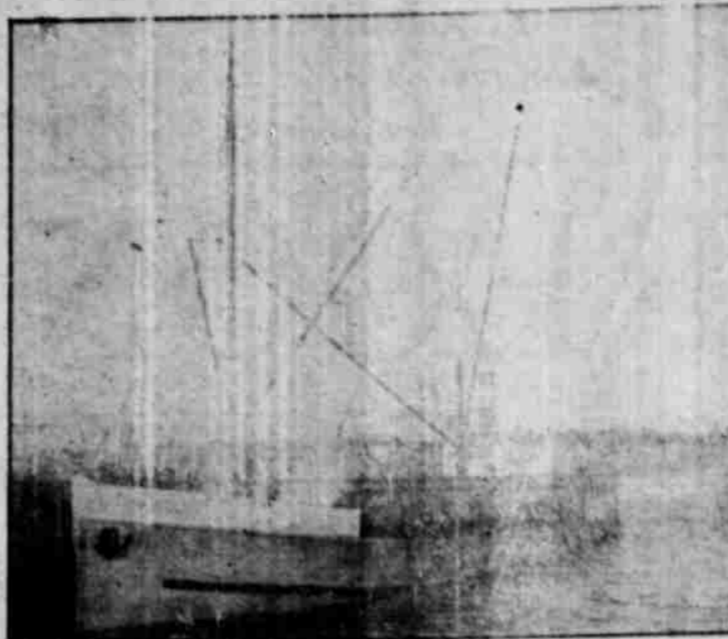




BRITISH SHIP DUNSYRE
With 2,500,000 feet of St. Helens Lumber
for Australia



SCHOONER WILLAMETTE
With 1,000,000 feet of St. Helens Lumber for San Pedro



BRITISH STEAMER INVERKIP
With 3,000,000 feet of St. Helens Lumber
for Australia

Foreign and Coastwise Vessels in St. Helens Harbor Loaded with St. Helens Lumber for Different Parts of the World

Fred Engebretsen

Fred Engebretsen, the efficient Secretary-bookkeeper, of the St. Helens Shipbuilding Co. Mr. Engebretsen has been connected with the shipbuilding business for over 16 years in the same capacity which he now occupies. For 15 years he held a position with the Bendixsen Co., at Eureka, California and when the new St. Helens Co., was formed it was found necessary to have a man of experience to take charge of the books so Mr. Engebretsen was at once selected. During his residence at Eureka, which covered a period of twenty years, he was the Norwegian Vice Consul at that place.



having been born in Norway and a resident there until he attained the age of majority. The wisdom of selection by the local Co., of its bookkeeper has been shown by the very efficient manner in which the books and accounts are kept by him. He is a great aid to the management and a valuable man for any company to have in its employ. His family of a wife and four children are living in St. Helens and are very much pleased with the town and its future prospects.

CHAS. R. McCORMICK (Continued)

Match Co., as well as the town. Then it was that he engaged in business for himself; he and his brother, H. F. McCormick, opening up an office and yards where they actively engaged in inspecting and shipping lumber. The business venture was a success and they continued in it until 1900 when Mr. McCormick decided to come west. He left the Michigan business for his brother to close out and set sail for San Francisco, where he immediately secured a position as Manager for the Hammond Lumber Co., who were just opening up large tracts of red wood and putting into operation saw mills at Eureka, Cal. Mr. McCormick occupied that responsible position for four years when he resigned and organized the Charles R. McCormick Co., Lumber Brokers, of which Co., he has elected President. In 1905 the Company had built at Eureka, their first steamer, the Cascade, with a carrying capacity of 550,000 feet.

This vessel was used by them for some years and finally disposed of to parties in Hawaii for the sugar trade. From that time on, the McCormick Company branched out; built more ships, the names of which are already familiar to our readers, built saw mills, secured logging railroads, put in lumber yards in different parts of the country, put in the large St. Helens Creosoting plant, and the St. Helens Ship building plant. In all Mr. McCormick is President of seven steamship Companies; the St. Helens Lumber Co.; The St. Helens Mill Co.,

