OMOTION LEAGUE IS TO BE FORMED

INESS MEN OF COOUNTY ARE KED TO JOIN ORGANIZATION TO PROMOTE WELFARE.

ding for That Purpose to Be Held Nest Wednesday Evening— Everybody Invited.

st Wednesday evening there is s held in this city a very impormeeting, one in which every busand professional man in the unity should be deeply interestnd one at which everyone in the and community should be pres-Backed by the association of bants an effort is to be made to ize a good, strong league of iness and professional men, the of which will be to promote and general business progress. e time ago, when the merchformed a protective association, idea of broadening the scope and se of the organization was imlistely advanced and met with general popular favor among members that efforts to that end e steadily advanced, until, at the meeting of the association the crystallized into so.nething file, and it was decided to proat once with the formation of a a men's league.

is for that purpose that the ting is to be held next Wednesevening at the council chamber, which the entire business commuis cordially invited.

tis a most difficult matter to hold ther such an organization unless given the undivided and unqualimoral and financial support of whole community. It is also an isputable fact that no community very far in the way of promoting public welfare only through efe organization, backed to the morally and financially.

through the medium of the Merinto association as a nucleus welfare promotion organization, e can be no doubt of the perman and power of the league. There constantly arising so many im ast matters demanding unantas backing that there can be no th of the broad range of usefulof such an organization.

To be entirely successful, however, sh interest must never be pertted to cross the threshold of its eting place. Such an organization ust be unqualifiedly broad of scope dunselfish of purpose. With these s inculcated into the membership religiously adhered to, there can it one outcome - success

et every business interest in the mmunity, not St. Helens alone, but whole district embraced in the th end of the county, or the encounty, for that matter, make it ent Wednesday evening. You are seded. Your presence, your advice od your support is needed. Be there. elp. Come with the idea of getting shind the organization and boost

OULDN'T RESIST THE

anker Vields to Persuasions of Versatile Salesman.

Deesn't it beat hens wrestling how e tendencies of mankind jog along about the same well defined pathlyn? Even bankers are sometimes clined to follow the lead. This is in one particular case in St. Hels, and in this instance is applicable to the automobile fever. Bert Stone, e popular cashler of the Columbia bunty bank, was tempted just a litle bit too far by being persuaded to get behind the steering gear of a ord, and this tells the story. He lrove, he meditated, he inspected his ink account, he bought. Several other sales of Fords have been made y the local agency, the Independent Auto Garage, this week.

ROSE SHOW.

The ladies of the Episcopal Guild hall in St. Helens in the near future. will be counted. Definite dates will W. J. Muckle, A. H. George, T. Isbesbe announced later.

STREETS GET SOME THOROUGH CLEANING

Bacchanalian Habits Result in Fines for Three Sailors.

Somebody got drunk, the city marshal got busy, the city recorder got an inspiration and some of the streets. of the city got a cleaning up, to most of which let us say amen. It is said they are sallors. That is unimportant. The recorder fined them each \$10 and they are doing time on the street, and a good job they are doing. too. M. F. Hazen is master of ceremonles in the early portion of the day and the marshal takes charge in the latter part of the day, and the transformation is pleasing to the eye of the fastidious citizen. It would seem as though this method might be a pretty good solution of the drunk question. A sentence to do time on the streets might have a most salutary effect upon some of the chronics, and certainly, a repetition of things would have a most decided effect upon the appearance of the streets of the city.

BALL PLAYERS ARE YET UNDEFEATED

Good Game is Scheduled for Sunday on Home Grounds.

A lively game of baseball was the result of the first game of the season on the home grounds for the home team of St. Helens last Sunday, when bats were crossed with the La Center. team. The score was eleven to nothing, in favor of the home team. The success which the St. Helens team has had this year proves the quality of the material it is composed of, as it has been pitted against some of the best players on the lower Columbia, and defeat is yet unknown to it.

Another good game is promised for next Sunday, when Woodland is coming in full force to wrest victory from the so-far undefeated St. Helens boys, on the St. Helens grounds.

