

## BIG CLEAN-UP DRIVE OPENS IN ST. JOHNS

Citizens' Committee Makes Opening Assault in Campaign Against Refuse.

### CHILDREN HANDLE JUNK

Movement Will Cover Entire City in Order—Firemen Go First. Residents Scour Districts. Refuse Wagons Follow.

All day long the smoke of the clean-up campaign rolled over St. Johns and billowed along the Columbia boulevard yesterday, where the cohorts of the citizens' committee launched the first assault in the big drive which is to sweep the East Side this week and circle back on the West Side next week.

The city has suspended the fire ordinance in each district on the day set for the clean up, the workers in the movement are at liberty to burn refuse without applying for a written fire permit.

Jacob Kessler, secretary of the civic bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, assembled the executive committee of the clean up, the fire captains of the city, the representatives of the street cleaning department and the captains from each of the districts at the St. Johns City Hall at 8:30 in the morning and gave the campaign the best "kick-off" possible.

The junk men were on the job at the St. Johns fire stations, and the representatives of Timms, Cress & Co., who were to buy old tin cans, and in the afternoon the school children came out strong in the work.

Lewis M. Haskin, a schoolboy at 822 Willamette boulevard, pocketed \$9 as the result of his junk sales.

Schools Have Holiday. The School Board has agreed to grant the school children in each district a half holiday on the clean-up day in their community. So after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon the boys and girls from Kenton, Peninsula, Portsmouth and the St. Johns schools began to bring in junk and tin cans, and the plan of campaign began to work out beautifully.

Last Thursday the flying squadron of 40 fire marshals came through District A, which is St. Johns, on a house-to-house canvass to interest the citizens in the clean-up movement.

The firemen's squadron was canvassing District D yesterday when the citizens' drive struck District A, and throughout the campaign the fire marshals will keep four districts ahead of the clean-up, stirring up public interest in the work.

But that is not all. The citizens' clean-up will strike District B today and District C on Wednesday, and at that time the street cleaning department will bowl into District A with five five-ton automobile ambulances for the removal of the conquered garbage.

Scheme Will Continue. Right through the city the three squadrons will move, the firemen in the van, the citizens following four days behind them, and the street cleaning department closing the rear two days afterward.

The street cleaning department will handle non-burnable garbage and rubbish, which is to be piled by the citizens in each district on the curbs of paved streets in the district. Rubbish that is not piled out ready to go when the trucks arrive two days after the clean-up will have to be carted away at the expense of the districts.

The clean-up campaign of the citizens is on in District B today, which is the territory bounded by East Forty-second street, Williams avenue, Fremont street and the Columbia boulevard, and the fire marshals will canvass District B, on the East Side, between Sullivan's Gulch and East Stark street.

District B school children, in Woodlawn, Highland, Kennedy, Vernon, Alameda and Albina Homestead schools will have a half holiday this afternoon to participate in the work, and the junk men and tin-can buyers will be at the engine houses in that district to buy tin cans and junk from them.

Among those who were present at the "kick-off" meeting in St. Johns yesterday were Mrs. J. J. Brand, Mrs. M. Strohacker, Mrs. R. G. Brand, Mrs. Max H. Ohm, Mrs. Alice White, Mrs. L. LaForge, Miss E. Clanton, Miss Grace De Gorge and Miss W. Stevens.

## 'LITTLE PET' GETS DIVORCE

Billy Boy Wrote Her That He Was "Woody" All Over.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Supreme Court Justice Newburger granted a decree of divorce to Mrs. Valerie Daman DeBois Earle against William Pitt Stryker Earle, art photographer, and brother of Ferdinand Pinney Earle. The divorce was granted despite the fact that a hotel register which was placed in evidence failed to show the defendant's name.

The report of Referee Charles M. Russell, of 59 Church street, showed that David M. Carvalho, handwriting expert, testified that the signature of the defendant was written by him.

From your druggist obtain 1 oz. of Parmit (double strength), about 75c worth. Take this home, and add to it 4 pint of hot water and 4 ounces of granulated sugar. Stir until dissolved. Take a tablespoonful four times a day.

Parmit is used in this way not only to reduce by tonic action the inflammation and swelling in the Eustachian Tubes, and thus to equalize the air pressure on the drum, but to correct an excess of secretions in the middle ear, and the results it gives are usually remarkably quick and effective.

Every person who has catarrh in any form should give this recipe a trial and free themselves from this destructive disease.

"John Best and wife," written on one of the pages, had been inscribed by the defendant. The name of the co-respondent was not made known, the records being sealed under order of the Supreme Court.

The Earles were married on November 15, 1905. In November, 1914, they separated. Some time later Mrs. Earle began her suit for divorce.

A letter from Earle to the plaintiff was introduced, it read in part, as follows: "Dearest Pet—You were a dear, sweet little pet to me while I was up there, and I appreciate it more than you can realize."

"Why, aren't you always as nice, as attentive, as loving? Won't you try to be after this for it made me the happiest mortal imaginable. I love to have a fuss made over me, and as you say I'm only a baby after all. So

CARNEGIE HERO MEDAL IS AWARDED TO PORTLAND MAN.

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