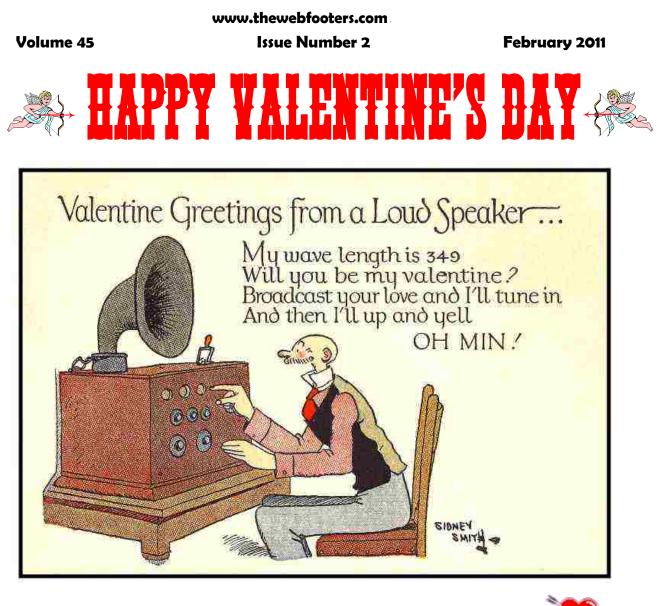


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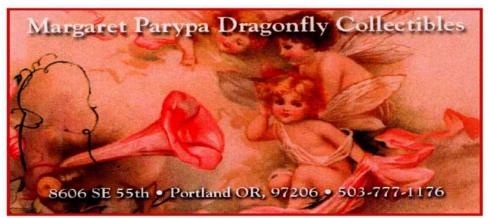


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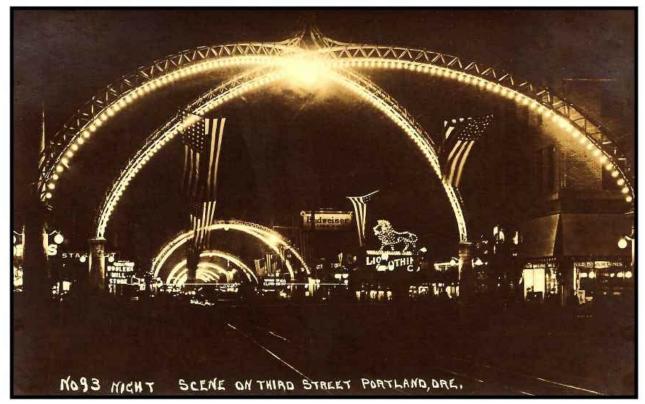
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# THE GREAT LIGHT WAY



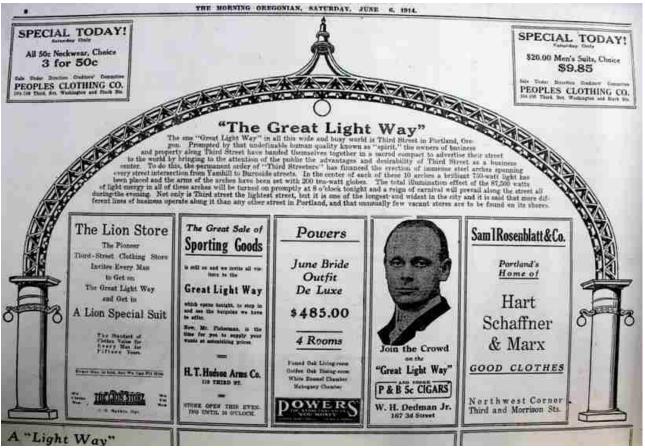
Portland's "Great Light Way" featured lighted arches that were erected up Third Avenue in 1914.



In the 1890s and early 1900s, electricity was a new phenomenon. It was the key to many conveniences. Electricity provided the energy to transport the masses and light our world. It changed life as we know it. Power plants were built to generate the power that was used to electrify the trolley lines and to light our streets. It also ushered in a new era that brought us air conditioning, hot and cold running water, toasters, stoves, refrigerators, hair dryers, radios and everything we couldn't live without today.

