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NEW COUNCILMEN TTEND TO BUSINESS

T ON THE JOB

Business Transacted at First Meeting of New Council

e first meeting of the recent ted councilmen can be taken ndication of how the business city will be conducted, it is a that it will be properly look- r. Of course, we have all of the old saying about the oom, etc., but the Mist does lieve that saying will apply in stance, for there was an ap- desire to act for the city's terest, and it is a most re- fact to record. That the official family of the city felt importance was demonstrated fact that the mayor and each man puffed at long, clear grant cigars with as much d indifference as if they were used to cigars. The Mist is to say who opened the box of but it can say that all of the hers who sat around the long smoked the cigars as though d plenty of them, and did not r expenses.

any Spectators Present

council room was comfortably with interested spectators and who came to attend to some s. In the "bald head" row J. VanOrshoven, W. J. Ful- E. I. Ballagh and Peter Mc- Those who came too late to such desirable seats were T L. R. Rutherford, R. H on, W. B. Dillard, Guy Chap- Dr. J. H Flynn, C. D. Morgan M. Holt. The last car brought ral others who were compel- stand or else view the per- ce from the sidewalk

minutes of the previous meet- re read and Councilman asked if the recorder hadn't "or wouldn't it be better to the protest as to the seat- Councilman Wheeler." The did not agree with Mr. Dixon. d, "It was a matter of spite- more than anything else" and n't think it worthy of men- The minutes, were therefore, ed.

Officers Make Reports

mayor called for "reports of s." Potter must have thought the officer referred to for he report on a plugged sewer. atter was referred to the committee and the mayor said Charles Wheeler, being chair- f that committee, would look the matter. Mr. Wheeler en- if "in addition to my duties et chairman am I to under- that I must also look after the ," and the mayor, with a be- smile on his face, said, "yes, Wheeler, the streets and the always go together," and Mr. er consented to look after the sewer or the plugged-up man- which ever the case may be.

other Officer Makes Report

er is not the only officer in y, and City Attorney Joe Day it, therefore Mr. Day made a He had noticed the new ery building on the Strand and ight of the chimney. He it was just the proper height fire to the adjoining building. gested an investigation and the an of the building committee ked to look after the matter. ncilman Wheeler reported that the city water main or a sewer broken near the Independent e, as water was coming through vement. He thought it was a r the water commission should after, but the mayor thought ently, for he said that it would wise to leave the matter to the commission if any results were for. He, therefore, instructed Wheeler to investigate the mat- fact right away and get some- done."

allagh Asks for Improvement

I. Ballagh asked that the coun- ke some action in regard to the rement of West street. The on for such improvement had presented to a former council al years ago. The new council- were interested in the project promised to look into the matter ee if immediate action could not ken.

Flynn suggested that the coun- ke some action to prevent the ing of refuse over the bluffs into the river along the city's r front. It made a very un- ly appearance, he said, and the le should be compelled to haul junk out of town before dump- t. The doctor's suggestion was rably acted upon.

e report of the city treasurer read and placed on file and sev- other matters of importance ght up and acted upon before honorable body adjourned.

T. Taber is at Camp Mills, N. and anxiously awaiting his dis- ge so he may return to St. Hel- Mrs. Taber received a letter him yesterday in which he ed that it was far more tiresome ay around New York than to be king in France. In all probabili- e will be in St. Helens within the ing week.

WHIPPET TANK AT- TRACTS LARGE CROWD

Private Who Went Over the Top Three Times Makes Appeal

The whippet tank which was here Tuesday noon as a part of the publicity for the Victory Loan, attracted much attention, and hundreds of people were at the depot to inspect the little, but mighty machine which did so much to bring the Hun to time. Private Clarence Likens, who went over the top three times as a gunner and commander in one of the tanks, told of the part the tanks played in winning the war and stated that the average life of a tankman in action was about three minutes. He made a forceful appeal for the Victory Loan. He said that Columbia county's quota, $162,000, would buy only eight of such tanks as was exhibited. "Many of the tanks which helped to win the war have not been paid for, the food we ate has not been paid for and the cost of sending us to France and getting us back home again, has not been paid for. He said that he was working for $35 per month, but that he was going to take a Victory bond.

Dr. J. H. Flynn made a short talk on the necessity of subscribing for Victory bonds, and introduced Ben Copeland, who, after 18 months of service in France, has returned to St. Helens. Sergeant Copeland made a nice talk. He said that when the boys over there heard the news that America had oversubscribed the Fourth Liberty loan, they felt encouraged and knew the folks at home were back of the boys at the front. He told how the boys at the front had worked, sacrificed and died for America's honor and he asked that all aid in upholding the honor attained. It was Benny's first public speech, and while he would have rather piloted an air machine several thousand feet above terra firma than to face the several hundred people who heard his remarks, he got away in fine style and made a real patriotic speech. Dr. Flynn also introduced Justin Wilkins and Bob Harrison, who have been in France, and in the thick of the fighting.

