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## Big Land Deal

Chas. R. McCormick Co. Secures 640 Acres Adjoining St. Helens

A deal of considerable importance to the city of St Helens was completed last week when Charles R. McCormick Co. purchased the 640 acres of land known as the King property from the King heirs. This is the old Thomas H. Smith Donation Land Claim and lies just South of and adjoining the present City limits of St Helens. The large Creosoting plant will be on this property as will also the large piling and tie yards; the Columbia County Mill is already located on the premises and the Railroad of the St Helens Timber Company has its termini there. The Philip stone quarries are also on this land and will continue to operate as there are large deposits of the very highest grade of paving blocks there.

With the acquisition of this large body of land the McCormick interests, represented by several different corporations, have bought over 1200 acres of land in and adjoining this city. They have 7 1/2 miles of water front and over 4 miles of it is deep water, deep enough to allow the largest vessels entering the Columbia River to load and unload cargo. Nearly all of their land is on the Willamette Slough although some of it is on the Columbia River.

## Yankton County Fair

Last Saturday the Yankton County Fair Association held a meeting at the office of County Superintendent J. H. Collins, at the Court House, at which time were present; Pres. G. L. Tarbell, of Yankton, Sec. Edwin Ross, of St. Helens and the following Vice Presidents: J. W. Pomeroy, of Scappoose; A. H. Tarbell, and A. Freeman of Warren; Wash Muckle of St. Helens; W. H. Rose of Mist; Frank Brown of Yankton; Mr. Hazen of Houlton; R. Lovelace of Rainier; C. C. Moyer of Bachelor Flat.

It was decided to hold the fair at Yankton Grange Hall on Sept. 25 and 26, 1912, at which time a premium list will be offered for agricultural and horticultural exhibits as well as a few premiums for fancy work, domestic science and manual training of school students.

An effort will be made to secure some good speakers for the occasion, and the following names of prominent men were suggested; Mr. A. A. Goodrich of Yamhill; Mr. Hogue of Salem; Prof. Dryden of O. A. C. and Dr. James Withycombe.

Premium lists and other announcements will be printed later.

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.

## Rock Crusher Enlarged

Barge Load of Machinery Arrives in St. Helens for Columbia Contract Co.

There arrived in St Helens during the past week, a barge load of machinery for the Columbia Contract Company, which operates and owns the large rock crushers in this city. This machinery will be installed immediately, under the supervision of Mr Pat Doran, the Superintendent, and when completed will be one of the largest crushers on the Columbia River, with a capacity of 1000 yards in 10 hours.

It will take about three weeks time to place the new machinery in position, after which work will be resumed with a full crew of men.

## Shipping Notes

The Schooner Kona which will load a cargo here for New Caledonia, is now in Portland discharging a cargo of hardwood logs which she brought from Suva. It is expected that she will be ready to commence loading here about the 10th. inst.

To the Ascension of the Standard Oil fleet probably belongs the distinction of being the first steamer of her size to navigate Willamette Slough, she having been in Monday for the purpose of discharging 5,000 bbls of oil at the St Helens Timber Company's tank.

The Steamer YOSEMITE, Capt. Nilsen, left out Monday night with 850,000 ft of lumber and 40 passengers, bound for San Pedro and San Diego. The Sheshone was another getaway with 700,000 ft of lumber for San Francisco delivery.

The Bark LORD TEMPLETOWN finished loading Monday morning and left out during the night in tow of the Steamer Monarch. The TEMPLETOWN has been in port since Feby. 1st. and Capt. Davison, her master made many friends here. He was well pleased with our little City and hopes to be sent here again on his return from Australia. The vessel distributed about \$1800 in longshore wages while here and in addition to what the crew spent and supplies for the vessel would bring the total up to a very neat sum, all of which helps to make St Helens the busiest small City on the River.

Monday was red letter day in the shipping history of St Helens. The Ascension arrived with part cargo of oil, the Yosemite cleared with a full cargo of lumber for San Pedro, the Shoshone for San Francisco and the Lord Templetown for Melbourne, Australia. This makes a total tonnage of nearly 5,000 tons. Some shipping for one day.

Sealed bids will be received by the County Court of Columbia County up to 12 o'clock noon Friday March 8th, 1912, for road improvement work to be done under special levy in Road District No. 5' in accordance with plauses and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk. Bids must be accompanied by deposit or certified check for 10 per cent of amount bid. The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids for cause.

Sig. James Dart,  
County Judge.

You don't even take a chance, you have a sure thing when you buy from WELLINGTONS.

## E. B. Tongue

Announces Candidacy for District Attorney. Has Fine Record

E. B. Tongue, the present District Attorney for this district, has his announcement in this issue of the Mist for re-nomination to the office he now holds. The record made by Mr. Tongue as District Attorney is certainly an enviable one. The records of prosecutions for criminal offenses during the three years he has held the office show that he has secured convictions in 95 per cent of the cases, which means that frivolous cases are not taken up and that only cases of merit are considered. It also means that Mr. Tongue is an able prosecutor of criminals. The record also shows that he has won all civil cases in which the county has been a party, in the Courts with the exception of two. Out of about 50 indictments returned by Grand Juries in Columbia County since Mr. Tongue has been in office, the record discloses only three acquittals. With this fine record the people of this district will hardly care to make a change in the office, especially when there is no reason for it except that another man wants the job.

