

ST. JOHNS REVIEW

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

What was styled by several speakers as the best community meeting ever held in St. Johns took place at the community club house of the Portland Woolen mills Tuesday evening. A dinner was a pleasing feature of the evening, which was served, in excellent style by the cafeteria department at about 7:00 o'clock. More than 100 representative men and women of this community were in attendance. Many of the visitors made a thorough inspection of the handsome and splendidly appointed club house and were profuse in their praise of the attractive structure. The management of the Woolen Mills, ever ready and willing to do all they can for the welfare of this community, very generously placed the club room and its conveniences at the disposal of this gathering of citizens for their meeting. Prof. Elmer Sneed and his Woolen Mill Orchestra enlivened and made it pleasant for the assemblage during the dinner period with a number of well rendered and delightful selections. In passing it might be well to state that this orchestra, under the very able management of Mr. Sneed, has developed into one of the best musical organizations of the city, and Mr. Sneed is rapidly becoming one of the foremost of Portland's musicians, and whose services are always in great demand. As an orchestra leader Mr. Sneed is making an enviable reputation, as well as a violin instructor.

After the appetizing repast had been taken care of in a satisfactory manner, H. W. Bonham, who acted as chairman of the meeting, called upon Sergeant Crane of the local police force for a vocal selection. The Sergeant is possessed of a deep, rich baritone voice and he delighted his audience immensely with two renditions. Mrs. Gabriel Pullin, who has delighted St. Johns gatherings with her beautiful and charming vocal selections a number of times in the past, pleased all immensely by rendering two exquisite solos. Miss Bowers accompanied both Mr. Crane and Mrs. Pullin on the piano in a faultless manner. Chairman Bonham, after suggesting a vote of thanks to the

woolen mill management for their kindness in tendering the use of the club house, which was heartily concurred in by the entire assemblage, then told of the object of the meeting, which was for the purpose of forming an organization and thus making concerted action possible toward securing the things needed in this community to place it on a par with what some other parts of the city have been receiving. He then called on Prof. Fletcher, who told of the real need of a new high school building in St. Johns; that present facilities were entirely too inadequate to do full justice to this section. He believed concerted action would do much toward securing it.

Dr. Borden urged the necessity of good, big playgrounds, equipped with swimming tank and community house. He believed, he said, that playgrounds and healthful recreation were the greatest deterrents from crime, that if the younger members of the community had such place to spend their spare time the community would be vastly the better for it. Sergeant Crane, who proved to be an after dinner speaker as well as a vocalist, told of his coming to St. Johns, of the better service he hoped to help usher in for the St. Johns district, that he was vitally interested in the progress and well being of St. Johns and would do all in his power to advance its welfare. He said St. Johns was undoubtedly destined to become a big place, that playgrounds keep many boys out of jail, and he advocated concerted action in securing those things that St. Johns still stands in need of.

T. J. Monahan made a few interesting remarks concerning the long ago, when Messrs. Thompson and Powers came to St. Johns in 1902 seeking a site for the woolen mill after fire had destroyed the Sellwood mill; told how some of the citizens had stormed and criticized when Mr. Monahan, then a member of the first St. Johns city council, proposed vacating part of the street for the erection of the mill, even though the street was of no benefit to the city. He told what a Godsend the woolen mills had later proven to be to this community. He also told of the mistake made by the

people of St. Johns when they did not secure the old Cedar Park when they had the opportunity. Mr. Monahan was of the belief that a good organization would prove of great benefit to St. Johns. Miss Bowers then suggested that an organization be perfected, and on motion it was decided to proceed with election of officers. Mr. T. J. Monahan was elected permanent chairman, Mr. Bonham was made vice chairman, Miss Bowers secretary, Mrs. J. M. Shaw treasurer, and A. W. Markie publicity man. Interesting remarks were also made by J. N. Edlefsen, F. P. Drinker, Miss Stevens, and A. D. Jones. It was decided to hold the next meeting in the library, which will be Tuesday evening of next week at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Blomgren were quite taken by surprise when Mr. Louis Nelson, brother of Mrs. Axel Blomgren, with wife and two youngest sons arrived at their home, at 607 Windle street, Tuesday evening from Wisconsin. Mr. Nelson and family, whom they haven't seen for over twenty years, after spending a few days here left for California to visit other relatives, from where they will return and spend the remainder of February here with his sister, Mr. Nelson is also a brother of Mr. Gus Nelson. The family are delighted with the climate of Oregon, being accustomed to a temperature of twenty and thirty degrees below, at this time of year.