Several hundred people were present and this does not include the several hundred school children who were given leave to go to the depot and see the tank. In another column of the Mist will be found a good description of the tank and how it was operated.

ODDFELLOWS CELE- BRATE TOMORROW

Members of St. Helens Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., will fittingly celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of that order tomorrow night. First on the program is a supper for the members of the order and their wives and also members of the Rebekah degree. The supper is to be at 6 o'clock, and after the supper is over, the members will go to the skating rink for a program of music, speaking, songs, etc. An orchestra has been engaged and those who wish to dance, will remain at the skating rink, while those who wish other forms of amusement will return to the lodge hall. Noble Grand Ira Saurer and Secretary C. W. Blakesley, together with the committee appointed to look after the program, have everything in readiness for the big celebration and they hope that all Odd Fellows, members of the local lodge, or belonging elsewhere, will take part in this memorable occasion.

Rev. H. F. Gelvin of Orenco, formerly of Clatskanie and well known in St. Helens, will deliver the principal address of the evening. Rev. Gelvin is a loyal Odd Fellow who takes deep interest in the lodge and the committee feel that they were very fortunate in securing his services.

NEWSY NOTES OF OUR SOLDIER BOYS

MANY RETURNING HOME

Say France is All Right, But All Are Glad to Get Back to U. S. A.

Arnold Hobbs arrived home last Saturday from New York, for a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hobbs. He was granted only 20 days to make the trip from New York, visit the home folks and then be back to report for duty on the superdreadnaught, New Mexico. He is one of a gun crew on this big fighting machine of Uncle Sam's. Arnold enlisted in the navy almost 18 months ago. He received training at Mare Island and New Orleans. He was assigned to the U. S. S. Iowa and received additional training and won the coveted position as a gun crew man. He was then assigned to the freighter, West Grove (which, by the way, was a Portland built vessel) and made several trips across the Atlantic carrying food and supplies to our soldiers over there. He was in Harve, France, for almost four months on account of repair work being done to the West Grove. It was necessary to send to New York for some of the engine parts, hence the long time required to make repairs. Arnold hopes to soon be discharged from the navy and resume his regular occupation as machinist. However, he does not regret having spent the past 18 months in Uncle Sam's service and is willing to remain if the necessity arises.

F. H. Taylor, who lives near Houlton, has received a letter from his brother, Sergeant Max Taylor of the 159th Aero Squadron. He is yet in France and very anxious to come home, as he says, "it looks as though our work is finished." He also stated that he had a great respect for the Yanks and the way they went through the Hindenberg line was something amazing. "Give a Yank a good feed, hand him a gun and tell him to go and he will do the rest," he writes. That the doughboys went through h—ll in the Argonne was evidenced by the great quantity of captured artillery, guns of every description, barbed wire entanglements and other devices of war, which were daily being brought from the front and stored in France. Sergeant Taylor's home is in Hood River and he has been overseas for almost two years. He was an instructor at one of the flying fields.

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MRS. SERENA C. MORTON ANSWERS FINAL CALL

Mrs. Serena C. Morton passed away at the home of her son, Paul C. Morton, in Portland, Friday night. Deceased was almost 75 years of age.

Mrs. Morton was born in Lexington, Georgia, and was the widow of Rev. Paul C. Morton, a Virginian, who served in the Confederate army and was known as the "fighting chaplin of Stonewall Jackson's Brigade." Mrs. Morton was past president of the Oregon chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. She is survived by five daughters, Mary E., Irene and Emma Morton, Mrs J. N. Rice and Mrs. S. H. Hammond, all of Portland, and two sons, Paul C. Morton of Portland and S. C. Morton of St Helens. The funeral services were held at the Portland Crematorium Sunday afternoon and a large number of her friends were there to pay their last respects

Mrs. Morton had often visited St. Helens and had many friends here who deply sympathize with the bereaved members of the family. She was a lovely character and a devout member of the Rose City Park Presbyterian church of Portland.

VICTORY LOAN RALLY FOR TOMORROW NIGHT

WIND UP CAMPAIGN

Victory Loan Campaign to Close With Music and Speaking

Tomorrow night will mark the end of the Victory Loan campaign. It will be the close, so far as St. Helens is concerned, because it is confidently expected that the city's quota will be subscribed before the meeting is over. City Chairman Fred Morgus has a promise from the Victory Loan Speakers Committee that one of the best known and best speakers in Oregon, will be sent to St. Helens to participate in the meeting. The weather permitting, it is planned to hold the meeting in the courthouse square. If the weather is inclement, the meeting will be held in the circuit court rooms, Judge Fullerton having given permission to use the room for this purpose.

