## Become a Member of the Chamber of Commerce-Aid in Upbuilding the County

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## TERESTING MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ANY IN ATTENDANCE tters of Interest to Entire County Are Discussed and Acted Upon

that interest in St. Helens and ambia county and the possibility arther development of the county the key note of the St. Helens of Commerce, was fully ated Wednesday night n more than 100 members of the her gathered at the Odd Fel-hall to hold their bi-monthly ting. As a further proof of the cost being taken in the chamber, J. H. Flynn of the membership mittee presented the names of who wished to become members were accepted and the mem-President called the mee,ing to der at 8:00 o'clock. Recording cretary E. H. Scott read the nates of the previous meeting and by were adopted. Executive Sec-ary Storia gave an interesting ru to what the chamber had ac plished and matters which were er consideration. J. W. Day made eport as to the possibility of havneded street work done and C Wheeler reported on the prelimidetails of the survey of St.
ns and vicinity. L. R. Ruthera member of the charter comstated that his committee had with the council and work had started on the framing of needmendments to the city charter.

Ballagh Tells of Legislature. epresentative Edison I. Ballage an interesting report on the neplishments of the legislature. He of the important measures to be mitted to the people at the spec-election and advocated the pas-e of each. He told, in interest-detail, of the automobile license gasoline and distillate tax the gasoline and district ax explained how the money thus of would bring big returns to on when applied on the public ways. Other interesting informal was given by the representation of his basic groups and at the conclusion of his basic given a hearty round he was given a hearty round

he course of Mr. Ballagh's the course of Mr. Ballage s, is the mentioned post roads and roads and this idea appealed ounty Commissioner Judson, who did not overlook the opaity to spenk in favor of object that and federal aid for the latter Pittalure road. Mr. Helens-Pittsburg road. Mr.

I said that it would require at Tavistock, England, March 21st, 1850,000 to complete the road that the two road districts (2 through which the road was born to built, could not possibly stand the burden. He thought the leens-Pittsburg road was the leens-Pittsburg road was the state of the same to rection.

Governor Withycomber election.

Governor Withycomber was born at Tavistock, England, March 21st, 1854. He came to Oregon when 17 years of age and four years later, in 1875, was married to Isabel Carpenter of Farmington, Oregon. Three sons and one daughter were born to them. important road project before copie of Columbia county, as it afford direct and quick compation between the Nehalem at Helens. He advised the case men of St. Helens to get better the project as at the present the present the project as at the present the present the present the project as at the present the pre the project as at the present much of the Nohalem trade going to Washington county: Veed spoke as one who intimaknows the road needs of the y. He seitled in the county 40 years ago, and had "to cut discounty and the county and the county and the county and the county are selected in the county and the county and the county are the county and the county are the county and the county and the county are considered.

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thanks was given Retative Ballagh for his efforts-ing passed the mineral rights d for his efforts in defeating to put Columbia in the same al district as Washington coun-

Will Go to Warren.

L. Morris, master of the War-range extended an invitation on fange extended an invitation on f of the grange, to all members e Chamber of Commerce, their and friends, to attend an opening of the grange Saturday in the grange Saturday in the grange Saturday in the grange delegations from Scappers Leave Leave Cohle and other them. Deer Island, Goble and other in the county, would be pros-The invitation was gratefully led and the chamber, in a body, artake of Warren's hospitality eral other matters of impor-were brought up and acted and President Mortor then on Sherman Miles, chairman e evening, to take the chair. first number on the program a solo by Mrs. W. E. Lidyard. Gretchen Moeck was the accommon the appreciative audience, by applause, demanded an

It was given. Income Tax Man Talks.

Jacob of the Internal to office in Portland, gave an ting talk on the income tax, cossity of the tax and valuable ation as to making out the re-He cleared up many doubtful in the income tax reports and

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## Late Governor of Oregon and His Successor





Withycombe, Oregon's fift centh governor, and Ben W. Olcott, secretary of state, who, by the death of Withycombe, becomes chief

## GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE ANSWERS LAST CALL

A PATRIOTIC GOVERNOR

End is Hastened by Overwork-B. W. Olcott Now Governor

Hon. James Withycombe, Oregon's chief executive, died at his home in Salem, Monday night at 8:45 o'clock. The governor had been in ill health for several months and while his intimate friends realized that his illness was serious, it was not thought the end would so soon come. scon come.

and there were many expressions of regret at the passing of Oregon's patriotic governor.

James Withycombe was Oregon't F. M. Daniels, J. E. Truman, M. war governor, having been elected to that position in 1914. He was the leading spirit in the state during the on the county court Wednesday in period of the world's greatest con-flict. The people of Oregon, appre-ciating their patriotic governor. ciating their patriotic governor, re-elected him, by a handsome majority in the November election.

