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## VERNONIA'S FUTURE SEEMS CERTAIN

Building of Railroad, Logging and Lumbering Sure to Bring Development to Town and Surrounding Section—Town Shows Activity.

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The dreams of the pioneers of the Upper Nehalem seem likely to be realized. Years ago they dreamed of a town on the banks of the river, a town which would be a center of activity for the surrounding section. In fact, it was quite a long time ago that the first settlers came to the place and began to build their homes. Many of those who took up claims sold the claims and left, and the town grew up as a result of the activity of the logging and lumbering industry. The town is now a center of activity for the surrounding section, and the future seems bright for the town.

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## ACCIDENT OCCURS ON THE HIGHWAY

Mrs. A. E. Rocky, wife of a well known Portland physician, sustained a broken shoulder blade and Mrs. Vincent Cook, Mrs. A. A. Morrison, wife of the rector of Trinity Episcopal church of Portland and Mrs. Joseph K. Clark of Los Angeles were badly bruised when a sedan driven by Mrs. Cook rolled down a fifteen foot embankment yesterday after skidding on the slippery pavement when the car approached the railroad crossing near Scappoose.

The machine turned completely over in its plunge and only the strong frame work of the sedan prevented serious injuries to the four occupants. It is said that Mrs. Cook who was driving west applied the brakes when she saw a logging train approaching near the crossing. The machine swung around on the wet pavement of the highway and dived over the bank.

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## ST. HELENS WINS FROM S. P. S.; 13-6

Reiten Hurts Good Ball for Locals and Outfielders Give Stellar Support—Woodland Comes for Sunday Game and Will Bring Rooters.

The baseball team representing the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks of the S. P. & S. Railway company, were defeated by Hunt's rejuvenated players Sunday afternoon. The score was 13 to 6. Hunt sent Herman Reiten, southpaw, to the firing line and he pitched the best game of the season, allowing seven hits and striking out nine of the S. P. & S. batters. The visitors drew a blank in the first inning and St. Helens annexed one score. Holmes was safe on an error, Parisinon sacrificed him to second and Steers' corking single to right allowed the fleet-footed fielder to score.

Neither team scored in the second frame and the visitors threw a scare into St. Helens rooters in the third. The first man up was safe on McDonald's error and Reiten walked the next batter. The following batter was safe at first when Mickey muffed up a bunt along the third base line, and the bases were loaded with none down. Reiten caused the next batter to whiff the ozone, but the man who followed him caught the pellet square and it sailed out into left field for what appeared to be a sure double. Parkinson correctly judged the ball and made a stellar catch. Two more strikeouts pulled Reiten from a bad hole.

St. Helens annexed another tally in their half of the third, when Parkinson scored on Calhoun's out at first. In the fourth the boys went at Marbie in a cruel, cruel manner. After Howe had whiffed, Paulsen singled through short and stole second. Phil walked and both of the runners scored on McDonald's double to center. Reiten caught one just to his liking and made three bases while Mickey crossed the home rubber and when Holmes singled Reiten scored.

The visitors chalked up two in the fifth frame. Reiten issued a pass to the first man up and the next one was safe on a poorly fielded bunt. Howe made a quick throw to first and Calhoun wasn't there to receive the pellet; one score. The second run came across when Howe lit a pitched ball pass him. Reiten tightened up and whiffed two men, the other batter flying out. The visitors annexed another tally in the sixth on a hit and a wild throw and St. Helens retaliated by chasing three runners long single which scored two. The visitors threatened in the eighth frame. The first man up was safe on Calhoun's error and he was advanced a base by a clean single. The batter who followed him connected with one of Reiten's fast ones for a double, the two base runners scoring. St. Helens made four in their half of this frame. Cal was safe on an error and scored when Steers doubled. Howe singled and Paulsen doubled scoring Steers and Howe. Phil lined to short but McDonald came through with a single which scored Paulsen.

Reiten eased up in the ninth and two hits and two errors gave the visitors two more runs. Notes of the Game. McDonald had an off day fielding but redeemed himself by annexing three timely swats out of four times at bat.

In the first inning Howe made a splendid catch of a high foul and in the second, Parkinson brought the fans to their feet by pulling down a swift one just outside the foul flag in left field.

In addition to pitching a good game Reiten helped to win his own game by cracking out a single, double and a triple. Calhoun made a nice catch of a high fly along back of first base. Steers has a habit of hitting when some one is on the path ahead of him. His hits were responsible for several scores. Danny Paulsen played a good game at second nabbing everything that came his way. He was also mighty handy with the willow.

Pete Brakke umpired a good game. With the possible exception of two high ones which he called strikes, all other decisions were correct.

## MRS ALBERT BURCHAM SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Elected at Annual School Meeting on Monday Night to Succeed H. E. LaBare—New Director Has Large Vote and Is Well Qualified.

