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RAINIER WINS

And somebody had the nerve, after it was all over, to say that we broke even just because we won one and lost one! The first game was with the Felida team, who had arrived with all of Felida at their heels and the entire crew from Hungry Harbor to root for them. This ball team was supposed to be some class, as they have played thirteen straight games without a defeat, and for the past month or two there has been some enthusiastic fishermen in the grand stand at every game who would take every chance to tell the locals to "Just wait until Felida comes over." They have a good ball team for a settlement of about a hundred souls.

Stevens was on the mound for the locals, while McIrvin heaved for the visitors. The game only went for five innings, and when it was all over the score stood 5 to 0. Stevens pitched a beautiful game and had the visitors on his hip all of the time. The feature in this game was a homer by Porth in the fourth inning with two men on bases.

But this game was just a curtain raiser, and the main event, that game with Rainier was to follow. Things opened with long, lean, lank, hungry "Windy" Winterbotham on the mound for Rainier, while Porth was heading St. Helens. As usual Joe Thompson was the first man to face Porth, and was out, Brakke to Austin. Yett hit safe to left field, but tried to stretch it into two bases and was caught at second. Lodell was out Briggs to Austin. Austin and Laws struck out for St. Helens and Brakke was out Groce to Lodell.

In the second Rainier put their first one across. McDonald was out Brakke to Austin, but Grannigan was hit by the pitcher, and stole second and third. Wilde was out Porth to Austin, but when Groce laid down a slow roller Porth went after it and threw it away, allowing Grannigan to score. Present No. 1.

St. Helens also got one in the second. Briggs was the first man at bat, and went out. McDonald to Lodell. Serr hit safely, but Owens fled out to Thompson, while Serr stole second, and then stole third, going on home when Groce booted the throw to catch him. Perry ended the inning by striking out.

It was in the third that the awful disaster came. Winterbotham was the first man at bat, and Briggs booted a fast grounder and let him on. Thompson was out on a long fly to Stevens. Winterbotham went to second on a passed ball and took third on another. Yett was hit by the pitcher, and stole second. Lodell was hit by the pitcher, and McDonald worked Porth for a walk, and forced in Winterbotham. Grannigan hit for two bases and scored Yett and Lodell. Wilde struck out and Groce was out, Laws to Austin.

In the third three of the boys got on. But could we score? Not a chance. In the fourth there was nothing doing for the visitors, but Owens hit safely, but was forced at second by Perry who was safe at first, and stole second, going on to third on the wild throw that Colvin made to catch him, and scoring on Steven's hit. Austin was hit by the pitcher, and Laws was out to Lodell.

In the sixth there was two on and none down, and a fine chance to tie the score again, but there was a jinks some where around and nothing happened. In the eighth Rainier scored two more on two errors and a hit. In the locals half of the eighth it looked as though we would surely catch up. Owens started things with a safe one, for three sacks, Porth walked, and Perry got on when they tried to catch Sam at the plate. Stevens was safe on an error by Lodell. Three men on and none down. Yes, everybody yelled until they were hoarse. Austin struck out. Laws was out to Grannigan. Brakke was out Groce to Lodell. Good night. The ninth was uneventful.

The Clatskanie team will be here next Sunday for the third game with St. Helens this year. The locals have trimmed them twice, but it must be admitted that we have had the luck on our side when we did it. But there is a good sized chance that the game Sunday will go the same way, and whether it does or not there will be a good game. The boys from down the river play all home guard, and have the best team of this variety in this county. The championship of the county however, is all up in the air, and will be settled at the tournament if there is one. Rainier has defeated St. Helens two out of three, Clatskanie has defeated Rainier two out of three, and St. Helens has taken two from Clatskanie without a defeat. See next Sunday's game at this place.

FOR SALE—
One yearling filly. One three inch narrow tire wagon, carriage and harness, a large barrel churn.

R. S. FAXON, Houlton.

THE ROADS OF THE COUNTY

While there has undoubtedly been great progress made in this county in the past few years in getting good roads, there is no getting around the fact that the getting of good roads is still the most important of all things in settling the large tracts of land that are undeveloped. It takes a lot of nerve to go into a county and try to improve and develop a place several miles from a railroad station or other transportation facilities without a good wagon road out. And that is the reason that this county is not far ahead to day of numerous counties that have outstripped us in growth and population.