The news of the governor's death

was received with sorrow in St. Helens. While there are many who did not agree with him politically, there were none who did not extol the dead governor's honesty and pa-triotism, and expressed their sor-

Last Visit at Fair Time

The last visit the governor paid to St. Helens was in September when, he came as a guest of the Fair management. Although he had been management. Although he had been booked for an address, the governor, following his physician's advice, asked that he be excused from the program. He held an informal reception with his many friends and was much interested in the agriculture and live stock exhibit.

Governor Withycombe had many friends in Columbia county. They knew him to be a man of honor; a man to whom the interests of Ore-gon appealed and a man who loved and worked for Oregon. Above all, they knew that his love for his they knew that his love for his country was pure and sincere and that his patriotism was unquestioned. The people of Columbia loved the governor—twice had they expressed their choice at the polls and Withycombe was their choice. In him they had confidence and their trust was not misplaced.

Under the constitution Secretary Olcott will not serve as governor through the entire unexpired term of through the entire unexpired term of Governor Withycombe, but only until January 1, 1921. Either he must be elected to succeed himself or another elected in his place at the general election of November, 1920. Should Mr. Olcott choose to hold the office of both secretary of state and governor, he will have two votes as a member of the state board of control and will control all actions of that board. Secretary Olcott was a that board. Secretary Olcott was a candidate for the republican guber-natorial nomination in the primary election last May, but Governor Withycombe defeated him and other

Mr. Olcott is a native of Illinois, having been born at Keithsburg, Mercer county, October 15, 1872. He is in his 47th year.

Many Sign Up—Charles McCauley is Selected as Chief

FIRE DEPARTMENT

the boys who have signed up as taken to Carrolls for interment. members of the St. Helens fire department. The meeting will be held in the council chamber and it is deavert the accident. in the council chamber and it is desired that there be a full effection. Those who have signed the roll are: G. E. Chapman, Harry Peterson, J. D. McDonzid, G. E. Wicks, Ben Cooley, Fred Morgut, Ed Leonard, Wm. K. Bjorkman, L. A. Austin, W. E. Lidyard, Thes. H. Roy, Lester Lloyd, Charles McCauley and A. S. Smith. The bays selected McCauley as chief, but he wishes to have the organization take up im-The news of his death was receiving the news of his death was receiving for St. Helens Tuesday morning, portant matters and have the work outlined before he accepts. He asks outlined before he accepts. He asks that all members be present tonight.

### W. E. MAYVILLE KILLED | MORRISON TELLS OF WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

Fatal Accident Occurs on Houlton-St. Helens Road

W. E. Mayville of this city, and formerly of Carrols, Wushington, was struck by an automobile driven by Verne Smith, Thursday morning at 11 o'clock and sustained injuries from which he died about an hour

According to Smith and also an type witness to the accident, Mr. Mayville started to cross the road near the Knighton place in West St. Helens. Smith was coming to St. Helens and according to the testimony given the sheriff, was driving about 20 miles per hour. Seeing Mayville crossing the road, he sounded his auto horn and turned sharply to the left to avoid striking the man. Evidently this must have startled and confused Mayville, for he made a quick jump in the attempt to reach the left side of the road. The auto struck him, knocked him down and ran over him. The injured man was really and to organ at large, the Telegram, was the principal speaker at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday night. Mr. Morrison recently returned from an inspection trip of the manys ports in the United States and was, therefore, in a position for tell of the advantages and disadvantages under which the ports were operated. Wishing to know more of the relation of commerce to the ports of the Columbia river and to Oregon at large, the Telegram, was the principal speaker at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday night. Mr. Morrison recently returned from an inspection trip of the manys ports in the United States and was, therefore, in a position for tell of the advantages and disadvantages under which the ports were operated. Wishing to know more of the relation of commerce to the ports of the United States and realizing that wantages and disadvantages under which the ports were operated. Wishing to know more of the relation of commerce to the ports of the Columbia river and to Oregon at large, the Telegram sent Morrison recently returned from merce meeting Wednesday night. Mr. Morrison recently returned from inspection trip of the many spection trip of the many specific properties. ed him down and ran over him. The injured man was rushed to St. Helens and Dr. Ross gave him all pc; sible attention, but he died within an hour without having regained

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WARRANTS DRAWN

Editor Nutt of the Rainier Review and Editor Bayliss of the Clatskanie Chief, were St. Helens visitors on Wednesday.

## PORT POSSIBILITIES

FUTURE IS CERTAIN RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Editor of Portland Telegram Says City Council Has Quiet Meeting and Ports Must be Developed Transacts Routine Business

Davir Morrison, editor of the Portland Telegram, was the principal speaker at the Chamber of Com-

to the ports of the Columbia river and to Oregon at large, the Telegram sent Morrison to find out the exact status of affairs.

On his trip of inspection Mr. Morrison visited and investigated the ports of San Francisco, San Pedro Houston and Galveston, Texas, New Orleans, Mobile, Savannah, Philadelphia and New York. The New Orleans and San Francisco docks, water frontage and shipping facilities are owned by the state of Louisiana and Californiz respectively. The ana and Californiz respectively. The numerous shipping men he interview-ed claimed that these state owned ports gave better service than did ports where the docking and shipping facilities were privately owned.

