

Two Polk County Democrats File

DALLAS—Filings by two Polk County Democrats highlighted the political front here Tuesday. Gilbert F. Loy, Buena Vista, filed for county commissioner, and Mrs. Harriet H. Enstad, Dallas, filed for county treasurer.

Loy is seeking public office here for the first time. Mrs. Enstad was a candidate for Polk County Clerk on the Democratic slate two years ago.

With Friday the deadline for filing, competition on Polk County primary ballots is assured for only the Republican nomination of a state representative. Rep. Frank M. Farmer, Rickreall, the incumbent, seeks another term. Emmet T. Rogers, West Salem, and Mrs. Joe Roberts Sr., Independence route 1, also have filed on the Republican ticket.

Alfred S. Dembowski, Dallas, has filed for state representative on the Democratic ticket.

Arthur Fowler, Monmouth, is the lone candidate to date for the non-partisan county school superintendent post. There was speculation this week that others might file before the deadline. Josiah Wills, incumbent, announced plans to retire last month.

Tony Neufeldt, present deputy sheriff and a Republican, was the only candidate who had filed for sheriff Tuesday. J. Paul Bollman, incumbent Republican coroner, was the only candidate for that post. Both men live at Dallas.

Others who have filed for Polk County offices: For assessor, Ed Dunn, Dallas, Democrat (incumbent); and R. V. Carlson, Rickreall, Republican; for treasurer, L. W. Plummer, Dallas, Republican; for publican for district attorney, R. S. Kreason, Dallas, Republican (incumbent).

As elsewhere, most of Polk County's 148 precinct committee posts are being ignored in the primaries. Those who had filed Tuesday were as follows: Republicans, R. B. Swenson, Northeast Monmouth precinct; Dr. O. A. Olsen, West Salem IV, Democrats, Emil Stevens, Oak Grove; Ebel and Rufus Dodge, both of Pedee; Mabel Slaughter, Bridgeport; Esther A. Beven, Dallas I; and Naomi Goldsmith, West Salem I.

Korte Resigns As Mt. Angel City Marshal

MT. ANGEL—City Marshal Ed Korte turned in his resignation to the city council Monday night, Mayor Jacob Berchtold, in accepting it, thanked Korte for his faithful service of four years and said he had found him to be the best marshal Mt. Angel had during the 16 years he served as mayor. The mayor added that Korte had also rendered countless extra services for the city for which he never asked pay.

The city is considering a number of contacts for a successor to Korte. Assistant Marshal Je Faulhaber will handle the job until someone is hired.

Joe Wagner was strong in praise for the cooperation given him and his assistant, A. A. Ebner, in planting curb trees in Mt. Angel. He stated 119 trees were planted on the following streets, Otto, Garfield, Sheridan, North and South Oak and May. Trees planted included Chinese elm, birch, flowering quince, flowering cherry, hawthorne, and red oak.

Trees were supplied by the Bernard Schiedler nursery and planted with donated labor by Carl Mucken, Gene Hoffer, Joe Michels, Jim Ebner, J. L. Wachter, and Bill Meissner. There is still time for planting if more citizens would like to join the home-owners who are taking part in the town-beautifying project.

It is the hope of the two-man committee that at least 100 trees will be planted each year until every street is tree-lined.

The public safety committee reported the city jail has been given a general cleaning and that new beds were being considered. A motion was carried empowering them to purchase two beds. Fire Chief Francis Schmidt reported a month of no fire losses.

A letter from the Marion County director of civil defense informed the council that Mt. Angel was assessed \$158 as its part in shouldering the cost of the defense program.

Water Commissioner Joe Hassler stated water main prices and was instructed to proceed with the purchase and laying of six-inch mains on 500 feet of Leo Street or as far south as the West residence. Lack of funds prevented the installation for the entire street.

Clifford Stayton, a grandson of Drury Stayton, who founded this city. Deceased was born Aug. 9, 1890 in Texas, and moved to the Stayton area a few years later with her family. She was married on Dec. 25, 1913. Mrs. Stayton was active in the Methodist Church here all of her life.

Surviving are two sons, Trevor and Max, both of Stayton; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin Boltz, Eugene; several brothers and sisters, including Mrs. Mattie Taylor and Mrs. Stella Hoffer, both of Salem.

Valley People

Farmer at Bat for Red Cross



Delmer Davidson, Talbot, who heads current Red Cross drive in rural district of Marion County. (Statesman photo.)

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TALBOT—A Talbot mint farmer is at bat for the American Red Cross this month.

