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CITY COUNCIL IN BUSY SESSION

Traffic Officer Appointed at Salary of \$150 per Month—Flynn Suggests Buying Tide Lands from Miles Estate—Potter Appointed.

The city council had a very busy session Monday night. After the roll call and reading of the minutes of the previous session, the three work items on the agenda were taken up. Several of the councilmen reported on minor matters but the big matter was the purchase of the tide lands in front of the city property. Dr. Flynn stated that the Miles estate was willing to accept \$100 for their rights and that the city court was willing to cancel the \$600 of back taxes if the city would buy the property. There was much argument and Mayor Balfour referred the matter to the St. Helens Chamber of Commerce, but before Ex-Mayor Saxon had expressed his views, Mr. Saxon claimed that the property was rightfully the property of the city and that the members of the Oregon supreme court were personally interested in the decision which was handed down by the supreme court. The mayor and each member of the council were appointed on a committee to interview and deal with Mrs. A. J. Deming, relative to buying some land on Columbia street which seems to be the property of Mrs. Deming.

SEATTLE SHIPBUILDER VISITS ST. HELENS

Has Big Yard on Puget Sound Now and Building Barges and Boats.

J. H. Price, president of the Price construction company of Seattle, is in St. Helens Saturday. He came to Portland to see about the delivery of a large barge he has recently built for the Columbia Concrete company and which was towed to Portland this week, and while in the Oregon metropolis, he couldn't resist the temptation to call on St. Helens friends.

BIG STEAMER DUE SATURDAY

The Dutch steamer Ball now in Portland is expected to arrive in St. Helens tomorrow morning to take on a consignment of 950,000 feet of sap squares for delivery at some port in Japan. The lumber is being furnished by the St. Helens Lumber company and the Columbia County Lumber company.

The steamer Ohioan is due to arrive here about June 14th to take 1,000,000 feet of lumber for New York and another large steamer is expected to arrive here towards the latter part of the month to load 1,500,000 feet of creosoted ties which will be used for railroad building in India.

Dr. S. B. Hoskin will leave tonight for New York City to take a special course in Orthodontia at the New York College of Dental Surgery. He will be absent until about September first and during his absence Dr. Cain will take care of his dental practice. Dr. Cain is a well known dentist and arrived here today. He will be glad to meet Dr. Hoskin's friends and patients.

ROBERT YOUNT GETS FIVE YEARS IN PEN

Robert Yount of Rainier, who was indicted on a statutory charge plead guilty and Judge Eakin sentenced him to five years in the penitentiary. For a number of years Yount was prominent in Rainier. He is chief engineer on the steamer Iraida for about ten years and when the \$360,000 bond issue for good roads in Columbia county was before the people, he stumped the county favoring the bond issue. Sheriff Wellington took Yount to Salem Wednesday and he began serving his time.

LATE LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Briefly Told for Busy Readers of The Mist—Personal Mention of St. Helens' People and Other Notes.

Attorney Joe Day was a visitor in Portland Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Phillips visited in Portland Wednesday.

Mrs. A. B. Lake left Thursday for Portland where she will spend a week.

Mrs. Victoria Perry of Rainier is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hodges spent Saturday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stora.

Mr. and Mrs. Orin Sheppard were among St. Helens visitors in Portland last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Williams spent Sunday in Portland as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Saul.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Thomas left Thursday for a week's visit with Mr. Thomas' brother in Cathlamet.

Mrs. H. W. Cade and family are in Vancouver, Washington, visiting Mrs. Cade's mother, Mrs. Martha Magill.

Mrs. Hamer Melete left Saturday for a visit of several weeks with her father who lives near Olympia, Washington.

H. R. Hudson of St. Helens, Marshall Hudson of San Francisco and Charles Ross of Portland left Thursday for a ten-day fishing trip up the Deschutes river.

WILL VISIT OLD HOME IN ENGLAND

Since he left the old England home back in 1880 and settled in America, Arthur George has always had a longing to again visit the scenes of his childhood, so next Friday he will leave Portland on the first lap of the voyage. After a few days in Chicago, he will proceed to New York and embark for the shore of England. He will be accompanied by his daughter, Miss Louise George.

ST. HELENS COUPLE WEDDED IN PORTLAND

At the Unitarian church in Portland Wednesday afternoon, June 8, at 5 o'clock, Oswald Deming and Dorinda Devin, both of St. Helens, were united in marriage. Rev. Elliott officiating. Carl Huston of Portland was the best man and Miss Eugenia Deming of St. Helens attended the bride. John Deming and Miss Doris Bothwell of St. Helens were the other members of the bridal party.

