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Is second in number of industries. Is seventh in population. Cars to Portland every 16 min. Has navigable water on 3 sides. Has finest gas and electricity. Has two strong banks. Has five large school houses. Has abundance of purest water. Has hard surface streets. Has extensive sewerage system. Has fine, modern brick city hall. Has payroll of \$95,000 monthly. Ships monthly 2,000 cars freight. All railroads have access to it. Is gateway to Portland harbor. Climate ideal and healthful.

COUNCIL MEETS

Matters of Importance Receive Attention

All members were present at the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, with the exception of Councilman Garlick; Mayor Vincent presided as usual. A petition for the improvement of Oswego street between Columbia boulevard and Smith avenue by sidewalk and grade was received and the city attorney was directed to draft a resolution directing the engineer to prepare the necessary data for the improvement. The petition was represented by more than one-third of the property owners directly interested.

A remonstrance against the proposed improvement of Tyler street between Dawson and Fessenden streets was read and referred to the city engineer to check up.

Several remonstrances were received against payment of penalty imposed in weed cutting by the city, and were held over for consideration.

The Crown-Willamette Paper Company presented a lease for the city dock for another year, beginning June 4th, for signature of the mayor, which was referred to the city attorney. The present lease expires June 4th.

Mr. Shumaker presented a communication in which it was claimed that the street cars between 4:52 and 5:42 p. m., all ran one way, instead of alternating. Matter was referred to the Commercial Club on motion of Councilman Munson.

An arc light was ordered installed at the corner of Willamette boulevard and Weyerhaeuser avenue.

Bills totalling \$859.19 were allowed. A report of the fires taking place in the city during the year just ended was presented by Fire Chief Cormany, which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

The petitions signed by 163 names asking for the repeal of the censorship ordinance was taken from the table and discussed to considerable length, in which a number of citizens took part. It was finally decided to lay the matter on the table for an indefinite time.

C. S. McGill asked for permission to construct a driveway leading to his property at 1008 South Hayes street, which was granted, the work to be done under the direction of the engineer.

An Important Move

A conference of far reaching importance to the livestock industry of the Pacific Northwest was held at the Portland Union Stockyards a few days ago. As result of this conference, arrangements have been made whereby it will be possible to send out one thousand or more brood sows to the boys and girls of Oregon, these animals being treated for and guaranteed against cholera. The sows are not to be given away, but are to be sold at prices ranging from \$18 to \$25 each, and in payment the Stockyards people will accept a note running from eight to ten months at six per cent interest, the note to be indorsed by the father or guardian of the boy or girl and approved by the county school superintendent. The family of infant porkers will appear in four or five weeks after shipment of the sow, and the boy or girl will have plenty of time before their note matures to bring the pigs to a marketable age and dispose of them to the best advantage, paying off the note with the proceeds of the sale. In the work done by the hog clubs of the Northwest last year an eleven year old girl at Washougal, Wash., made a clear profit of \$79 on one brood sow. In this instance two litters, 24 pigs in all, were produced. Local educators have expressed the opinion that this is the most important step ever taken in this line of work and, as far as known, the first movement of the kind ever started in the United States.

The local political pot will soon begin to simmer once more.

An Interesting Paper

The following paper was read by Mrs. J. C. Scott at the W. C. T. U. meeting last Monday, subject, "The Sabbath in the Home."

I think this a good subject, for the Sabbath and the home were established here on the earth about the same time, and both still exist. After God had created the Heavens and the earth, the sea and all that in them is, He made the Sabbath and gave it to all mankind, as a sign or memorial of his creative power. He afterwards gave it especially to Christians as a sign or memorial of his recreative or sanctifying power. So there must be some relation between the Sabbath and the home, especially to the Christian home, and it is from that standpoint that we take up the subject.

In my ideal Christian home there is father, mother and children, and my ideal Sabbath has a preparation day on which the extra good dinner which is to be eaten the next day is to be all boiled and baked and the house put in perfect order. The Sabbath clothes are all laid out, each child's wardrobe separate from the others, so there will be no confusion in getting into them. The baths are taken so the little bodies will be all clean and fresh and sweet, and as evening draws on all are ready for a last review of the Sabbath school lesson which has been studied at family worship every evening through the week. With everything in readiness for the morning meal, every one can have an extra hour's sleep in the morning. Every one dresses for church as they get up, and little aprons are slipped on until after breakfast. If the meal is a light one and all are careful there will be few dishes. Then the father, mother and the children all start out together in plenty of time for Sabbath school, and all stay for church and go home together, where they find a pan of apples or other fresh fruit which is enjoyed while the father or mother read aloud from the Sabbath school papers. Then comes the good dinner, which only takes a few minutes to prepare and is greatly enjoyed by all.

