

ROUND TOWN

First-class watch repairing at Von A. Gray's.
H. B. Duncun of Warren was a caller at the Mist office last Wednesday.
Mr. George W. Vogel of Rainier was a Sunday visitor to St. Helens.
Watchmaker and Jeweler. Don't forget that Von A. Gray carries a first class line.
City lots, including some choice view points. Wm. M. Ross.
Mr. Clarence Masten, who was recently injured in a logging camp accident, returned from the hospital at Portland last Saturday.
The number of school children in this district (No. 2), as shown by the recent census, is 247.
Bedroom for rent at reasonable price. Inquire at this office.

A BARGAIN—Five six-room house and one acre of land for sale cheap. Call on Columbia County Abstract & Trust Co.
Sixteen lots in one tract in St. Helens for sale dirt cheap for a few days. Only \$500 for the bunch. This is like finding money. Inquire of George H. Shinn.

TAKEN UP—At Kelvin Grove Farm, on December 7th, a Chester White boar, weighing about 250 pounds. Owner can have the same by calling on A. H. Brown, foreman, paying damages and for this advertisement.

Mrs. J. W. Allen and son Tommy are spending the holidays with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sain, at Gaston, Washington County.

BIG MONEY—We want an agent in every town; salary and commission; reference required; for full particulars, address subscription Dept., National Sportsman, Inc., 75 Federal St., Boston, Mass.

Jewelry at Von A. Gray's—We buy in large quantities and are able to sell at smaller prices than the other fellow. James Muckle & Son.

This is not Southern California, yet it worth noticing that enough ripe raspberries for a single breakfast could be picked in Mr. Laws patch, and roses are in bloom in a number of yards.

Mr. Wm. Ross is in receipt of a letter from his brother, Dr. Edwin Ross, who, with his family, is spending the winter at Redlands, California. The doctor is greatly enjoying the mild climate and his health is improving.

The benefit ball at the city hall last Saturday was a grand success in every particular. A good sum was made from it and everyone who attended had a fine time.

Letters unclaimed at the St. Helens postoffice for the week ending December 17th: Matt O'Connor, J. D. Pain, A. L. Seaver. Letters not called for by December 31st will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

If you don't buy Devoe Paints, you don't get the best. A complete line at Gerdes, Oasis Park.

Thrift is a simple thing but it means much to old age if you practice it now. Ask the Columbia County Bank. 4 per cent earned on time certificates of deposit.

E. A. Rotger took a vacation this week and left for his home in California to stay with his folks until after the holidays, when he will be back in St. Helens to take up his electrical work where he left off.

When you are down town look in at Von A. Gray's window display.

For pure, sweet cider drop a line to Chas. R. Ruhl, box 103, St. Helens, Oregon.

TAKEN UP—At my premises, October 14th, one red steer, weight about 400. Owner can have same by paying expenses and advertising. Gus Skuzie, Warren, Oregon.

Lots of new patterns in linoleum at Muckle's.

WOOD SAWING—Anyone wanting wood saved please leave orders at the Oregonia Hotel and they will be promptly attended to at reason able rates.

HARRY HAGAN—Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Ruhl of Ingleside Farm were in Portland for a few days visiting their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Ruhl.

E. F. Cole, the superintendent of the electric company, left for San Francisco on the Yosemite last Wednesday to spend the holidays at home.

Save the coupons and vote them at the Mist office for the most popular young lady in Columbia County. I mean a fine lot in Railroad Addition for some young lady.

W. T. Evans was a passenger on the steam schooner Yosemite last Wednesday, bound for Sacramento to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Evans, who is visiting her parents at Post place.

Don't forget the dance in the city hall to be given by Avon Lodge, No. 2, K. of P. T. is the third annual ball given by the local Knights, in fall we were fortunate enough to attend the two former ones will certainly be at this one.

A. E. Thompson, sheriff elect, will go into office the first of the year, has moved his household goods to this place and one of the houses of Mr. Gilson is being fixed up for his occupancy. Mrs. Thompson was here the first of the week, and is very much pleased with the appearance of St. Helens.

