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## ANOTHER INDUSTRY

Company Formed to Mine Columbia Co. Ore Work to Begin at Once

The Columbia Iron and Steel Company, with headquarters in St. Helens has just completed arrangements for the erection of a 50-ton blast furnace near the overhead crossing of the Masten Road near Houlton and work on the big plant will be started on Feb. 1st and completed on July 1st ready for operation. Contracts have already been made whereby the Company have secured land enough to run their plant with iron ore for over 50 years, from the St. Helens Timber Co. and some private parties living near the Masten Logging Camp. The machinery of the Company is already in Portland and ready for shipment to the proposed plant in a short time, and in an interview with Mr. Webb, the manager of the concern, who was in St. Helens several days the past week, he says that the machinery will be shipped down here at once. In fact work on 10 kilns will start within a few days, or just as soon as weather conditions will permit.

One of the conditions in the contract with the St. Helens Timber Co. in the sale of their land to the Iron Co. is that not less than four car loads, or 100 tons of raw material shall be shipped over the logging road to the smelter every day and the furnace shall turn out 50 tons of pig iron daily. This will nearly all be shipped over the Columbia County Mill Co's dock and marketed in Seattle, Portland and San Francisco. The Timber Co. have also agreed to put in a spur track from some point near the Masten Camp to the place where the main mining operations will be located. The coke and lime for the plant will be shipped from some point in Washington and will all be handled over the same dock, at the Columbia County Mill.

The Columbia Iron & Steel Co. have incorporated under the laws of Oregon and Mr. I. L. Huff, Mr. J. G. McGrath and Mr. Webb are the directors and officers. All are men of long experience in the iron business, especially Mr. Webb who was for seven years connected with the Oswego Iron Co., and they have sufficient capital behind them to carry into full operation their plans. Mr. Webb has given out that the plant will be doubled inside of a year.

As to the permanency of the industry there can hardly be any question of doubt as the quality and quantity of the iron ore in the mines is already established. In the Oswego plant the ore was a very low grade, the highest quality running only 18 per cent while the very lowest assay that has been made on these ores runs 47 per cent.

This industry means much to St. Helens and Houlton and is only the beginning of bigger and better things to follow. It will increase the pay roll of the two cities very materially and give employment to a large number of men.

Everyone eats groceries therefore everyone should save money by patronizing Wellington.

## TOO BAD Levi Aggrieved

Editor the Oregon Mist  
Goble Ore Jen 5 1912

I see you have failed to Publish the Goble News I't may be that you are under the influence of a certain party I did intend to take your paper at the beginning of the year I also had engaged two other subscribers but I will not take your paper now and the others will not take it

(signed) Levi

How sorry we are that Levi has been offended; How filled with remorse we are to lose three good subscribers to the Mist all on account of failing to publish a communication from Goble. And, too, a communication filled with such readable and interesting items as this particular one was. If you will forgive us this time Levi, and reconsider your boycott we will here give all the items which our space permits and in the future if you will give us your name and make arrangements to act as our correspondent from Goble and be good enough to allow us to say what news items shall be printed in the Mist we may print the rest of it. Here follow the most important items from the neglected correspondence;

Goble items Goble Ore Dec 12 1911

West McFarland was at Goble on crutches last week from Kelo Wash a piece of Iron fell on his toe it mashed the Iron quite a few widows and widowers turned out to the thanksgiving dance parents had better tell their children to keep away from the mail boxes and not bother other people mail the Goble Whist club is getting along all right now remember if you mist going you have a fine of 5 cents to pay last meeting 3 was not their that is members remember the Goble Whist club is on the night of the dance 23 take your choice Goble Whist club or dance Mrs Jennie King gave a thanksgiving dinner last Sunday all her children were home remember the Goble Whist club 23 we have a fine time the batchelors ask no odds of the woman to get the lunch when it come their time to spread the lunch and cook it Mr Cox had, a fine lunch Saturday night at the Goble Whist club O my we had a bag full of fun as full as bag of monkeys Goble Whist club meets at Mr Larson 23 Dec 1911 It will be leap year next 19, 12

(signed) Levi



Judge Lionel R. Webster, of Portland, the foremost good roads booster of the State, was attending Court in St. Helens this week.