The dishes are piled up and left to be washed after Sabbath, and if it is a fine day, the whole family go for a walk. If it is stormy, there are so many Sabbath stories, which the children never tire of hearing. Some have suggested that the father entertain the children while the mother has some time to herself in the afternoon, but my ideal mother would feel that she had been denied a great privilege if she were shut away from her husband and children Sabbath afternoon. You say this is all right when the children are small, from babyhood until they are fourteen or over. Perhaps in school they have made friends with those who have not been brought up in Christian homes. They think they are having such a good time, and they want to be like them. Shall we compel them to go to church and to keep the Sabbath? Oh, no; I do not think so. God wants a sanctified people to keep a sanctified Sabbath. So we just have to love them a little more and pray for them more earnestly until they see for themselves that there is a blessing in the Sabbath that there is in no other day. This is the Sabbath in the Christian home. But what about the home where they know not God? They do not recognize God as their creator; the memorial of his creative power means nothing to them. They do not acknowledge Jesus as their Saviour, and the memorial of his sanctifying power is not understood by them. So the Sabbath means nothing to them, only a cessation from labor, or perhaps a visit with friends or a vacation day. It is no sign of God's love to them, and we must not try to compel them to observe the Sabbath, as they do in a Christian home. We must give them the same privilege that we have of enjoying the day in their own way. But the greatest problem of Sabbath keeping is in the home where the house is divided, part godly and part ungodly. The godly ones must stand for principle and yet they must be stubborn; they must agree when possible, and always be ready to acknowledge when they have made a mistake, that they may, as Paul says, be able by their godly conversation to

Annual Report

Following is the annual report of the United Evangelical Sunday school of St. Johns for 1914:

Number of sessions held during the year, 51; total enrollment of the school, 254; attendance of scholars for the year, 6854; attendance of officers and teachers, 645; number of visitors present, 482; total attendance, 7981; average weekly attendance, 156; highest attendance one week, Sept. 27th, 222; lowest attendance one week, July 5th, 114. The class having the highest attendance during the year is the kindergarten class, attendance, 1035; total enrollment of Cradle Roll, 60; total number of Bibles for the year, 2205.

Receipts—Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1914, \$599.03; collection of classes for the year, \$251.48; birthday offerings, \$18.36; from other sources, \$4.90; total, \$333.77.

Disbursements—Refund to organized class treasuries, \$24.26 supplies, \$81.60; literature, \$81.78; to church trustees and stewards, \$68.90; tennis court improvement, \$19.00; per capita tax of S. S., \$2.15; floral remembrances for deceased members and friends, \$5.50; miscellaneous items, \$24.00; total, \$307.19. Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1914, \$26.58.

Officers—Superintendent, Mrs. George M. Hall; assistant superintendent, Mrs. R. Howard; assistant superintendent, Mrs. C. H. Thayer; secretary, Gordon S. Ogden; treasurer, Miss Minnie E. Plasket; organists, Misses Minnie E. Plasket and Minnie Miller; librarians, Laura Haskell, Helen Crouch and Lewis Clark.

Classes—Kindergarten, Misses Laura Graden and Frances Pero, teachers; primary, Mrs. J. E. Kilkenny, teacher; Climbers, Mrs. C. H. Thayer, teacher; Busy Bees, Mrs. J. A. Goode, teacher; Builders, Mrs. John Prudham, teacher; Rooters, Charles Root, teacher; Boosters, Earl, Goode, teacher; Ti Alois, Miss Minnie E. Plasket, teacher; Sans Dieu Riens, T. J. Monahan, teacher; Philo Christo, Mrs. R. Howard, teacher; Womens Bible, A. Carl Nelson, teacher; Men's Bible, Rev. J. A. Goode, teacher; Cradle Roll department, Mrs. T. J. Monahan, teacher.—Gordon S. Ogden, Secretary.