MRS. JULIAN FREED OF MURDER CHARGE

The grand jury of Columbia county after hearing the particulars in the sad affair which led to the death of Fred Julian, did not indict Mrs. Julian and she was freed from the custody of the sheriff, and on Tuesday morning left for her home in Clatskanie.

According to Mrs. Julian's statement, her former husband attempted to enter her home and was armed with an ax. As he entered the door Mrs. Julian plunged a knife into his stomach. The tragedy occurred May 25th, and Julian died at a Portland hospital on May 31st. His dying statement did not coincide with the statement of Mrs. Julian.

ST. HELENS MEETS CLATSKANIE SUNDAY

Baseball Supremacy to be Contested—Rube Maxmeyer Wins for St. Helens Over Kelso—Team Patterns Batting Average.

On Sunday afternoon at Kelso, the St. Helens baseball team added another game to their credit. The score was Kelso 1, St. Helens 17. "Rube" Maxmeyer did the twirling for St. Helens and the team was right back of him. The Kelso "Kelsonian" gave the following account of the game:

"St. Helens had no trouble defeating the Kelso nine last Sunday 17 to 1. The local boys plainly showed lack of practice, and most of the players took a turn at making wild plays or miscues. Joe Thompson's fielding at first base was the bright feature of Kelso's play. Joe has lost none of his old time skill around the first sack. Saville McCorkle suffered a slight sprain Saturday which incapacitated him for playing, and Kackley was in the timber five miles from the end of the road, which left Kelso without a pitcher. A pitcher named Davis was finally located at Ostrander, where he has been working. He pitched a good game for five innings, but naturally, with no practice, his arm tired after the fifth. Rube Maxmeyer, who pitched for St. Helens, didn't allow much hitting by the Kelso players.

Sunday afternoon the local team will try conclusions with the Clatskanie team. Manager Conyers might start Rube on the mound and if he doesn't make good, will give Antone another chance. Joe pitched a mighty good game when the St. Helens team defeated Ridgefield on Memorial Day and it is thought he can baffle the Clatskanie batters.

REAL ESTATE IS STILL ACTIVE

The Rutherford Realty company reports that in spite of the fact that wages have been coming down and a number of industries are temporarily closed there is considerable inquiry for homes and small farms. Even with three of the lumber plants closed there are very few houses for rent in the city, all of which goes to show that people of the community have faith in the future of the city and surrounding country. They report some of the recent sales as follows:

Perival Dolman to Lou Puzey, 145 acres near Trenholm; Edgar Thompson to R. J. Coates, acreage along the Columbia highway; O. S. Smith to Elmer Blackburn, 10 acre tract in Happy Hollow; Edward Sommerstrom to L. G. Ross, house and two lots and other property; L. A. Puzey to A. J. Jenner, house and lot; Mrs. W. R. Plumlee to J. A. Bunt, five-room house. Three other sales have been closed, and other important deals are pending which will be reported later.

OSCAR MORTEN ANSWERS CALL

After having undergone two operations in a Portland hospital, Oscar Morten, aged 19, passed away Sunday evening. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Morten who reside in Bachelor Flat.

The funeral of the young man was held at the Lutheran church at Warren Wednesday afternoon and hundreds of sorrowing friends were there to pay their last tribute. The interment was in the Warren cemetery.

Deceased is survived by his parents, two brothers, Edwin and Arthur and a sister, Mrs. S. Heuman.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN DANCE SAT. NIGHT

The young men who have formed the St. Helens volunteer fire department will give a dance at the city hall tomorrow night. They have engaged a well known Portland jazz orchestra to furnish the music and the floor management will be under the direction of a committee appointed from the membership of the organization. The funds raised will be expended for fitting up a room where the boys can meet. They invite everyone to attend and assure them of an enjoyable evening.

UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS

	APIARY	BEAVER FALLS	CLATSKANIE 1	CLATSKANIE 2	DEER ISLAND	GOBLE	MARSHLAND	MIST	OAK POINT	PRESCOTT	RAINIER 1	RAINIER 2	ST. HELENS 1	ST. HELENS 2	ST. HELENS 3	SPITZENBERG	SCAPPOOSE	VERNONIA	WARREN	YANKTON	TOTAL	
LEGISLATIVE REGULATION—																						
300 X Yes	10	15	30	32	17	23	7	34	8	10	46	28	18	69	50	18	8	59	35	9	14	540
301 X No	50	50	67	59	25	40	17	53	42	18	52	23	64	63	92	57	13	93	71	76	40	1055
SOLDIERS' BONUS—																						
302 X Yes	20	42	62	63	32	37	15	58	29	25	76	41	54	123	119	57	16	116	74	34	28	1130
302 X No	40	32	31	33	13	31	9	30	15	3	26	12	33	15	38	26	5	41	39	55	27	554
EMERGENCY VETO—																						
303 X Yes	22	28	46	40	18	35	12	53	19	11	63	36	48	79	86	21	12	62	53	25	18	788
303 X No	32	31	41	45	20	30	11	29	31	15	33	13	34	44	48	44	6	82	47	58	31	724
HYGIENIC MARRIAGE BILL—																						
304 X Yes	25	30	41	30	15	28	7	47	12	18	41	28	44	63	65	28	6	67	58	27	13	676
304 X No	37	38	53	60	30	38	17	41	40	8	58	25	51	83	83	49	16	89	54	62	40	972
WOMEN JURORS—																						
305 X Yes	28	35	52	49	19	25	11	36	28	17	53	37	44	80	79	33	13	58	48	20	26	792
305 X No	34	33	41	42	20	40	11	47	24	11	47	16	43	55	69	43	5	93	65	66	28	833

CHAUTAQUA CLOSES; ATTRACTIONS PLEASE

High Class Attractions Please Hundreds and Contract Made for Next Year.—Financial Obligations Met and Surplus is Left.

The first annual chautauqua held in St. Helens closed its program Saturday night after a five-day session of music, lectures and other attractions. Each number was high class and pleased the large audience which attended each and every number. The only "near disappointment" was the performance of the Witepskie orchestra. The orchestra was good and rendered high class music, but Witepskie seemed so bored that the audience caught the spirit, and they seemed more bored than did Mr. or Professor or Conductor Witepskie. Many express the hope that the Ellison-White association will not again inflict the Polish gentleman on the St. Helens chautauqua. The other musicians were high class.

"Burns of the Cumberlands" made a great hit. He told of the Kentucky feuds and the part he had played in ending them. He didn't make a speech, but he talked, and those who heard him were sorry when he stopped.

Carveth Wells, who illustrated his lecture with lantern scenes of the Malay Peninsula, entertained the audience from start to finish. His lecture was breezy, instructive and interesting. It was worth, so some said, the price of a season ticket to the chautauqua.

A contract has been signed to secure the return of the chautauqua next season and the Ellison-White people promise high-class entertainments.

The success of the chautauqua in St. Helens was due, to a large extent, to the "Committee of Thirty," who worked unceasingly to make it a success.

LOGGER KILLED AT NEHALEM CAMP

H. Hamon, aged about 45, was instantly killed at the logging camp of Kiernan and Flora on the Kerry logging railroad, when a high line wire struck him. His head was severed from the body. Coroner White brought the body to St. Helens and later shipped it to Portland for cremation. Hamon had a little memorandum book and on the last page was written: "My Last Will and Testament: In case of my death I give all my bonds and war stamps at the United States National bank in Portland, to Mabel Olsen. I wish my body cremated. Don't care what is done with the ashes."

CIRCUIT COURT IS IN SESSION

Equity Cases Being Heard—Case Now on Trial Will Last for Several Days—Next Term of Court Will Be in July.

Circuit court is in session for the purpose of hearing several equity cases. The case of the First National bank of Scappoose to foreclose a chattel mortgage on certain cattle, occupied the time of the court for two days his week and the testimony was all in Monday afternoon. The attorneys representing the defendant and plaintiff will argue the matter before the court on Saturday.

The case now before the court is that of Farris M. Brooks vs. Carl Johnson. The plaintiff alleges that a fish trap owned and operated by the defendant occupies a certain portion of the river below Rainier which before the trap was put in, was used by the fishermen on the drifts. A temporary injunction was granted by the court several weeks ago and the matter is now being heard for final determination. There are a number of witnesses to be examined, in fact a considerable part of Rainier's population is here either as spectators or witnesses and it is probable that the case will occupy several days of the court's time.

Glen R. Metsker and J. W. Day represent the defendant and P. W. Herman of Rainier and Clyde Fulton of Astoria are looking after the interests of the plaintiff.

COLUMBIA RIVER AT FLOOD STAGE

The warm weather of the past few days has been responsible for the raise in the Columbia river. The water now covers the Sheldon and C. R. P. A. docks. A raise of a foot will bring the water over the city dock. This dock is in danger but neither the mayor or any member of the council has made any move to protect it from the flood.

The high water has not interfered with the operation of the St. Helens Lumber company and the river will have to raise eighteen inches before it causes any inconvenience to the company.

The plants of the St. Helens Tie and Timber company and the Columbia County Lumber company have closed down on account of the high water.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT M. E. CHURCH

At the time of the evening church service, next Sunday evening, June 5, at 8 o'clock, a very delightful Children's Day program, "Hearts of Gold," is to take place.