Wilbur Muckle was a pretty busy man a couple of days this week trying to take all the ladies for a sleigh ride in his Cutter. He was fairly successful too and always found plenty of applicants to take to trip.

J. F. Loyd and Ne Deer Island were 2 business matters in court Friday.

Geo. H. Shi from a business

Don't forget, others follow.

## Tax Levy for 1912 County Court Proceedings

List of Tax Levies for Columbia County, Oregon, as levied for the 1911 Assessment Roll.

County and State	0075
General Road	003
Special School	
Dist No	Dist No
1	28
2	29
3	30
5	31
6	32
7	33
7 Jt	34
8	36
9	37
11	38
12	39
13	40
14	42
15	43
16	44
17	45
18	47
19	48
20	49
22	50
24	51
25	52
26	54
27	56

Special Road	
Dist. No.	1
	2
	3
	5
	6
	8
	9
	10
	11
	12
	13
	14
	15
	16

Cities	
Houlton	008
Rainier	010
St. Helens	008
Vernonia	005

Judge Eakin and Reporter Knutsen come up from Astoria Sunday night and opened Court Monday morning with a jury. The case of Woods vs Wikstrom was called and a jury secured and sworn to try the case, which is a suit for \$10,000 for personal injuries sustained by Mr. Wood while in the employ of Mr. Wikstrom, during 1910. The jury now have the matter in their hands. Judge Webster of Portland is representing the plaintiff and Joseph & Haney the defendant.

A Silver Thaw at Portland during the past four days has caused damage to property of over a quarter million dollars. In St. Helens we are having a thaw, but not a silver one; just a plain old fashioned thaw with the snow going off gradually and a very comfortable temperature. The sleighing and skating in St. Helens has been very fine for a few days but is apparently all over now.

Mrs. T. C. Watts of Reuben sent to the Mist office this week a hen egg measuring six and three-fourth inches around the small way and eight and one-half inches the long way. Mrs. Watts didn't say this was the ordinary from her hens but course

Be It Remembered, that a regular term of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia was begun and held at the Court House in the City of St. Helens, in said County and State on Wednesday the 3rd day of January 1912, the same being the first regular term of said Court, when were present:

Hon. James Dart, County Judge.  
Hon. John Farr, Commissioner.  
Hon. W. K. Tichenor, Commissioner.  
A. E. Thompson, Sheriff.  
H. E. LaBare, Clerk.

Due proclamation being made the following proceedings were had:

Matter of claims against the county, on this day the claims as docketed in General Fund claim and warrant register were examined and allowed in various sums as carried out by the court, being as follows:

Bills allowed Jan. 5th 1912.		
General County Fund		
Peter Mayers	Juror	14 60
M Freeburg	"	12 20
G J Jasper	"	13 60
F M George	"	13 00
J F Rice	"	13 00
H F Kilby	"	15 60
Geo W Ramsey	"	15 60
E Garrison	"	13 40
Axel Chellburg	"	13 20
Amos Erickson	"	20 20
Ole Erickson	"	21 00
A L Clark	"	15 60
Albert Freeman	"	13 40
Frank Gliniecki	"	12 20
Harry Reynolds	"	14 00
K F Larson	Witness before grand jury	3
W A Harris	Dep Dis't Att'y state vs Lane	3 95
T C Watts	Drawing jury list	3
C S Snyder	Ass't Drawing jury list	2
Albert Larson	Ass't Drawing jury list	2
Jacob George	meals to jurors	3
G H Schneitzer	witness in Pender case	7 10
M F Hazen	J of P state vs Greene	7 15
C Rudlaub	witness state vs Greene	7 10
Jas Sullivan	witness state vs Greene	2 30
F Sherwood	witness state vs Greene	5 10
Gustave Schwach	witness state vs Greene	3 10
W E Conyers	witness state vs Greene	7 70
M F Hazen	J of P state vs McDonald	2
J L Campbell	constable	10 25
G D Sutherland	dep constable	7 20
C Johnson & Son	team to Campbell	2 50
A E Thompson	sheriff's exp	107 15
A B Lake	dep Sher exp	11
E M Fowler	dep St. Helens	
Co t		
J I		

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