Avon Lodge, No. 62, Knights of Pythias, entertained their friends at an informal Five Hundred party last Tuesday night. The first prize was won by Ada George, while Frank George carried off the booby, which was a life-sized picture of a government mule. After the card playing light refreshments were served. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, and reflects great credit on the committee of arrangements, which was made up of E. T. Ballagh and W. J. Pullerton.

BIG SHIP LOADING

The Whole McCormick Fleet of Four Steam Schooners Due in the River After the First of the Year
The St. Helens Mill Company is running their mill until 9 o'clock every night now in order to load the big ship Poltalloch and still have some lumber on hand for the boats that are due here in the near future. The Poltalloch is a big square rigger and will take 1,000,000 from the mill company's dock, mostly in large timbers, and all bound for ports in South Africa. A good sized crew of longshoremen are engaged in the work of loading her.

The large Amy Turner left the tie hoist last Wednesday, bound for San Francisco with a cargo of about 1,000,000 feet of railroad ties. The Turner is a big boat, but has no engines and must be towed.

Very shortly after the first of the year the entire fleet of the McCormick Company will be in the river. It consists of the steam schooners Klamath, Shoshone, Yellowstone and Yosemite. The Yellowstone left here last Wednesday with a cargo of about 600,000 feet and will return as soon as she discharges in California. Some of the boats will not be able to load at this place on their return as the mill cannot supply them all, but will be loaded at some of the mills on the lower river.

FIVE MILLS CITY TAX

Common Council Decides that at Least That Much Will be Necessary for the Coming Year

The City Council held their first meeting in the new hall last Monday night, and despite the fact that the stove pipe fell down and the quarters were anything but comfortable they transacted considerable business.

Several bills were allowed and several did not meet with the approval of the finance committee and were laid on the table.

M. Saxon applied to the council for permission to take a hundred feet of the rubber fire hose to a point on Casenan street, near several residences, which permission was granted.

The assessed valuation of the property in the City of St. Helens for the year 1911 is \$540,920, and the Council decided that a levy of five mills would be necessary to meet all expenses and at the same time make a substantial payment on city's indebtedness. The taxes and revenue from other sources will bring in a total sum of over \$5000.

COLD COMFORT

Furnished the Traveling Public at Rainier Depot

If you want a cool reception step into the passenger depot of the A. & C. at Rainier one of these December mornings and wait until the agent gets ready to open the window and take your money. He won't be in any hurry about it, as he knows its a cinch that he will get it. If you were in a store of any kind they would try to make you as comfortable as possible, and this is the case in most railroad depots. But at Rainier its different. The shivering patron of the road can look through the windows and see the employes of the office sitting in a warm room, but there is no warmth for the people who help pay their salaries. There is a good stove in the waiting-room, and probably the road furnishes fuel. If it does not, then this little talk goes for the higher-ups instead of the agent. Whoever is to blame, it is outrageous that there should be no fire in the waiting room of the Rainier depot as cold as it was last Sunday morning.

You ought to save money. You owe it to yourself to protect yourself against a poor old age. Save today what you can. The Columbia County Bank will show you how. Pays 4 per cent on time certificates of deposit

JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

Organize a Young Toughs Society and Rob a Store

Merle Lane, Seraphineas De Rock, George Turner, Ernest Lane and Percy Melis were brought before Judge Dart on Friday last, charged with burglarizing the store of McCauley & Sibet at Mist, and taking therefrom sums of money and articles of value. The boys had robbed the store several times and had banded themselves together in a society known as the Young Toughs Society, pledged to secrecy in regard to its acts. The oldest of the boys is 14 and the youngest 11. The testimony showed that De Rock was the first one to burglarize the store, Merle Lane standing guard for him. The Turner boy and Lane and De Rock robbed the store on several other occasions. The other two boys were not implicated in the robberies. Merle Lane, Seraphineas De Rock, but were permitted to go home on parole, their parents promising to keep strict control of them and report their conduct monthly to the County Judge. Ernest Lane was released with a censure, while Percy Melis, whose conduct seems the least blameable, and who is only 12 years old, was permitted to go without any action other than fatherly advice from the Judge.

John A. Label, a partner in the store, made the complaint, which comes under the Delinquency Act, creating the Juvenile Department of the County Court, and is the first experience of Judge Dart in such matters.