The Noah's Ark Midgets will cross bats with the Yankton Grange team on the school ball grounds at St. Helens Sunday, and a lively game is in prospect. The youngsters are going against a bunch of players of superior size, at least, but the question of skill is yet to be determined.

SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Several Delightful Social Function at St. Helens Homes.

The sophomores of the St. Helens High School entertained the seniors last evening at the Methodist church parlors. The rooms were decorated with pennants and flowers. The evening was spent in playing games and songs, after which a dainty supper was served.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Peel entertained point to be present at the meeting Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Ethel Wood, a recent bride-elect, with five hundred. The rooms were decorated beautifully in pink La France roses. Card honors fell to Mr. J. W. Allen. Mrs. Peel was assisted by her sister, Mrs. S. C. Pern assets by the state engineer. of Portland. The guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Edward Ross, Mr. and Mrs. FRIENDS ENTERTAIN STRONG TEMPTATION L. L. Baker, Mrs. C. H. John, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. John, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Zipperer, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Deming, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allen, Mrs. W. G., Muckle, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dillard, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Day, Miss Ethel Wood and Miss McClay, Mr. and Mrs. John Southard.

Mrs. Edwin Ross entertained at her home Wednesday in honor of Miss Ethel Wood, with a luncheon shower, followed by a tea. The color scheme through the rooms was red and yellow. The table was beauti-him with \$10 cash. Ernest John, as fully decorated with a centerpiece of Master Artisan, presided as toastred richmond roses and crystal candlesticks, and the guest places were marked with natural rosebuds clasp- Baker, the latter making the presened with an arrow. The guest of tation speech in behalf of the Scouts. honor was showered with many beau-tiful linens. Those present at the luncheon were: Mesdames A. J. Peel, home in Portland last evening. L. L. Baker, Flora Owens, J. W. Allen, William Ross, Frank Meyers, John Southard, C. H. John, W. B. will hold a rose show at the Guild Dillard, Wilbur Muckle, Miss Ethel Wood. Those who were at the tea, Competition for awards will no doubt at which Mrs. C. H. John and Mrs. very keen, as there are many beau- Wilbur Muckle poured, were: Mesliful and rare varieties of roses dames E. V. John, J. Tonzat, J. frown in St. Helens and vicinity. The Grant, A. L. Stone, E. A. Rotger, hanagement announces that close David Davis, W. R. Dinham, L. Tiludging will be done on the exhibits, tus, J. H. Cronkite, E. A. Ross, and that stems, thorns and foliage Sawyer, J. L. Zipperer, M. E. Miller, ter, and Miss Beryl Muckle.

WELL-KNOWN WOMAN COMMITS SUICIDE

MRS, GEORGE KELLY TAKES HER THE RAINIER SCHOOLS FURNISH OWN LIFE IN HOTEL AT PORTLAND.

Rash Act Said to Have Been Result Good Weather and Enthusiastic of Husband's Inability to Obtain Employment.

The announcement that Mrs. Geo. Kelly had committed suicide in Portland Tuesday was a shock to a great many people in this community. The unfortunate circumstance took place at the rooms of the deceased in the Lindquist hotel, by the drinking of carbolic acid. The woman was hastened to St. Vincent's hospital, where death resulted a few moments after her arrival.

Mrs. Kelly was well known in this county, having spent her girlhood days with her parents at Deer Island, being the daughter of B. C. Enyart. Her husband was formerly in business in St. Helens, and was raised at Houlton.

It is said that Mrs. Kelly became despondent by reason of her husband's inability to obtain employment. Mr. Kelly had gone to the lower river country last Monday in search of employment. He was located last Wednesday and returned to Portland that evening. Funeral services will be held in Portland next Sunday.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER TO BECOME DEPUTY

ATTORNEY GENERAL GIVES OPINION OF EFFECT OF RE-CENT ACT.

State Engineer Lewis to Have Charge of All Road Construction After May 22.

Holding that it was the intention of the recent Legislature, when it changed the state highway act, to ers, duties and responsibilities of the state highway engineer. Attorney General Brown has given an opinion the request of State Engineer Lewis to the effect that E. I. Cantine, state highway engineer, would become Mr. Lewis' chief deputy when the law became effective, May 22.

