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LOCAL

BARN FOR RENT—Inquire at this office.

FIRE AT DEER ISLAND—The handsome residence of C. G. Warren, of Deer Island, was destroyed by fire last Thursday, the loss on the building being \$3,000 and on the furniture, including a fine piano, \$2,500. We understand that the insurance on both house and furniture is \$2,500.

Messrs. S. E. Butts, O. D. Hunter, Ernest Gwynne, Geo. Fowler and Frank Shop, of Goble, were county seat visitors on Tuesday last.

Superintendent Copeland returned Tuesday from Chautauqua where he has been camping with his family. From Chautauqua Mrs. Copeland will go to their new home at Albany. Mr. Copeland remaining here to finish up his business as county superintendent.

Jack Black and family are moving into their new cottage home on block 75, lots 2 and 13, on the county road from St. Helens to Houlton.

Mr. Russell Sewall, of the Portland law firm of Gilmer & Sewall, was a visitor to St. Helens Tuesday, summoned as a witness in the Benson tax case.

Blodgett Co., the O. K. Logging Company, the Western Timber Company, John West and the Benson L. & L. Co. have been in court this week, and in the Benson and Blodgett cases the greater part of the testimony has been taken. The contention is generally that the timber has been overvalued by the assessor, but in some instances fault is found with the cruise. Some of the cases will be continued until the fall term. District Attorney Tongue and Deputy Powell are conducting the defense for the county, while the timbermen are represented by Covert & Stapleton, Wilson, Wood & Lithicum and Couch Flanders.

Mr. A. Wiman, of Reuben, has sold his farm of 105 acres to Frank Kosher, recently of Cowlick County, for \$8,500. The farm is known as the R. R. Foster place, and is a choice piece of bottom land. Mr. Kosher will devote his property to dairying, for which it is peculiarly suited.

Mrs. H. R. Cliff and daughter Hilda left Wednesday morning for Vancouver, B. C., where they will take the steamer Marama for Honolulu, the Fiji Islands and Sidney (New South Wales) where she will visit her parents and relatives for several months. Dr. Cliff and Kenneth accompany them as far as Vancouver, returning Sunday.

THE FIRST STATEMENT—The first public statement of the financial condition of the Columbia County Bank, since its incorporation, appears in the columns of the Mist this week. Read and analyze it carefully and you cannot fail to be convinced that we have an institution that is fully worthy of the confidence of the people who desire a safe place of deposit for their funds or a safe and capable agency through which to transact their business. Its directors are men in whom the people have confidence and its conservative method of doing business insures its stability.

The Mist returns sincere thanks to the Rainier Review people for their kindness last week in printing the Mist. Owing to a breakdown of our old Prouty we were compelled to call upon our Rainier friends for assistance, and they did everything necessary to enable us to print on our publication day, though too late to get the mail to our subscribers at the usual time. We hope we will never be called upon to reciprocate in exactly the same way. Our offer of pay was promptly turned down, even the little detail refusing to accept compensation.

Clover hay for sale.
C. J. LARSON, Warren

Mr. John Phillips mailed last Tuesday to his wife in Blue Hill, Maine, a small box of cherries from the yard of Richard Cox. The cherries were of the Bonbon and Royal Anne varieties, and, if they arrive at their destination in good shape they will be a surprise to the Maine people.

The run of salmon this week has been unusually good, averaging probably eight tons daily, and putting in circulation approximately \$90 per day.

Mr. W. B. Dillard and family started Wednesday for the Nehalem Valley, where they expect to enjoy themselves camping upon the banks of Rock Creek.

Mrs. Deming and Mrs. Day will give a tea at the Day home on Saturday afternoon July 18th for the benefit of Christ Church Guild.

OBITUARY.

DEED—At Oskaloosa, Iowa, July 2nd, 1908, Mrs. Margaret A. Wickersham, a native daughter and pioneer, aged 40 years 1 month and 17 days. She was born in Columbia County, Oregon, May 15th, 1859, and was the daughter of D. A. and Susan R. Cloninger (deceased) who crossed the plains with an ox team from Tennessee in 1847. She was married to Edgar Wickersham in Scappoose, Oregon, November 24, 1895. Mrs. Wickersham was a devoted Christian, a loving



