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CREOSOTING PLANT

Modern Treating Plant for Lumber Products Locates at St. Helens

SECOND LARGEST IN WORLD

Construction to Begin at Once and Will be in Operation Aug. 1, 1912. Employ 100 Men

The St. Helens Creosoting Company with a capitalization of \$150,000 has been organized and is already working on the second largest creosoting plant in the world. The Charles R. McCormick Co. is the principal stockholder in the new Company, the balance of the stock being held by prominent Portland and St. Helens capitalists. Frank D. Beal, for 18 years with the Southern Pacific Company and the past 4 years manager of the Eagle Harbor Creosoting plant, is already on the ground and will have active management of the construction of the plant and operation of the same when completed. The plant will be located near the Columbia County Mill on the property known as the King property and will have a capacity for treating 60,000 feet of lumber per day or 2000 linear feet of piling. For the present the operating plant will consist of two retorts each being 7 feet in diameter and 130 feet long, but as soon as these two retorts are in position and running, four more of the same size will be added, thus making this the second largest plant of the kind in the world.

One other feature of the plant is that it will be the only fresh water treating plant in the United States. The preliminary work of incorporating and getting the Company in shape has all been completed and the stock is all subscribed. Work on the actual construction will commence immediately and it is planned to have the plant in operation by August 1st. The large retorts will be made in Portland and floated down the Columbia River to St. Helens and will then be placed in position. The company will build 500 feet of docks along the water front and will construct tracks all over the yards and docks so that cars can be run to all places necessary for handling the timbers. All ties, piling, cross arms, bridge timbers, and wood paving blocks will be treated here before shipment and the operation of the plant will require from 75 to 100 men, besides the large number of men necessary to load and unload the ships. The creosote will be shipped from Germany in tank steamers and will be stored in tanks holding 1,000,000 gallons each. Enough of

the creosote to last eight months will be received at each shipment. It will be the plan in treating the timbers to have them lay in the water for 60 days, then on land for 60 days to dry out before treating with the creosote. It is claimed that this method insures the better absorption of the chemicals by the wood.

Present day conditions require that all dock timbers, pilings and bridge timbers shall be treated with a preservative, and in view of the fact that the Government of the United States has already appropriated several million dollars for the improvement of the harbors in California in order to be in shape for the completion of the Panama Canal, it is deemed by the promoters of this plant, wise to be in shape to handle the business from the Columbia River. The harbors of San Francisco, Monterey Bay, San Diego, San Pedro and others in California are already getting in shape to use the output from this plant and no doubt the railroads in this country as well as California will soon be getting their lumber products treated in St. Helens.

The Company was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Beal to manage and operate this mammoth industry, for his reputation as an authority and expert on treatment of wood with preservatives extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In fact he is the best known authority on this particular science there is in the United States and will have none but the very best of men and appliances to work with in the St. Helens Creosoting plant.

With the installation of the ship building yards and the Creosoting plant in St. Helens during the next few months, our little city will take on another new building boom and new houses will spring up on every hand. With the addition of these big industries, which require so many more men to operate, with the attendant importance of St. Helens as a shipping point, other business houses will come, and other industries will follow until the prediction made in the Mist a few weeks ago that we would have a city of 5000 people in 1915 will be a reality, and probably will have that number before the time announced. Thus do we grow.

A MODERN PLANT

Columbia County Abstract & Trust Co. Secure Rectigraph Machine

WILL ENLARGE BUILDING

Mr. L. R. Rutherford of the Columbia County Abstract & Trust Company of this place, recently visited Spokane, Wash. for the purpose of seeing a demonstration of the Rectigraph, a photograph machine lately invented, and now in use by many of the largest abstract companies, for the purpose of reproducing the records of deeds, mortgages, maps and other papers filed in recording offices. The machine makes photographic copies of such records for use in abstract offices, and is used by many of the Government Departments at Washington D. C. for the purpose of making copies of records.