Prizes Offered Schools.

In order to stimulate interest in the Victory Loan, Chairman Morgus has offered a beautiful silver cup to the class room in the schools in the St. Helens banking district, which brings in the most Victory Loan subscriptions. The district includes the schools in St. Helens, West St. Helens, Yankton, Warren, Deer Island, Columbia City, the Dowd school and the school near the Milton Creek Logging company. A. B. Lake, who is acting as assistant to Chairman Morgus, will visit the schools today and outline the plan. The school room which wins the prize will indeed be lucky.

St. Helens Subscriptions Slow.

Subscriptions to the Victory bonds in St. Helens have been slow. At 6 o'clock last night only $8,200 of subscriptions had been handed in at the local banks. This, however, is not taken as an indication that St. Helens will not subscribe its full quota, but it is thought the people are just a little slow in responding to the call of the government.

Clatskanie Over First.

Clatskanie has the distinction of being the first town over the top in Columbia county. Early Tuesday morning, Chairman O. J. Evensen called up County Chairman S. C. Morton and said that Clatskanie had exceeded its quota, which was $40,500. At the same time, St. Helens had subscribed $3200, or $65,000 less than the quota assigned. Rainier, with a quota of $17,000 is reported as having more than filled the quota. Scappoose, according to Mrs. Grant Watts, the faithful chairman in that town, has subscribed its quota of $15,000, and it appears that St. Helens alone is the laggard. Heretofore, St. Helens has been over the top first of all and it is a keen disappointment to the city chairman that the people have not responded more promptly. He hopes that all will turn out Saturday night and take part in the big celebration. People from Warren, Yankton, Columbia City, Deer Island and surrounding country are especially invited.

County Going Good.

Reports received by County Chairman Morton indicates that the territory outside of St. Helens will make a good showing.

Mrs. Jack Appleton at Deer Island is sure that the $10,000 quota will be reached. Deer Island has never failed and Mrs. Appleton does not expect it to go back on its good record. In Goble, the old reliable warhorses, Bog Kenny and F. B. Holbrook can be relied upon to make up the quota. In the Third loan Goble had 1000 per cent and in the Fourth loan they increased the amount by 400 per cent so naturally, that patriotic community would not fall down at this time. No reports have been received from Kenny and Holbrook except to say they "were attending to business" and this means that Goble will be, or has gone, over the top.

Warren Looms Up.

Chairman A. H. Tarbell at Warren, with the able assistance of willing lieutenants, is making a canvass of the Warren neighborhood and is meeting with success and he does not anticipate any trouble in raising the $8000 assigned to Warren. Warren is a prosperous and patriotic community and never falls down on patriotic propositions, therefore, Mr. Tarbell and his able lieutenants, Morris and Lindahl, are confident that the full quota will be subscribed.

Herb Howard for Yankton.

Yankton and the Milton Creek Logging company have always done their part in war activity campaigns and H. O. (Herb) Howard is one of the Yankton folks that can be depended upon. He met with a committee of business men yesterday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms and said, "well, I think I will invest at least $2500, but after I talk it over with my good wife, maybe it will be $5000." Other Yankton people will fall in line and with Fred Morgus and A. B. Lake out there today to stir up interest, there is no doubt as to the outcome in patriotic Yankton.

St. Helens and Columbia county have never fallen down and Chairman Morton for the county and Chairman Morgus for the city, are determined that it shall again go over the top. In this work they will have the able assistance of C. L. Wheeler, Jesse Lansing, Von A. Gray, C. D. White and A. B. Lake. These gentlemen will call on you today or tomorrow. Have your subscription ready and help keep Columbia county in the front line ranks.

Terms of the Victory Loan, announced Monday by Secretary Glass, follow:

Amount, $4,500,000,000; oversubscriptions to be rejected.

Interest 4¾ per cent for partially tax-exempt notes; convertible into 3¾ per cent notes wholly tax exempt.

Maturity, four years, with the treasury reserving the privilege of redeeming the notes in three years.

The 3¾ per cent notes to be issued later; also may be converted subsequently back into 4¾ per cent notes.

A most commendable feature of the fifth loan is the terms of payment. Probably they will be a great factor in aiding the sale. The installments are to be:

Ten per cent with application on or before May 10.

Ten per cent on or before July 15.

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BIG BALL GAME HERE TOMORROW

High School Team Will Meet Fast Portland Team

Tomorrow will mark the opening of the baseball season in St. Helens. The St. Helens high school team will meet the fast James John high school team of Portland and a good game is assured. It will be called promptly at 2:30 o'clock on the high school play grounds in the flat.

