

MIST MISTINGS

Mrs. T. Roy returned last Friday from California where she had been visiting for several months.

Mrs. E. G. Ditto and Mrs. J. T. Taber were Portland shoppers Wednesday.

Miss Gertrude Liggett, teacher in the eighth grade, is at her home in Kelso, while the school is closed.

P. C. Arnold is relieving W. P. Fox as agent at the St. Helens depot while Mr. Fox is absent.

Mrs. E. A. Rotger returned Wednesday from Portland, where she spent several days with relatives.

Miss Lois Clear, who is now staying in Portland, was here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holbert Sipple of Portland were week end guests of their friends Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Ditto.

Gordon Isbister, who is attending school in Portland, came down Friday evening to spend the week end with home folks.

Mrs. Frank Newbold has received a postal announcing the safe arrival of her son, Archie Newbold, at a foreign port. Archie is corporal in the 467th Engineers, Pontoon train.

Miss Martha McCauley, who has been attending Franklin High school in Portland, came home Tuesday, the Portland schools having been closed on account of the "flu."

Lloyd Carmick, former president of the Christian Endeavor societies of the state of Oregon, who is well known in St. Helens, is in the army in France and also a member of the staff of "The Stars and Stripes."

Miss Marie Walker is now attending college in Berkeley, California. Some months ago she enlisted in the navy as yeomanette, but not receiving a call for immediate duty, she decided to attend college while awaiting government instructions.

Mrs. J. T. Teber received a postal card Monday stating that her husband had safely arrived overseas. It was a great relief to her as he was supposed to be on one of the vessels of the convoy, the flagship of which was recently lost.

Fred Cisner of Goble was a caller at the Mist office Saturday. He has recently settled in the Goble neighborhood, coming from Snohomish, Washington. He is well pleased with the opportunities Columbia county offers and like the Goble neighborhood.

Roadmaster Abry returned from the Nehalem Wednesday night. He reports that the contractors are making good progress on the Pittsburg Bluff and that the bridge across the Nehalem near Birkenfeld was about completed with the exception of placing the steel span.

Judge Eakin has appointed William Miller, a lawyer of Astoria to investigate the charges filed by Han. Kautzman against District Attorney Metsker. Mr. Miller is expected to be in St. Helens this week to conduct the investigation. He was formerly prosecuting attorney in Malheur county.

Ensign E. W. Olson of the U. S. merchant vessel, Western Plain, was here Wednesday for a few hours. He was formerly mate on the Broughton & Wiggins steamer, Ernest H. Meyer, but left that vessel to enter the merchant marine. He expects to be on the way across the big pond in the very near future.

Dr. Lowe, November 1st.

W. P. Fox, agent for the S. P. & S., at St. Helens received a wire stating that his brother, who was in a cantonment in Georgia, was seriously ill and left immediately for Georgia. Enroute he was advised that the brother had passed away and the remains would be shipped to Piedmont, South Dakota. Mr. Fox is now in that city and will return to St. Helens as soon as possible.

N. E. Walker is quite positive that his son, Geo. C. Walker, is on the way to "over there." Young Walker, who has been stationed at Camp Kearney for the past year, sent home his gold watch for safe keeping. He had previously written his parents that he was expecting to go, and before leaving camp would send some of his personal belongings, therefore, the parents take it for granted that George has left the California camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Appleton of Deer Island were St. Helens shoppers Thursday.

Mrs. S. E. Smith will leave this evening for Alameda, California. Mr. Smith has employment in a shipyard there.

A. L. Stone, cashier of the Columbia County Bank, who has been struggling with an attack of grippe for the past week, is again at his post of duty in the bank.

Mrs. Serena C. Morton and daughters, May and Irene, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Claridge of Portland, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Morton.

The county court will meet in special session tomorrow to take up some road and bridge bids and transact other unfinished business which was left over from the regular session.

Dr. Thompson was forced to cancel his last date here on account of an injury received to his hand while hunting, but will be able to continue his regular visits two weeks hence, on Friday, November 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart have bought the Central Confectionery from Mrs. E. Thomas and have taken charge of the business. The Stewarts have many friends in St. Helens who wish them success in their business venture.

The motor vessel St. Helens arrived in San Francisco this week, 41 days out from Manila. This is considered a smart passage, although on the outward trip only 45 days were consumed in making the trip.

