

AIKEN IS ELECTED SCHOOL DIRECTOR

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conduct of the school. He said he had stated his position and asked the other candidates to state theirs, but said candidates must have been in the dugouts for there was no response to the chairman's invitation.

However, J. W. Allen took the floor and explained why he thought it not best to build a union high school. He stated that the first steps should be towards a consolidation of the nearby districts and then if they agreed for a high school, let them help build one, otherwise the St. Helens district would pay for the school and the surrounding community get the benefits without contributing their part of the expense.

W. B. Dillard who had just arrived with a contingent of the Home Guard and not being able to ferret out just what was going on, asked the chair if a motion was before the meeting, and when told no, suggested that the usual order of business be proceeded with, adding that it would be impossible to accomplish that night one-half of the proposed innovations, etc., unless they got down to work.

Mr. Cassatt, however, wished to be heard as to the tuition fee and several other matters that had been brought up by Mr. Allen and he asked that any one having influence with the legislators to endeavor to have the laws relating to these measures repealed.

Mrs. W. B. Dillard was emphatic in her opposition to the union high school. She said the government was making all to save, to conserve supplies and labor during the war. They had been asked to wear old clothes, to cobble old shoes and to save otherwise and she thought the schools would also have to cobble some. "To spend the money now and to use the labor when needed at other places," she thought, "unpatriotic—even more—it is pro-German."

J. W. Allen then brought out a new one, something that hadn't been sprung at the meeting before. His motion was "that it is the sense of this meeting that no teacher except one having a normal training or its equivalent be employed in the St. Helens schools." L. R. Rutherford replying from the southern line of defense made an amendment that no teacher not being a graduate of a college and having three years experience be employed. He was informed that the college education was now a requisite and part of his amendment was voted on as was the original motion, but so few understood either and the generals of the three divisions were so busy planning the main drive, that little attention was paid to the vote and it is unknown whether it carried or was lost. It was only a gas barrage to cover the coming heavy attack and intended to confuse the army of the southern division.

Mr. Cassatt again took the floor

and stated he fully agreed with Mr. Allen's idea of having normal teachers if they could be obtained and if the district could pay them the salary asked. He stated also that he would like to have the law repealed as to the election of a county superintendent. He thought the county superintendent should be selected by the directors of the schools in the county and that a sufficient salary be paid so that like securing competent teachers, they could secure a competent superintendent, "even if we had to send to New York to get him."

W. B. Dillard again took the floor and made a motion that a petition be sent to the Kaiser to stop the war until the proposed new school could be built, for during peace times it could be built at a reasonable cost. Cassatt responded by stating that a stone or concrete building could now be built at a cost of not over 25 per cent the price of several years ago.

J. W. Day, who had been resting up for the final onslaught, at this juncture entered the first line trenches. Standing erect and in a stentorian voice he said, "Mr. Chairman, (long pause and time for all to think of what was coming) this is no time to spend enormous sums of money. We are now taxed to the limit and we have \$40,000 of the school bonds outstanding. Should we decide to build the union school, from where would we get the money? Certainly no reputable bonding concern would take bonds when we are already up to the limit. The building of such a school building is simply out of the question."

Again Mr. Cassatt parried and spoke for the additional school facilities. He stated he had expected such opposition, and he knew the school wouldn't be built right now, but it was sure to come. "It is simply a matter of evolution" and must come, he said. He recalled the fact that our forefathers had left their bloody foot tracks in the snow when following Washington and they did it for the sake of the children of the country and the generations to follow and predicted that sooner or later the people of St. Helens would have some idea as to furnishing advantages for their children.

Division commanders, having made thorough preparation for the great drive, did not resist the motion to proceed with the balloting and the battle was on. The result of the first conflict was, C. C. Cassatt, 51; J. W. Akin, 77; W. H. Smith, 22; Jacob George, 4; Henry Morgan, 1.