Mr. Brown said it was apparent that the office of state highway engineer, as a separate office, was abolished by the consolidation bill. He did not answer the question as to whether the state engineer would be entitled to two salaries of \$3060 each because of the peculiar construction of the act, Mr. Lewis not asking for an opinion on that. The attorney-ond; Fair, Ranier, third; time 12 ing or had made their way safely out because of the peculiar construction an opinion on that. The attorneygeneral held that Mr. Lewis would have to give an additional bond of \$10,000, as required by the new act, and that, although the governor would approve the chief deputy, he must report to the state engineer. It is further held that the state engineer would be responsible for the

MINISTER AND WIFE

Valuable Presents Made to Rev. and Mrs. Meyer at Banquet.

A joint banquet, tendered by the Boy Scouts, Artisans and members of the Congregational church, was given in honor of Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Meyer at Artisan hall, in St. Helens last Friday evening, in the form of a surprise. The Boy Scouts presented their guests with a bible and Mayor Morton, on behalf of outside friends of the reverend gentleman, presented master, and responses were made by W. B. Dillard, M. E. Miller and L. L.

CHURCH DINNER.

The ladies of the Catholic church will give a dinner and strawberry social at the Guild hall in St. Helens Wednesday evening, May 26. Din-ner will cost 25 cents and dinner with strawberries will cost 35 cents. The public is very cordially invited to give a liberal patronage to the ladies.

NEW POSTMASTER.

Eunice McAllister has been appointed postmaster at Trenholm, succeeding Mrs. Charles Hein.

SUCCESSFUL TRACK AND FIELD MEET

MOST SUCCESSFUL CONTEST-ANTS AND WIN CUP.

Crowd Makes Event a Great Success.

The track and field meet of the schools of Columbia county, held at St. Helens last Saturday, was a splendid success in every respect. The high schools and grammar schools of Scappoose, Rainier, Clatskanie and St. Helens were well represented by vigorous and enthusiastic young by vigorous and enthusiastic young athletes, whose skill was splendidly demonstrated. Rainier made the best showing and walked away with the laurels, having a total of 59 points for high school contestants and 41 for the grammar grades. The cup will be presented to Rainier in the very near future.

The following shows the features.

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High School. Fifty-yard run—Furer, Rainier, first; McKelvey, Clatskanie, second; Perry, St. Helens, third; time 6 sec-

One hundred-yard dash-Furer, Rainier, first; Price, Scappoose, second; Perry, St. Helens, third; time 11.2 seconds.

Two hundred and twenty-yard dash—Furer, Rainier, first; Perry, St. Helens, second; Price, Scappoose,

Four hundred and forty-yard run
—Anderson, Clatskanie, first; Beck,
Rainier, second; Perry, St. Helens,

Mile run—Beck, Rainier, first; Philip, St. Helens, second; Smith, St. Helens, third; time 5 minutes 50 seconds. Half mile run-Anderson, Clats

kanie, first; Beck, Rainier, second; Pritchard, Rainier, third; time 3 minute 3 seconds. Relay race-Rainier; time 1 min-

utes 6 seconds.
One hundred and twenty-yard

hurdle—Price, Scappoose, first; Smith, Rainier, second; Eilertson, Clatskanie, third; time 13 seconds.
Pole vault—Price, Scappoose, first;
Furer, Rainler, second; Atkins, Rainier, third.

Broad jump-Furer, Rainier, first; Price. Scappoose, second; Atkins, Hainler. third: distance 17 feet 10 High jump—Furer, Rainler, first; Leonard, Scappoose, second; Atkins, Rainler, third; distance 5 feet 2

Shot put-Perry, St. Helens, first;

Furer, Rainier, second; Atkins, Rainier, third. Discus throw-Perry, St. Helens, first; Furer, Rainier, second; Atkins,

Rainier, third. Javelin-Eilertson, Clatskanie first; Leonard, Scappoose, second; Furer, Rainier, third; distance 138 tied for second.