## County Grange Meets

Every Grange in Columbia County except the one at Vernonia was represented at the county meeting held in St Helens last Saturday. This meeting was held for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Grange which meets at Roseburg in May. R. N. Lovelace of Rainier, J. W. Armstrong of Goble and G. L. Tarbell of Yankton were chosen to represent Columbia County.

The question of good roads will be one of the principal topics discussed at the State meeting and the bills prepared by the Executive Committee will be acted on, then placed before the people for ratification or rejection. The Grange is certainly a competent body of men to pass upon the matter and their suggestions and recommendations will carry a great deal of weight with the voters.

## Local Mention

You and your children are safe if you wear Dr. Lowe's Superior glasses—eyesafe and price safe. They cost no more than the inferior kinds usually sold and you have the benefit of his skill and more than 20 years experience. He does not go from house to house, no honest optician does. Consult him next Wednesday March 13th at St Helens Hotel.

Three boys, members of prominent families of Houlton, were up before Judge Dart, acting as Juvenile Court last Saturday and when questioned concerning several offenses which have been committed in that neighborhood lately, owned up to the whole thing. It truly was a sad spectacle to see three small boys from good families, in such a predicament. Judge Dart sentenced them to the State Training School and then paroled them to the care of the parents, who will keep a close watch over them.

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

## What Ship Yards Mean

Fred Trow, wide-awake merchant of Rainier, in writing to H. F. McCormick concerning the ship yards at this place says: "Permit me to wish you every success in your undertaking which means so much, not only for St. Helens but also for the Columbia River at large."

That is very true; an industry of that kind means a great deal, not only for St. Helens, but for Rainier, and all other cities along the lower Columbia River. In fact it means much for Oregon as it is the only ship building plant on the Columbia River and will use Oregon and Washington timber exclusively in the building of boats.

Work is progressing very fast at the yards and before many weeks the keel of the first vessel will be laid, at which time it is planned to have a crowd of people from Portland and all along the river points. Mr. James Muckle, one of the pioneers of the county, has accepted the honor of presiding at the ceremonies. Dates will be announced later.

Mr. C. F. Overbaugh, Assistant Superintendent of the Water Lines of the O W R & N Co. was a St Helens visitor Tuesday.

The American Safety Powder Co. whose works are located on Savvie's Island above St Helens, made its first shipment of powder last week. They are manufacturing a first class grade of safety powder and from present indications will be kept busy filling orders for their product.

Mr. Jeffreys, a young attorney of Astoria, was in St Helens yesterday opening the campaign for A. W. Norblad of Astoria for District Attorney.

Frank D. Beal, Engineer and Chemist of the St Helens Creosoting Co. is in St Helens to day, accompanied by other officers of the company. The engineers are busy this week laying off the grounds preparatory to putting in the plant at once.

Registration Books for City Election are open at the Mist Office. Voters of the City of St Helens are required to register for the City election, in addition to registering with the County Clerk for County and State elections.

Sheriff Thompson left last Saturday for Marion, Indiana, where he goes armed with a requisition from Governor West to bring back one Jos R. Landgrave for defrauding the Rainier Bank out of \$500.

Dr. Lowe, the eye specialist says your eyes plus your brains equals you, and Dr. Lowe is right. By the way, he will be in St Helens next Wednesday.

Charles R. McCormick, who has been spending a few weeks in St Helens and Portland, left Monday for his home at San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Holman, of Portland, were visiting in St Helens last Friday and Saturday.

## REUBEN NOTES

The School in Dist. No. 20 has installed a drinking fountain in the school room.

Mrs. M. C. Hoven entertained Prof. Ackerman and Mrs. J. H. Collins at dinner on Saturday.

The Columbia Timber Co. received a new logging donkey for their camp, on Monday.

J. M. Lindsay and J. W. Pat-

rick were visitors at St. Helens on Saturday.

Miss Mary A. Tierny and Miss Gladys Jordan entertained the Whist Club Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Watts.

Christ Mathieson received three blooded cows from Kalama. Monday for his dairy herd on the Albert Meier farm. He now has fifty cows.

Ex State Supt. J. H. Ackerman, President of the State Normal School at Monmouth Ore. delivered a most inspiring and helpful lecture at the school house in School District No. 20 Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the Parents Club. Those who were obliged to miss this lecture certainly missed a treat.

The next Club meeting will be held March 29th when the school girls will cook and serve the lunch. Everyone is welcome to these meetings.

Other teachers present Saturday to hear the lecture were Mrs. D. E. Norcross of Red Town school and Mrs. C. Hawarth of the Shilo Basin School.

## Professional Cards

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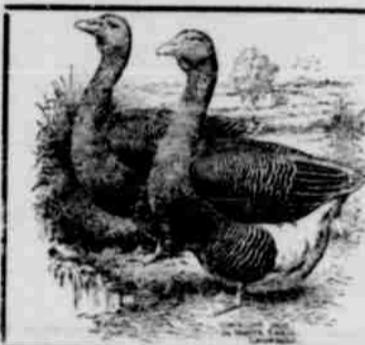
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Fares will be quoted, schedules furnished and other details given on request.

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