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## EVENT WILL MARK NEW EPOCH

New East Side Spirit to Display Itself at Corner Stone Laying of High School.

### IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY TO ENLARGE PLANS

Ground Story of Big Building Is Up and Shows That Completed Structure Will Be Far the Handsomest of Its Class in the City.

The east side office of The Journal is in the store of J. M. G. Miller, 300 East Morrison street. Telephone East 275.

The first public opportunity for the east side to show the new spirit of civic improvement and union that has been growing during the last few months is the dedication of the East Side High school, which will be made the event of the year on the east side. The suggestion that was first made in The Journal a few days ago has excited a general interest among the business men and leaders of the entire district, and has already resulted in the original plans being considerably enlarged. It is now proposed to secure a specially cut cornerstone of fine quality to serve as a lasting memorial to the event, and on this account the ceremony will probably be delayed some days beyond the time first announced. At the meeting of the East Side Improvement association this evening plans will be discussed and steps taken to secure the cooperation of the various suburban push clubs and commercial bodies, all of which have a direct interest in the new high school.

The first story of the big structure is ready for the floor, all the stone having been placed except at the two entrances. The first story, while built in part on a basement, will provide rooms for classes should the space be needed and will give ample space for gymnasium. The greater portion of the basement story is above the ground level.

Already it is apparent that the building will be by far the handsomest school structure in the city and that it will set a new mark for future improvements of this class. The first story, with its construction entirely of blue sandstone, is

massive in appearance. Instead of the stone being laid in regular courses, an ornamental design has been followed without weakening the general effect of strength and mass.

One of the serious problems that will have to be solved before the school is opened is the improvement of East Stark street from Ninth to Thirteenth streets. This street will carry a great part of the attendance from the central districts and if left in its present condition will be the one blot in surroundings otherwise in keeping with the new building. For four or five blocks East Stark street is a slough and was once bridged by an elevated roadway, but this was years ago, and not in recent times has the street been open to traffic, the rotting roadway being left to fall to pieces. Garbage men have used the slough as a dumping ground and from under the old roadway come smells. Though the roadway is practically a ruin, it is still open to foot passengers, who pick their way across the sagging walks dodging the weak places.

### RUSH AT STATION A.

Main East Side Postoffice Overburdened With Work, but Not With Clerks.

For several weeks postal station A has been overburdened with work and only during the last few days have the clerks commenced to catch up with the accumulated business. A new clerk was placed at this office during the holiday rush and kept there until late in January, when the special appropriation gave out. In the meantime the increase in work had been so great that the additional clerk was necessary, and when he was removed Postmaster Halvor and his assistant found there were more things to do than there were hours in the day to do them. For several weeks the office force worked 19 and more hours each day with no time for lunch, and even then the routine work was shoved aside and the monthly reports and similar matters of less moment were forgotten.

When the general city office secured eight additional clerks last week the east side station was given a man, and commencing yesterday the tangle in the substitution began to be straightened out. Business at this station has increased rapidly and steadily since the office was opened last summer, and today it is the chief postal station in the city, as well as the main office on the west side. The carrier force reporting at station A is being overworked and several of the men are making only a delivery and a half, because their territory has been settled up so rapidly with new patrons. When the annual report of the station is made it is believed that a showing will be made sufficient to justify the increase of the carrier force and to give the business district tributary to the office another delivery each day.

### WILL TRY ONCE MORE.

#### St. Johns to Vote on Bond Question With Hope of Better Success.

Again St. Johns will vote on the issuance of bonds for the erection of a town hall. At the council meeting last night it was decided to hold an election on the bond question at the same time the town election is held in April. At that time the citizens will be asked to decide whether \$10,000 in bonds shall be issued for the construction and equipment of a city hall, that will include a modern jail and commodious council chamber. The old question of the town charter, which though twice changed is still generally unsatisfactory, was taken up and a committee appointed to revise the present instrument, submit it to the people, and if adopted by them to present it to the next legislature.

At the town meeting, unanimously voted bonds for the erection of a city hall, firehouse and the payment of some small debts, but the bonds were declared invalid by some of the bonding companies on one city firm, after making a bid, refused to take the certificates. The objection to the former bonds was partially of a charter character, and partly because it was believed the bonds were not valid as the law provided they should be. Whether the present bonds, if issued, will be more acceptable is a matter of doubt, legal authorities who have tried to work on the present town charter being of the opinion that until that instrument is changed any important act of the citizens or council is liable to be unlawful. The peculiar thing about the town charter is that though in force for more than a year and explained by a percentage of the best legal talent of Portland, the instrument is still a vague nondescript document, self-contradictory and so clumsy that no lawyer will be rash enough to assert he understands what it really all does mean.

