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FULLERTON GOES OUT WHITE IS NOW JUDGE

CHANGE YESTERDAY

Fullerton Decided Not to Appeal and Surrenders Office to White

Columbia county has a new judge, second one this year. His name is Martin White, and he took office yesterday, May 1, following the death of former Judge W. J. Fullerton to appeal the case. Judge Fullerton, in a graceful manner, turned over the office to White and wished him peace and prosperity during the time that he will be judge. White immediately entered on the discharge of his duties as judge.

Fullerton a Good Sport

When Fullerton received the notice of Judge Eakin which deposed White as the judge and was elected such by the scanty majority of six votes, he immediately decided that he would not appeal. He stated that he did not wish to be judge unless it was shown by a majority of the voters of the county that he was to be judge, and court proceedings showed that he had six votes of having a majority. Therefore, he was willing, he gave up the office without any proceedings although Judge Eakin had given him 15 days in which to file a bill of exceptions.

Has Made Good

During the four months that Fullerton has been judge, he has made himself known to the people of the county by his strict attention to the duties of the office, has made many friends throughout the county who are confident that he is no longer judge. He appreciated his action, however, and was not contesting, or appealing, the decision when it was shown that his opponent received a few more votes than he did. There are many who think that if the case had been appealed, that he would have won out, but the mere fact that Judge Eakin had 15 days in which to make an appeal was taken as evidence there was no such an appeal. How Fullerton did not take advantage of any technicality and handed the office to White before the expiration of the circuit judge.

White is Well Known

The new judge is well known in Columbia county. He has resided in the county for the past thirty years in account of having held some office most of the time, has a wide acquaintance throughout the county, and has many friends. Many of his cases, however, were not in favor of the plaintiff, and he has been in the contest proceedings which he has won. Before becoming judge, White was deputy assessor, and has served as deputy sheriff and assessor in service to the county covers an area of about 25 years.

Judge Eakin Criticized

Judge Eakin has been much criticized, not as to his decision, but as to the length of time which he has taken to render the decision. There are many who think that the judge has rendered a decision in 30 days at the most, instead of waiting 15 days.

Some Speak of Recall

There are some who speak of a recall of the judge, an officer who is recalled until he has served a certain term, and it is possible that at this time, the now existing sentiment will have died down and there will be no further thought of such a recall. At the present time, however, the public sentiment is not in favor of White, and it will take several months of rational and conscientious action on his part to overcome the sentiment against him. The Mist has no comment to make on the matter, but is simply giving the readers the benefit of the information received from many unpartisan persons, irrespective of party.

HERROLD SECURES STREET CONTRACT

Price is \$2580.48—Work to Start in the Near Future

At their special session, Saturday, the 26th, the county court opened bids for the improvement of St. Helens street, which is a county road, between Columbia and Winter street. There were three bids. Sherman Deaver bid \$2,773.20; Victor Anderson, \$2,649.60 and L. O. Herrold, \$2,580.48. The contract was awarded to Herrold.

The improvement will lower the grade between Columbia and Casenau streets and also cut off a part of the hill between Casenau and Winter. The surplus rock will be used in bringing up to grade and widening the road west of the blacksmith shop. The road will be widened to 30 feet.

Other Bids Accepted

The county court also opened and accepted bids for other road work. Guy and G. L. Tarbell bid \$700 for a certain improvement on the Barger road in District No. 3. Their bid was accepted. For the improvement of the Beaver Creek road at the Lewis place in District No. 9, Charles Smith bid \$2,776.60 and C. A. Mills, \$2,744.00. The court accepted the bid of Mr. Mills, and also gave him another contract for the improvement of the Beaver Creek road at the county line. The cost of this work will be \$900.

Roadmaster Abry presented plans and specifications for the improvement of the E. T. Wallace road in District No. 8, and the improvement of the H. G. Smith road in District No. 3, and the court ordered the plans and specifications accepted and calls for bids on these improvements. The bids for these improvements will be opened on the 17th of May at 2 o'clock p. m.

