

ROOM FOR QUESTIONS

New Oregon Law May Infringe on Constitution.

ALLOTMENT OF STATE TAXES

Act Fixes for Five-Year Ratio in Which Counties Shall Be Assessed—May Be Construed as Inequitable.

SALEM, Or., March 14.—That the new law governing the apportionment of state taxes among the several counties in Oregon approaches very closely to an infringement of the provisions of the constitution, there are many who believe.

Portland Case Advanced.

School Director Sworn In.

CORNUCOPIA MINE CLOSED DOWN.

Receiver of John E. Searies' Interests on Way to Take Charge.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

BOSTON, March 14.—Closing quotations for mining stocks today were:

FINED FOR WHIPPING CHILD.

Baker City Father Must Pay \$250, Stepmother, \$50.

HORSEOWNERS ORGANIZE.

Propose to Bring to a Close Theiving in Northwest.

ONTARIO, Or., March 14.—Horse-theives throughout the eastern district of Eastern Oregon, Idaho and Nevada will be chased for by a protective association which has just been organized.

MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED.

Colfax Schoolgirl Tracked to River by Bloodhounds.

McKinley Invited to Visit Oregon.

LOSS IS OVERESTIMATED

RAVAGES OF PESTS ON LAST YEAR'S WHEAT CROP.

Professor Cordley Discussed Subject at Newberg Farmers' Institute—Large Profit in Dairying.

NEWBERG, Or., March 14.—The first farmers' institute held here for a number of years closed last night.

PROFESSOR A. B. CORDLEY.

WHO SPOKE OF "WHEAT PESTS" AT THE NEWBERG FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

He said the Agricultural College professors were anxious to tell what he had learned by experiments and attendance at other institutes.

Rotation of Crops.

Dr. James Withycombe, in discussing "Rotation of Crops," said in part:

Heat Loss by Pests Overestimated.

"Wheat Pests," said in part:

"The general failure of the wheat crop throughout the Willamette Valley last year has directed attention to the cause thereof.

Willamette Valley It is not known to occur south of Hillsboro, it, therefore, could not have been the cause of such widespread failure.

A brief description of the habits of this insect, which was stated to be the worst wheat pest in the world, was given and means of preventing its ravages were discussed.

"The joint worm was numerous throughout the Willamette Valley last season. It was thought by many to be the principal cause of the wheat failure. It is a small greenish larva that works in the path of the joints of the wheat stems.

To Preserve and Restore Land.

Will Builders Join Interests.

DALLAS, March 14.—Forty men who have settled on lands west of Dallas under the homestead act met here yesterday and formed an association.

Man Narrowly Escaped Drowning.

TILLAMOOK, Or., March 14.—G. O. Nolan had a narrow escape from drowning yesterday.

Idaho Buffalo Fair Commissioner.

Donnelly Hotel, Tacoma.

Work Begun on New Sawmill.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Altman

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The Blues

Ever have them? Then you know how dark everything looks.

A little work looks like a big mountain; a little noise sounds like the roar of a cannon; and a little sleep is all you can secure, night after night.

The truth of the matter is, your nerves have been poisoned and weakened with the impurities in your blood.

You want a blood-purifying medicine—that's what you want. You want

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

the strongest and best nerve tonic you can buy.

Write the doctor freely all the particulars in your case. You will receive prompt reply. Address Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

A. T. McDonald, Chehalis, office deputy; J. W. Osborne, Mineral; S. D. Coleman, Vendome; F. Somerset, Alpha; Clay Swager, Moscow; Dillon Farrell, Toledo; S. G. Bise, Winlock; F. J. Salliger, Chehalis; J. E. Stearns, Adna; H. H. Speer, Pe Ell; C. G. Ellsberg, Centralia.

School Clerk at Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., March 14.—The newly-elected School Directors, C. E. Jackson, W. M. Pierce and Jesse Filling, and the two hold-overs, J. A. Fee and Dr. C. J. Smith, met last evening, and elected Miss M. Washop, clerk, to succeed Mrs. Lura Bishop.

Alaska Soldiers Are Well.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—General Greeley, Chief Signal Officer of the Army, has received a dispatch from St. Michael, Alaska, dated January 22, which announces that the officers and troops at that post are all well.

AT THE HOTELS.

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