And when Red Cross leaders tapped Delmer A. Davidson for the job, they must have been thinking of that old expression "if you want to get a job done, ask a busy man to do it."

Davidson is the kind of man who is "into everything." And enthusiastic about everything he's into. His pale, blue eyes sparkle when he talks about his 125-acre mint farm at Talbot. ("Wouldn't trade it for any other kind of farming.")

He's enthusiastic about the Jefferson company of the Sheriff's Reserve to which he belongs. And the new Jefferson consolidated high school, now under construction. He's on the school board.

Davidson also is active in the Red Cross disaster committee. He has headed various fund drives at Talbot.

But his present capacity with the Red Cross tops 'em all. He heads the organization's rural drive in Marion County. His big territory includes all of the county outside of Salem, Silverton, Woodburn, Stayton and Mt. Angel.

For the past month he has spent the bulk of his time lining up an organization in his big territory and writing letters to various organizations.

This month he'll trouble-shoot the areas where returns are slow. Davidson said he would like to explore the canard that volunteer Red Cross workers receive pay. He reminded that all workers in the current drive will receive nothing for their time.

Davidson likes to remind people, too, that this area is one of the top mint-producing spots in the United States. He estimated the Jefferson-Talbot area to have about 3,000 acres of mint. The mint

farmers distill their own crop and sell the oil at \$6.50 to \$6.90 a pound (currently) to brokers who in turn sell it to Wrigley, Beech-nut and other leading users of the product.

Just one pound of peppermint oil is enough to flavor 300 pounds of chewing gum.

Native of Buena Vista. A native of the Buena Vista district in Polk County, Davidson moved to Talbot some 10 years ago and sort of eased into mint farming.

Originally, beans and dairy farming were the big thing on the Davidson farm here. Like a lot of farmers, he once had "15 or 20" cows and now has "two for the family."

"Times are surely changing," this modern-day farmer reflected, "125 acres, and we don't even have a horse any more."

Variety Featured at Hazel Green Show

HAZEL GREEN—A varied program under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Heubert Galle was presented to the Hazel Green Community Club Friday.

The women of Labish Center Community Club presented a play, Karen and Opal Hornsuech played a piano duet, Shirley Pugh a piano solo, and Irene Bibbe gave a reading. Band music was played by Jerry Forrester and Ned Darling and Gary Holoubek, accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Gilbert, Larry Wood, of Salem, gave a ventriloquist act.

Fish and Wiesner Named to Silverton Budget Committee

SILVERTON—R. A. Fish and George Wiesner, both former city councilmen, were appointed for three-year terms on the city budget committee, by members of the council Monday night. They replace E. J. Adams and Elmer Johnson, whose terms expire and both of whom are now on the local planning commission.

Carey Moore was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Robert Webb on the budget committee. Webb, whose term expires on July 1, 1952, has moved to Portland.

Two other terms will expire next July, those of Max Hubbs and George Christenson. Terms of Lloyd Larsen and L. F. Tucker will expire on July 1, 1953.

Mayor Errol Ross asked C. A. Hande and C. B. Anderson, both council members, to assist R. E. Borland, city manager, in making the preliminary budget.

Reports at the Monday night meeting showed that 1951 water main installations amounted to \$10,800 with mains laid on South First, Fosholm Road, Short, Wilson, North Second and D and Maple Avenue.

The group favored placing the municipal judge's pay on a flat \$50 a month salary instead of on the fee basis now used. Fees will

still be continued but these will go into the city treasurer. Kenneth Brown is serving as municipal judge now.

Protection Asked. N. Nyhus and V. J. Rydell of the Silverton Sanitary Service, appeared before the council to ask for protection through a franchise somewhat on the same basis as Newberg. The two men brought along a copy of the Newberg garbage disposal ordinance to illustrate their desire. The council took this under advisement with the city attorney, Rex Albright, instructed to prepare a suitable ordinance. Councilmen favored a franchise with an appropriate fee, but were opposed to an exclusive right to operate within the city.

Earl Hartman Company was awarded the bid on furnishing the city water department a new pickup truck. Bids were received also from the Anderson Motors, Kilham Smith, Woodburn, represented by Elmer Rhyne, Silverton. Net prices of the bids to the city were Anderson \$1,032; Kalham, \$964 and Hartman \$895.

The gasoline bid went to Shell Oil, which Mayor Errol Ross represented. Standard and Valley Farmers each offered supreme at \$0.23 and regular at 217. Shell Oil's bid was .231 and 211. All bids were in 400 gallon quantities.