The annual school meeting and election of School District No. 2 held at the high school auditorium Monday night resulted in the election of Mrs. Albert Burcham as director to succeed H. E. LaBare who retires from the board after two terms of faithful service. There was much interest in the election and more than 300 voters were on hand to express their choice and about as many votes were cast as was in St. Helens in the recent primary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman LaBare and Mrs. Frank George, school clerk, read the annual report. It was a comprehensive one and gave in detail the financial standing of the district. It was shown that the district owed \$52,500 for bonded indebtedness and there are also several thousand dollars of outstanding warrants. It was evident, however, that those who gathered for the election had their minds on election, for the report was cut short.

A motion was made that the nomination be by a majority vote. Chairman LaBare ruled the motion out of order and said that a plurality vote was according to law. W. B. Dillard took an opposite view of the question and cited the fact that for a number of years school elections in St. Helens had been by a majority vote and he suggested following the precedent established. The ruling of the chair was appealed from and the voters decided on a majority vote. W. B. Dillard placed in nomination Mrs. Albert Burcham and in his nominating speech spoke of Mrs. Burcham's qualifications for the position. Thomas Ketel was nominated by J. Kotsman and J. R. Gilby nominated C. D. Sutherland. The nominations were closed and the chairman appointed A. F. Barnett and Gordon Thompson as tellers. The voters filed by the chairman's table on which was the ballot box and deposited their ballots. The result was an overwhelming majority for Mrs. Burcham. She received 202 votes, Sutherland 61 and Ketel 60 and Mr. LaBare declared her duly elected, having received "both majority and plurality vote."

After the result was announced many of the voters began to leave, forgetting that it was necessary to elect a school clerk. The name of Mrs. Frank George was presented. Upon motion, nominations were closed and the chair cast the unanimous ballot for Mrs. George. She has served the district efficiently for several years and her election, by acclamation, was a fitting recognition of her faithful service.

The selection of Mrs. Burcham as director appears to give general satisfaction. She is an educated and public-spirited woman and a teacher of experience, being a graduate of the Washington State Normal college at Ellensburg. She had the support of many who thought it advisable to have a woman on the board of school directors.

## ST. HELENS MAYOR COP AND MARSHAL

The Oregon Journal published the following article in yesterday afternoon's edition: Mayor Edison I. Ballagh is promoting the interests of St. Helens, not as mayor, but as city marshal and speed cop. How long his dual title will last depends on when he and the city council decide on successors for City Marshal George Potter and Deputy Cal Hoffmiller, also city speed cop.

Potter and Hoffmiller tendered their resignations, which were accepted at a special council meeting last night. The resignations had been requested by Mayor Ballagh as a result of a fight between Hoffmiller and Dewey Harrison, St. Helens grocer, Monday night, which Potter admitted was arranged at his suggestion and which was staged in his presence without interference.

Mayor Ballagh proposes to employ an acting marshal and speed cop from Portland to succeed Hoffmiller, and whose duties would be largely those of both deposed officials. Potter's place will be filled by a man who will be marshal in name but whose duties will be in reality those of street superintendent.

## CLATSKANIE PLANS BIG CELEBRATION

The glorious Fourth will be properly celebrated and observed in Clatskanie. A program of patriotic exercises, sports and attractive features have been arranged by the committee in charge of the celebration.

One of the features of the day will be a game of baseball between the business men's club of Clatskanie and the business men of St. Helens. Sherman M. Miles who managed the local aggregation last year, is lining up a strong aggregation to repeat the victory which his team scored against Clatskanie at the fair grounds last year. Manager Hunt will take his ball tossers down to the growing little city and give the baseball team which represents the town, an opportunity to even up scores with St. Helens.

An interesting program has been arranged and in the next number of The Mist it will be given in full. St. Helens people are planning to join their Clatskanie friends and will aid in making the celebration the big success which it is sure to be. The St. Helens Chamber of Commerce is aiding the Clatskanie Chamber of Commerce and Executive Secretary Storla promises to outline St. Helens' part of the program and furnish it to The Mist. It is certain that a number of St. Helens people will celebrate the Fourth at Clatskanie.

## SENATOR BANKS IN ELECTION CONTEST

Senator W. W. Banks, senator from this, the 14th senatorial district which comprises Columbia, Clackamas and Multnomah counties, has filed a statement in which he alleges an error in the official returns. Bank's contest is against W. J. H. Clark who secured the nomination by a slender majority. The senator is asking for an investigation of official figures from Multnomah county and Columbia county is not mentioned in the contest proceedings. In this county the vote for senator was, Clark 269, Banks 291 and Hall 569. Both Clark and Banks have many friends and supporters in the county who will watch with interest the result of the contest proceedings.

## CIRCUS GLITTER THRILLS YOUNGSTERS

St. Helens Has Circus for First Time and Howe's Great London Shows Entertain Thousands—Trained Animals and Clever Clowns Amuse.