While there, Mr. Rutherford entered into a contract for the exclusive use of the Rectigraph for his company for this county. He informs us that The Columbia County Abstract & Trust Company will have a machine installed in the Court house here within ninety days, and will proceed at once to make photographic copies of records and maps for use in the abstract office. This abstract company will then have in its own office exact copies of all records and maps in this county, and will be prepared to do abstract work by the latest and best methods.

He also informs us that the abstract company will have to enlarge their present building, and construct a new fire proof vault so as to have room to house the records after the photographic copies are made. St. Helens will then have an abstract plant second to none in the state.

POULTRY HOUSES

Experiments at O. A. C. for Benefit of Poultry Raisers

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., Mar. 2.- Prof. James Dryden of the poultry husbandry department at the Oregon Agricultural College has stated it as his opinion that poultry keeping is most successful where the colony system prevails. Small houses, preferably postable ones, where the fowls may have free range, keep the birds more active and busy than they would be if confined in yards.

There is also less danger of disease epidemics, and it is easier to keep the house on clear ground by moving it occasionally. The poultry will also require less feed and care, as they will pick up a considerable amount of food on the range. The fact that they will also rid the farm of many injurious insects must also be considered, as well as the important fact that they may be fattened in fall on the stubble fields, if the colony system is used. A good size to build a colony house is 7 x 12 feet, Prof. Dryden says. A team of horses will pull a house of this size, and it will accommodate 30 or 40 fowls.

Band Instructor

The St. Helens City Band has employed Prof. Coomer, of Portland, as instructor of the band and he will visit our boys once a week. For about 15 months the boys here have been practicing faithfully and have made very good progress but have now reached a stage where a competent instructor is necessary. Some of the citizens of the city have agreed to help the boys out and no doubt the band will be discoursing a good grade of music.

Whats The Difference walking, running standing, sitting, you will never know your feet exist if you buy your shoes from WELLINGTONS.

Local Mention

Robt Payne, of Mayger is in the city to-day.

R. N. Lovelace, a prominent farmer from Rainier, is in St. Helens to-day.

J. W. Patrick, of Goble, was attending to business in St. Helens to-day.

The Only People Who Are Not dealing with WELLINGTON are those that have not tried him.

W. H. Conyers, of Clatskanie, was in St. Helens Friday attending to business before the County Court.

Carleton Lewis, Preside it of the State Bank of Rainier, was a St. Helens visitor during the week.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. Church will meet with Mrs. A. J. Deming on Wednesday March 6th.

W. G. Pomeroy, of Seapooose, is attending to business in St. Helens to-day.

Listen To The Comments of the wise ones who deal with WELLINGTONS.

DRAFT HORSES—for sale or trade. Jack Appleton. Deer Island, Ore.

FOR SALE—One young Jersey Cow. Fresh 1st of April. Inquire of W. W. Blakesly, City.

FOR RENT—A Good house with barn and chicken house. In Houlton. George Perry.

Jas. A. Beegle, for many years a resident of the Warren Country, was in St. Helens this week. He has moved with his family to Houlton.

Fred R. Adams and W. F. Rickett, prominent farmers from the Seapooose country, were St. Helens visitors to-day.

If You Knew What We Knew you would trade at Wellingtons.

A blunder is worse than a crime! and not to investigate our prices is worse than a blunder --Wellington

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational Church will meet with Mrs. A. J. Deming on Thursday March 7th, to sew.

Fred H. Gilman, Pacific Coast Manager of the American Timberman, the largest paper devoted exclusively to the Timber industry in the world, was a St. Helens visitor during the week, the guest of H. F. McCormick.

C. Sauervein, an old resident of Columbia County, died at his home in Columbia City on Wednesday night at 10 o'clock, after an illness lasting several weeks. He was buried at Deer Island yesterday.

Two registered Scotch Collies were purchased by Mrs. Jack Appleton this week for her Kennels at Deer Island, King Rex Oregon's, and Shadeland Artistic.

