

Two Ships Reinstated

Orders have been received by the Portland office of the Emergency Fleet corporation to reinstate two suspended contracts for steamers at the yard of the Peninsula Shipbuilding company. The Emergency Fleet had ordered previously that the vessels be completed as hulls, but owing to the fact that the ships have been sold to eastern parties, it is now necessary to install the machinery as originally intended. The reinstatement gives some degree of encouragement to other wooden shipyards of the Oregon district. After the signing of the armistice the shipping board cancelled 38 contracts for steamers in the Oregon district. The two reinstated ships are the Cartona and Corone. Both are 4000 ton vessels of the Peninsular type, the special design of the Peninsula Shipbuilding company.

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Made Magnificent Record

Last week witnessed the passing into history of the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company which has reverted to the Emergency Fleet corporation and brought to a close a record of achievements unrivaled in maritime history. From among more than 100 wooden shipbuilding yards in the United States the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company, between its Portland and Aberdeen, Wash., yards, has captured every national pennant offered by the United States shipping board for speed and progress in wooden ship construction and won for this state a launching record of 32 vessels in little more than a year's time—a mark which probably will never be equalled.

It was at the request of George Goethals, then in charge of the shipbuilding program of the United States, that Grant Smith and Eric V. Hauser undertook the contract of furnishing ships to the government. The entire organization and facilities of the company were placed at the disposal of the government to do with it as it saw fit during the war emergency.

In order to assist with the fulfillment of the contract with the shipping board, Andrew D. Porter later was taken into the organization. The personnel of the company which began the actual construction of wooden vessels was Grant Smith, president; Eric V. Hauser, vice president and general manager; Andrew D. Porter, vice president; Harry Hunt, secretary and treasurer; Paul N. Carlson, general superintendent and George Teufel, plant superintendent.

On June 1, 1917, dredges started pumping sand into the lowlands at St. Johns at the present site of the shipyards. On June 21 the first building at the plant was started. Altogether more than 12,000,000 feet of lumber was brought into the construction of ways and buildings. Approximately 20,000 pieces of piling were driven for foundations.

On August 22, 1917, the keel of the Wasco, first steamer, was laid. The Wasco was launched February 17, 1918. It had the distinction of being the first emergency built steamer to enter the service of Uncle Sam. Since that date, 31 wooden vessels have been launched from the ways at the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company and many of the most prominent people of this as well as other countries have witnessed launchings from the yard.

The morale maintained at the Grant Smith-Porter yard is held responsible for the wonderful showing at the plant. While strikes and industrial disturbances often delayed work at other yards, the Grant Smith-Porter yard was singularly free from such annoyances. One of the outstanding reasons for this splendid spirit was the club house and the numerous other pleasures and diversions offered to the men by their genial manager, Eric V. Hauser. It is safe to say that at no other yard in Oregon have the men been relieved from duty with as many regrets as those who were employed at the St. Johns plant of the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company.

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"I don't take any stock in these 'ere paynt medicines," asserted Life Lopp, a languid citizen of Wayoverbehind. "They're an enemy to the human race. S'pose now, you are getting along all right, unable to bl'vuz you're sick; you're pretty miserable, of course, but people sympathize with you and respect you. And then—somebody persuades you to take a few bottles of So and So, and you are cured and get your picture in the almanac. And forever afterward everybody wants to know why you don't go to work, daddled your onery hide."—Ex.

View Park Sites

Proposed sites for future park and playgrounds in Portland were surveyed last Friday by City Commissioner Pier in charge of the park bureau, and Park Superintendent Keyser. Sites in Albina, St. Johns, Woodlawn, Alberta, Irvington, Rose City Park, the central east side and Lents were viewed. To complete the survey, proposed sites in Montavilla and the district between the Sandy boulevard and East Glisan street beyond East Fiftieth street, will also be viewed.

The city officials were accompanied by a committee composed of Dan Keliher, Rev. John Dawson and W. H. Fowler, who represented the general committee which campaigned in behalf of the successful measure which authorized the expenditure of \$500,000 for playground and park sites. W. J. Hoffman and Charles H. Cheney, the latter consultant to the city planning commission, were also in the party.

In Albina the block bounded by Williams and Vancouver avenues, Morris and Stanton streets, was viewed. Residents of this district are said to favor this site as a small park and playground, and although it is bereft of trees, it may receive consideration. Several sites in lower Albina near the Shaver school, have been suggested as playground sites, but were not viewed yesterday.

In St. Johns the committee inspected a tract of land of 22 acres within the car loop, which has been recommended to Commissioner Pier as a park and playground for the St. Johns district. Another tract, known as the McKenna property, of more than 40 acres, east

Not Now Coming--Came

When grandma found that sir-join at aks
Were up to seven cents a pound,
She murmured, "Goodness gracious sakes!
I guess we'll have to live or round."
And when the round, on which we fed,
Went up a cent, or maybe two
She lifted up her hands and said,
"Whatever are we coming to?"

When grandma bought a fowl to boil
And paid a quarter for the same,
With indignation she'd recoil
And swear such prices were a shame.
"Them kids won't get no chicken stew
Unless these here prices drop;
Whatever are we coming to?"
She murmured as she left the shop.