There are several districts that have voted special taxes for years and that are now fairly well fixed in the matter of good roads, the three districts at this end of the county, with perhaps one or two of the districts along the river front farther north, being the leaders. The Nehalem Valley districts are on the right track, and when there is any money voted for road purposes over there the people of the county realize that twice the amount is added to the value of their place. The old pancheon roads are being torn up and gravel put on, and in the course of the next few years if the people in the valley continue on the course that they have taken there will be roads easy to travel the year round in that section.

In the building of new roads an important matter to consider is as to whether the new road will open up a good territory. And it is well to always remember that if the course which the road will take is not at the time of its building thickly settled, there is every probability that as soon as the new road is put in there will be more settlers. There is no section of the county that needs a road more than that between here and Pittsburg. The upper valley people now have to go out by way of Clatskanie, and as they are nearly always bound for the county seat or Portland they lose a large amount annually in railroad fares that would be saved if there was a good road from the Nehalem to this end of the county. Besides there is the time that it takes, amounting to a day on nearly every trip out. Then there is another thing to consider. The roads to Baxton and out through Washington County are being improved yearly, and if the road from the Valley to St. Helens is not put through in the course of the next year or two Columbia County will lose this trade altogether, as a man bound for a place to do his buying will not make a hard drive of 25 miles in a direction directly away from his market if he can help it.

Around Trenholm and on the holdings of the Western Co. there are a large number of families settling at the present time, and there are a number of bad places in the road from here out to their new locations. When the road is fixed that far it should be extended on the other ten miles or so to the Nehalem. The making of this road would rank next in importance to the residents of the Nehalem Valley to the coming of the railroad that they have so long looked for, and which will, of course, be a reality in the future.

Blocks 14 & 15 on North side of Nigger Creek will be placed on the market by J. B. Godfrey, building restrictions will be placed at \$1200, and 15 feet from the street line. For lots in these blocks see J. B. Godfrey or Geo. H. Shinn.

Last Monday morning the proprietor of the Favorite boat house in Portland phoned to Marshal Wilkins to be on the lookout for a man in a small row boat that had been rented from him, and who had not brought it back. Some of the fishermen saw this man rowing by Sun-night and Monday the boat was found turned bottom side up on the beach this side of Columbia City. The owner of the boat came down and got it, but there is nothing known as to whether the man was drowned or took the boat ashore and left it. The wind was blowing a gale that night, and it is possible that he was tipped out in the middle of river and the boat drifted ashore.

The Str. America was on the Rainier-Portland run for several days last week, taking the Iralda's place while the regular boat was on the dry dock, undergoing an overhauling. The Stranger took the America's place on the Willamette Slough run.

The Scappoose State Bank building is rapidly nearing completion, and when done it will have the distinction of being the only strictly fire proof building in the county. This bank is making a hit, and there business is naturally increasing every day. The officers are a set of men whose ability as bankers has been proven, and with a country like the Scappoose territory for a field they are bound to make a success of the new institution.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Eugene Blakesley and children were visitors to the big circus at Portland last week.

Mr. D. A. Elliott was a Portland visitor on Friday last.

Mr. W. E. Schimpff, of Astoria, was a St. Helens visitor on Monday last.

W. M. Ross paid a business visit to Scappoose last Friday.

A. L. Stone was a business visitor to Portland the latter part of last week.

County Clerk H. E. LaBare was a Portland visitor on Saturday last.

Rooms—for rent in the Miles residence. Large and comfortable, by week, month or transient.

Miss Myrtle Sears, of Portland, is visiting this week at the residence of M. C. Gray.

Joe Medley was one of the many Columbia County people to go to Portland last week to see the big circus.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Rutherford and family visited Portland in Mr. Rutherford's automobile last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Austin came down to the ball game with a number of friends in the big new Buick.

Mr. Holcomb of Portland, visited over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dillard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris and Miss Edna Harris left for Seaside last Saturday morning. Mr. Harris returned on the evening train Monday.

Wagon for Sale—
Good for farm work and in good condition. Inquire of A. B. Swift, Warren, Oregon.

Ladies Aid will serve supper, Friday at 5 o'clock at the Guild Hall. Sandwiches, salad, cake, coffee and ice cream 25 cents.