The Launching

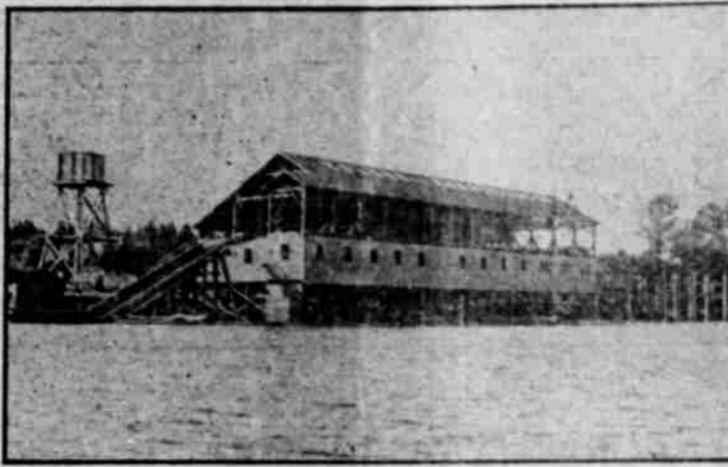
Promptly at 2:30 this Saturday, afternoon, the wedges will be driven out and the great hull of Multnomah will slide down the greased ways into the waters of the Columbia River. The big hull weighs 1400 tons and on its deck will be a brass band and several hundred people taking the swift ride. Little Jean Helen Meier, daughter of Julius Meier, of the firm of Meier & Frank of Portland, will break a bottle of Champagne over the bow and duly christen the boat, "Multnomah." During the afternoon there will be several short speeches.

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St. Helens Shipbuilding Co. Charles R. McCormick Lumber Co., of San Diego, Cal., and other smaller concerns. He is also the head of the great lumbering enterprise in the city of Los Angeles, Cal., which owns and operates the largest wholesale lumber yards in Southern California, where they have planing mills, docks, yards and railroads. His companies have offices in Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego. They have 6 line yards in California.

During the fall of 1908 Mr. McCormick and some of his associates made a trip along the Columbia River for the purpose of securing a mill site. Upon coming to St. Helens they were impressed with the proposition and immediately decided that this was the place for their large lumber factory. Negotiations were opened with James and Charles Muckle for the old site, where for so many years a small mill had operated, which resulted in the McCormick people securing it. Work was at once started on the big mill and rushed to completion. Today the finest mill on the Columbia River is in full operation day and night, turning out lumber products that are shipped to all parts of the world. As stated in the beginning of this article, Mr. Charles R. McCormick is very largely responsible for the wonderful growth of the city of St. Helens during the past four years. Through his efforts and industry we have taken on new life. We are beginning to be recognized as a city of importance in the state and we are going to grow. St. Helens people are proud to have Charles R. McCormick as one of her business men and welcome the day when other men of his caliber will see the advantages of this place for big concerns to operate.

MILL OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY LUMBER CO.



About two years ago the Columbia County Lumber Co., was incorporated with Mr. H. F. McCormick as President and John A. Williams as Secretary. A mill was built with a capacity of about 50,000 per day near the mouth of Milton Creek about 1 mile south of St. Helens on the Willamette Slough. Lumber was being

turned out as fast as men and machinery could do it and the mill was kept running to its full capacity all the time. Large docks were built and shipments were made to all parts of the world from this busy little mill. One night last spring a terrific explosion was heard about 11 o'clock and inside of two hours the

entire mill was a pile of ashes. As soon as the ashes were cold enough to handle, work was started to clean up the old pile and a still better and bigger mill was started. At this time the machinery is nearly all placed and within the next three weeks a mill with 100,000 capacity will be running full blast turning out more of the now famous Oregon Fir.

MILL OF THE ST. HELENS SHIPBUILDING CO.



The mill of the St. Helens Shipbuilding Co., where all the material is sawed to fit in its proper place in the boats being built there. This mill is equipped

with all the latest and most modern machinery for shipbuilding purposes and is well worth the time of any person to see in operation. About twenty men are continually at work

in this mill sawing and fitting lumber for the ships. There is also a blacksmith and machine shop under the same roof, together with an air pump to the boring machines etc.

THE LAUNCHING

by prominent men from different parts of the state, Judge Cleeton of Portland making the principal speech. The Potter and monarch will arrive from Portland at 2 o'clock with about 1500 visitors and one or two boats from Astoria. The chief caterer of the Meier & Frank establishment of Portland will be on board the Potter in charge of the lunch and refreshments. 15,000 sandwiches will be on board and will be distributed to the people, also coffee and other light lunch. There will be at least three and perhaps four brass bands in attendance. After the exercises at the grounds the boats will leave for their different destinations but quite a number of the stockholders in the Shipbuilding

plant will wait until the banquet in the evening to be given by the St. Helens Commercial Club to the members of the firm and some other prominent citizens from different parts of the county and state. Altogether this will be the greatest day in the history of the little city, and a day which can ever be looked back to by people who attend as marking the opening of one of the greatest industries in the State of Oregon. Ships made from Oregon Fir at the St. Helens Shipyard will soon be sailing the seas to different parts of the world. Our little city will become better known and we will all reap the benefits resulting from this industry.



