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## COUNT INCORRECT HALL CLAIMS

His Petition for Recount of Ballots in Many Precincts of State, Hall Contends Columbia County Precincts' Votes not Proper.

Senator Charles Hall, candidate for the republican nomination for governor, and who, apparently, was defeated by Ben W. Olcott, encountered in his petition asking for a recount of the votes of many precincts in Oregon, names several precincts in this county as precincts where the vote has been incorrectly counted or where irregularities have occurred.

In his complaint Hall alleges that many votes have been counted for Olcott in the following precincts: Birkenfeld, 3; Clatskanie No. 1, 7; St. Helens No. 3, 5; Warren, 9, and Yankton, 7.

He also alleges that a number of votes to which he was justly entitled were rejected in the following precincts: Clatskanie No. 1, 8; Warren, 5, and Yankton, 5.

The complaint further alleges that others than republicans registered as republicans in Marshland, 1, and Vernonia, 3. Hall further alleges that in Birkenfeld one vote was counted for Olcott in excess of the number of votes cast and in St. Helens Precinct No. 3, three votes were counted.

He also alleges that two democratic votes cast in the Birkenfeld precinct and two in St. Helens No. 2 precinct were counted for Olcott. This information comes to The Mist from a reliable source, but of course, there is no way for this paper to check up the accuracy of Senator Hall's claims.

At the primary election held May 13, the vote in Columbia county was, Hall 538, Olcott 499, so Hall received 39 more votes than did Olcott. In the precincts mentioned the vote was: Birkenfeld, Hall 9, Olcott 19; Clatskanie No. 1, Hall 44, Olcott 27; St. Helens No. 3, Hall 15, Olcott 12; Warren, Hall 11, Olcott 44; Yankton, Hall 9, Olcott 28.

Governor Olcott, in answer to Hall's petition, has asked that if there should be a recount made, that the recount cover the entire state, and not be confined to the precincts in this and other counties where Hall alleges errors have been made.

The court has, as yet, made no decision, but from the interest taken by both Hall and Olcott, it is apparent that each of them expect a recount to be ordered.

The recount contest and the ring-lens matter having been injected makes the result of the general election as uncertain as to either party, so matter who wins and friends of Walter Pierce, the democratic nominee are beginning to feel like their candidate has a fighting chance.

## LONG-BELL FERRY NOW OPERATING

The Long-Bell Lumber company's ferry between Rainier and the mill site went into operation on Sunday when more than 200 automobiles were transported. The highway between the west end of the Kelso bridge and the dock has been graded, and twelve trucks are still engaged in the grading and grading work. The ferry has a capacity of 40 automobiles and is giving very prompt service, crossing the Columbia river in less than 10 minutes. The road will soon be in much better shape. The ferry charge for an auto is 75 cents one way, and \$1.00 and \$1.50 in the charge for trucks.

## STEAMERS COME FOR LUMBER CARGOES

Siskiyou Loading San Pedro Cargo; Wapama and Cello Due Today; Multnomah to Load Full Cargo for San Pedro.

The steamer Siskiyou arrived on Wednesday and is taking on a consignment of 550,000 feet of lumber for San Pedro. The McCormick steamer Multnomah is discharging its bound cargo at Portland docks and will arrive here tonight or tomorrow morning to take on a full load of lumber for San Diego and San Pedro.

The steamers Cello and Wapama are due in today, coming from San Francisco in ballast. Both steamers will take full cargoes for California ports. The steamers Daisy Matthews and E. H. Meyer are en route to St. Helens and due to arrive here the first part of the coming week.

The weekly lumber review of the West Coast Lumbermen's association reports that one hundred and twenty-three mills reporting to the association for the week ending July 15 manufactured 81,269,939 feet of lumber, sold 68,346,903 feet and shipped 87,690,263 feet. Production of the reporting mills was 2 per cent below normal. New business shipments 28 per cent above new

Indicating the great volume of the lumber shipments, the report gives the following: In twenty-eight weeks the production has been 2,248,217,679 feet and shipments 2,227,962,568 feet.