E. I. Ballagh spent a couple of days in Portland last week, Peter Brakke acting as captain of the Triton in his absence.

Mrs. Della Jones visited with friends at this place over Sunday. Mrs. Jones formerly had a class of piano pupils at this place.

Dr. L. G. Ross will leave here on Monday for a vacation trip to the East and through Yellowstone Park. During his absence Dr. Edwin Ross will be found at his office.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Moese, of Portland, were visitors to this city last Sunday. They own some land near Warren, and were at that place also, returning to Portland on the Sunday evening train.

A. B. Swift, Vincent Grewell, Dennis Duncan, Walter Bacon, John Beaver, John Lochmiller and Bill Hammer, of Warren attended the ball game here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Thompson left here last Friday afternoon bound for San Francisco, for a stay of a week or ten days. Mr. Thompson is a delegate from the Clatskanie Order of Eagles to the National convention to be held in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Muckle returned last Sunday morning from their trip to Tillamook. They made the long drive without mishap, and had a splendid time. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Muckels and Miss Agnes Muckle accompanied them.

E. E. Quick returned last Saturday evening from a trip to Mountindale, Washington County. They went over and back by horse and buggy, and had a fine time. Mr. Quick says he met many of his old friends and had some fine fishing on the way.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Masten were Portland visitors by the morning train last Saturday. Mr. Masten says they went up to get a tooth pulled, but Mrs. Masten owned up that it was to go to the circus.

The rock crusher and engine was shipped to Goble on the freight train last Monday morning. There will be a considerable improvement on the Goble roads by the time that they are returned to this place. Fritz Anliker, the Goble supervisor, came up to help get the machinery ready, and Jack Spain went down with him.

E. E. Quick, J. H. Wellington, A. J. Deming, Eugene Blakesley, Oswald Deming and Lester Wellington left here Sunday evening for a camping trip. They expected to spend a few days on the upper Clatskanie and in the Nehalem Valley, and have promised all their friends a mess of trout and some fine venison.

Some second hand furniture, including stoves, cupboard, bed and springs, etc. for sale cheap. Inquire at this office.

One working team for sale or trade for lots in St. Helens. Inquire at the first office, St. Helens.

Don't forget that Columbia County is to have an exhibit at the State Fair and that it should be among the best in Oregon. If you have anything that is worth exhibiting lay it aside and tell the Fair Commissioner about it.

And what about that fire department? Is it impossible to get an active company organized? It ought not to be so much more difficult here than elsewhere. In Rainier there are a bunch of the boys that take great pride in the way they can get a stream of water playing on a fire.

Christ Kastanis, a Greek in the employ of the St. Helens Mill Company, was the victim of an accident last Wednesday morning that may result in the loss of a leg. He was working on the wood saw when the saw arbor gave way and the saw lacerated his leg in bad shape. Dr. Ross done all that was possible for the man, and he was taken to the hospital on the nine o'clock train within a short time after being hurt.

J. A. Watson and J. D. McKay, of Scappoose, were business visitors to Portland last Friday. Mr. Watson is pretty busy just now figuring out the best way to go about getting a road into place near the Multnomah County line.

He has about 300 acres of fine land, and believes in road building, and not only for himself but every one else. He certainly has the right idea as to what it takes to settle up a country.

WANTED—Man to cut wood on shares Location one mile N. W. of St. Helens, Address C. S. RUHL, St. Helens Ore.

In the last issue of the Northwest Farmstead, published by the Orange Judd Company, there is a resume of the crop conditions in the State and the following is said of Columbia County: "Heavy cut of vetch and clover hay now stored. Yield well up in quality. Winter wheat harvested average good crop. Spring wheat and oats trifle below normal. On the whole, farmers are prospering."