CHARLES R. McCORMICK, Pioneer Mill man

H. F. McCormick

The General Manager of all the McCormick enterprises in St. Helens, which includes the Big Mill, the Creosoting works, the Shipbuilding plant and other smaller concerns, such as the St. Helens Electric Light and Power Co., is so well known that any write-up in this paper is hardly necessary, but to get out an edition principally as a history of the great industries of the McCormick people in this city, and not mention the name of the General Manager would be very incomplete. H. F. McCormick, a brother of Charles R. and quite a large stockholder in all the enterprises, occupies this important position, and he fills every requirement to the entire satisfaction of each and every person interested, as well as the general public. Under his efficient management the mills are running to their full capacity and turning out products which find ready sale in the markets of the world. He has a wonderful ability to handle men and no word of complaint is ever made by one of his employes about the management. Ham, as he is popularly called in St. Helens, was born in Tazewell, Mich., several years ago, just the exact number of which it is impossible to tell, and very early in life took up the lumber business. His first start in the business was as a tallyman in the yards of the Diamond Match Co. From there he went to the employ of Obernaugh & Johnson, manufacturers of hard wood material in Menominee, Mich., and worked a number of years, resigning his position to engage in business with his brother as inspectors and shippers of lumber. He continued in that business till 1901 when he packed his grip and set out for the far west. Arriving in Eureka, Cal., he engaged in the manufacture of red wood shingles, continuing successfully in that business until 1905 when he sold his interests there, and the following year went to Cottage Grove, Oregon and engaged in the saw mill business. In 1908 when the Charles R. McCormick Co., decided to place a mill in St. Helens, Ham was selected to take the management and he has been here ever since.

He is also part owner and President of the Columbia County Lumber Co., owning a mill in South St. Helens which will be in operation within a few weeks.

During his residence here Mr. McCormick has taken an active interest in all public affairs and is now serving his third year as Water Commissioner for the city, being one of the original five men selected

Miss Jean Helen Meier

WHO WILL CHRISTEN THE BIG BOAT THIS AFTERNOON

When the boat takes the slide this afternoon little Miss Meier will break the bottle of champagne over the bow and officially christen her "Multnomah." Miss Jean is the daughter of Julius L. Meier, the head of the big Meier & Frank store in Portland and one of the large stockholders in the St. Helens Shipbuilding Co.



JUDGE CLEETON TO PRESIDE

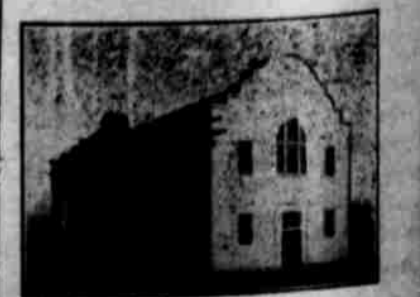
JUDGE OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY WILL MAKE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Hon. T. J. Cleeton, County Judge of Multnomah County, will preside over the ceremonies at the launching and will make the principal address of the day. It is fitting and proper that Judge Cleeton should have this honor; as he is the judge of the county after which the ship will take its name. He is also well known in Columbia County as to receive a welcome whenever he comes here. For many years Judge Cleeton was a resident of St. Helens and served the people in offices of trust. He was School Superintendent, Legislator and District Attorney while a resident of Columbia County. Since going to Portland he has been elected to the office of County Judge and is filling the office in a very satisfactory manner.

His ability as a speaker is so well known by Columbia County people, as well as the guests from Multnomah County, that the very fact of his presence and speaking will induce many people to attend. We are glad to have Judge Cleeton with us.

THE BIG ST. HELENS MILL

Property of the St. Helens Lumber Company. The Finest Mill on the Columbia River, Turning Out Lumber Products at the Rate of Over 200,000 Feet Per Day and Shipping Over 5,000,000 Feet Per Month to Other Parts of the United States and Foreign Ports



St. Helens City Hall

H. F. McCORMICK

to provide a system of pure water for the city. He is held in the very highest esteem by his fellow townsmen and is recognized as one of the most public spirited men in the community.