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SALARY INCREASE FOR MARSHAL AND RECORDER

COUNCIL IS GENEROUS

City Hall to be Painted and Lease is Granted Creamery

The regular meeting of the city council was held Monday night and all councilmen were present. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Marshal Potter was presented to the council and accepted. The mayor, however, stated that he had been assured by the marshal that if the salary was raised to \$100 per month, he would continue to serve the city. The charter provides that salaries of the recorder and marshal cannot be raised during their term of office, so it was necessary for Mr. Potter to resign and the city attorney was instructed to prepare another ordinance fixing the salary at the sum stated. Councilman Allen said he had a fellow feeling for any one working on a "low down" salary and realized that the city officers were underpaid. He was willing to vote for the increase provided the salary of the recorder was increased from \$37.50 to \$45 per month. The councilmen agreed upon this increase also.

The ordinance leasing a certain portion of the Strand to the St. Helens Co-operative Creamery association, was read the third time and passed and the ordinance relative to storing gasoline and prohibiting the carrying of more than 10 gallons unless in an underground tank or other approved kind of tank was also read for the third time, but laid over pending further investigation. Manager Gallagher of the Columbia River Packers' association remonstrated against the passage of the ordinance and he claimed it would work a great hardship on the dealers in gasoline and the fishermen, and it was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance.

An ordinance relating to jitney traffic, jitney charges, etc., was read or at least a portion of it was read, but when Recorder Quick reached the 7th section, Allen suggested that the reading of the balance of it be deferred until the council could take a whole night for this one ordinance. The councilmen concurred with Mr. Allen, but later found out that the ordinance being read wasn't the one they had ordered, so it was agreed to discard the proposed ordinance and order a new one, and new ordinance not to contain so many sections.

The matter of painting the city hall was brought to the attention of the council and on motion of Allen, the mayor was appointed a committee of one to see about getting the paint and employing the painters, who will do the job by the day instead of on contract.

Cashier Harrison of the First National bank presented a petition asking that a portion of the city's available funds be placed on deposit in his bank. The council acted favorably upon the request and passed a resolution to that effect and the recorder was instructed to give said bank a portion of the business.

A jitney license was ordered granted Mrs. Irene Karth to operate a 5-passenger touring car.

No further business appearing, the council adjourned.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS CONSOLIDATE

Nehalem Schools Vote to Join Forces

J. W. Allen informs us that School District No. 22, the Natal district, and School District No. 24, the Pittsburg school, at a recent election, voted to consolidate. It was thought the Pittsburg district would prefer to go into the Vernonia district, but they voted otherwise. District No. 42 Joint and District No. 8 at Birkenfeld also voted to consolidate and they will have a new school house at Birkenfeld. The county superintendent is much in favor of consolidating when it can be done to an advantage and claims that an interested receiver more benefits than by the single district system.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY JUDGE

George Conyers Announces He Will Run for Judgeship

According to reliable information, received by the Mist, George Conyers, a well known resident of Clatskanie, will enter the race for the county judgeship and run as Independent. Mr. Conyers is at present recorder of the city of Clatskanie and also justice of the peace in that district. Several years ago, he was elected county surveyor, but gave up the position on account of ill health. He is well known throughout the county and will probably make a strong race for the office sought. The entrance of Mr. Conyers into the race makes it a three cornered affair between himself, Martin White and W. J. Fullerton.

CHATAUQUA IS ON AT RAINIER

Just at the present Rainier is the center of interest in the county. Their annual chatauqua is being held and a fine program is presented thrice daily. The chatauqua started Wednesday afternoon and will continue until Monday night and no doubt many St. Helens people will take advantage of the nearness to Rainier and the good roads, to take in some of the performances. The program for today, and the balance of the schedule is:

Friday

Morning—Mother Goose chatauqua.

Afternoon—Prelude, Inspirational Lecture, "The Advantage of a Handicap," Dr. Elliott A. Boyd. Admission, 39 cents.

Evening—Concert, Metropolitan Artists. Illustrated Patriotic Lecture, "Wonders of the World War," Henry Warren Poor (latest views from the fighting zone. Admission, 83 cents.

Saturday

Morning—Mother Goose chatauqua.

Afternoon—Concert, New York City Marine Band. Character Studies and Readings, Elsie Mae Gordon. Admission, 55 cents.

Evening—Grand Concert, New York City Marine Band, Mario Lo Zito, organizer and director. Return Engagement, Mary Adel Hays, American soprano. Admission, 83 cents.

Sunday

Morning—Usual Services—All churches.

Afternoon—Inspirational Singing, The Elchorns, Directors. Lecture, "America and Japan," Dr. Minosaku Toshi Yamamoto. Admission, 39 cents.

Chatauqua vesper services—all invited.