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One man went so far yesterday as to point out that the 17th was the anniversary of Nevada's first anti-liquor day and said perhaps the forecaster figured as he did that with Nevada dry the world might just as well explode. — Winnemucca, Nev., Silver State.

Representative D. C. Lewis of St. Johns Monday of last week introduced a house joint resolution to remove the state capital from Salem to Portland. If the Lewis measure is adopted the matter will go on the ballot at spring election. Multnomah county must supply a free site for the new state capital within twelve miles of the city of Portland, under the conditions of the Lewis resolution. The present capital buildings at Salem may be used by "asylums, schools and historical organizations," until sold.

Electrocution as a means of ridding the world of rats, mice and even flies will supplant all heretofore known methods of extermination, in the opinion of W. A. Colgar of Salem, the inventor of an ingenious death dealing device of this character. The device is nothing more or less than a metal plate attached by a cord to an ordinary electric light socket. Contact with the plate means instant death to any unsuspecting rodent or other household pest. Nine rats met a painless end in a Salem warehouse one night last week in a trial of the device, and it is claimed that more flies can be put out of the way in a single day by electrocution than can be swatted in several weeks.

N. A. Gee is circulating a petition for improvement of Catlin street from Edison street to Jersey by sidewalk, grade and a twenty foot strip of hard surface in the center. The need is apparent and it is to be hoped that Mr. Gee succeeds in his laudable undertaking.

A very delightful Community Sing took place at the library last Saturday when Mr. Walter Jenkins, Portland's Song Leader, led about thirty young people in popular, patriotic and folk songs. Some good song leaders who live in St. Johns and could be on hand to lead in "Sings" at St. Johns gatherings are very much needed and Mr. Jenkins is desirous of meeting those interested in the leadership of music. He is planning a Community Music Conference to meet Thursday evening, January 29, in the Central library, Room A, and anyone who is interested in choir work, amateur orchestras, community singing or just the general theme of music, is invited to meet with him at that time. If you are interested, get in touch with Miss Bowers at the St. Johns library for further information.

The Graduating Exercises of James John High School will take place this Friday, evening. The class is composed of Rudy H. Anderson, Genevieve Brown, Paul W. Chatterton, Gladys Beatrice Coon, Lowell E. Dotson, Frances Vera Foster, Edith Lyle Hartnell, Harlan C. Hiatt, Dorothy May Hoyt, Gladys Muriel Keeney, Mary Ruffina Kieffer, Edmund F. Kugel, Stanley Bertrand O'Connor, Esther May Piele, Ruth A. Reece, Helen April Story, Anna E. Toole, Clarence E. Toole, Ora Alvah Wagner, George R. Walker. The Class officers—President, Edmund Kugel; vice president, Genevieve E. Brown; secretary, Gladys Coon; treasurer, Clarence Toole. Class colors—cream and Royal Purple; Class motto, "Aim for a Sure End;" Class flower, chrysanthemum. The program: Processional, Girls' Glee Club; Winter Lullaby, Girls' Double Quintet; Honors Announcement; piano solo, Helen Story; Class Gift, presented by Edmund Kugel; Amarella, Gladys Keeney; address, W. P. LaRoche; The Call, Girls' Glee Club; Presentation of Diplomas, Principal W. T. Fletcher; Recessional, Girls' Glee Club.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The next basket ball game will be played against Jefferson next Monday.

No news this week. Tests, tests everywhere you look or go. But Thursday sees the end of that.

The Cafeteria was closed Tuesday until next Monday, as every one in the kitchen needed a rest.

Mr. Hazzard and Mr. Hartraft were James John visitors Monday. Both are bookmen. Mr. Hartraft is from San Francisco.

The Senior class play, "She Stoops to Conquer," was a great success. Gladys Keeney as Lady Hardcastle, and Paul Chatterton as Tony Lumpkin, deserve much praise for their splendid acting.

Student Body elections are over and Oliver Jessup was re-elected president of The Student Body. Lee Hoskins is our new Welfare Commissioner; Selma Moe, finance commissioner; Dick Girt athletic commissioner; Amanda Steele literary commissioner. Myrna Lane was re-elected music commissioner.

Monday afternoon an assembly was held for the purpose of boosting the Tumalum. Rudy Anderson, the business manager of the Tumalum, outlined the subscription campaign. The advertising is falling short and it is going to be hard work to break even on Tumalum. This is the biggest and the best thing in this line yet put out by James John. It is necessary to sell four hundred copies at seventy-five cents a copy. Every one is cordially invited to invest in one or more; they will be out the last of this month or the first of next.—C. A. W.

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