The small boys and girls are happier and the grownups do not appear to be down-hearted as the result of the visit of Howe's Great London show which was in St. Helens Tuesday night pitched its tents in the "flat" back of the school house. Both performances, afternoon and evening, were well patronized and enjoyed.

The circus showing in St. Helens for the first time (and it was the first circus ever held in St. Helens) staged a very creditable parade through the business district of the city at 11 o'clock in the morning which was witnessed by hundreds of people who lined the streets along the line of march, the throng including many people from the country who arrived early to see the circus and parade.

The show was particularly noticeable for the many cages of well-cared for wild animals, including cages of black maned African lions in charge of Jules Chincott and a group of Nubian lions over which Ruth Irwin appeared to have complete control. Leona La Clair made the spotted leopards perform and other animals of the jungles obeyed the commands of their trainers. The dancing horses, ridden by attractive young women, elephants, bears, camels and other circus animals proved the delight of the youngsters and old youngsters who saw the show.

A spectacular production, the opening number of the program was "Cinderella in Jangleland," and all of the wild animals owned by the show and the numerous actors took part in this, which was pleasing to the large audience.

## OFFICER-MERCHANT IN FISTIC BOUT

Deputy Marshal Cal Hoffmiller and Dewey Harrison Have Bare Fist Fight—Large Crowd Sees Ring Contest—Mayor Fires Officers.

Cal Hoffmiller, deputy marshal of the city of St. Helens and Dewey Harrison, proprietor of the Central grocery, staged a bare fist or knuckle fight Monday night. The fight was held in the play shed of the McBride school in West St. Helens. It started promptly at 7 o'clock and ended at 7:21 when the former city marshal stepped between the combatants and declared that the fight was off. The 200 or more men, women and children who were at the ringside, left after the marshal had separated the combatants, who disdaining to use gloves, preferred to fight as did the pugilist of a quarter of a century ago.

It appears that there has been bad blood between Harrison and Hoffmiller. The merchant was arrested by the officer Monday morning for not having a license tag on his delivery truck. Recorder Godfrey fined him \$5. Harrison, so it is stated, testified that he had sent in the money for the license plate and that one of the traffic county officers informed him he was "in the clear" as long as he had the money order stub. This statement, according to information given, was challenged by Hoffmiller. The lie was passed and the belligerents agreed to fight it out.

The play shed of the McBride school in West St. Helens seemed to suit both parties as the proper place for staging the bare knuckle duel. Seven o'clock was set as the time when they should meet. The place and time seemed agreeable to both parties. They met and fought, or attempted to fight for 21 minutes. Neither of them were injured, except that Harrison lost a tooth and his face was bruised while Hoffmiller's lips were puffed and in the vicinity of his eyes were bruises and discolorations.

Before the fight ended the ringside standing room was at a premium and the autoists passing up or down the highway parked their cars so they could witness the bout. Each gladiator had his friends and cheers resounded as they pummeled each other. When both were groggy Marshal Potter stopped the fight.

Mayor Edison I. Ballagh didn't take a hand in the fight for the reason that he was not informed as to the date and place, but after he learned of the affair he went to the bat. He requested Marshal Potter and Deputy Marshal Hoffmiller to tender their resignations. They complied and the resignations were accepted at the meeting of the council Wednesday night.

Potter and Hoffmiller appeared before Recorder Godfrey Tuesday afternoon and entered a voluntary plea of guilty to disorderly conduct. The recorder imposed fines of \$10 which was paid Thursday morning. Dewey Harrison visited the recorder and entered a plea of guilty. He was fined \$10.

No appointments have been made to take the place of the deposed officials, although it is understood the mayor and council will appoint a traffic officer who will also act as marshal and a street superintendent who, while having the authority of a marshal, will look after the cleaning of the streets, repairs of sidewalks, street repairs, etc. Until such appointment is made, Mayor Ballagh is wearing the marshal's star.

George Potter had been marshal of St. Helens for the past seven years and is regarded as a good police officer. He was appointed to the position when S. C. Morton was mayor and re-appointed by Magnus Saxo, who served as mayor for three years. When Ballagh was elected mayor he re-appointed Potter. The retiring marshal has served the city faithfully and well for the past seven years and there are many citizens who regret that he is no longer connected with the city government. Hoffmiller has been here for a comparatively short time, but has made an excellent record as an officer.

The circus editor of The Mist enjoyed the show and so did Ham McCormick, Judge John Phillip, J. F. Lloyd, Bob Cole, Henry Larsee, Frank Thompson, Roadmaster Bert Mills, W. J. Fullerton, Barney Barnett, Charles Phillips, J. E. Hutchinson, Gordon Thompson, Bill Kettel, A. J. Deming and several other good looking men who the circus girl (?) flirted with and bestowed upon them loving attention.

It was a good clean show. All of us kids hope it will come again.

Twenty-six thousand cubic yards of crushed sand and gravel have been delivered at the paving plant of the Dennis Construction company at Tangent to be used in paving the highway from that place to Albany.

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