## JUDGE WHITE OFFERS SUGGESTION

The two grass fires of this week and the parched grass which is practically all over town, caused Judge White to offer the suggestion that the grass be burned and under the supervision of the fire department and citizens who were willing to help in the work. The judge pointed out that if the grass would catch fire and a strong wind was blowing the fire might get beyond control and burn valuable property. "It would be a comparatively easy matter to burn the grass and without any danger to surrounding property if there was the proper fire fighting equipment and men to keep the fire under control. If some one would carelessly toss a lighted match, cigar or cigarette in the now dry grass possibly there would be a fire which could not be controlled when it was discovered, or it might be discovered too late to stop it." The judge's suggestion sounds very reasonable and sensible and no doubt the city authorities will take some immediate action in regard to the matter.

## AUTO DRIVER FINED FOR SWITCHING TAGS

J. Riley, who gave his residence as Linnton, was fined \$25 and costs for switching license tags on the car he was driving. In other words, he had a license plate on his car which was issued by the secretary of state for the operation of another car. He was arrested by State Traffic Officer C. Willis and before Justice Philip plead guilty.

Other cases before the justice this week were those of 19 alleged speeders who were charged with exceeding the speed laws. Few of them appeared, thus forfeiting their bail money. The fines ranged from \$10 to \$20.

H. J. DePue, of Vernonia, who was arrested by Deputy Game Warden Brown for fishing without a license, entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$25 and costs.

Except for these few trivial matters, the justice's office has been very quiet this week.

## BEBAN TO APPEAR IN "MAN IN A MILLION"

Movie fans of the city are in for a treat when "One Man in a Million", the latest Robertson-Cole special release starring the inimitable character actor George Beban, opens at The Liberty Theatre next Sunday for a run of two days. This new six-reeler has been noising about of a sensation wiretapper shown, and critics are on record as having declared it the greatest drama ever filmed. In the leading role, Beban gives a performance that he has never before equaled during his long career in the theatrical business.

There are many dramatic moments and many comedy situations. Mr. Beban who, as well as playing the leading role, wrote the story, has produced and directed the picture, has apparently thought of everything that goes to make a successful photograph.

## COUPLE RETURN FROM AN EASTERN TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Loos returned to St. Helens Saturday coming from Wisconsin where they spent the past six weeks with friends and relatives. Mr. Loos, who is manager of the local Twentieth Century store, states that business conditions in Wisconsin, while quiet, show a marked improvement over the condition which existed several months ago. With the exception of the corn crop which will be short on account of too much rain and cool weather, the general outlook for crops is good. Only a few days before Mr. and Mrs. Loos left for Oregon, Mr. Peter Loos, Sr., was suddenly taken ill and died after an illness of four days. Mr. Loos was at his father's bedside when he passed to the Great Beyond.

## COURT REFUSES DRAINAGE PETITION

At their session Saturday the county court refused to grant the petition of the parties interested in the Prescott Drainage District, holding that the petition was not drawn in proper form. It is the second time that the proposition has been turned down and according to a statement of a member of the court, the failure to grant the petition was not on account of the merits of the proposition but on account of certain legal technicalities which, apparently, had been overlooked. It is probable that another petition will be filed with the court.

## JUSTICE PHILIP CUPID'S ALLY

In his office Thursday afternoon Justice of the Peace John Philip performed the ceremony which united in marriage Harry Reynolds and Cella Ketchfark, both residents of the Chapman neighborhood. The groom gave his age as 42 while the bride blushingly acknowledged that she had reached the 36th milestone in her life. It was the sixth wedding ceremony the justice has performed since he donned the judicial robes and he is becoming accustomed to that pleasant part of the duties which are attached to the office he holds.

The man who buys a used car often thinks he has been badly used.