### EAST SIDE NOTES.

The annual conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church in the Westmoreland district will convene at the Wesleyan church in Center addition tomorrow, the opening sermon being delivered at 11 a. m.

Revival services will be commenced at the First Evangelical church in St. Johns this evening under the direction of Rev. F. Phelps. The services will continue for two weeks.

The new county rock quarry at Kelly Butte, northeast of Montavilla, will so be mined extensively by the county, work having already been commenced on a crushed rock highway to the quarry. It is planned to replace the gravel roads in the suburbs with crushed rock that will stand the heaviest traffic for years without serious deterioration.

At the regular session of the East Side Improvement association, to be held tonight in the justice court at East Washington street and Union avenue, reports will be heard from the committee on real estate exchange, department store, high school cornerstones laying, east side fills and fire protection.

Lente will remain Lente, so far as the postoffice department is concerned. Word has been received from Washington by those who recently petitioned that the name of the town be changed to Mount Scott that their request was denied.

## COUNTRY REJOICES WITH FOSTER ADAMS

Story of Father Who Found Family After Twenty Years Excites General Interest.

Letters of congratulation and inquiry from all parts of the country have been pouring in to Foster Adams since the notice of his reunion with his family after 20 years of separation appeared in The Journal. The story of how the father became separated from his family by coming out west, how they thought him dead for 20 years and how he finally located his daughters and brought the family together once again, went through the country. People who never knew Mr. Adams or any of his family, but who were interested in the reunion, have written to him offering congratulations. Old friends that he has not seen since his boyhood days and hadn't heard from for years, have written him and renewed old acquaintances by letter. One or two have asked if he could give them any information of lost relatives who were supposed to have come to this part of the west, and who disappeared after leaving their old homes. Mr. Adams exhibited a letter this morning from Frank Miller of Louisville, Kentucky.

"He and I were playmates together," said he, "and each thought the other dead. He saw the notice of my little reunion, and immediately wrote to me. Another letter was from Hattie Ballard, who said she had seen The Journal's story and wanted to congratulate Mr. Adams on his good fortune. The woman says her brother, Stephen Fields, came west in the early days and has been missing for 24 years past. She does not know what has become of him, and asks Mr. Adams if he has ever heard of a man by this name."

## LOVE FOR CHILDREN RECONCILES COUPLE

Attorney S. C. Spencer yesterday requested Judge Fisher to dismiss the case of James A. McNeill against Ada F. McNeill, which had been on the circuit court docket since December, 1902. Mr. Spencer said that the couple had been brought together by their love for their two sons.

Early in December, 1902, McNeill filed a complaint in the circuit court asking for a divorce. He alleged cruel and inhuman treatment. Mrs. McNeill at once contested the case, and on December 30, 1902, filed an affidavit in which she charged her husband with having frequently abused and beaten her, and she said that on one occasion he had been convicted of assault and battery practiced on her. Mrs. McNeill said that her husband had often deserted her and their children, and that in September, 1902, he had left and had not returned. She said further that in the previous October her husband had taken their 12-year-old son from her, made him stop going to Sunday school and, she had been told, took him to see prize fights. On February 14, 1903, Judge Sears issued an order giving the mother the care of the two sons. This is said to have brought the couple together.

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## MORE BRAVE MEN TO SAVE LIVES

Government Will Establish at Least Two New Life Saving Stations Soon.

### ONE NEAR SCENE OF WRECK OF VALENCIA

Captain D. F. Tozier Going on Tour of Inspection of District—If Gasoline Lifeboat Is Success It May Replace Rowing Craft.

Captain D. F. Tozier leaves this evening on a tour of inspection of the nine lifesaving stations in the Thirteenth district. Five of them are along the Oregon coast and four on the Washington coast. Upon the recommendations of Captain Tozier the government will make improvements in the service. At least two new stations are to be established. The building of one of them will be a direct outgrowth or aftermath of the wreck of the Valencia, on the southeast coast of Vancouver Island, a few weeks ago. That station is to be located in the immediate vicinity of Cape Flattery, across the mouth of the strait from which the steamer went to her doom. The second is to be established farther south on the coast, below Point Bandon, near Cape Blanco. In both instances the new stationkeepers will have the regulation number of assistants, seven men. The class of boats that will be installed and the character of the buildings will depend largely upon the recommendations of Captain Tozier to the lifesaving headquarters at Washington.

The government intends to expend thousands of dollars during the present year in the improvement and further perfection of the lifesaving service along the Oregon and Washington coasts. The first move was the installation of a gasoline surf boat at the Cape Disappointment station. It is the first of its kind to be launched on the Pacific coast. The only other one, as far as known that is being tried by the government, is in one of the stations off the New Jersey coast. If it is found that the boats can be relied upon it is the intention to displace the present rowing boats with them.