When the result was announced Cassatt suggested that all candidates except Akin withdraw and he be nominated by acclamation. Kettel opposed this and suggested that the two who received the highest vote be balloted upon. This was agreed upon after a vigorous protest from C. B. Mena, who thought Cassatt should not run. The final result was Akin, 85; Cassatt, 64.

After the result was announced, some troops, wearied by the action, deserted the field and only 100 were

left to vote for school clerk. Mrs. J. W. Allen was nominated and also Mrs. Frank George. The result was Mrs. George, 62; Mrs. Allen, 48. Upon motion the meeting then adjourned.

LIST OF TRANSFERS

Reported by Columbia County Abstract Company.

June 13—W. E. Stevens to Chas. Lope, tract No. 5 Mountain View, \$10.

Charles Lope et ux to John Hendricksen, tract No. 5 Mountain View, \$10.

Mathis Randa to Col. and Neh. River R. R., land in Section 32, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, \$1.00.

Edward Lydvigson et ux to Col. & Neh. River R. R., land in Sec. 31, T. 8 N., R. 5 W., \$1.00.

The First National Bank to Minnie M. Morgan, land in Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 2 West, \$2000.00.

Pearl E. Brockway et ux to Thomas L. Hackett et ux, land in Section 29, Township 5 North, Range 2 West, \$1.00.

June 14—Robert E. McPherson to Elizabeth R. Hughes, land in Section 26, Township 5 North, Range 5 West, \$1.00.

Ella McPherson to Elizabeth R. Phillich, land in Section 26, Township 5 North, Range 5 West, \$10.00.

Leon A. Malcom et ux to W. O. Buck et ux, land in Section 8, Township 7 North, Range 4 West, \$10.

Joseph H. Baird et ux to G. P. Erickson et ux, land in Section 17, Township 7 North, Range 4 West, \$10.00.

Joel Gustafson et ux to Felix Ostman et ux, Lots 10 and 17, Block 6, Railroad Addition, \$400.00.

L. Rosasco et ux to John Marini et ux, Lots 18 and 19, Block 123, St. Helens, \$200.00.

John Hendricksen et ux to Charles Lope, Lot 7, Block 35, St. Helens, \$10.00.

June 15—Brigida Serafin et al to Col. Co., Land in Section 19 and 20, Township 5 North, Range 2 West.

John J. Banzer, trustee, to John Pearson, land in Section 9, Township 6 North, Range 5 West, \$500.00.

Gid. T. Ellis et ux to Adam Harris, land in Section 27, Township 6 North, Range 2 West, \$800.00.

J. B. Doan to W. C. Shofner, Lot 1 part of Lot 2, Block 11, Blanchards Addition, to Rainier, \$250.00.

Neh. Investment Co., to J. O. Libel, land in Section 15, Township 6 North, Range 5 West, \$250.00.

St. Helens Improvement Co., to E. Thomas Corsiglia, Lots 1, 2, 25, 26, Block 2 Railroad Addition, \$390.00.

June 17—E. C. Stanwood, sheriff, to Chas. J. Schnabel, land in Section 21, Township 4 North, Range 4 West, \$423.10.

June 18—John Pearson et ux to Appiedale Land Co., land in Section 9, Township 6 North, Range 5 West, \$500.00.

Louis R. Davis et ux to Eli Davis et ux, Lot 10, Block 6, Blanchards Addition to Rainier, \$100.00.

Col. Agric. Co., to C. C. Ruckles, Tract No. 26 Clats. Drainage District, \$10.00.

Francis S. Wiser et ux to Thomas B. Lyda et ux, Lots 3, 4, 17, 18 Tichenors 2nd Addition to Clatskanie, \$600.00.

CHURCH NOTICE

Methodist Episcopal Church

The Friendly Church

Albert S. Hisey, Pastor

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.

Morning worship, 11 a. m.

Epworth League, 7 p. m.

Evening services, 8 p. m.

Subject for the morning, "Our Highest Privilege." For the evening, "Save for Service."