Toronto is an Example.

Mr. Morrison visited and inspected

the shipping facilities of Toronto, Canada. He said that \$19,000,000 had been spent in preparing that port, not for the present needs, but for the needs of the future. Toron-to, he said, was just beginning to FOR FIRE TRUCK reap the rewards of the investment.

The largest amount of city warrants drawn for any one item were
drawn this week. They were for
payment of the new fire truck and
mounted to \$3247.50. The warrants were in \$500 denominations
and draw 6 per cent interest from
date. It is not probable that the
warrants will be paid until next
year, so the interest charges will
amount to some \$200 more.

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## **COUNCILMAN PLUMMER RESIGNS FROM COUNCIL**

Councilman B. I. Plummer sprung a surprise on his colleagues Monday night when he tendered his resignation. Mr. Plummer explained that he expected to leave the city and this was the reason for his action. He wished the resignation to take He wished the resignation to take effect immediately, but the other members of the council prevalled upon him to make the resignation effective April 1st, so that his successor could be nominated at the city caucus which will be held some time this month. Mr. Plummer was the only hold-over councilman in the city's logicalities before a this

Report on Fire Department
Marshal Potter reported that the
fire department was organized and
Charles McCauley had been selected
as chief. The council was about to
ratify the appointment, but Mr. McCauley asked that no action be taken
as he wished to have another meeting of the fire department and "get
matters definitely lined up" before
he accepted such appointment. He
stated that the boys who had signed
up, were to meet Friday night and
he would then be in better position
to tell the council just what could be
expected. The matter was held up
as McCauley requested.

E. I. Ballagh appeared before the
council and asked that some repair
work be done on Casenau street, between Nigger Creek bridge and West
street. He stated that he and other
property owners had kept this street
in condition that would allow traf-

property owners had kept this street in condition that would allow traf-fic, but it had now become impres-able. The mayor expressed his de-sire to fix the street, but stated there was no money appropriated for streets and their maintenance and the property owners would have

and the property owners would have
to do the necessary work. Mr. Ballagh also called attention to the
condition of the bridge near Godfrey
lake, and the marshal was instructed
to make the necessary repairs.
R. F. Cole offered to buy the
rectifier which was used when the
city had a fire alarm system. He offered \$50 for it, but the council
thought they would wait to see if a
better price could be obtained.
No Rebate for Wellington.
In the matter of refunding the interest charge on delinquent newer
assessment of J. H. Wellington, the
council decided that the interea,
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charge was just and refused to make a rebate as requested by Mr. Well-ington. A permit was granted C. H. Thompson for building a residence on Winter street, the cost to be about \$1500. The application of William Muckle for permission to build a barn in the rear of his residence, near the corner of Cowlitz and Columbia streets, was refused.

The monthly bills were audited and warrants ordered drawn in payment thereof. Many matters of minor importance were brought up and disposed of and the council adjourned at 8:30 o'clock.

### ST. HELENS PEOPLE ATTEND CONFERENCE World Program Conference of the

Methodist Church in Portland

The World Program Conference of the Methodist church held last Friday and Saturday, was a most con-spicuous event for Northwest Methodspicuous event for Northwest Method-ism. The Portland gathering was one of a series of meetings extending across the United States for the pur-pose of getting before the member-chip of the church the purposes and plans for raising a gigantic sum of money and an army of workers that will put the Church of Christ on a loss of afficiency throughout the basis of efficiency throughout the

The program was made up of the greatest men of the Methodist, and other denominations. The musical numbers were in the hands of E. O. excell, of international note as a gospel singer and song voiter. Half a score of other great religious lea-ders lay before the conference the needs and plans of the church in both home and foreign Excell, of international note as home and foreign lands.

The St. Helens Methodist was represented in the conference

resented in the conference by a strong delegation of her leading lry members:

Dr. Ross, E. E. Quick, B. Plummer, Wm. H. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Christie, Mrs. W. H. Davis, Mrs. A. S. Hisey, accompanied by the pastor of the church attended the sessions both Friday and Saturday. All came back brimming with enthusiasm for the movement that proposes no less than the christianizing of the entire world. The Sunday evening service was a small scale reproduction of the great conference with the local representatives as speakers. resentatives as speakers.

## WAR-TIME ROMANCE OF PRINCESS PATRICIA OF CONNAUGHT AND COMMANDER ALEXANDER RAMSAY OF THE BRITISH NAVY



Beyond doubt, no princess is better known in Canada and the United States than Princess Patricia of Connaught (or Princess "Pat," as she is more popularly called) and her romance, culminating Feb. 97 in her marriage to Commander Hon Alex ander Robert Maule Ramsay, D. S. O., brother of the thirteenth Earl of Dalhousie, has attracted wide attention Cousin of King George daughter of the Duke of Connaught and patroness of the famous Princess Patricia's Canadian Light infantry ("Princess Pat's") to whom she gave the colors under which most of the regiment made the supreme sacrifice her beauty, her gracious character.