Valley News Briefs

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Rosedale—Floyd Bates is at Columbus, Ohio to attend a meeting of directors of the American Jersey Cattle Club. He is western director.

Hazel Green—Expore Post 57 has set Saturday, March 8, as the new date for the square dance it will hold. The new location of the event is Brooks gymnasium.

Donald—Mrs. Mae St. Helens left Monday for Napa, Calif., for a visit with her daughter. She planned to be gone several weeks.

Zena—Capt. Raymond Finckle visited his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip M. Brandt Sunday while enroute from Texas to McChord Field, Wash., where he will be stationed with the Air Force. His wife and two young sons accompanied him.

Spring Valley — Miss Florence Beardsley of the State Department of Education will explain methods of teaching and education at the Spring Valley School Thursday at 2 p.m. Anyone interested is invited.

Gervais — Albert Prantl was elected, and Gordon Jones, re-elected, to the board of the Gervais Co-operative Telephone Association on Feb. 27. David L. St. John is the retiring director.

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Brooks—Mrs. Elmer Conn will entertain the Brooks Ladies Sewing Club at her home Thursday afternoon.

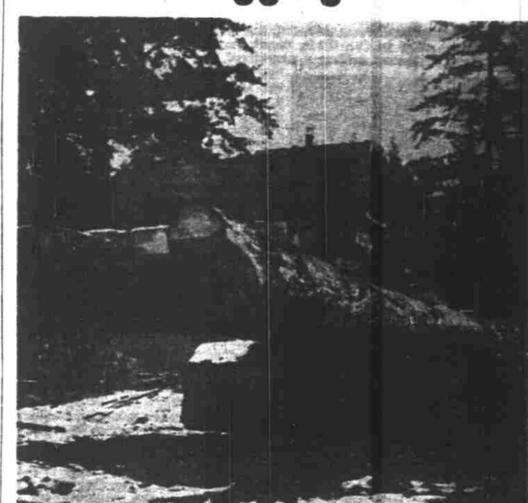
Zena—The Spring Valley Home Missionary Society is sponsoring its annual spring all-day meeting with a noon luncheon, at the home of Mrs. V. L. Gibbs on Thursday. Assisting will be Mrs. Ralph H. Scott, Mrs. W. L. Lantis and Mrs. F. W. Reed.

Donald—Mrs. Lyle Meisch is at Mohrville, S. D., to attend the funeral of her grandfather. Mrs. Raymond Peterson is caring for her two small sons.

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Lumber's Expensive, So Is Logging 'Game'



MEHAMA—The loggers' sled pictured above was built by three men, working eight days. It belongs to the Ercill Wilson Logging Co. and will be used this summer at Marion Forks where the working season is short due to altitude and deep winter snow. (Statesman photo by Jean Roberts.)

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MEHAMA — People sometimes complain of the price of lumber, but they are not always aware of the expense entailed to produce it. That's what loggers in the North Santiam country will tell you, anyway.

For example, several yarders are being constructed in this area during the current winter slack season. Most of them have 150-horsepower diesel motors that cost about \$20,000. The motors are anchored on sleds which must be made by hand at a cost of approximately \$1,000.

The sleds are built from logs and crosspieces fastened by bolts and huge washers. The washers used weigh between four and five pounds apiece.

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Valley Obituaries

E. E. Russell

DONALD—Services for E. E. Russell, father of Mrs. Richard Racette, Butteville, and Mrs. Robert Iverson, Donald postmaster, were held Saturday at Vancouver, Wash., where he lived.

Thomas L. Sanders

STAYTON—Graveside services for Thomas L. Sanders, former Stayton-area farmer for many years, will be held at Stayton at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 5. Sanders died Sunday at Tacoma, Wash., where he lived with a son, Donald.

Santiam Lodge 25, AF & AM, of which Sanders was a past master, will be in charge of the services.

Deceased also was a past patron of the Eastern Star at Stayton and a member of the Christian Church here.

Also surviving are the widow, Isabel, Tacoma; and two sons, Howard and Ralph, both in California. Direction will be provided by the Weddle Mortuary.

Lillie Maude Stayton

STAYTON—Final rites for Mrs. Lillie Maude Stayton, 61, Stayton resident for more than 50 years, will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Weddle Mortuary here. The Rev. Kenneth S. Abbott will officiate.

Mrs. Stayton died unexpectedly following a heart attack at her home Sunday. She was the wife



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