The St. Helens Shipbuilding Company has received advice that the Alford, which was recently wrecked off the Cuba coast, is a total wreck. Some of the deck machinery and ship furnishings have been saved. There was no loss of life.

J. F. Doppilmaier informs the Mist that he and Sherman Miles have formed a partnership to handle tractors. Mr. Doppilmaier, who has secured the agency for several well-known makes of tractors, will look after the selling end.

Frank Wilkins is in receipt of a letter from E. I. Ballagh, who was at his old Iowa home. Ed says he was sitting up in bed to write, which indicates that he too had been sick. He thought that he would be able to start for St. Helens in a few days as Mrs. Ballagh and children were all getting along nicely.

All of the men instructed to report at the courthouse for induction into the army, reported this week, except Harold P. Ross and he was transferred from Seattle. Fred Morris was the only St. Helens boy among the number who left.

Robert M. Weidemann of Menominee, Michigan, a cousin of H. P. McCormick, accompanied by Art C. Wells, of the same Michigan town, were in St. Helens Wednesday, the guests of Mr. McCormick. Mr. Wells is a son of John C. Wells, for whom one of the McCormick motor vessels is named.

According to a recent ruling by the Emergency Fleet Corporation, all Class 1 shipyard workers who have been given deferred classification on account of their work in the yards, will be placed in Class 1 unless the officials of the shipyards personally appear and establish the fact that such men are essential to the conduct of the yard. This ruling will affect quite a few men in the local yards.

Miss Arline Botsford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Botsford and Valentine Brown, Jr., were married at the home of the bride's parents in Portland Saturday evening. Roy William Wallace Youngson of the Methodist church, performing the ceremony. The bride formerly lived in St. Helens, her father for some time being connected with the Mist. Miss Gertrude Phillip was one of the attendants.

The funeral of the late Carleton Lewis, who died at his home near Warren early Monday morning, was held from Finley's Undertaking Parlors in Portland Wednesday afternoon. The body was placed in a vault and at a later date will be taken to Mr. Lewis' former home in Maine. The news of Mr. Lewis' death was a shock to his many friends here and the sentiment is expressed that Columbia county lost one of its most valued citizens. A more extended account of Mr. Lewis' illness and death is in the Warren correspondence.

RACE IS ON FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE

For justice of the peace in Justice District No. 1 it seems probable there will be a little race. The candidates are Judge Magnus Saxon and ex-Judge M. F. Hazen. The office is now held by Mr. Saxon, who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of J. T. Taber, who resigned to enter army service. A few of Judge Hazen's friends wrote his name in on the primary ballot and he was nominated. After Saxon was appointed, he decided to make the race for the position and filed his petition with the county clerk. At the present time Hazen is constable in the district. Both he and Saxon are Republicans. There is no Democratic candidate.

EDWIN NORDIN VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

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day afternoon and the body laid to rest in the Hattan lot in the Warren cemetery. His fellow union workers acted as pallbearers. On account of the influenza epidemic, the funeral was attended by only those most interested.

Thursday afternoon, the nurse at Mrs. Nordin's bedside phoned Dr. Ross that Mrs. Nordin was sinking rapidly and Lloyd Hattap and Bessie Hattap left immediately for Portland. At 8 o'clock last night it was reported that the patient had rallied. Further particulars are not obtainable.

WANTS TO KNOW SCHOOL FACTS

To the Editor of the St. Helens Mist: After reading the article in the Mist describing the present condition of our temporary school rooms (and by the way, does temporary mean 6 months or 6 years?) I find that there is awakened in me a latent accumulation of thought on our city's public affairs and I must commend your stand and view-point on the matter.

With all due courtesy to our elected school directors and county school superintendent, who may at present be in a quandary with their problem, I say, tell the people who elected you and whom you are serving the entire troubles, financial condition and other matters relative to school affairs. Be frank; we all want to help. Present this data with a report, if you wish, or thru your chairman at a meeting called by yourselves, and at this meeting give to the taxpayers and interested ones your information first hand and abolish for this one time the old antiquated way we receive our public information with all its attending discrepancies (Mr. So and So said he thought that it was about so and so)—we want it cold and absolute and surely some good will result and a plan or conclusion will be arrived at that will fulfill the needs. The fact that the shipyard men, and in fact every other able and capable man in St. Helens, would have and still will, assist in rehabilitating the existing old building is true.