Evening—Community Singing, The Elchorns, Directors. Inspirational Lecture, "American Ideals," Mrs. A. C. Zehner (accredited government representative and one of America's most convincing and pleasing lecturers). Admission, 55 cents.

Monday

Morning—Mother Goose chatauqua.

Afternoon—Prelude, Schubert Serenaders. Lecture, "Physical Training," Beatrice E. Heskett. Admission, 38 cents.

Evening—Prelude, Mother Goose Festival, Under personal direction of "Mother Goose." Closing Concert, Schubert Serenaders, presenting a live program of patriotic, popular and classical music and entertainment. Admission, 83 cents.

PREMIUM LIST OF COUNTY FAIR

The premium list and program book of the Columbia County Fair will be ready for distribution to the public next week, according to Secretary J. W. Allen. He and other officers of the fair association are anxious to have many and creditable exhibits at the fair this year and with that in view have offered attractive prizes, especially in the agricultural exhibits. Any one desiring one of these premium lists can obtain same by calling at the office of Mr. Allen or at the Mist, or if inconvenient to call, write for one and it will be promptly mailed.

DRAFTED MEN ARE GUESTS OF CITY

GOOD TIME FOR ALL

Supper and Entertainment Tendered Men Who Left for Army Service

The largest number of drafted men yet sent in one body, left St. Helens Monday morning for the army training station at Camp Lewis, Washington. There were fifty-one called in this draft and several of them were from St. Helens.

Many of the boys came in Sunday and reported at the office of the local board at the courthouse. Mayor Saxson was on hand and took them in hand and saw to it that they reached the hotels and restaurants.

The Sound Amusement company admitted them free to all rides and shows on the Strand and in the evening they were the guests of the city at a nice dinner presided over by the ladies of the Red Cross in the basement of the Methodist church. Appropriate talks were made by Rev. Hisey and Rev. Spearow and Councilman Allen.

In the evening, a Liberty celebration, under the auspices of the Home Guard, was held on the Plaza and several short talks made to the boys, and all joined in patriotic music.

On account of the hotels being full, many citizens of the town took the boys in for the night's lodging, a courtesy much appreciated by them and also by the mayor who was worried on account of the lack of accommodations.

Monday morning, quite a few of the auto owners of the city lined up their cars in front of the courthouse, and took the boys and their friends over to the depot, where a large crowd had gathered to wish them good luck and good-bye.

NEW BASEBALL SCHEDULE

The new schedule for the remainder of the season of the Shipbuilders league, as arranged for at the meeting of the league directors Tuesday night, follows:

July 28—Foundation vs. Peninsula at Vaughn street; St. Helens vs. Standifer at Vancouver; Cornfoot vs. Grant Smith-Porter at St. Johns.

August 4—St. Helens vs. Grant Smith-Porter at St. Johns; Peninsula vs. Standifer at Vancouver; Foundation vs. Cornfoot at Vaughn street.

August 11—Foundation vs. Grant, ens vs. Peninsula at St. Helens; Cornfoot vs. Standifer at Vaughn street; St. Helens vs. Standifer at Vaughn street.

August 18—Peninsula vs. Grant, Smith-Porter at Vaughn street; Cornfoot vs. St. Helens at St. Helens; Foundation vs. Standifer at Vancouver.

August 25—Foundation vs. St. Helens at Vaughn street; Peninsula vs. Cornfoot at St. Johns; Grant Smith-Porter vs. Standifer at Vancouver.

September 1—Foundation vs. Peninsula at Vaughn street; St. Helens vs. Standifer at St. Helens; Cornfoot vs. Grant Smith-Porter at St. Johns.

September 2—St. Helens vs. Grant Smith-Porter at St. Helens; Peninsula vs. Standifer at Vancouver; Foundation vs. Cornfoot at Vaughn street.

The schedule will probably be carried out as above unless the Portland leaders see that St. Helens has a good chance to win and in that event the schedule might be changed so as to make them play the stronger teams. While this is not probable, yet one cannot be sure if their actions in the past can be taken as an example of their spirit of fairness.

MOLE SKINS BRING GOOD PRICES

County Agent Howard yesterday received a check from an eastern fur buyer for \$114.95, which was in payment of the last lot of mole skins shipped. The skins averaged 20 1/2 cents each, the high price being 33 1/3 cents while the lowest price was 17 cents. The boys who furnished the skins will receive checks ranging in amount from \$5.00 to \$10.50, which Mr. Howard thinks will be an inducement for them to continue the mole trapping.