HAPPY COUPLES

Several Couples Decide That They Want to Pass Christmas Together

As usual there were a number of young hopefuls who applied at the County Clerk's office to get the permits necessary to become man and wife at Christmas time. Up to noon Wednesday they numbered three couples and the prospects are very good for several more.

Frances Caldwell of this county and R. Gartner Bond of Multnomah took out a glory ticket on the 17th.

Frances Anna Goleen of Columbia County and James L. Gilliam of Multnomah are also on their way.

Eva B. Drury and Wm. R. Buffon were granted a license on the 19th.

Butcher's Outfit for Sale Cheap

Dayton computing scale, grinders, knives, saws, cleavers, etc. A bargain for cash, or will trade for anything of value. Inquire at this office.

OPPORTUNITY FOR INVESTORS—The Noon estate, one of the finest pieces of farm property in Oregon, is now on the market, and will be sold in tracts to purchasers. It is located at Warren, and the selling agent is Mr. H. J. Southard. This property is bound to increase rapidly in value, and of course those who come first are bound to secure the most desirable tracts. A hundred settlers can be placed on small farms and the smaller the subdivisions the better for the prosperity of this community.

We are sorry to learn of the sickness of Mr. N. A. Perry, formerly of Houlton. Mr. Perry is President of the Oregon Retail Grocers' Association, and has been doing a great deal of hard work recently in the interest of that organization.

The best way to insure a safe and steady income for your old age is to save now. Ask The Columbia County Bank. 4 per cent earned on time certificates of deposit.

WOOD AND HAY FOR SALE—Fir cordwood at \$3.50 per cord in Houlton or \$3.75 in St. Helens, apply to or write Wm. Skuzie, Warren. Bachelor Flat telephone.

'XMAS Shoppers

Will do well to call at this store before making any selections of presents. Without doubt we have a line that will please you.

And dont forget that we are now in our new store and better equipped than ever to handle your business. Drop in today.

WHITE & WHITE

HOULTON - ORE.

The Mist's Contest

Railroad Addition the Best Buy

We do not claim that St. Helens will be as large as Portland, but what we do claim is this:

St. Helens will have 5000 people in three years. St. Helens will have a new manufacturing plant on the north within 18 months.

St. Helens will have something else shortly. It now has a payroll of \$2500 per day. There is no town of 1200 people in the State with half as large a payroll.

Building improvements for the last year were \$100,000, not counting our \$50,000 water system.

We do not hesitate to say the year 1911 will double the present year for improvements.

Non-residents are buying St. Helens property. Why? Because they appreciate good investments.

An abstract will be furnished with each lot sold. For further information apply to

St. Helens Improvement Company,
A. T. LAWS, Treasurer and Agent.

A \$100 LOT GIVEN AWAY BY THE OREGON MIST

Lot 4, block 6, 50x100, in Railroad Addition to St. Helens, will be given away to the Most Popular Young Lady in Columbia County, to be decided by the number of votes cast prior to March 1, 1911. Each coupon clipped from the Mist counts 3 votes. Each new yearly subscription counts 150 votes if sent in before January 1, 1911. Each six months subscription counts 75 votes. The subscription price is \$1 per year. After January 1, 1911, it will be \$1.50 per year, and the number of votes will be reduced one-third. Pick out your contestants and SUBSCRIBE NOW. When you subscribe be sure to give plainly the name of the young lady for whom you wish to vote. If you prefer another lot you have your choice at the same price, or you can apply the purchase price of this lot on any other lot in Railroad Addition.

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MAMIE HASLAM

In the Great Laughing Success, "David Harum," at the New Theatre, Wednesday evening, December 28th.

BIG SHOW COMING

One of the finest attractions to appear in the local opera house is Mamie Haslam and a strong supporting company in "David Harum."

There are very few indeed who are not familiar with the famous story of David Harum. Miss Haslam is supported by an excellent company, including the eminent character actor, Mr. G. Reynolds. His quaint conception of the worldly-wise David Harum has won him a most

enviable place among the younger character actors of the present generation.

Miss Haslam possesses a most charming personality and her well-known name is certain to attract theatre goers.

A beautiful scenic production will be given "David Harum," and twelve clever players will present this grand old gem of the stage.

Seats will be on sale at Watkins' candy store. Special prices have been arranged at 50, 35 and 25 cents.