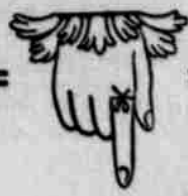


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Does St. Helens need a new school building? It behooves every parent, every resident, and every taxpayer to give this question serious consideration before the annual school election, Monday, July 10th. This is a question in which is involved the welfare of the boys and girls of this town, and vicinity. This is not a matter of individual, or personal enterprise; but it concerns every man woman and child, directly or indirectly, in and about St. Helens. It is not a matter that should in anywise be considered, or connected, with the exploitation of any private interests whatever it is primarily and solely a matter of education. The question that is before the people of this community is, are the educational facilities in St. Helens at this time, what they ought to be? Is the school plant, grounds, building, equipments, etc. sufficient for our present educational requirements? Are our boys and girls here given as good educational opportunities as we can give them at this time? Are the boys and girls of St. Helens having as good a chance to obtain an education as boys and girls in other like communities are having? If we cannot answer these questions in the affirmative, would the erection of a new school building help to solve the problem?

It seems to me that this is an opportune time for the erection of a new school building, for several reasons; one is that more room is needed than we have in the old building at the present; there are only four rooms in the old building and five teachers have been engaged to teach here next winter, and if the population increases as we hope it shall within the next year or two, there ought to be from six to eight teachers in the elementary and grammar school. It does not seem that it would be a wise policy to add to the present building; is a poorly arranged building for school purposes, besides the ground upon which the present building stands is entirely too small for school purposes no good school plant can be provided without ample grounds for children to play on; the best lessons they get in school, in selfgovernment and democracy are learned upon the well regulated play ground; no school can be complete without ample play grounds. Secondly, St. Helens ought to be able soon to have a high school. Many towns in the state not any larger than St. Helens are maintaining good high schools; other in this county are doing good high school work, from which young men and young women go each year to some of our institutions of higher learning. The present building is entirely too small for both the grammar and high school.

The modern farm, store, mill, factory, etc., must be equipped with the latest and best machinery in order to be operated successful in these days; and so the school of to-day needs the most modern school machinery for the best and most efficient operation.

In view of the fact that more school room is already needed and that still more will be needed for high school work within the next year or two, and also

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that a tract of land of about ten acres has been offered for school uses, it seems that every parent and every other person interested in the education of the boys and girls of this community, would be in favor of a new building. However, this is a question that the people of the district must decide for themselves and it ought to have a serious consideration.

J. H. COLLINS.

At the last meeting of the Council an ordinance to restrict saloons to the blocks where the business of the town is at present located was voted down, Councilman Philip being the only one to vote for its final passage. The only object at present in turning this down is to leave the field open for the securing of a license for the new building in the west part of the town. If the owner thinks for a minute that the killing of this ordinance gives him a chance to get a license to conduct a saloon there he is mistaken. The ordinance was a good one, and should have passed. Saloons must be regulated, and there should be something in the ordinance to keep them in a bunch, so that the regulation can more easily be had. But to allow one to open up in a lonely place, away from the business part of town and where the proprietor would have the opportunity to run any kind of a house that he desired, would be a folly that St. Helens will not be guilty of.

**NOTICE**

The garbage wagon will make a round of the city on Monday, June 26th, and will be at work until the city is cleaned up, making the rounds there-after each week. Residents are required to have rubbish, etc., ready for removal.

MARTIN WHITE Mayor