## ST. HELENS WALLOPS RAINIER TEAM

Pile up Score of 27 to 9 and Avenge Former Defeat—Reiten Pitches a Good Game—Moose Team Comes for Sunday Game.

The St. Helens baseball team had their r-r-revenge when they defeated the Rainier team by the score of 27 to 9. "Revenge is sweet," said Manager Hunt to his ball tossers "now go out and get it." And they did. The locals started scoring in the first frame when they chased two runs over the platter and remembering Hunt's instructions they kept on hitting the pellet and scoring runs. In fact they scored in every inning except one.

Keck started on the mound for Rainier and lasted four innings. St. Helens garnered 15 hits and made 12 runs during the time he occupied the mound. Hampton relieved him in the fifth frame, but the batting bee had stung each St. Helens player and Hampton retired to the showers following an avalanche of hits and runs. In this canto the locals crossed the rubber seven times. The S. O. S. signal was flashed and Jesse took up the flinging duty in the sixth. He allowed nine hits on which 8 runs were scored.

Reiten pitched a good game. He struck out 13 of the Rainier batters and walked three, allowing nine hits, one of which was a home run by Keck. Seeing his team had such a lead he eased up in the latter part of the game.

Bellville and Reiten were the batting sensations. Bellville connected for two doubles and three singles in eight trips to the bat while Reiten annexed one double and four singles in the seven times he faced the Rainier pitchers. McKie came through with a home run and Calhoun and Howe each socked the union for three-cushion tickets. A number of St. Helens fans attended the game, many of them leading the rooting and each of them claim they had their money's worth.

Manager Hunt has closed a date with the fast Moose team of Portland and they will engage the St. Helens team on the local grounds on Sunday afternoon. The game will start promptly at 2:30 o'clock. The Moose team is considered one of the best of the semi-pro teams in Portland and have a long string of victories to their credit. It is probable that Hunt will give "Rube" Maxmeyer an opportunity to show what he has in his porridge wig. In the absence of Everett Howe, Calhoun will do the receiving. The game will be a fast one and any fan who likes a good game should see this one.

## CATCH OF SALMON SHOWS AN INCREASE

Fishermen and fish buyers are pleased that the run of salmon continues and that the catch shows an increase over the past week. A fish buyer informed The Mist that fishermen are averaging from 250 to 350 pounds per day. The run of blackbacks is over and the steelhead run has begun. The chinooks caught are of large size and excellent quality, so the fish buyer stated. Indications are that the run will continue as the river continues to fall.

## PLANS TO BUILD NEW GARAGE

J. L. Chittem recently purchased from James Muckle the property at the corner of St. Helens and Oak streets adjoining the livery stable property and intends to erect a garage building. He has had the adjoining lot filled in and in the near future it is probable he will start construction work on the garage building.

## GRADING COMPLETED ON PITTSBURG ROAD

Entire Road Now Graded and Rocking Work to Begin Early Next Week—Contracting Company Begins Operation of Quarry for Rock.

The work of grading the St. Helens-Pittsburg road is now complete and the autoist, if he owns a car which is hitting on all cylinders, may now drive from St. Helens to Vernonia in high gear. Contractor Wolf so J. E. Ellertson of the roadmaster's office states, has completed the grading work and his job on the road will be finished when ditches on the side of the road have been opened and a small portion of the road is smoothed in the now rough spots. This work, according to Mr. Ellertson, should be completed within the next few days.

Joplin & Elder who have the contract for rock for the road from Tremholm, six miles west and towards Pittsburg, have their rock crusher set up and in operation in the old county quarry near Tremholm. The crusher started to operate Wednesday and the fleet of four auto trucks which arrived Wednesday morning, have begun to haul the crushed rock to a place on the road near the Little Clatskanie. It is the purpose of the contractors to start the work at this place and work towards Tremholm. When this 2 1/2 or a three stretch is completed they will work westward from the Clatskanie and complete the road to a point near the old Sobieski place.