Interesting Figures

An interesting series of American statistics recalled, dealing with the motion picture, appears in a recent issue of the London Film and Exhibitors' Review. Just who is the authority for them is not stated, but the deductions made are sufficiently original to attract attention. "During the year ended May, 1914," says the writer, "6,380,000,000 nickels or \$319,000,000 were spent at the American picture theatres. This vast sum would have purchased 391,000 homes for people in ordinary circumstances or nearly 800,000 good sized farms. On the other hand, those \$319,000,000 would have bought 2,126,666,666 drinks of whiskey which would have caused sorrow to 5,000,000 mothers and unhappiness to 3,000,000 wives and deprivation and suffering to 10,000,000 children if they had not been spent at the picture theaters, where they bought clean, wholesome and education amusement and made millions of men, women and children happy."—Contributed.

win their companions. The Sabbath is a real joy and pleasure to the true Christian and God's promise is: "If thou take away thy foot from the Sabbath from doing thy pleasure on my Holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight the Holy of the Lord Honorable and that honor him not doing thine own pleasure nor finding thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

Switzerland is starting its national pavilion at the Panama Exposition. The structure is one of the most picturesque on the exposition grounds and is characteristic of the Swiss chalets.

Communication

St. Johns, Oregon, Jan. 19, 1915.—To the Rev. G. K. Berry, Dear Sir: From the great mass of discolored, distorted and misapplied facts, the long list of absolutely false statements that you presented at the St. Johns Christian church on Tuesday evening, I select the following, appealing to your sense of honor as a Christian gentleman to correct them, reminding you that when one has even inadvertently wronged his fellow man, much more millions of them, that person is obliged to rectify the harm he has done. "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor," applies even to Catholics.

First: Regarding the office of the Inquisition at Rome and Gallileo, your version of this is entirely wrong. "No new idea in astronomy could be introduced without asking the church," as a sample of distorted, misapplied and discolored facts.

(To be fair and enlightened, why do you not read the Catholic side of such historical questions as these, and then refute that position, if you can. If you follow American principle, then the burden of proof is upon you. We Catholics and our Holy Church is to be accounted innocent until proven guilty. I recommend to your consideration the words of the Protestant historian, Corbett: "I verily believe that there are more lies, base false and wicked lies in English books (on the subject of the Catholic church) than in all the other books of the world put together.")

Second: You say that since 1229 Catholics are not allowed to read the Bible; that there is a law of the Catholic church forbidding her members to read the Bible. This statement is UNTRUE.

Third: You say that, according to Catholic teaching, the soul of deceased friends can be bought out of Purgatory for money. Absurdly FALSE.

Fourth: You say in effect that, according to Catholic doctrine, by paying a sum of money for an indulgence, Catholics can have their sins remitted. Equally UNTRUE.

Fifth: You say that the Jesuits have taught or teach the doctrine of expediency, namely, that the end justifies the means. This is a time worn slander, utterly FALSE.

Sixth: You charge the Catholic Saint Ligouri with making the damnable statement you ascribe to him. This, together with your cruel insinuation, is a great sin against truth, charity and justice. We do not judge YOUR clergy by an occasional reprobate—why should you not act equally just towards us?

Seventh: Your statement that Pope Pius Ninth (or Tenth) by any official utterance branded as heretical such principles as Separation of Church and State, (like our American system), is UNTRUE.

Eighth: You say or intimate that the Catholic church is making an effort to secure union of church and state in our country, or in other ways destroy the liberties of the Republic. If you made this statement or its equivalent, the same is absolutely FALSE.

(Our Protestant brethren should look at the beam in their own eye before they try to discover the mote in others. Our country here is neither Protestant or Catholic. It is neutral. If you look over the map of the world, you will have difficulty to locate any really Protestant countries except Prussia, Saxony, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, England and parts of Switzerland. Take up each one and ask yourself two questions: How was Protestantism introduced into these countries—by peaceful persuasion or the power of royal decrees and of arms? (2) Ask yourself how many of these Protestant countries are Republics today? None except Switzerland, and that was a Republic before Protestantism was born. In America FULL liberty of worship was FIRST given by Catholic Lord Baltimore, whereas Protestant Puritans offer a sickening example of bigotry and intolerance.)

All the above eight statements, remarks in parenthesis excluded, are absolutely erroneous. As at this time there is great need for public and private charity, therefore if you can prove your statements or their equivalents, or HALF of them, I will gladly secure a

A Lesson to Others

"Not half of the world knows how the other half lives," is proved every time some one starts out to sell a new book, start a newspaper route, collect overdue bills, or locate new public service facilities. But all the limits of extreme degradation were shown to have been exceeded a week ago when the deputy coroner was called to care for the mortal remains of Thomas Devine, who for the past two years has made his home on the banks of Johnson Creek about a mile and a half southeast of Lents. Devine's death was reported to the coroner by some Chinamen who were acquainted with him and who, not having seen him for a couple of days, investigated and found the old man dead.