Grammar School.
Fifty-yard run—McKiel, Clatska-nie, first; Davis and Farr, Rainier, feet 1 inch.

Two hundred and twenty-yard run Farr, Rainier, first; McKiel, Clats-kanie, second; Davis, Rainier, third. Four hundred and forty-yard run—McDaniels, Rainier, first; McKiel, Clatskanie, second; Chresman, Rainier, third.

Half-mile run—McKiel, Clatskanie, first; / McDaniels, Rainier, second; Chresman, Rainier, third.

Relay race-Rainier; time 1 minte 10 seconds.

Pole vault—Cartley, St. Helens, first; McDaniels, Rainier, second; Mc-Kie, St. Helens, third.

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High jump—McDaniels, Rainier,
first; McKiel, Clatskanie, second;
Sonneland, St. Helens, third.

Shot put—McKiel, Clatskanie,
first; Farr, Rainier, second; Riley,
Rainier, third.

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 Rainier
 59

 Scappoose
 23

 Clatskanie
 19

 St. Helens
 20

Grammar School. St. Helens Individual Scores.

Officials of Day. V. Borleske, Field Judge. H. W. White, Starter and Scorer. S. R. Sonneland, Clerk. Clyde Sutherland, Timer. L. G. Ross, L. J. Van Orshoven, N. A. Perry, Judges at Finish.

MINSTRELS PRACTICE FOR GOOD SHOW

Members of the Sunset Athletic club and their friends are keeping up a persistent practice for their minstrel performance, but have been compelled to set the time at a later date for the performance to be presented to the public, which will take place Saturday evening, May 22. The boys are working hard and will present a high class entertainment, which the public should liberally patronize.

Members of the Sunset Athletic out of five. These matches of boys' made up of two matches of boys' singles, one of girls' singles, one of mixed doubles and one boys' doubles. The names of winning team will be inscribed on the cup. Girls' doubles will be substituted for the mixed doubles as soon as there are enough players.

No admission will be charged, and there is no doubt about a large fund being raised to insure a first-class celebration.

DEFINES QUALIFIED SCHOOL ELECTORS

School Superintendent Gives Valuable Information on Subject.

The County School Superintendent in response to many requests, has pre-pared the following statement, out-lining the qualifications of electors at school elections. This is of par-tcullar interest just at this time, as the time for holding school elections is drawing near, being the third Mon-

day in June. St. Helens, Ore., May 12, 1915. To the public: In response to many inquiries and by special request, I hereby name the qualifications of a voter at a school election. These qualifications were not changed by the recent legislature, nor by the amendment requiring one to be fully naturalized in order to vote at county and state elections, nor were these qualifications effected by the woman suffrage amendment. A foreigner must have his first

paper only.
Districts numbers 1, 2, 5, 7, 13 and 25 are second class districts; all other districts in this county are third class

Any citizen, male or female, 21 years of age who has been in the state six months and thirty days in the district and has property as shown by the last county assessment may vote in the districts of the second class.

In a third class district a voter must have been six months in the state, thirty days in the district. He must have property or be the head

must have property or be the head of a family. He may both have property and be the head of a family.

In a third class district both hus-

band and wife may vote if they both have taxable property. The husband may vote as the head of a family and the wife may vote if she has property

Any voter at a school meeting is eligible to hold office as clerk or director.

A wife's citizenship depends entirely on her husband. band is a foreigner, so is the wife. If he is a citizen, so is his wife.

A woman foreign born who marries an American citizen, at once be-comes an American citizen. An American born woman and citizen of the United States marries an unnaturalized foreigner, she becomes a for-eigner, and cannot vote.

Sincerely, J. W. ALLEN,
School Superintendent.

DODRERS ENTER HOUL

Make Way With Articles of Value Sheriffs Search for Them.