That Joplin & Elder intend to complete the work in the shortest time possible is indicated by the equipment they have installed and the force of men employed for the work and if weather conditions are favorable, the contract will be completed early in the fall.

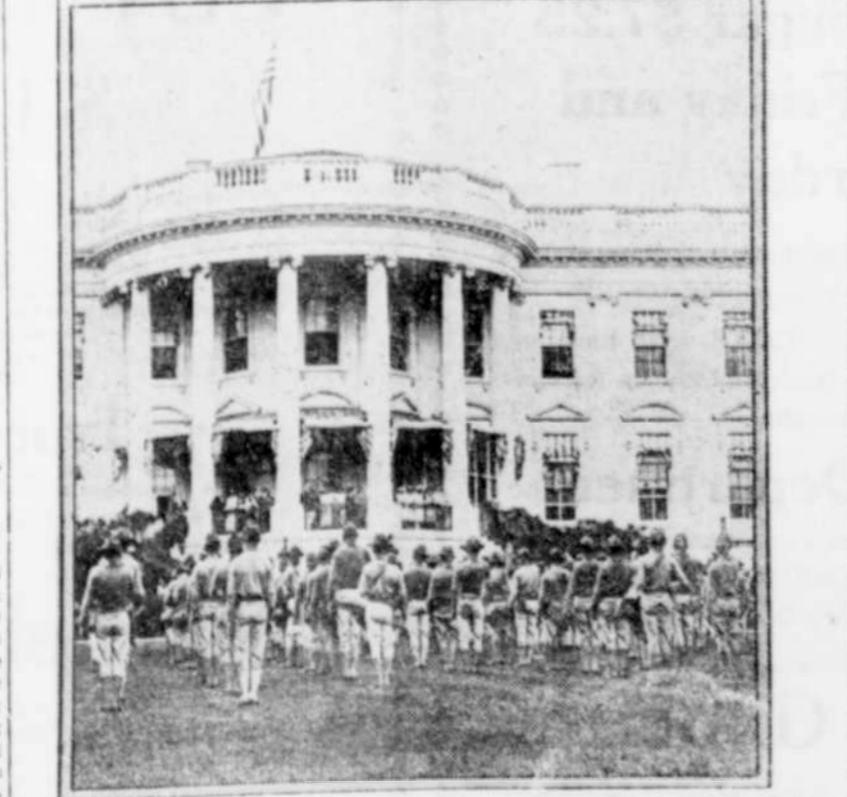
It is understood that citizens of St. Helens, Road District No. 3 and of the Nehalem country will petition the county court to have the rock work on the remaining six miles completed this fall so that the road will be passable during the winter time. The rapid development of the Nehalem country means that much traffic will come over this road and it is considered important that it should be completed. The necessity of the work is realized by the court and if possible they will endeavor to make necessary financial arrangements for the completion of the entire job.

## MISSIONARY TELLS OF KOREA COUNTRY

Rev. and Mrs. Corwin Taylor and family, who spent several weeks in St. Helens at the home of Rev. and Mrs. S. Darlow Johnson, departed Monday by auto for Los Angeles. Rev. Taylor is a brother of Mrs. Johnson and has been engaged in missionary work in Korea for the past fifteen years. It is his first furlough to the United States for 15 years and he was granted a year's furlough by the missionary board of the Methodist church. During the 15 years he has been in Korea that country has undergone a wonderful development, Rev. Taylor states. Big business houses and banks have done their share towards the development and the Japanese have not overlooked the business opportunities. In the town in which he lives there are several hundred English speaking people. His district is the Kongju district, which has a population of a million people and being missionary superintendent he covers the entire district. There are about 3500 Methodist converts in the district and many missionary stations.

The Korean people are easy to deal with and peaceful and the country has many resources which will sooner or later be developed, the missionary said.

## First White House Review in Years



For the first time since the Civil War troops passed in review before the president of the United States recently. There were 5,000 marines of the Marine Corps Expeditionary Force at Quantico, Va. The marines went to the Gettysburg battle ground for their annual maneuvers.