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR JULY FOURTH

The executive committee which has in charge the formulating of the plans for the celebration of the Fourth of July in St. Helens, met at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night. Many details were gone over and it was gratifying to the committee that so much had already been accomplished. The following committees were appointed and they will meet at an early date to make the final plans:

- Log Rolling—J. B. Elliott (Chairman); J. Taylor, H. R. Hudson.
- Publicity—S. C. Morton (Chairman); Dr. J. H. Flynn, Charles L. Wheeler.
- Sports—Kit Conyers (Chairman); Dale Perry, A. R. Spearow.
- Concessions—Fred Morgus (Chairman); H. Larson, C. Alva Smith.
- Parade—D. C. Howard (Chairman); H. A. Childs, Charles L. Wheeler, Angelo Caniparoli.
- Music—H. E. LaBare (Chairman); Oswald Deming, Prof. Philip M. Hicks.
- Speakers—Glen R. Metsker (Chairman); Martin White, J. W. Day.
- Finances—J. Sten (Chairman); Sherman M. Miles, Tom Roy, A. B. Lake, Chas. McCauley, J. Lansing, A. J. Kelley, D. C. Howard, H. R. Hudson.
- Firemen's Drill—Chas. McCauley, K. Bjorkman, Ed Leonard.
- Barbecue—Charles White, James O'Connor, R. W. Morton.
- Dancing—H. D. Scott (Chairman); O. Shepard, A. L. Stone.
- Ball Game—Kit Conyers (Chairman); Edlison I. Ballagh, and the United Artisans.
- Military—J. H. Wellington (Chairman); C. O. Hyde, Ben Copeland, D. C. Howard.
- Boat Races—Edison I. Ballagh (Chairman); J. W. Clark, D. W. Richardson, O. Shepard.
- Fireworks—C. D. Sutherland (Chairman); A. J. Kelley, A. B. Lake.
- Decorations—R. F. Cole (Chairman); Lou Puzey, Ed Benson, Ed Olson.
- Greased Pig and Greased Pole—A. F. Barnett (Chairman); J. Lansing, Tom Roy.
- Tug of War—F. D. Tarbell (Chairman); C. E. Clapperton, H. Coleman.
- Vocal Music—G. W. Gelyin (Chairman); S. B. Ingham, R. J. Coates, A. R. Spearow.

WORK IS BEGUN ON HIGHWAY JOB

U. S. DeSpain, who has charge of the construction work for L. O. Herrold, has a force of 10 or 12 men at work clearing the right of way between the crossing near the Ruhl place and the depot at West St. Helens. Mr. DeSpain states that as soon as more clearing is done, he will increase his force and start in on the real heavy work of grading and doing rock work. The state highway commission is anxious to get the work done as soon as possible and every effort will be made to have the roadbed completed on or before September 15. Mr. DeSpain is an experienced road builder and may be depended upon to hurry the job along.

Hendrick's Hall, University of Oregon



FISHING SEASON OPENED YESTERDAY

BIG CATCHES ARE MADE

Prospects are Good for Profitable Season for Fishermen

The fishing season opened yesterday at noon and many fishermen had their gear in the water, and made good catches. Manager Ballagh of the Columbia River Packers' association informs the Mist that his company received about 14 tons of salmon and many of the boats averaged 600 pounds. He believes that the river is "full of fish, and that for several days to come the fishermen will make good catches. Prices Same as Last Year. The prices paid for salmon are practically the same as last season. For chinook salmon the fisherman will receive 11 1/4 cents; for blue back and sturgeon, 9 1/4 cents and for steelheads, 8 cents. For shad, 3 cents per pound will be paid. Last year shad brought 4 cents per pound. The fishing industry means much to St. Helens. According to Mr. Ballagh not less than 100 men in the vicinity of St. Helens are engaged in this industry. Last year the catch was about 500 tons and the average price per ton was about \$130. It can be seen from these figures, however, that much money is disbursed among the fishermen.

J. H. Sheldon, who buys for the Warren Packing company, is also optimistic over the outlook for a prosperous season. He has been in the business for many years and his opinion should be taken as being near accurate. The outlook is very encouraging and with the high prices being obtained, the fishermen will undoubtedly do well.

FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED



In France, battleground for world freedom, there is a maxim that should be learned by every American citizen. It should be memorized in French or in English. Each American citizen should repeat it before meals and at bedtime until the close of the Victory Liberty Loan. In French the maxim is: "Qui s'excuse s'accuse." In English: "Who excuses himself accuses himself." Perhaps the maxim is no better expressed in French than in English. But the French people who have furnished the world the greatest examples in patriotism, give more weight to this sentiment than do we Americans. Americans are a free people. Especially are they prone to be free with excuses. We have been a very independent people in thinking and in acting, thanks to the democratic form of our government. But if ever there was a time when excuses should be laid aside it is during the Victory Liberty Loan which is the payment of the price of peace. This will be a loan when only valid excuse will really excuse will really excuse, when failure to support the loan, if able to do so, is failure to approve of peace. "Who excuses himself accuses himself."

ST. HELENS HIGH WINS TWO GAMES

Will Meet Clatskanie Team Today and Fast Game Expected

The St. Helens high school baseball team, under the efficient coaching of Kit Conyers, is a winner. Saturday afternoon they met the James John high school team of Portland and defeated them. The score was 13 to 5. Tuesday they journeyed to Portland and met the Columbia University team, and tucked away another game. The score was 8 to 2. St. Helens scored in the first inning and Columbia evened up matters in their half of this frame. Neither team scored in the second or third innings, but in the fourth inning each team chalked up a run, making the score 2 to 2. In the fifth Columbia threatened. A single, a walk and an error, filled the bases and the Columbia rooters were sure of victory. Ziegler tightened and retired the next two batters on six pitched balls and the third aspirant for honors met his Waterloo when his slow bouncer in the infield was properly handled and he was retired.

St. Helens put the game on ice in the sixth. Dixon and Stanwood were on and Mays picked out one to his liking and sent it far into the left garden. Two men scored and Mays paused for a breathing spell at third. Ziegler pitched a heady game and always tightened up in the pinches. He otherwise distinguished himself by poling out a double in the fifth when Merrill and Hill were on the bases.

The Columbia nine is one of the ranking clubs in the Portland interscholastic league, as is James John high, and the fact that both of these teams have been defeated by St. Helens high, certainly places our local team at the top. This afternoon the local team will try conclusions with the Clatskanie high and those who attend the game are assured of seeing a real interesting game. "Play ball" will be the cry at 2:30 and the high school boys hope there will be number of St. Helens rooters there to cheer them on to their third straight victory.

FAIRY OPERETTA TO BE PRESENTED

The little folks of the lower grades, the first, second, third and a few from the fourth, will present the operetta "Under the Sugar Plum Tree" at the Liberty theatre, the evening of May 9. The story of the play is woven from the poems of Riley, Field and Stevenson. Mrs. A. F. Barnett, Mrs. A. B. Lake and Miss Helen Hall, who are drilling the little ones, are highly pleased with the performances of the actors and actresses and are sure the play will be a big hit.

The proceeds from the operetta will be turned over to the library and used to buy additional high class books. Tickets may be obtained at the drug stores. It is understood that the library committee will defray all expenses of the show, including, of course, the costumes of the actors.

the ditch below the dam would have been less trouble than building the dam," and Pat Kelly, who lives in the flooded area spoke of how the snakes had got into the pond and eaten up the frogs and the recorder read a letter from a Mrs. Johnson, asking that some relief be given her. She stated that her husband was away, her children were sick and since the water around her house was so deep, she could not get any wood. A party who lives in the bottoms below the Hazen property told the mayor that it would be better to "run the water through Railroad Addition." This remark excited the mayor's wrath, for he said, "why, man, that ditch was along there long before you settled in the place you are. We tried to build a sewer in your district, but Hazen came out with a shotgun and drove the men away. The ditch is a natural waterway and it is going to be opened." The mayor meant what he said, for on Thursday Marshal Potter cleared away the dam and opened the ditch and there seems to be peace and happiness everywhere.

Fire Truck on the Bum

Chief Charles McCauley reported that the fire truck was on the "bum." Responding to a fire alarm last week, and with only a few men on the truck, an axle had been sprung and the truck was useless. He asked what he should do. The recorder was instructed to notify A. G. Long & Co., of Portland, and have the necessary repairs made at once.