Absence Makes The Heart Grow Fonder but don't get too far away from, WELLINGTONS.

M. E. CHURCH HOULTON. Sunday School 10 o'clock a. m. The Rev. J. W. McDougall Dist. Supt. will preach at 7:30 p. m. Sunday evening Mar. 3rd. He would be glad to meet his many friends. Come, and bring your friends.

Mr. B. G. Magoon, representing the Reed-French Piano Mfg Co. of Portland is in the City with a stock of Pianos. He handles the following well known make of instruments; Knabe, Schubert, Starck, Krell-French, French & Sons, H. & S. G. Lindeman and R. S. Howard Co., also player pianos. He has a few samples at the St. Helens Hotel and will be pleased to have any intending purchaser call on him and get prices and terms.

You Can Always Tell A Smart Person but you can't tell him too much about, WELLINGTONS.

Judge Dart, Commissioner Farr and Tichenor and Road Supervisors Despain, of St. Helens, Palm, of Clatskanie and Kirby of Hudson, all went to Portland Thursday for the purpose of looking over some new Road Machinery for the county. We have not been informed as to any purchase yet, however.

Miss Edna Harris spent several days with her parents in this city during the week. She has now returned to Corvallis; where she attends the Oregon Agricultural College.

To our friends and Customers:-- We want to call your attention to the opening of our down town office just across the street from Muckle's store. We haven't quite gotten it fixed up to suit us yet, but will be glad to have you call and make yourself at home just the same. While we are still a little unsettled, we have several choice buys in inside realty and some good lots close in that will just a little later on be worth twice the price we are now asking for them. We have added a rental department and will be in a position to ether rent your house or rent one for you.

St. Helens Improvement Co. A. T. Laws, Manager.

A Bargain; New house and one Lot near OASIS PARK. Only \$600. \$50 down and balance \$15 per month. Let your rent money buy you a home. ST HELENS IMPROVEMENT Co.

REUBEN NOTES. Fritz Anliker and wife were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wats on Friday.

Mr. A. P. McClaren is on the sick list this week.

Dr. A. P. McClaren of Rainier was in town Tuesday.

F. M. Daniels, Rudolph Anliker and Ernest Kahle of Tide Creek were in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Jane Zenar is visiting relatives at Sea Side this week.

J. W. Patrick and Able Neer of Neer City were in town Thursday.

County Treasurer's Notice. Notice is hereby given, that all outstanding county warrants, county road warrants, and warrants on the special road district funds of Columbia County, Oregon, will be paid upon presentation at the office of the County Treasurer, in the Court House, at St. Helens, Oregon. Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, March 1st, 1912.

A. T. Laws, County Treasurer.

A GOOD MOVE TRY Wellingtons

FOR SALE—A No. 1. young cow and calf and one and one half horse power gasoline engine, cheap. A. J. Lott St. Helens.

RUNNING AMOK. A Mania For Murder That is Peculiar to Oriental Countries.

The expression "run amok" is the Anglified form of a term used in some parts of the orient to describe a form of homicidal mania, accompanied by a frenzied plunge in any and every direction. In the countries where the manly originated the word applied to it was "amok." The corrupted form of it is now applied in a score of ways—without much warrant.

In Malacca, Siam, Java and adjacent regions the mental state which causes amok is well defined and much dreaded. It is attributed almost invariably to excessive drinking of stimulants. The victim first turns morose, generally remaining in this state for several days. Then he is suddenly seized with the mania for slaughter and starts on his mad run with the first weapon he can reach.

Extra precautions against these mad ravages are taken in some of the more civilized places, especially Batavia. There the police are armed with what is called a catch fork. The instant the victim of amok starts on his mad dash he finds himself hooked by a million of the law and held firmly the length of this odd human spear. He can harm himself, but that is the limit of his insane power.—Exchange.

AN ERRATIC VOLCANO. Rose From the Sea, Formed an Island and Sank Again.