One day last week a Chinaman got on the Iralda at one of the landings on the other side of the river, and the chink was bound in a straight line for the old land of chop suey and noodles. He had not stayed in this land as long as he wanted to, but a call from his relatives forced him to leave at once, his father having died and he being the head of the family as a result. He had made money here and wanted to stay but there was no chance. And then he had enough to make him a rich man in China. The letter he received was in heathen Chinese, and looked as though the only chance to read it was to stand on your head.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held September 16th, 1911, in the City of St. Helens, Oregon, and certain districts on its northerly boundary as hereinafter described to vote on the question of annexing the following described and bounded territory to the City, to-wit:
Beginning at a point where the center line of the N. P. R. R. Co.'s right of way crosses the northerly line of the H. M. Knights D. L. C. in Tps. 4 and 5 N R 1 W W M, thence northerly following the center line of said R R right of way to a point due west of a tract of land described in book 11 at page 559 of Record of Deeds for Columbia County, Oregon, thence east to the southwesterly corner of said tract, thence S 60 degrees 15 minutes, E 5 chains; thence N 56 degrees 45 minutes, E 18 72-100 chains; thence S 6 degrees 50 minutes E 176 3-10 feet to northerly line of a tract of land described in O at page 382 Record of Deeds of Columbia County, Oregon. Thence N 71 degrees 30 minutes E to center of Columbia River, thence S 17 degrees 10 minutes E 10 chains, thence S 71 degrees and 30 minutes W to N E corner of the H. M. Knight D L C. Thence S 71 degrees 30 minutes W following northerly line of said H. M. Knight D L C to the place of beginning.

The election to be held within the City of St. Helens, Oregon, at the City Hall.

The election to be held in said proposed territory in the blacksmith shop in Railroad Addition.

The polls will be open 8 o'clock A. M. and closed at 7 P. M. of said day.

JOHN Q. GAGE,
City Recorder.

Have Dr. Low relieve your head ache and eye ache with a pair of his correct fitting glasses. They cost no more than others and you have the benefit of his skill and more than 20 years experience. He does not go from house to house. Consult him at the St. Helens Hotel, Wednesday, August 30th to 4 o'clock. He can furnish scores of references.

FOR SALE—One 8 X 10 tent, good as new for \$5.50. Apply at this office.

DEPOT SEEMS ASSURED

Mr. S. R. Strong, Travelling Freight and Passenger Agent for the Oregon Electric Ry. and S. P. & S. Ry. was a visitor to St. Helens Monday afternoon, having been sent down by his company to look over the situation as to building a depot in St. Helens. While here, Mr. Strong was the guest of the Commercial Club Committee appointed to take up this matter and consisting of Messrs. McCormick, Laws and Stone. Mr. Strong was taken to the proposed site in Railroad Addition and the advantages of it, as well as having St. Helens on the railroad was laid before him by the Committee. He secured other information as to traffic that would come, etc, etc, and expressed himself as well pleased with the situation and his recommendations which will be laid before his superiors will no doubt go a long way towards securing the depot.

Mr. Strong expressed his surprise at the growth of St. Helens and the business that was done here, and stated that on account of its not being on the railroad, comparatively few people recognized its importance as a town, but since his visit, he was more favorably impressed with the depot proposition than when it had before been mentioned to him, and could see the necessity of it. When the Railroad Company sends one of its officers down to investigate a proposition of this kind, it certainly shows that they have the matter under consideration, and it seems that St. Helens will soon gain its wish of being on the railroad.

Dr. Lowe, the optician, will again be at the St. Helens Hotel on Wednesday August 30th. This will be his third trip. He comes every two months and is "making good."

RAINIER ITEMS

His Grace Archbishop Christie of Portland dedicated the Catholic church between Houlton and St. Helens last Sunday. The Archbishop was assisted by Rev. Henry Bruenagel of Rainier, who celebrated high mass, and through whose efforts the building was principally due. The church was crowded by both Catholics and non-Catholics, and the Archbishop delivered one of those characteristic sermons that go right to the heart of the hearer. The Archbishop left immediately after the services for Portland. Mrs. Mueller served a splendid dinner to the members of the choir who came from Rainier for the occasion, and who will long remember their genial hosts. About twenty members of the church went up from Rainier for the occasion all of whom were entertained by friends at Houlton and vicinity. This is the third church to be built in this county through the efforts of Father Bruenagel and his efforts are certainly appreciated by the Archbishop and members of his church.

Some time ago the City authorities notified W. C. Lee who owns the building in which the jail is located that they would pay no more rent unless the place was put in a sanitary condition. The owner asked one of the Marshalls for the key which was refused. As Mr. Lee received no rent, he felt that no one had a right to the key, and recently he has put a new lock on the place, now if the city wants to lock up prisoners, they will have to see Mr. Lee.

Mrs. Dr. Davis will leave for California Thursday to be gone for the winter season.

Mr. Geo. Currier who has been rusticated in the mountains for the past three weeks, has returned. Geo. gained 20 pounds while on his vacation.

