

LOCAL AND PERSONAL. J. A. Galliford was in the city Saturday. F. C. Sexton, of Dufur, was in the city Friday. Mrs. Benson of Five Mile is visiting Mrs. Storrs.

Hon. W. H. Biggs. MY DEAR SIR: Your favor as to land forfeiture is at hand and I have personally consulted with the land department on the subject.

The household goods of Dr. J. G. Boyd are already packed and addressed for shipment to Bernallio, N. M., where the doctor intends to make his future home.

The delinquent taxes due Crook county amount to something over \$8000. A glance at the list shows that some of the delinquents are dead, some in the penitentiary, and some others are non-residents of the state.

Reports from all agricultural points tell us that the farmers are all busy plowing. Winter lingered so long in the lap of spring that the season for planting will be necessarily short and every moment must count.

The new goods for the Eastern Oregon Co-operative store have arrived, and are being opened up, and put in place. The store will be opened for business on the 25th.

The Ashland Tidings speaking of Mr. T. T. Turner the gentlemanly and obliging operator of the Western Union telegraph office at the Umattilla house in this city says: "Mr. Turner is well known to our citizens who will welcome him back to his old position here."

The executive board of the Kliekikat County Temperance Alliance offer a standing reward of \$25 for the arrest and conviction of any doctor giving a permit to any person to purchase intoxicants in violation of the laws of the state.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: In an editorial in the Times-Mountain of Thursday, that paper commenting upon Representative Jennings' House Bill, No. 204, I believe uses this language: "We are informed that on the last day of the session the senator from Lane asked for unanimous consent to call up bills which were low on the calendar."

As I was the only senator from Wasco county, except Senator Hilton I presume this charge relates to myself. The statements are false in every particular and the records will so show.

As I am not a mind reader I had no idea then and have not the slightest idea now what bill the senator from Lane Co. would have named on call of his name if the resolution had prevailed.

A gentleman well posted in the inner workings of the transcontinental railroad companies said yesterday to an Oregonian reporter: "Another railroad project that is of direct interest to the Oregon people will no doubt soon be started by the Lehigh Valley Coal company, of Pennsylvania."

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In the last two weeks large sales of lots have been made at Portland, Tacoma, Forest Grove, McMinnville and The Dalles. All are satisfied that.

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