TEN MEN CALLED FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE

TO REPORT MONDAY

Loggers and Millmen Called for Duty at Vancouver

Clerk LaBare of the local board has sent notices to 10 Columbia county men to report at the courthouse Monday morning, July 29th, at 9:45 o'clock, and the men will entrain on the eleven o'clock train for Vancouver, Washington. The called men are millmen and loggers and it is supposed that the government will use them in the big spruce mill at Vancouver. Those ordered to report are:

- Bert Anderson, Astoria.
- W. E. Brasmer, St. Helens.
- Dolph Smith, Clatskanie.
- J. C. Ray, Vernonia.
- Oscar Anderson, Clatskanie.
- C. R. Timonen, Quincy.
- L. E. Fitch, Seappoo.
- Frank Welter, Goble.
- C. J. Pyburn, Portland.
- Albert Erickson, Clatskanie.

Alternates are: Victor Johnson, Firwood. R. B. O'Neil, Kerry. Pete Olsen, Quincy.

It appears to be the policy of the government to now use men who were in a deferred classification and they are sent to the place where their services can best be used.

It is understood that several who failed to pass the army examination at Camp Lewis will soon be recalled and sent to Vancouver or other places to take up government work.

HEAVY CALLS FOR DRAFTED MEN

Provost Marshal Crowder has wired the adjutant generals of the states that the August calls for drafted men will be large. The message was relayed to the Oregon local board by Adjutant General Williams. Clerk LaBare received the message Thursday which stated that the state of Oregon would be required to furnish 2200 men during the month. This means that many men will be called from Columbia county.

The message said: "Local boards are directed to refuse releases to the navy, marine corps or emergency fleet, all registrants of 1917 and 1918 class men who have been or will be classified in class one until a sufficient number of number one have qualified for military service."

The message also urged that the medical, local and district boards exert every effort to get a sufficient number to fill the August quota and to "speed up the examinations of registrants." The needs of the army were imperative, the Provost General stated and every effort must be made to get available men.

The message is taken to indicate that many of class one who when time came for army duty, went to the shipyards, will still have an opportunity to see regular army duty, and that the emergency fleet corporation will have to do without the services of many of the men in the class of 1918.

Mr. LaBare stated that nine men of the 1918 class would be called on or about August 5th, but he had not been informed as to where they would be sent or what service they would enter.

Reports from Seattle stated that class one men of that city were scarce, and draft officials had been authorized by the war department to cease giving deferred classification to the shipyard men. The order was only temporary and would be enforced only until the August quota of men had been secured. This is in line with the instructions received by the board here.

The annual election of officers for the St. Helens Auxiliary will be held Wednesday, July 31st, and the attendance of all members of the auxiliary is requested. The past year has been a most successful one from every standpoint and the members feel gratified at the amount of work accomplished.

All of those having yarn, are requested to return same, whether finished or unfinished on or before the day of the meeting.

INTEREST ON LIBERTY BONDS

Public Does not Thoroughly Understand Paying Interest

According to President Miles of the Columbia County Bank, some of the public do not thoroughly understand why they should pay interest on the deferred payments for their Liberty bonds. If one stops to think for just a moment, it can be readily seen, however, that the interest charge is right and just. The bonds are dated at a certain date and bear interest from that date. If a person buys say a \$100 bond and pays in installments covering a period of six months, he should bear in mind that the government is paying interest on the face value of the bond from the date of its issue. Therefore, if a person has paid only \$50 down and wishes to pay the balance in the six months, he will have to pay to the government the same amount of interest on the balance due as the government pays him. For instance, if the rate of interest is 4 per cent, each hundred dollars will earn \$4 per year interest which is paid semi-annually. If the person has paid only \$50 on the bond, he could hardly expect the government to pay him the \$4, or interest on the entire amount. The government does pay the entire amount, but it collects from the bond buyer the same amount of interest on the deferred payment that it pays to the bond buyer. It is a case of six of one and a half dozen of the other so far as the bond buyer is concerned, and he shouldn't worry about Uncle Sam not doing the right thing, for our patriotic uncle will do exactly what is right.

STAMP SALES FOR WEEK \$10,000

The sale of War Savings and Thrift Stamps for the week ending July 25th was \$10,020.78 and brings up the total cash sales to \$124,643.44 or almost one-half of the quota asked of the county. If the present rate can be maintained the full quota of \$274,000 should be reached by Nov. 15th. The sales by offices are:

Birkenfeld	\$ 83.60
Chapman	126.12
Clatskanie	1,113.32
Goble	443.60
Houlton	182.42
Ingalls	60.20
Kerry	142.12
Mayger	418.00
Mist	418.00
Quincy	168.85
Rainier	1,062.70
Seappoo	1,390.79
St. Helens	2,487.74
Trenholm	41.66
Vernonia	409.61
Warren	1,262.72
Yankton	209.1
Totals	\$10,020.78

CHANGE IN POST-OFFICE HOURS

Mrs. I. E. Dodd has made some slight changes in the hours of work at the St. Helens postoffice. Beginning August 1st, the office will open at 8 o'clock a. m. and close at 6 p. m. The evening mail which arrives about 7 o'clock will be distributed and the general delivery window open for a few moments, but no parcels will be distributed nor stamp or money order business done. The postmaster states that the work of the office has so increased during the past few months, that it is impossible to continue the present hours unless she works from 12 to 14 hours per day, and this she is not willing to do.