## BRIEF NEWS NOTES OF HOME PEOPLE

Baby Girl Arrives.—The stork visited St. Helens the afternoon of last Friday and left an eight-pound baby girl in the care of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Beeler. The young lady is pleased with St. Helens and her happy parents say she will make her home here.

Edits Breeders Journal.—C. M. Hyskell, who for some years was a resident of the Warren section and managed the Oregon Berkshire farm, is now editor of the Breeders' Journal, which is published in Portland. Mr. Hyskell was at the Jersey picnic at Sunny Bank farm Tuesday renewing former acquaintances.

Carload of Sugar Arrives.—The steamer Multnomah, which arrived in St. Helens Wednesday afternoon, had as part cargo a car load of sugar consigned to the local merchants. The sugar was unloaded on the mill company's docks and in a few hours trucks delivered it to the grocers so they would be prepared for the canning season demand.

From San Francisco.—Miss Leona Perkins of San Francisco, is in St. Helens, the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. F. McCormick. For several years Miss Perkins was employed in the office of the St. Helens Lumber company here and was promoted to a responsible position in the general offices of the Charles R. McCormick company in San Francisco.

Birthday Party.—C. L. Ayres celebrated his eighty-first birthday on Saturday, July 15th by having a number of friends in for a chicken dinner. Mr. Ayres is a G. A. R. veteran and has lived in this section for more than thirty years. Those who accepted the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Ayres were Mrs. L. Hayes, A. H. Tarbell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Briggs and E. E. Quick.

Attends Committee Meet.—Dr. J. H. Flynn, democratic county central committeeman, was in Portland Saturday attending the meeting of the state committee. He said it was a harmonious meeting and the democrats felt confident of winning at the November election. He admits, however, that between now and November the political horizon might undergo a change.

To Florida by Auto.—Mr. and Mrs. George Allen arrived in St. Helens last week from Los Angeles and were guests at the home of Mrs. Allen's uncle, C. H. Thompson. They are traveling by auto to their home in Florida and will visit relatives in Chicago, Grand Rapids, Detroit, Niagara Falls, New York and Washington, D. C. They are carrying a full camping outfit.

Stork Brings Daughter.—Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Huston are thankful to the stork on account of his visit here Tuesday afternoon and the presentation to them of a baby daughter. Mrs. Huston has been in St. Helens for the past several weeks on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Deming, both of whom are happy to have their granddaughter with them.

Two Grass Fires.—Two fire alarms were turned in Wednesday afternoon and the fire department responded promptly. A grass fire across the gulch from Judge Hazen's residence threatened and the firemen extinguished it. The other alarm was on account of a grass fire near the old flour mill site. The fire department did good work and both fires were soon under control without any damage resulting.

Blacksmith Has Partner.—J. L. Chittem, who conducts the St. Helens blacksmith and repair shop, has taken a partner. The new partner arrived in St. Helens, Wednesday, July 19th, and his name is J. L. Chittem, Jr. Although he weighs only 8 1/2 pounds he is that husky that his father feels sure he will make a good workman around the shop. The young man and his mother are getting along nicely.

Appointed Fire Chief.—C. H. Gaffney, foreman of train service for the St. Helens Dock & Terminal company, has been appointed chief of the St. Helens Volunteer Fire department. During the week he has had the boys out for several practice drills and is well pleased with the ability and willingness they demonstrate. With the assistance of the boys, the fire fighting apparatus has been put in first class condition and will be kept in such condition, Mr. Gaffney stated.

Hot in Washington.—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Howe returned to St. Helens last Friday motoring from Spokane. They were in the Kennewick and Palouse sections for several weeks and Mr. Howe said that the weather was extremely warm. The fruit crop in the Kennewick section is almost a failure due to killing frosts which visited that section on May 12. The wheat crop in the Palouse country will be short on account of the long dry spell. The ground is baked hard which accounts for the poor wheat crop, Mr. Howe stated.