The coroner soon decided that Devine came to his death from natural causes. Appearances indicated that he may have died from either of two causes. He may have had pneumonia, as his oral discharges suggested, or he may have died from intestinal strangulation. He was a victim of severe hernia and must have suffered desperately from it. When found the body was all drawn drawn up as if in pain. He had evidently tried to undress himself and was seized by death while in the attempt. He was removed to Kenworthy's and an attempt was made to locate relatives, who were found to live in Wisconsin, well to do people. It has also been found that Devine was himself at one time quite well off. He was a banker at Port Townsend, Wash., practically owning the bank, and enjoying the comforts of a home. His wife is buried at Seattle. From some reason not known here fortune proved fickle. He was thrown upon his physical resources, came to Portland, where twenty years ago he was known as one of the best timber cruisers on the coast. He became a slave to liquor and for the past ten years has practically begged his way.

A little over two years ago he took up his abode at the foot of a big cedar tree on the bank of Johnson Creek. He gradually developed a shelter as primitive and uncivilized in appearance as could be found anywhere in America, with perhaps two exceptions. He had some tin cans for cooking and heating of water. The sloping of his shelter were partly thatched with rags and old sacks. But the structure was mostly composed of poles, bark and brush. It was hardly a shelter, as the north end was entirely open and fully exposed. His bed was a filthy mess of old cedar and fir twigs. There was scarcely room to lie straight in it. He had a couple of good blankets. His food on hand consisted of a couple of loaves of bread and some bacon. Filth was all around. He was in the habit of leaving for town early each morning, where, by begging from acquaintance to acquaintance, he collected enough for the day's need, drink and scanty food.

Thomas Devine's degradation was due to drink. Acquaintances, he had many; friends, there were none. What a lesson to those who scoff at the danger attending the occasional dram. Not often does the full degenerating influence of the liquor habit exemplify its ultimate limit as in this instance, and yet such a termination awaits every tippler. More violent agencies usually close the tragedy before life's pulse has been exhausted.—Mt. Scott Herald.

donation of fifty dollars to any charitable object that you may name. The money is now deposited for this purpose at the Peninsula National Bank. To decide, I suggest three judges—one selected by yourself, one by the undersigned, and the third by the two.

As a Christian gentleman, you should either vindicate your statements or retract them. Yours very truly, (Rev.) Charles M. Smith.

P. S.—Your statements regarding traditions in the Catholic church, the Latin Vulgate, origin of the law requiring the celibacy of the clergy, origin of baptism by pouring of water, St. Peter at Rome, are about as inaccurate as the above. After you have proven (?) the above to be true, remarks on the others may also be forthcoming.—C. M. S.

HIGH SCHOOL

Incidents of High School Interestingly Told

The Senior class has already begun to prepare for Commencement. Although a small class, they hope to make their record one of the best.

One of the highest ambitions is to publish a high school annual. To do so will require not only a great amount of work on the part of the Seniors, but the loyal support of the entire school as well. To make the Annual a success will require two very important things—talent and money. The first we have; it needs only to be brought to light around the high school. But the second we have NOT. "How much will it require?" would be your natural question. Would you be discouraged and quit if told the truth? Considering the record of James John students, the class of '15 has decided to take a chance and make the fact known. To publish one of the neatest annuals ever produced by a high school would require only about \$250. Now do you say, "Let's quit?" Remember, it is not the Seniors alone who are producing this Annual, but all the STUDENTS of James John. The Seniors are only boosting it, and they are determined to do that with vim. At a recent meeting the following staff was selected:

John McGregor, editor in chief; Alice Wrinkle, associate editor; Harold Baybrook, business manager; Will Teutsch, athletics editor; Gladys Palmer, society editor; Marie Bredeson, wit and humor editor.

The annual Senior class play will probably be presented a little earlier than usual this year. Nothing has been definitely settled, though several of the very latest high school plays are already under consideration.

The high school gathered for brief assembly on Monday morning, the purpose being to get the right attitude toward our defeat in the debates of last week. Mr. Fry assured the school that he considers the defeat a not inglorious one, for both contests were close; both of our teams did well. He congratulated the four boys upon their good work, their grasp of the question debated and their forceful delivery. He told them that they may look upon this year's effort as the best sort of preparation for next year's work when we hope the decision may be in our favor. The whole school expressed their appreciation of the boys' work and their faith in better results next year. As was stated last week, James John met teams from Tillamook and Gresham in triangular debate, and we lost to both. The judges at St. Johns were: Prin. Whitney of Oekley Green, Mr. Combe of Washington High and Mr. King of Lincoln High. The Tillamook debaters, Thomas Coats and Anita Everson, showed a very complete grasp of the question in hand and their argument was well presented. Mr. Geeslin presided as chairman of the evening in a most pleasing way.