Many truly believe and I too, that our schools come first and other public conveniences and necessities later, so in accordance with the present national policy of developing and building only those projects necessary—let us forget everything ever said or decided upon about city docks and direct an equal amount of energy, labor, thought and finance toward the school, something that is necessary and vital—ten or twenty fold more than a dock. Our industrial shipping of magnitude is lumber and that is handled at the Lumber company's own dock—a city dock at present would be superfluous. For our present freight and passenger traffic via water, the existing docks, if maintained structurally so as to be safe and clean so as to be sanitary, are quite sufficient. E. A. ROTGER.

C. E. CONVENTION IS HELD IN ST. HELENS

The annual convention of Union 7 comprising the societies of Clatsop and Columbia counties, was held at the Congregational church on Oct. 11, 12, 13 and was a success in spite of the influenza epidemic. The sessions were held in the church up to Sunday afternoon when the convention adjourned to Godfrey park for its afternoon session. On Sunday evening an enthusiastic meeting was held in the Plaza. After a song service of patriotic songs and hymns, led by Rev. Spearow, Rev. Gelvin of Clatskanie, gave a patriotic address, Rev. Hisey led in prayer, the male chorus rendered a couple of numbers and Miss Edna Whipple of the Eugene Bible college and state university, delivered the closing address of the convention.

On Saturday night a banquet for the convention was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Southard. In addition to the local society and the visiting delegates there were present, Miss Edna Whipple, Miss Effie Torgersen and Miss Laura Sherwood, state officers of the society and Rev. and Mrs. McClure.

URGED TO BUY MORE BONDS

Edward Cookingham, state chairman of the Fourth Liberty Loan Committee for Oregon, has sent the following telegram to S. C. Morton, the county chairman:

The good work of yourself and your loyal associates in putting your county over the top has been splendid and I extend my heartiest congratulations. The principal metropolitan centers in the Twelfth Federal district and elsewhere are facing extreme difficulties in making quota, because of the strain of previous loans and of heavy taxes on larger corporations and capitalists. There is imperative necessity for our continuing active solicitation and raising every dollar possible in order that the loan as a whole may surely be subscribed. All those who have not subscribed or have made inadequate subscriptions should be vigorously solicited.

EDWARD COOKINGHAM, Chairman.

There are many in St. Helens and Columbia county who are financially able to buy more bonds and it is to be hoped that Columbia will not be satisfied with having subscribed its allotment, but additional subscriptions will be made.

Carl Christensen, superintendent of the St. Helens Shipbuilding Company, was in Portland Monday and aboard the government steamer, Inzaquena, when she made her tripart. He came as far as St. Helens on the boat and was well pleased with the behavior of this product of the St. Helens yard.

GERMAN-FRANCO WAR VETERAN

Chris E. Rabinsky of Seapoo who was here Tuesday on the grand jury, is a veteran of the Franco-French war and talks interestingly of the time when the Germans conquered the French and took Alsace and Lorraine. In 1870 he was in Laon (where the recent heavy fighting has been) and was in a big battle there. The country surrounding Laon is very rough and Mr. Rabinsky thought the allies would have going to make much of an advance. He was at Metz when that fortress was surrendered by the French. 173,000 men laid down arms, he said, was almost surrounded by three big lakes and was a formidable fortress. In those days, the Germans did not make war on women and children, according to Rabinsky and he is loath to believe that the atrocities which are being done by German soldiers are anything but newspaper talk. He thinks it will take a long time to get the Germans, but expresses himself as hoping the war would soon over. Mr. Rabinsky was 25 years of age when he was in the army and came to the Seapoo neighborhood 30 years ago. His son Fritz volunteered in the American navy and served until discharged for physical disability.

The St. Helens Shipbuilding Company has been given contracts to build two more government steamers of the Ferris type. Work on one of the steamers will begin as soon as other boat is launched which will leave one set of ways vacant.

WORK SHOES

MEN: This is the season when you need good, reliable footwear and we have a big stock for you to select from. "CUTTER" PACS are the best on the market. We have them caked or plain sole. We carry a big assortment regular height WORK SHOES. Sizes, 6 to 12. Come in and see.

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A. E. AUSTIN

St. Helens, Oregon

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—are you holding a sack?