Residents of St. Helens and Columbia county visiting Seaside and wishing to know the home and county news can secure THE MIST at MILLOY'S CONFECTIONERY on Broadway.

Some homes are comfortable, and some are kept scrupulously clean.

## CIRCUIT COURT IS IN SESSION

Equity Case Being Heard by Court; Stockholders in Lumber Company Claims Purchaser of Mill Froze Out Small Stockholders.

Circuit court, Judge Eakin presiding, convened Tuesday morning and since that time only one case has been heard and last night all of the evidence had not been introduced. It is probable the case will not be concluded before Saturday afternoon.

The case is that of B. A. Parrish vs. the L. M. Menefee Lumber company. According to the plaintiff's contention he was a stockholder in the Patterson Lumber company which operated a mill near Rainier. He claims that when the company was in financial straits the Menefee company bought up the outstanding claims and also a mortgage of \$20,000 which was held by the Castle Rock bank. The Menefee company, so it is alleged, foreclosed the mortgage and took possession of the property. The plaintiff owned some \$20,000 of stock in the company and he alleges that the defendant company has not given him a fair deal. In his petition he asks that the foreclosure proceedings be set aside.

Evidence of witnesses of the plaintiff attempted to show that the Patterson Lumber company's mill had been used only as a part of the Menefee Lumber company and that the latter company had absorbed all of the profits of the mill company through manipulation of the books and selling logs and lumber to the Menefee company at cost or a loss to the lumber company.

The plaintiff alleges that he was deprived of a portion of his stock in the lumber mill company by trickery and the defendant claims that such was not the case. The plaintiff places many witnesses on the stand to testify in relation to the matter and Thursday forenoon rested its case. The defense then began the examination of its witnesses.

As an indication of how witnesses will have different opinions when testifying for different sides, it might be stated that two former partners of the mill company, both of whom lost out in the deal, were witnesses on opposite sides. One swore that the mill was worth about \$50,000 in 1917. This witness was for the defendant. The other partner, a witness for the plaintiff, swore that the present value of the mill was about \$150,000.

The defense is attempting to show that the Menefee company gave the Patterson Lumber company full price for its logs and lumber but one of their witnesses, a former manager of the mill company, testified that logs of the mill company had been sold to the mill at Burlington, which was operated by the Menefee company. He was positive that the logs had been sold at a profit to the Patterson Lumber company, but could not explain why the company had suffered a loss of \$50,000 in the operation of their properties.

The case is being hotly contested and both sides are represented by able counsel. The defendant company is represented by Carey & Kerr, with Omar Spencer as chief counsel, while the plaintiff has Sheppard and Neal to look out for his interest.

The case of the State vs. A. Warranka was set to be heard today, but in view of the long time it is taking to dispose of the equity case, it is probable that Warranka will not go on trial before Monday. Another jury case will be heard at the conclusion of the Warranka case. It is a suit for a breach of contract.

## FOUR INDICTMENTS BY GRAND JURY

Two Indictments on Forgery Charge, Indicted Men Soon to Be Arranged. Grand Jury Finishes Work Tuesday Afternoon.

The grand jury concluded its work Tuesday afternoon and was dismissed by Judge Eakin. They returned four indictments, C. B. Mana was indicted on two counts on a forgery charge. The state claims he passed forged checks on Joe Ivy and the Clatskanie State bank. Harry Dwyer who is also known by the name of Harry Martin was indicted for an alleged statutory offense. Some time ago he was arrested in Vernonia and brought to St. Helens. He was bound over to the grand jury and admitted to bail. The jury also returned an indictment against Arthur Warranka and he is charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. All of the parties are out on bail. Warranka is also charged with another offense and his trial was set for today, but on account of the court's time being taken up in hearing a civil action, it is probable that his case will not be called before tomorrow or possibly Monday. It is expected that the indicted parties will soon be arraigned before the court and given an opportunity to enter their pleas.

Many a girl had rather wear a bathing suit than go in swimming.