GOVERNMENT TAKES OVER TELEGRAPH

President Wilson has issued a proclamation taking over control of telegraph, telephone, cable and radio systems for the duration of the war, effective July 31. Authority to operate the wire systems is vested in the postmaster general. Ocean cable and radio systems are not included in President Wilson's proclamation. Postmaster Burleson states that the operation and control of former telephone lines would not be interfered with, only for the purpose of facilitating their connection with longer lines. No general policy has yet been decided upon.

M'CORMICKS WIN IN CLOSE CONTEST

CORNFOOT DEFEATED

Home Team Defeats Rival for First Position in League

The McCormick baseball club of the Shipbuilders league still maintains its lead in the league race, having defeated Cornfoot in a close game at the Vaughn street grounds in Portland Sunday. The score was 5 to 3.

Manager Mensor chose big Oscar Harstad to do the mound duty for St. Helens, while Manager Casey of the Cornfoots delegated "Suds" Sutherland to tame the St. Helensites. He failed to be a real good tamer and was sent to the shower bath in the fifth inning and Frank Rapp, former Buckaroo, took up the unfinished task, but was unable to hold the hard hitting St. Helens aggregation.

Mensor's gang chased over one run in the first, two in the second and to make matters sure, put across another brace in the eighth.

Cornfoot scored one in the second, one in the fourth and put another across in the ninth.

Locker, Haughland and Mensor led in the batting for St. Helens, each getting two hits. The home team played an errorless game and backed up Harstad in the pinches.

More than 100 of the local fans journeyed to Portland to see the game and what was lacking in numbers, they made up in noisy rooting.

St. Helens—

Mensor, ss	5	1	2	3	2	0
Pike, c	5	2	1	10	1	0
Locker, 1b	3	0	2	7	0	0
Fuehrborn, 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0
W. Cartwright, 2b	2	0	0	5	2	0
Reid, cf	4	0	1	1	0	0
S. Cartwright, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Haighland, lf	5	1	2	4	0	0
Harstad, p	4	1	1	0	2	0
Totals	35	5	10	27	7	0

Cornfoot—

McKenna, ss	4	0	0	5	2	1
Teck, cf	4	0	1	2	4	0
Fitchner, rf	4	0	0	1	0	1
Lee, c	4	1	2	7	0	0
French, 3b	3	2	2	1	0	0
Kennedy 1b	4	0	1	7	1	0
Casey, 2b	2	0	0	3	2	0
Bourg, lf	3	0	1	0	0	1
Sutherland, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rapp, p	3	0	1	0	3	0
Totals	32	3	8	27	8	3

St. Helens—

Runs	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	5
Hits	2	1	1	0	0	1	3	1—10

Cornfoot—

Runs	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1—3
Hits	1	2	0	2	1	1	0	1—8

Struck out—by Harstad 10, Sutherland 2, Rapp 5. Bases on balls—off Harstad 3, Sutherland 6, Rapp 3. Two base hits—Teck, Lee. Three base hits—Kennedy. Double plays—Casey to Kennedy, W. Cartwright (unassisted), W. Cartwright to Mensor. Sacrifice hits—Mensor 2, Locker, McKenna, Pike. Stolen bases—Pike, French, Bourg, Lee. Hit by pitched ball—French. Passed balls—Pike. Innings pitched—by Sutherland 4 1-3, runs 3, hits 4. Charge defeat to Sutherland. Time of game 2 hours and 30 minutes. Umpires—Rankin and Drennen.

The league leaders held a special meeting Tuesday night and the question of allowing Coast Leaguers to play in the Shipbuilders League was brought up. The league leaders of course voted down the proposition as the Foundation, Standifer-Clarkson and Cornfoots are well hooked up with players and St. Helens will be weakened if any of the men are taken in the draft and all of the Portland teams are working against St. Helens. Eddie Mensor had several of the Salt Lake players ready to go in the St. Helens line-up, but this is now impossible. On account of dropping the C. R. S. B. team and the Supple-Ballin, the club had to make a new schedule and St. Helens is now scheduled to play the strong Standifer-Clarkson team at Vancouver the coming Sunday. The league leaders saw to it that St. Helens would have to meet the strongest team in the league in the hopes that defeat would come to us, but then it might be a repetition of Sunday's history, at least, the fans are hoping and praying it will be.