This cantata is very beautifully worked out, nearly all the characters being taken from the lives of well known flowers. The stage will be decorated with wild flowers and banked with masses of greenery.

The program is as follows: Processional March, Miss Dorothy Akin; chorus, "Onward We Are Marching," primary department; Responsive Scripture Reading, Congregation; prayer, Rev. Johnson; recitation, "Angel of Flowers," Miss Esther Hollingworth; recitation, "Mother Earth," Miss Ruth Levi; recitation, "Rain and Dew," Little Brown twins; song, "All is Complete"; recitation, Dandelion, "Courage," Charles Brown; recitation, Apple Blossom, "Fruitfulness," Miss Marion Sten; recitation and song, Johnny Jump Ups, Mrs. Van Natta's class; recitation, "Remembrance," Miss Vivian Linn's class; duet, "Sympathy," by Heart's-ease Miss Garriott and Mrs. Eugene Blakesley; recitation by Water Lily, Miss Emily Usher, "Purity"; chorus, "Be Pure in Heart," quartet; Daisy chain and song by primary class; solo, "The Golden Heart of the Rose," Miss Ellen Ellefseth; recitation, by Angel of Flowers; closing chorus, "The Golden Heart of the Year," quartet.

Two added features of the entertainment are programs of somewhat the same sort given by two other classes of the Sunday school, Mrs. Miller's and Mrs. Davies'.

This program is hoped to be a great success and a large number is expected to attend.

LOGGERS RECORD FAVORABLE VOTE—APIARY AND WARREN ONLY PRECINCTS TO REGISTER NEGATIVE VOTE.

Nineteen Out of Twenty-One Precincts Record Favorable Vote—Apiary and Warren Only Precincts to Register Negative Vote.

Voters of Columbia county placed their stamp of approval on the soldier bonus bill at the special election on Tuesday. The vote on the measure was: Yes, 1130; no, 554. Warren and Apiary were the only precincts which voted against the measure.

CITY EMPLOYS A TRAFFIC OFFICER

He Will Enforce City Ordinances as to Operating Automobiles.

Carl Hoffmiller is the name of a young man who is clad in khaki uniform, regulation puttees and is equipped with a big revolver, a deputy marshal badge and a motorcycle. He is the official traffic officer of the city of St. Helens, Oregon, by virtue of an appointment by Councilman Flynn and ratified by the city council.

And this Hoffmiller is "some go-getter." Whether it be Mayor Balfour, or Ed Sommerstrom, or subjects of the Mikado, he pinches 'em just the same, and brings them before Judge Godfrey and the judge hands out a volume of reasonable advice to motorists and then takes in a few simoleons for the city's exchequer.

Hoffmiller went to work Saturday, Monday morning and afternoon, Judge Godfrey was busy hearing speed cases. Five Japs were enjoying rides on their motorcycles and traveling at about 25 miles per hour. They gave up \$2.50 each. Perry Austin, a former St. Helens boy, thought of the old days when he knocked home runs and ran the bases wild. He was breezing along at 25 or 27 miles per hour. Before leaving the city he surrendered \$2.50. N. P. Phil likewise contributed \$2.50.

Leo Farr forgot that he had contributed \$15 to the county a short while ago and was making about 30 when Hoffmiller interviewed him. Mr. Farr tendered a brand new \$5 note to Recorder Godfrey.

Angelo Marino was another autoist who, according to Hoffmiller, was not observing the speed regulations and notwithstanding the eloquent plea of Lester Wellington, was forced to separate himself from \$5, several others were on the list and in a majority of the cases, were fined. Among the number was Ed Sommerstrom of Columbia City. Ed has a new Case car, but unfortunately, the equipment of the car didn't include a speedometer. Ed thought of war times when he rushed work on vessels for the government and when "speed up" was the order of the day. Possibly Ed stepped on the accelerator instead of the brake. It cost him \$2.50. He promised to add a speedometer to the car's equipment.

Hoffmiller has brought in many others since Monday and it seems that the \$150 per month salary and upkeep of his car, which the council has agreed to pay him, will look like a small item as compared with the fines collected.

HIGH WATER CLOSES COLUMBIA CO. MILL

The Columbia County Lumber company's mill closed down Wednesday noon on account of the high water interfering with the operation of the mill. It is probable that the mill will be closed until after July fourth. The company has arranged with the buyers to make a later delivery on account of the conditions which now prevail.

The Order of Eastern Star will give a pie social in the Masonic hall Saturday evening and an invitation is extended to the public to be present. The ladies are asked to each bring a pie and the gentlemen are requested to be on hand to eat said pies—and also to purchase them.