Kit Conyers, an Oregon Agricultural college athlete and a member of the McCormick team in the Shipbuilder's league last season, has been coaching the high school boys and he feels confident that he has a classy aggregation of ball players and is confident of winning the initial contest. While the rainy weather has interferred, to some extent with the daily practices, Conyers has whipped the team into shape and they are a scrappy and heady bunch of ball tossers and each one of them believe that St. Helens' High will annex the Interscholastic title for the lower Columbia.

May and Merril are holding down the first and second stations, respectively, and are doing the job up in fine style. Wellinder, who is the short patch artist, grabs everything that comes his way and is not afraid to take a long chance and Diyon at third, is holding down that station in almost faultless manner. Conyers is well satisfied with his infield and claims they will be the sensation of the season. Hill, Corsiglia and Kiblan have the positions in the outer grounds. They are fielding well and hitting the ball hard, and Stanwood, who will do the receiving, is getting along nicely. Zeigler and Decker will do the twirling. Both of the boys have been practicing hard. Decker, who recently returned from France, is in fine form. He will be depended upon to do the bulk of the twirling. He has a fast breaking curve and good control, and he will make some of the opposing batsmen do the one, two, three act. Wilson and Isbister, who have reported for practice, have been working hard and show up well and they will make some of the regulars travel at a fast gait in order to hold their positions.

The team is the best one which has represented the school for many years, and the baseball loving fans should turn out and encourage the boys. Remember the game will be called at 2:30 o'clock. The admission is only 25 cents. Come out and help the boys along and root for them to win.

MARTIN WHITE WINS COUNTY JUDGESHIP

DECREE IS RENDERED

Judge Eakin Rules that White is Entitled to Judgeship

By a decree rendered in the circuit court Tuesday, Judge Eakin declared Martin White to be the legally elected county judge of Columbia county and by the same decree, W. J. Fullerton is ordered to surrender the office to White. The decree is as follows:

Decree

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County—20th Judicial District.

Martin White, Plaintiff and Contestant,

vs.

W. J. Fullerton, Defendant and Contestee.

Now at this time the Court having heretofore made and filed his finding of fact and conclusions of law and being fully advised in the premises:

It is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the plaintiff and contestant, Martin White, be and he is hereby decreed to be the duly elected and qualified County Judge for the term of office commencing on the first Monday in January, 1919, and entitled to perform all of the functions of said office and to receive the compensation provided by law, therefor.

And it is further ordered and decreed that the defendant and contestee, W. J. Fullerton, forthwith surrender and deliver to said plaintiff and contestant, Martin White, the possession and control of said office and matters appurtenant thereto.

And it is further ordered and decreed that the plaintiff and contestant, Martin White, do have judgement for and recover of and from the defendant and contestee, W. J. Fullerton, his costs and disbursements herein and that execution issue therefor.

Dated, April 22nd, 1919.

J. A. EAKIN, Judge.

Ordinarily there is no appeal from the decision of the circuit court in cases of this kind, but Judge Eakin has allowed a stay of execution for 15 days in which attorneys for Fullerton may prepare a bill of exceptions. The attorneys have not yet made known what course they will pursue, but it is probable that exceptions will be taken to Judge Eakin's ruling.

White Wins by Six Votes

According to figures of Judge Eakin, White received a majority of six votes over Fullerton. The recount gave White 766 and Fullerton 772, a majority of six for Fullerton. Forty votes were laid aside for further consideration. The judge rules that 24 of these were for White and 14 for Fullerton, making the count: White, 790; Fullerton, 786. The judges of the election had thrown out six votes as illegal. The judge counted these and gave four to White and two to Fullerton, making the total: White, 794; Fullerton, 788, or a majority of six for White. This makes a difference of 12 as to the recount result, for, as stated, Fullerton came out of that tangle with six votes to the good.

U. S. DeSpain, who will have charge of the construction work on the highway between St. Helens and Deer Island, informs the Mist that he will put a crew to work Monday morning. All of the necessary machinery has not been assembled, but there is enough to start work with and as soon as matters can be better adjusted, more men will be placed on the job.

County Surveyor L. J. Van Orshoven went to Mayger yesterday to do some surveying on a diking project in that vicinity.

MARTIN WHITE

Judge Eakin Says He Was Elected County Judge

FIRST PHOTOGRAPH OF THE "LOST BATTALION"

Photograph just released by the war department of Lieutenant Colonel Whittlesey's "lost battalion" at Apremont, Argonne forest, France. This group of boys is all that remain of the battalion that fought so bravely while it was surrounded by the Hun. Many of these men have returned to this country since the photograph was taken.