The sheriff's office was notified late Tuesday evening that robbers had entered the section house at Houlton and made way with several articles of more or less value, and the officers' assistance was needed in running down the culprits. Sheriff Stanwood made a systematic search as far north as Deer Island and Deputy Brown journeyed southward as far as Scappoose, but their efforts were fuof the country. The depredation was committed early in the forenoon, and as no notice was given until late in the evening, there was sufficient time to get out of the way. A revolver, suit case and some clothing were

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

Contests Will Take Place on St. Helens Courts Tomorrow.

Weather permitting, the tennis championship for Columbia county high schools will be decided next Saturday, May 15, on the courts of the St. Helens Tennis club. All three high schools, Clatskanie, Rainier and Scappoose, have signified their intention of sending a team to compete with St. Helens, whose team was was ready last year.

With the championship goes the "Rutherford Cup," donated by L. R. Rutherford, and which is to be held by the winning school until "lifted" by another high school team. Competitions will be held in May and October of each year to add to the interest in the great international game, which is played in more countries than any other important game.

Mr. Rutherford's purpose in put-ting up this cup is to create more of an interest in the healthful outdoor game, in which both boys and girls can compete irrespective of size and qualifications in other lines of sports.

The preliminary matches will be played in the morning and the two the afternoon. Each winning school will have to take three matches (composed of best two sets out of three) out of five. These matches to be made up of two matches of boys' singles, one of girls' singles, one of mixed doubles and one boys' doubles. The names of winning team will be inscribed on the cup. Girls' doubles will be substituted for the mixed doubles as soon as there are enough

CONTRACTORS DECIDE TO RESUME WORK

COURT'S ATTITUDE IN THE MAT-TER COMMMENDABLE, HAV-ING BENEFICIAL EFFECT.

Construction Work on Highway Was Resumed With Vigor on Last Thursday.

An unexpected termination has resulted out of the controversy between the county court and the Consolidate Contract Company regarding financial matters. The date for arriving at some definite understanding was set for last Saturday, but it did not take place. No move was made on the part of the contractors until the fore part of this week, when they notified the court that they were ready to obey its mandates and re-

sume construction work. It has been evident right along that the contractors were inclined to take advantage of circumstances brought about by the removal of the former highway engineer and force the county to pay an unreasonable amount for what work had been performed. When a definite and determined stand was taken by the court that settlement could be had only on the terms as outlined in the report of the engineer, the contractors were evidently loth to attempt to force their demands.

This attitude on the part of the contractors is, without doubt, the wisest course. The court has stood ready at all times to effect a settlement on reasonable terms, but the contention of the contractors would have been vigorously opposed, even to the extent of taking the matter into the courts.

Construction work on the highway was resumed yesterday.

BUSY SESSION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

WORK OF GRAND JURY INTER-FERED WITH BY DEATH OF Cases Against Wm. Pringle, Jr., of

Pittsburg, Dismissed-Ben Wooley Indicted on Serious Charge. Circuit Court convened here in egular session Tuesday morning, with some very important cases on the docket. In addition to this a grand jury was drawn, but its work was interfered with Wednesday when word was received that a sister of one of the members had died the

dicial organization was taken until Friday noon The grand jury is composed of the

night before in Portland, and ad-

journment of that branch of the ju-

following gentlemen:

Joseph Rich, foreman; H. C. Gore, J. H. Cronkite, Edgar Enyart, Geo. W. Barger, Jacob Lake and Blain

During the brief time the grand jury was at work it returned an indictment against one Ben Wooley, charged with an unmentionable infraction of the moral code, and the case will be taken up for trial later

in the session. The case against William Pringle, Jr., of Pittsburg, charged with running deer with dogs, was heard before a jury Thursday morning and the defendant found not guilty. Another charge of an infraction of the game law was pending against Mr. Pringle, but it, too, was dismissed Thursday afternoon.

The trial jury was dismissed until next Monday morning and the time of the Court has been consumed in hearing motions and arguments.

GET READY NOW FOR THE CELEBRATION

Plans Take on Definite Form for a Glorious Good Time.

Preparations are going forward for the Fourth of July celebration on an extensive scale and the event will be equal if not better, than any ever held in this city. This year, as was the case last year, the celebration will be in charge of young, energetic men, who will strive to excel their