Several of the stations along the coast are in need of new apparatus, especially more up to date boats, and the boards of survey which Captain Tozier will hold are expected to result in new ones being sent west from the national headquarters in Washington. There is also the possibility that additional men will be provided for service at stations which are in need of them.

**Eighth Kansas District.**  
(Journal Special Service.)  
Wichita, Kan., March 4.—The Republican congressional convention of the new Eighth district was called to order here this afternoon to nominate a candidate to succeed Congressman Victor Murdock, elected a year ago in the big Seventh district. All indications point

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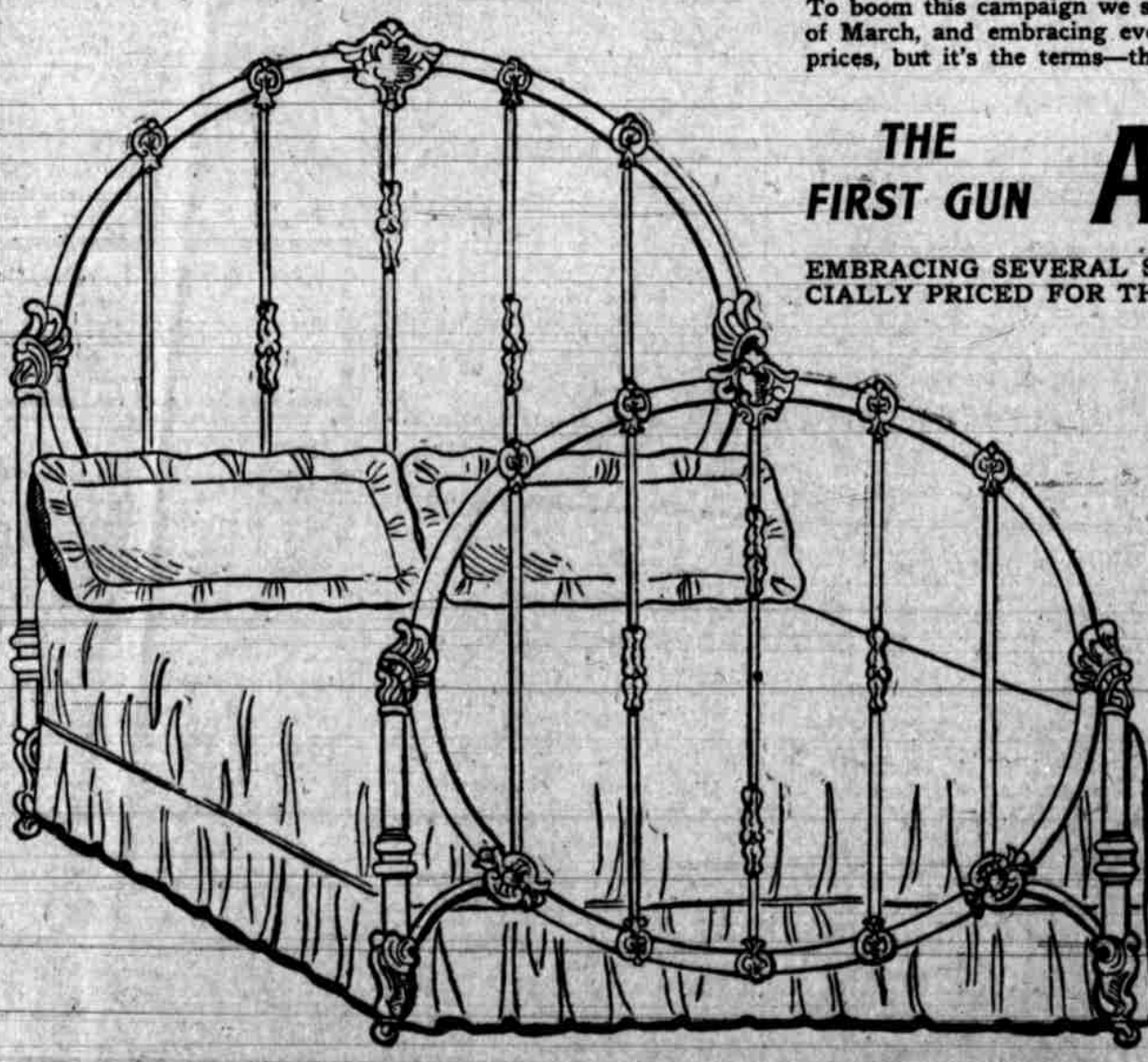
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