FOR SALE—Chester White brood sow less than two years old, also a good farm hack. Address C. S. RUHL, St. Helens, Oregon.

From The Timberman.

Percy Allen, of the Rainier Mill & Lumber Co., Rainier, Oregon, with E. H. Dodge and A. M. Dodge, has incorporated the Western Fuel Co.

James McNoughton, logging superintendent of the Chapman Timber Co., of Scappoose, in June 1910, put in 8,000 feet with six Willamette yarders, one engine during the month averaged 81,000 feet and the six engines showed a daily average output of 45,000 feet for the full month. This is a pretty good record.

C. R. McCormick Co. has installed an up-to-date machine shop at the plant at St. Helens. The building is 40x80 and well equipped. The company has shipped about eight million feet of lumber to Australia this year, and has been operating their mill on a night shift for some time. A yard has been opened at San Pedro and is now being stocked.

When you have veal and pork to sell call up Georges Market and get his prices Phone 48.

BIG STEAMER HERE

The big Norwegian tramp steamer Henrik Ibsen which loaded here last November for the Philippines, is back again this week and is taking on a cargo of lumber. The Ibsen carries over 3,000,000 feet, and will take about half of that amount at this port, going to Astoria for the balance.

The Northland will also clear from here this week with over 800,000 feet of lumber and some forty five passengers. About 200,000 feet of the lumber was loaded at Rainier.

The Klamath took on 450,000 feet here this week, also going to Rainier for the balance of her load.

Call at the St. Helens Hotel, Wednesday, August 30th till four o'clock and have Dr. Lowe show you the new glasses with which you can see all distances. No seams or lines to collect dirt and train the eyes. They look like young folks glasses. Free demonstration.

DR. McDOUGAL COMING

Next Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock Dr. J. W. McDougal, Superintendent of the Portland district of the Methodist Episcopal church will occupy the local pulpit. Rev. McDougal needs no special introduction to the people of St. Helens. He has preached here a number of times during the past year. His genial manner and earnestness make him a very acceptable speaker. We bespeak for him a large audience Sunday morning.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

On Saturday evening at eight o'clock the fourth quarterly conference composed of the officers of the church will commence for the purpose of closing the official business for the current conference year. The pastor will present his annual report. The work of all the departments of the church will be reviewed. The officers will be given an opportunity to express their preference as to pastors for the ensuing year. All members and probationers are invited to attend this conference.

SUNDAY SERVICES.—
Sunday school 9:45
Preaching 11:0
Probationer's Class 3:00
Eparther's League 7:00
Preaching 8:0

Letters unclaimed at the St. Helens, Oregon Postoffice for the week ending August 19, 1911.

V. DeBortoli, Box 165, Alvan Cloud, R. Henriel, Bert Hubbard, George Walker.

Letters unclaimed September 2, will be sent to the Dead-Letter Office, M. C. GRAY, P. M.

FOR THE SAKE OF THE KID

Madam, pray lend me your six-year-old son
For the gala event of the week;
Stiff with the starch of a spotless new waist,
Shoes with a holiday squeak; &
Under the chin tie the butterfly bow,
Polish his face 'till the bright freckles glow,
And lend him to me, for I need an excuse,
I'm bound for the circus and he'll be of use.

In the rigid discomfort of holiday clothes,
I'll lead him along by the hand;
I'll pass up the sideshow, nor let him hang back
To list to the noise of the band;
I'll cause him through mazes of cages to grope,
Though he yearns to inspect the big steam "callyope,"
Instead of the freaks in the sideshow we'll stare
At the sleepy baboon and the moth-eaten bear.

And then to the main top I'll drag him along,
And clamber up high for a seat
That will put us safe out of the breath of the breeze
And melt down our collars with heat;
And I'll purchase him peanuts—just one dinky sack—
And seat him behind some great, broad lady's back,
Where 'twixt the big plumes on her bonnet arrayed,
He can catch the faint noise of the entrance parade.

I'll yell with applause at the feats in the ring,
And watch with delight every stunt,
While he counts the buttons displayed on the back
Of the broad lady seated in front;
And I'll yawn and remark to the man on my right,
"I've really no int'rest, myself, in the sight,
But the kid begged to come—" And his peanuts he'll crack
And pensively gaze at the large lady's back.

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