On June 16, 1810, the Sabrina, a British sloop of war, observed smoke arising from the sea near St. Michael, off the Azores, and made for it, believing that a naval engagement was in progress. Her crew found, however, that great tongues of flame were issuing from the sea with the smoke and that they

had viewed for action to begin a volcano.

Forty-eight hours later an island made its appearance, having risen from a depth of forty fathoms in that period, and in another day it was fifty-one feet above the surface, with a length of about three-quarters of a mile. By July 4 the Sabrina's people were able to land on this new shore, which was then 300 feet high, with a circumference of fully a mile, with a stream six yards wide running from the center to the sea.

They took formal possession of it for his Britannic majesty, hoisting the union jack on its most conspicuous point, but by degrees the island sank until about the middle of October it vanished below the surface, with the union jack still on it, like a battleship sinking with colors flying after a fatal engagement.—London Standard.

A Letter of Importance. The letter P is the most important in the alphabet because it lends all others in perfection. It is likewise first in peace and prosperity and gives to pleasure its proper form. It is found in every enterprise and aspiration, and without its valuable offices our staunchest anchor of hope would be but a commonplace hoe. In importance it is decidedly the dominating letter. It has no place in history, but is foremost in philosophy and gives power to the pen. While always first in prevention, it likewise leads in pardon and possesses great power in persuasion. It is rich in the emotions and virtues. Patriotism, passion, patience, pity and poetry acknowledge it as their very own. No point or picture or part was ever made without it. It finds all others in power, permanency and preciousness. Purpose has no meaning without it, and pyramids are built upon its base.—Galaxy.

Will Grow. Mabel—That story you told about Alice isn't worth repeating. Katie—It's young yet; give it time.—Boston Transcript.

Professional Cards

DR. L. GILBERT ROSS. PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. St. Helens, Oregon. OFFICE—Muckle Building; both phones

DR. EDWIN ROSS. PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. ST. HELENS OREGON

DR. R. L. JEFFCOTT. DENTIST. ST. HELENS OREGON

M. E. MILLER. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. St. Helens, Oregon

I. S. WHITE. FUNERAL DIRECTOR. LICENSED EMBALMER. HOULTON, OREGON

DR. ALFRED J. PEEL. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Bank Building, St. Helens, Ore

DR. W. R. CLIFF. Physician and Surgeon. 1113 to 1117 Seeling Building Portland, Oregon. Phones Main 433; A-1233; Res. E. 4657

GEORGE H. SHINN. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. OFFICE: BANK BUILDING. ST. HELENS, OREGON

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LOOK AT OUR GROCERY DISPLAY. We learn as we go along. Come and see the result of our latest efforts to save you with the best goods at less than the best price. For 10 cents you get Jelly Powder and one of our dandy glass fry about plated tea every packing. AT HARRISON'S. FINE STAT For PARTICU. We Are Co Ability t. A NEW LINE OF From One D. A Large Assortm. Deming's Drug Store. FRED WATKIN. THE LEADING CONFEC. No Use Looking Elsew for Candies.

Will Build Annex. Columbia County Bank Will Build Modern Addition to Building. On February 29th, last Thursday, the Directors of the Columbia County Bank held a meeting for the purpose of discussing the erection of an annex to their present two story building. Plans were submitted by Bennis & Hendricks, of Portland, and after discussion the plans were adopted and it was fully decided to go ahead with the construction. Arrangements are being made for calling for bids and work will be started just as soon as these preliminary details are arranged. Mr. Hendricks, one

of the Architects, is the man who furnished the plans and superintended the building of the Columbia County Court House. The building will be a modern, fire proof two-story stone structure, the Architecture to be in keeping with the present building. The ground floors to be fitted up for business or store rooms and the second story for offices. It will be built adjoining the present building on the west and when completed will be one of the finest stone buildings in the State. The material used in the building will be St. Helens stone, than which there is no better building material in the world.