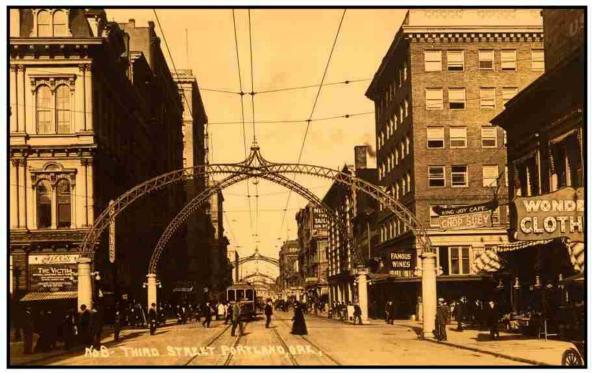


Feeling pressure from the business boosters of Broadway, dubbed "the Great White Way," which was Portland's busiest street of commerce, the businesses and property owners along Third Street banded together to form "The Permanent Order of Third Streeters" to promote and advertise their street to the world as the "Center of Business" in Portland. The "Third Streeters" financed the erection of immense steel arches spanning every street intersection from Yamhill to Burnside streets. In the center of each of these 10 arches, there was a brilliant 750-watt light globe. The arms of the arches each contained two hundred 10-watt globes. Buttons (as shown on the left) to promote the lighting of third street were given out.

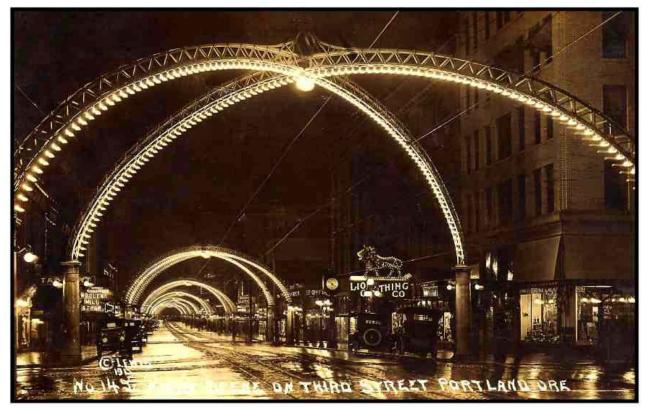


This ad appeared in the June 6, 1914 issue of The Oregonian.

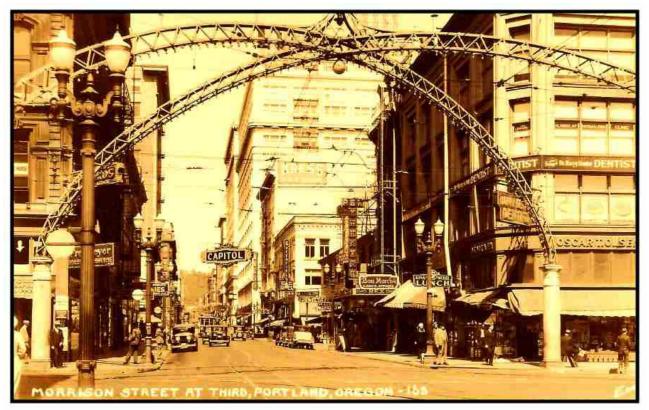
The lights were to be turned on for the first time on June 6, 1914 at 8 o'clock in the evening when the newspaper reported that "a reign of carnival prevailed along the street as city dwellers welcomed the lighted arches with a parade and street fair."



Daytime view of Third Street in 1916.



Night view of Third Street in 1916. Initially, the arches were placed from Burnside to Yamhill Streets. Arches were subsequently added from Burnside to Glisan Streets.



The arches at Third and Morrison streets frame signs for Fred Meyer on the left as well as the Capital Theater and the Rex Theatre.



This view shows Third and Washington streets in 1936.

In 1926, a street-widening project for the opening of the new Burnside Bridge required the removal of the arch at Burnside. More street-widening in 1928 required the removal of the arches north of Ash Street. The financial fallout from the Great Depression caused the electricity to be turned off in 1937 and demolition began on the remaining arches. The city council removed all remnants of Portland's "Great Light Way" when they ordered the removal of the final three arches in 1940.