The all absorbing theme of our thoughts is the war, here and "over there," liberty loans, war stamps, food, fuel, clothing, all are playing leading roles and in the maze of insistent thunder, we are in grave danger of stifling the "still small voice."

Next week will be War Stamp Week. Of course we will do our full duty—and more. But our highest duty is to God. This we must not fail to do.

Congregational Church

Rev. A. R. Spearow, pastor.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.

Morning worship, 11 o'clock.

Christian Endeavor, 6:45 p. m.

Evening Service, 7:45 p. m.

Topic: "Thrift Stamps."

Next to the aggregate number of subscribers, perhaps the most striking feature of the third Liberty loan was the support given it by the farming and rural populations of the country, according to a statement by the Treasury Department. Not only did the farmers purchase liberally of the bonds, but the rural communities as a rule were more prompt in completing their quotas of the loan than the larger cities. More than 20,000 communities in the United States subscribed or oversubscribed their quotas, many of them on the first day of the campaign. The majority of these were not cities, but country districts.

MORE ENGINEERS TO GO TO FRANCE

When the five new regiments and 19 battalions of railway engineers now being organized are put on duty there will be 50,000 Americans engaged in railroad construction and operation in France.

After the United States entered the war one of the first requests transmitted to this government by the French mission was for assistance in strengthening the French railways. Nine regiments of railway engineers, whose organization was started before General Pershing sailed, were in France by August, 1917. Six of them have been engaged in construction work, building and rebuilding railways, building docks and rearranging terminal facilities. The other three regiments have been engaged in operation, and some of the railway troops have been on the fighting line. The additional troops will be used partly for construction and maintenance and partly for operation.

A total of \$160,000,000 has been spent on railway materials alone. Included in the purchases are 1,727 locomotives, 22, 630 freight cars, and 359,000 tons of steel rails.

RADIO TAUGHT IN 600 SCHOOLS

The demand for specialists in the army is increasing daily. Mechanics and technicians of all kinds, including radio and buzzer operators are needed by the signal corps.

In nearly every large city the federal board of vocational training, through local school authorities has established schools of radio communication where men of draft age who have not been called may receive a preliminary course in the operation of radio and buzzer instruments. There are about 600 of these schools where instruction is given, usually in the afternoons and evenings. It takes about 200 hours for a student of average ability to obtain a speed of 20 words a minute, sending and receiving. Further information regarding these schools may be secured from local school authorities.

Electrical engineers and men with good fundamental training in engineering or physics are particularly in demand for signal corps work. Men of satisfactory qualifications are given three months' training in special schools, and have every opportunity to take examinations leading to promotion.

Men who have had experience as electrical repair men, wiremen and mechanics are also desired for assignment to special schools and later to field organizations.

There is no discrimination of any kind between soldiers who are not citizens of the United States and the native born or naturalized citizens in the American army, excepting that the former can not hold commissions in all other respects—care, attention, privileges, etc.—they are all on the same footing.

The food administration is making a careful survey of the national ice situation in order that it may be prepared to meet any sudden shortages in particular communities. The destruction of ice plants by fire, breakdown of machinery, or the exigency of the weather may at any time cause a serious shortage.

The standardized "type B" truck has been officially adopted as the standard heavy-duty truck for use by the army in all its departments requiring this capacity truck. A large number have been ordered and it is expected the first 10,000 will be completed about August 1, 1918.

The 12-cylinder Liberty motor, according to a statement by the War Department, weighs 825 pounds and develops 450 horsepower, or a weight of 1.8 pounds per horsepower. The gasoline consumption is approximately 0.46 pound per horsepower hour.

St. Helens Acreage For Sale

From 2 to 20 acre tracts adjoining Geo. W. McBride school in West St. Helens, at \$150 to \$250 per acre, on long time and easy payments. Less than the cost of an ordinary lot. Now is the time to buy. The Highway to the sea will run along side of this tract. Let us take you out in our auto to look at this land, and you will surely find the land you want.

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