When grandma found that bacon cost
Ten cents a pound or maybe more,
With haughty rage her head she tossed
And stalked in fury from the store.
"Whatever are we coming to?"
She cried with lightning in her eye,
"Those butchers are a thieving crew;
But as for grocers, goodness my!"

If dear old grandma chanced to go
In quest of food supplies today
And found out what they cost, I know
She'd just curl up and pass away.
"Whatever are we coming to?"

The Sunken Fleet

So thoroughly characteristic of German methods and German notions of honor was the sinking of the interned "high seas fleet" at Scapa Flow that the act caused little astonishment in the Allied countries. In Germany the news was received with chuckles and with praise for the men who did the deed, but also with shivers of apprehension at the thought that it might make the terms of peace more rigorous.

It is a maxim of what used to be known as international law that an armistice not only suspends all hostile acts, but imposes an obligation on each of the belligerent powers to do nothing that will either strengthen itself or weaken the enemy.

Just how that principle applies to the destruction of the German fleet is not clear. M. Clemenceau has told the Germans that the act was a violation of the armistice, and that is the natural and obvious judgment. For since the ships were in the custody of the Allies—were in fact, though not technically, captured property, and were not to be returned to Germany—destroying them is held to be a hostile act, because the effect of it was to weaken the enemy; so it violated the armistice.

On the other hand, it might be plausibly maintained that since the ships were not surrendered, but only interned; since by the terms of the armistice they were still to be manned by German officers and sailors; since an interned ship has just as much right as an interned man to escape if opportunity offers; since opportunity did offer through the carelessness of the British fleet and could have been prevented by proper vigilance; and since sinking the fleet did not weaken the enemy, as the ships were not an actual but only a potential possession of the enemy, but really weakened Germany by destroying property that could have been used as an asset in determining the conditions of peace—there was no violation of the armistice. So the question will be argued warmly on both sides; but no matter which view history may ultimately take of the strictly legal point, the sinking was in a moral sense unqualifiedly an act of dishonor. The officers who directed and those who carried it out have brought upon themselves the obloquy that belongs to those who love not honor.—Youth's Companion.

Multnomah Attractions

Saturday, August 31—**ETHEL CLAYTON** in "PETTIGREW'S GIRL"—Paramount.

Sunday, August 31—**BIG BILL HART** in "MONEY CURRAL" or "THE NIGHT WATCHMAN"—Arctcraft.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, to be announced later.

Thursday and Friday, August 7 and 8—**HARRY CAREY** in "RIDERS OF VENGEANCE." A great six-act Western picture.

Notice to Creditors

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah. Department of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Nancy C. Barton, Deceased.

Notice is given of the death of Nancy C. Barton, and that the undersigned has been duly appointed executrix of her Last Will and Testament, of her estate, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said decedent, or her estate, are notified to present same to me at the office of my Attorneys, Perkins & Bailey, 1117 Board of Trade Building, Portland, Oregon, with proper vouchers, duly verified as required by law, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to wit: July 18th, 1919.

WILLIAM J. WELDON, Executrix.

Notice of Hearing Final Account

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah. Department of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Eric P. Peterson, Deceased.

Notice is given that William J. Weldon, executor of the Last Will and Testament of Eric P. Peterson, deceased, has filed with the County Clerk of Multnomah County, Oregon, his final account as such executor, and that Monday, August 18th, at 9:30 A. M., at the Court House of Multnomah County, Oregon, Department of Probate, and before Honorable George Tazewell, Judge, has been fixed as the time and place for hearing objections to said account and the settlement of the same, and to the distribution of the property belonging to said estate. Any person having objections to said account may be heard at the time and place aforesaid.

WILLIAM J. WELDON, Executor.
Perkins & Bailey, Attorneys for Executor.

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CAMILLE PILIP, Executrix.

Prevented Demonstration

Wobblies may have no fear of powder or ball, but they are decidedly averse to water. This was demonstrated at Seattle Monday night when the sight of running water together with a handful of policemen dispersed a crowd of 1500 sympathizers members of the I. W. W., who gathered to make a demonstration in protest of the breaking up of a recent meeting. Mayor Hanson learned in advance of the proposed meeting and instead of ordering the police out, called on the street department to be at the Washington street corner where the meeting was to be held a half hour in advance and begin work immediately flushing the streets by hand with hose attached to three nearby plugs. This was done. The crowd gathered but the streams from the hose kept them moving. The policemen on the beat were handy to take over the nozzle in the event of an attempt to mob the street workers. Two women who mounted the rostrum were ordered to move on by the police. They obeyed. The streams from the hoses carried away the rostrum when they stepped down. There was no demonstration by the I. W. W. in Seattle that night.—Oregonian.

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of the railroad cut, has also been suggested, but residents of St. Johns who conferred with the committee maintained that the 22 acre tract was favored by the majority of residents in that district.—Journal.

Coming to this country from Chicago 12 years ago, with nothing except his two good arms to make a living, Antone Sonvinski settled in Oregon City neighborhood, on a small rented farm. By hard work and thrifty methods, Sonvinski Tuesday sold his farm for \$6500, and will go back to Chicago. The land was sold to John Gross of Twin Falls, Idaho, who will move to this county soon and operate the farm. Besides getting \$6500 for the land, Mr. Sonvinski will realize about \$4000 more from the sale of the stock and machinery on the place. And yet some people say that a farmer cannot make a good living in some parts of this country.

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