## Mark's Memo

Thanks to Maggie for helping bring food for the January meeting. In February, no one has signed up to bring refreshments again, so **if you can help us out and bring the food**, let us know. Maggie has instructions for getting reimbursed in her "Minutes" column.

We have gotten quite a few items and lots for our next **Auction which is coming up April 15th**, **2011**. We plan to begin cataloging and preparing them for the Auction in the coming days. If you have some items that aren't as important to your collection anymore and you would like to sell them on consignment, our Auction is the place to sell them and help the Club in the process. Contact Glenn Mason, Dusty Schmidt or myself. We can pick up your items or you can bring them to our next meeting on February 19th.

Attention Dealers!! We have a few tables left for our **31st Annual Antique Paper** Show & Sale which is coming up April 16-17, 2011. If you haven't gotten a table or two, now is the time. Each front table comes with a back table. If you aren't a dealer and you want to thin out your collection, the cost of our tables is very reasonable for a post card and ephemera show.



Attending the January 15th, 2011 Webfooter's Board Meeting, held at Elmer's Restaurant were: Mark Moore (President), Tony Roberts (Vice President) Maggie Parypa (Secretary), and Arne Soland (Treasurer) After a call to order at approximately 7:00 PM, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.

**Financial Report** – Arne Soland gave a financial report. Chase notified us they were eliminating our free checking accounts. Arne was able to negotiate with them and keep our free accounts. It is important to keep a reserve in our treasury in case of a sudden cancellation of the show or auction. Last year, the arrival of returning troops from Iraq threatened to cancel our annual show.

#### Report of Standing Committees

**Membership** – Chair Krissy Durden reported via email on January 29, 2011 that there are 222 Active Members (99 individual members, 90 Family Members, 26 Patron Members, 6 Honor Members and 1 Charter). Continued Honorary Membership for Rogene Regehr was approved at the Club meeting for all her past contributions.

**Refreshments** – Reimbursement of up to \$40 is available for those contributing this service. If you are providing refreshments don't forget to save your receipts for Arne. There is a sign-up sheet at the monthly meetings.

The time is now to start planning for the auction and show. We are looking for good quality consignment lots to help benefit the Club. Glenn Mason and Dusty Schmidt will be helping organize items into lots.

Don't forget to take advertising cards for next year's show to local shops in your neighborhoods. We have already sold over two-thirds of our tables for the show. There are a few tables available at \$65. We also plan to advertise in smaller neighborhood newspapers like the Clackamas Review to help reach a broader audience. About two thirds of our cost goes into advertising and the other third goes for renting the hall.

Best wishes to Adolphe Colson and Don Weis who are recovering from illnesses. Also, keep Addie Weis in your prayers as she recently underwent knee replacement surgery.

The meeting at Elmer's was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

The next board meeting will be held on March 16th, 2011 at Elmer's Restaurant at 10001 NE Sandy Boulevard.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Parypa, Secretary

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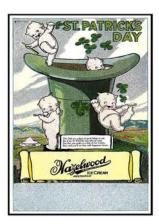
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## Postcard, Photograph & Antique Paper



Friday, April 15, 2011 \* 6:30 pm

AUCTION

Preview begins at 3:30 pm \* Banquet Dinner at 5

### The Grotto Conference Center 8840 NE Skidmore St. NEAR 85TH & SANDY BLVD.

### AUCTION LOTS INCLUDE:

- Post Cards: real photo, holiday, artist signed, lithos, linens & chromes.
- Vintage Photographs: tintypes, stereo views, CDVs, cabinet cards, snapshots & mounted photos of all sizes.
- Antique Paper Ephemera: advertising, trade cards, travel brochures, maps, menus & other early paper items!

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We need your high quality postcards, photos and ephemera—bring them to the next three meetings or let us pick them up

No-host banquet dinner at The Grotto Conference Center beginning at 5:00 pm

31st Annual Antique Paper Show and Sale saturday, April 16 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday, April 17 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Early Admission: \$5/Regular Admission \$2 Oregon National Guard Armory 6255 NE Cornfoot Road – Portland, Oregon

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(Items pictured were found at our last show)



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