A resolution was read to establish Sewer District No. 7. It was laid over until the next meeting. The request of the fire chief for the re-establishment of the old fire alarm system and instructions as to what the fire boys could expect in the way of city aid, was also laid over.

Permits were granted to Harold Decker to build a private garage and to Robert Dixon to make alteration at his residence.

Other routine matters were taken up and disposed of and then the council adjourned.

VICTORY LOAN QUOTA NOT YET REACHED

\$50,000 IS YET NEEDED

More Steam Needed to Put Victory Loan Over the Top

Columbia county has not yet raised its quota of \$162,000 for the Victory Loan. To be perfectly frank about the matter, Columbia county is about \$50,000 to the bad and St. Helens owes a big part of this. At Thursday night, reports received by the county chairman stated that Clatskanie and Scappoose were the only two banking districts which had filled their quota. Rainier and St. Helens were in the "also ran" class. Interest is increasing.

Interest in the loan, however, is increasing, and Chairman Morgus of St. Helens and Chairman Fuller of Rainier predict that their towns will have subscribed the full quota by Saturday night. Rainier, with a quota of \$19,000 is short only a few thousand and subscriptions at St. Helens are coming in more readily. Up to last night a total of \$28,950 had been placed at the local banks and the outlook is bright for substantial amounts today and tomorrow.

Some Large Subscriptions

There have been some large subscriptions handed in. At the First National bank, Charles Graham made application for \$1000 and Olaf Lund of Warren signed an application for \$2000. At the Columbia County bank those in the \$1000 class were J. E. Ramsey, S. A. Hawkins, John Mitsulos, C. O. Dahlgren and William Pringle. There were numerous subscriptions from \$500 down to \$50. The Mist has a list of the subscribers, but will wait until next week to publish the names, as there will be many more come in today and Saturday.

Helmets for Largest Subscribers

City Chairman Fred Morgus has received from Victory Loan headquarters, two German helmets. When the German army thought they were about to enter Paris, they were equipped with new uniforms and equipment. The Americans, however, turned them back and captured a vast amount of stores and equipment. In the captured equipment were thousands of brand new helmets. These were sent to America. Two of them will be given to the two individuals who make the largest subscriptions to the Victory Loan.

Columbia county is one of the few counties in Oregon which is lagging in subscriptions and those in charge of the work do not feel proud of the fact, and are making a renewed effort to put Columbia county across. In the city work Mr. Morgus has the able assistance of A. B. Lake, Charles Wheeler, Von Gray and Dr. J. H. Flynn. Messrs. Wheeler and Flynn have canvassed the mill employees and met with much success and H. R. Hudson at the Columbia County mill, has turned in a number of subscriptions. Mr. Morgus is sure that St. Helens will make up its quota, but he wishes that subscriptions be taken now instead of waiting until the last day.

NEWSPAPER MEETING HELD AT EUGENE

St. Helens Editor Elected President of Editors' Organization

The meeting of the Willamette Valley Editorial association, the State Editorial association and the Oregon School of Journalism, was held at Eugene, Oregon, on April 25-26. Fifty Oregon editors were present at the meeting and discussed plans for putting the newspaper business on a higher plane. Citizens of Eugene and the faculty of the University of Oregon treated their visitors royally. The editors and their wives were entertained by the Eugene Chamber of Commerce Friday night at a banquet. Dr. P. L. Campbell, president of the University of Oregon was toastmaster and Colin Dymant, dean of journalism of the University of Washington and Edgar B. Piper, editor of the Oregonian, were the principal speakers. The editorial body were guests of the university at a noon luncheon at Hendricks Hall Saturday and covers were laid for 100.

The association voted to change its name from the Willamette Valley Editorial association to the Oregon Newspaper Conference and to meet annually at the school of journalism of the University of Oregon. The next meeting will be held in January, 1920.

Officers for the conference were elected as follows: S. C. Morton of the St. Helens Mist, president; C. W. Robey, Oregon City Courier, vice-president; Elbert Bede, Cottage Grove Sentinel, secretary-treasurer; Eric W. Allen, dean of the school of journalism, University of Oregon, chairman of program committee.