MRS. MARGARET WICKERSHAM

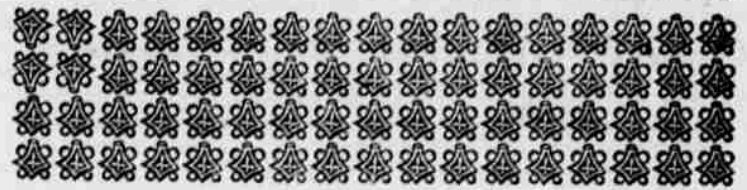
wife and mother, beloved by all who knew her. Her death was a sad bereavement to her husband, children, brothers and sisters, and friends, many of whom knew her from childhood. She was interred in Riverview cemetery, Portland, Oregon, July 7th, 1908, all relatives being present at the funeral except one brother in Canada. Her husband and four children survive her: Mrs. Mary Abbott, of Knappa, Oregon; Allen O. Vaughn, George N. McKenzie and Margaret Wist, of Scappoose; one daughter, Ella Vaughn, deceased. Also five grand children, three brothers and two sisters: Mrs. R. J. Frakes, T. A. Cloninger, and Mrs. Emmett Stevens, of Scappoose; J. S. Cloninger, of Kalama, Washington, and D. A. Cloninger, Everett, Alberta, Canada.

OF MAJONIC INTEREST—Among the possessions of Patrick Hughes, who recently died at Deer Island, was found a copy of the first printed by-laws of St. Helens Lodge No. 32, A. F. and A. M. It is supposed to be the only one in existence. From it we extract the following information: "On the 2nd day of March, A. L. 5860, St. Helens Lodge, U. D., held its first meeting in the town of St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, under a dispensation from M. W. Grand Master Armory Holbrook. On the 16th day of September, A. L. 5862, the Grand Lodge of Oregon granted the lodge a charter; and on the 4th day of November, A. L. 5862 St. Helens Lodge No. 32 was dedicated to the holy St. John as a legally chartered lodge of F. and A. M., by Bro. John McCracken, R. W. D. G. M., assisted by Bro. A. Walling, acting Grand Marshal. The first officers of the lodge were: J. G. Hunter, W. M.; C. H. Reed, S. W.; Wm. Watts, J. W.; P. Laffer, Treasurer; P. A. Fowler, secretary; Wm. Hutchison, S. D.; D. Purlunn, J. D.; W. L. Wickle, Tyler.

A STRANGE FIND—One of the fishermen, on Wednesday last, saw a telescope floating in the river, and, on opening it, found a wooden box inside and in the box was a dead Armadillo, a very peculiar animal, whose habitat is tropical South America. There was nothing on the box to indicate the owners' name, but it is supposed some sailor was bringing it home, and, it dying, he threw it overboard. It could not have been dead long, for it was in good condition.

DEATH OF MRS. MILLER—Flora, wife of State Senator M. A. Miller, died at her home in Lebanon on Monday last of cancer. Her death has a local interest from the fact that several here were acquainted with her and that her daughter Juanita was recently married to Sherman Miles, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Miles of this place. She was a most estimable and kindly woman, and her loss will be greatly felt by the husband and daughter who survive her.

Additional local items will be found



GREETING

TO THE READERS OF THE OREGON MIST

I have spared no expense in my preparations to receive you, and after many annoying but unavoidable delays am able to announce that on

**MONDAY
JULY 20**

I will open my new General Merchandise Store in St. Helens, in the building recently occupied by the Columbia County Bank.

**NEW STORE
NEW GOODS**

And a new man, who is anxious to secure your patronage and will do everything consistent with good business methods to accomplish that purpose. I claim to have the finest stock of goods in all lines ever brought to this county.

J. H. WELLINGTON

ST. HELENS, OREGON.



COLUMBIA COUNTY BANK

INCORPORATED

DOES A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS

PRINCIPAL CO RESPONDENTS:

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Portland, Ore.
U. S. NATIONAL BANK, Portland, Ore.
HANOVER NATIONAL BANK, New York

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the Condition of the Bank at the Close of Business, June 30th, 1908.

RESOURCES:	LIABILITIES:
Loans and Discounts.....\$25,349 30	Capital stock paid up.....\$10,000 00
Warrants.....11,050 50	Deposits subject to check.....61,269 89
Furniture and Fixtures.....600 00	Demand Certificates.....4,600 71
Buildings and Lots.....1,900 00	Time Certificates.....10,284 94
Overdrafts.....189 70	
Cash Due from Nat'l Banks...47,066 04	
	86,155 54

Officers—Wm. M. Ross, President and Cashier; Edwin Ross, Vice President; A. L. Stone, Assistant Cashier.

Directors—Wm. M. Ross, President; M. White, Secretary; J. H. Wellington, Treasurer.

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Great Reduction of 25 Per Cent

On all Dry Goods and Dress Goods, Ladies' and Men's Shoes and Hats. On everything except Staple Groceries. We must reduce our stock, and in order to move it rapidly we make this unparalleled offer. An opportunity never before given in Columbia County. No reserves in these lines. Come at once and secure the pick of our great stock.

500 TONS OF HAY WANTED

Large Stock of Shingles on hand. In our Grocery Line we carry the very best of goods and we also handle Flour, Feed, Furniture, Hardware. Compare our prices with any and all of our competitors.

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