

LOCAL

EVERYBODY WELCOME!

St. Helens Will Be the Host.

Talk to Ross. Columbia County Bank. Subscribers to the celebration fund are requested to pay their subscriptions to the Columbia County Bank.

SAN JOSE SCALE—The early apples being brought into St. Helens are infested with the San Jose scale. It is impossible to do any good work at present, but just as soon as the fruit is off the trees the fruit commissioner for this county should begin a vigorous campaign for the extermination of fruit pests.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. John, of this place, left Wednesday morning for Seaside, to be absent about ten days.

Mr. Wm. Ross and family are moving into the house recently built by Dr. Ross, near the Congregational church, and Mr. Beeler and family will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Ross.

Collections will be remitted for at reasonable rates on day of payment. Columbia County Bank.

The local lodge K. of P. conferred the degree of Knight upon five candidates last Tuesday evening. After the initiation there was a melon feast, in which the new brothers proved fully as capable as the older ones.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES—There will be a special service held in the M. E. church of this city on Sunday next, both morning and evening, in honor of the fifteenth anniversary of the local lodge, I. O. O. F. Rev. Alfred Thompson, of Gresham, will preach, his subject being "The True Foundation of Human Brotherhood." A special invitation has been extended to the members of Houlton Lodge to be present, and all, whether Odd Fellows or not, are cordially invited. In the evening Rev. Thompson will preach on "The Duties of Man." It is hoped there will be a large attendance on both occasions.

We pay interest on deposits. Columbia County Bank.

Fire department No. 2 put out a fire in the sidewalk in front of the court house Wednesday last.

Mr. Lee, representing the Rainier Register, was a visitor to the county seat on Tuesday last.

The recent decision of the Supreme Court, holding that the exemption of household furniture, etc., is unconstitutional, has compelled the assessor to employ additional help, in order to make the necessary corrections on the rolls. Three of the four assessment books have been written, and these will have to be carefully gone over and the exemption restored.

If you are thinking of changing your account, or opening a new one, we will be pleased to confer with you in person or by letter. Columbia County Bank.

Judge Hattan has received the news of the death of his mother, which occurred on Friday last. The Judge recently returned from a trip to the East where he went for the purpose of visiting her in what was then thought might be her last illness.

Mrs. R. A. Magoon, of Gaston, mother of Mrs. T. B. Lott, of this city, died at St. Johns on Sunday last, the body being taken to her old home for interment. She was aged 78 years and six months. Mrs. Magoon came to Oregon from Plainfield, Ia., 20 years ago, and had since made her residence near Gaston. She is survived by four sons and four daughters—Fred, of Plainfield, Ia.; Edward, University Park, Portland; Lowell and Byron, Portland; Mrs. T. B. Lott, St. Helens; Mrs. Ellen Mills, Vernonia; Mrs. Ida Potter, Astoria; Mrs. Fannie Smith, Plainfield, Ia.

COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS—We are glad to open checking accounts with individuals, firms, societies, corporations, and banks, and give careful and prompt attention to all business, whether large or small. Columbia County Bank.

Mr. George Plagg is spending the week at Newport, the guest of Mr. Tam Gatch.

Mr. Sherman Miles left St. Helens Tuesday for Portland, whence he will accompany his mother on a trip to British Columbia, for the benefit of her health.

Miss Edna Harris returned home last Tuesday, after a two months visit with Nehalem friends.

Mr. Harry Popejoy, of Houlton, had his head quite badly injured last week, by being caught in some way between a belt and pulley, while working in Stanwood's mill at Yankton.

Miss Ruth Richardson visited for a few days this week at Warren.

I have money to loan on approved real estate security.

W. H. POWELL, St. Helens, Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith, former residents of this place, are moving from Kalama to Seapooose, where he will be employed as edger man in the Wickstrom mill.

Ons Bus gave himself quite a blow on the forehead last Monday while at work in McKie's quarry. He intended to strike a rock with the point of his hammer, but instead struck it with the blunt end, the result being a rebound that caused the point to come in contact with his forehead.

Mr. H. Henderson has established himself in the real estate business in St. Johns, and advertises in the Msr that he will be pleased to do business for his friends in Columbia County. Mr. Henderson's reputation in this county is sufficient guaranty that those who do business with him will get a square deal. He lived here many years and no man stood higher in public esteem, and especially was this true with those who were most intimately acquainted with him.

At the citizens' meeting last Wednesday night it was decided to furnish to all who attended the cornerstone celebration on Saturday, August 11th, a complete meal, consisting of bread and butter, roast beef and boiled ham, coffee, pies and cake, and barrels of lemonade. There is going to be an abundance for all.

There will be an address by Governor Chamberlain, solo by one of the best vocalists in the State, music by a band of sixteen pieces, a baseball game between Columbia County, Oregon, and Clarke County, Washington, and in the evening two free dances with first-class orchestras.

The people of St. Helens invite every resident of the county, and especially the old pioneers, to be with them on Saturday, August 11th.

All matters entrusted to our care are treated as strictly confidential. Columbia County Bank.

Miss Ada Jenks, of Coon Rapids, Iowa, is visiting her cousin, Mr. Wm. Ross and family, this week. She expects to visit her cousin, Mrs. Stockwell, of Clatskanie, as soon as her visit here is concluded.

Contractor Erickson made a trip to Tenino Sunday, to replace a large stone for the water table of the court house, one having been accidentally broken by being run into by a wagon.

Uncle Joe VanBlaricom went to Portland the first of last week expecting to go to a hospital. He has been ailing more or less all spring and summer. If he gets better he will go to Seattle to visit a sister while out.

A. M. Parker, C. L. Parker and E. R. Throop are putting up a platform scale on the east side for the use of the public. This is a thing that has been needed for a long time, and we hope our citizens will show their appreciation by using it.

Mrs. Hatfield is having a two weeks vacation. Mrs. Clark closed her school last Friday, and Miss Anderson, of the Keasey school, closes hers this week with a picnic in the cool shade of Rock creek, on Friday. Next week several of the teachers hereabouts will go to St. Helens for the examination.

Arthur Nickerson, a lad 12 years old, has been living with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sitts, the past year or two, left last Friday all alone for the home of his father, Orin Nickerson, in Oklahoma.

Lafe Cooper, of Warren, who had been visiting a couple of weeks with Ed Webster, his brother-in-law, received word Friday night by special messenger of the serious illness of one of his children, and left immediately for home. Mrs. Webster, his sister, was already there visiting with the home folks.

Mrs. Geo. Sitts, of upper Rock creek, left Friday last for Vancouver, where she will meet her daughter, Mrs. Dell Potter, and together they will go to Montana for several weeks visit with relatives who live there.

Trains are this week running on the new road from Hillsboro to Buxton, and the whole construction force is now this side of Buxton, pushing things with might and main to get the road completed to the 20-mile station. Meanwhile what is our railroad committee and our people who want the road to come to Vernonia, doing to get the free right-of-way? Remember that what we do must be done quickly. Let us have another mass meeting and compare notes.

Jacob Myers and wife, of Ohio, who have been sojourning at the Rench ranch the past summer, left the first of last week to see some more of Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson went with them to Portland, and they all took a trip up the Columbia to the Dalles. Mr. and Mrs. Myers are at Newport this week visiting old friends, Willard Tucker's family. Possibly they may return here and spend the balance of the summer with us but went prepared to go back to their Ohio home.

The Misses O'Brien, of Portland, are taking an outing in the Nehalem and visiting Mrs. Hosford. The elder Miss O'Brien is a practicing attorney in the city.

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