At Gresham the three judges were: Mr. Ewig of Portland Academy, Mr. French of Y. M. C. A., and Mr. Woodward. The Gresham debaters were Miss Volbrech and Mabel Shipley. In the three other debates of the same evening, Astoria won out over Scappoose, and Gresham over Tillamook. This leaves Gresham and Astoria to contest for the Lower Columbia District championship.

Basketball is playing an important part in the school life of James John High this year; last week three exciting games were played, two by the girls and one by the boys. Thursday evening the James John high school girls played against Franklin high school girls in the Franklin gymnasium and won with a score of thirteen to two. Saturday evening in the high school gymnasium here, the high school girls defeated the Forest Grove high school girls, with a score of twenty-eight to three. The game was followed by a contest between the boys of the two schools. The James John high school boys were defeated, the score being twenty-four to

A Fine Recital

The "Old Melody Recital" given by the pupils of Georgia Rich Lydick, assisted by Miss Hortense Ingalls, at First Baptist church, last Friday evening, was a splendid success and greatly appreciated by all.

The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The attendants packed the church to its capacity. Old fashioned costumes were worn by pupils, presenting a unique and most attractive appearance. The following program was rendered: America, Smith—Veda Carley, Home, Sweet Home, Rimbault—Madeline Munson, Chop Sticks, De Lulli—Everett Henry, George Glawe, Comin' Thro' the Rye, Scott—Vivian Tindall, Nearer My God to Thee, Gooch—Martha Maples, Old Folks at Home, Steinhilmer—Lucy Hudnut, Marching Through Georgia, Yankee Doodle, Star Spangled Banner, Smith—Everett Henry, Believe Me if All Those Endearing Young Charms, Gooch—Helen Douglass, Old Kentucky Home, Steinhilmer—Idrys Weimer, St. Patrick's Day, Watson—Margery Moxon, Dixie Land, Lindsay—George Glawe, Lucia di Lammermoor, Donizette; Silver Threads Among the Gold, Maylath—Wilma Ingalls.

Last Rose of Summer, Gooch—Virginia Dunsmore, Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep, Gooch—Gladys Grey, Alice, Where Art Thou? Ascher—Fay Smith, Blue Bells of Scotland, Ryder—Alice Catto, Clayton's Grand March, Blake—Agnes Vincent, Gladys Grey, When You and I Were Young, Maggie, Wyman—Joanna James, Bonnie Sweet Bessie, Ryder—Carmolete Henry, Flower Song, Lange—Agnes Vincent, Juanita, Richards—Francis Campbell, Put Me in My Little Bed, White—Joanna James, In the Sweet Bye and Bye, Stier—Mabel Smook, Old Oaken Bucket, Ryder—Opal Weimer, Rock of Ages, Ryder—Marion Dunsmore, Those Old Songs My Mother Used to Sing, Smith—Miss Hortense Ingalls, Annie Laurie, Ryder—Della Vinson, Old Black Joe, Rathbun—Matie Lee Case, Auld Lang Syne, Ryder—Sadie Cramer.

Parent-Teachers Notes

The next meeting of the North School Parent Teachers' Association of Saint Johns will be held in the North school building on Tuesday evening, the 26th, at 8 o'clock. A good program will be given and Judge Gatens of Portland will speak. All who have heard Judge Gatens will not miss this opportunity to hear him again. The public is cordially invited to be present.

The North School Parent Teachers' Association held their regular meeting on January 14th in the assembly room of the North school. There were 72 parents present, and between fifty and sixty little tots were cared for in the kindergarten during the meeting. The program consisted of songs by Miss Scott's room, folk games by Miss Kennedy's room, recitation by Helen Crouch, vocal solo by Carlyle Cunningham, and piano solos by Miss Aldrich and Anna Key. A splendid paper was read by Mrs. Cunningham on "How to give our children the best opportunities." Miss Kennedy's room won the picture for this month on best attendance of parents. The date of meetings have been changed to the second and fourth Tuesdays in the month.—Reporter.

Next Friday evening January 22nd, the Gresham high school girls and boys basketball teams will play against the James John high school teams in the high school gymnasium here. The high school extend heartfelt sympathies to Alice and Wesley Wrinkle, because of the death of their father.—Reporter.

Note the label on your paper.