

# COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

**LOCATION:**  
In the Northwestern part of Oregon, on the Columbia River, with about 70 miles of river front.

**AREA:**  
About 700 square miles. 422,592 acres.

**TILLABLE LAND:**  
15,726 acres. This is land that is actually in cultivation and cleared, exclusive of town lots.

**NON-TILLABLE LAND:**  
406,766 acres, which includes all timber where there is more than 100,000 feet on a quarter section, also all logged off land which is not suitable for and in no condition for cultivation.

**TIMBER:**  
About seven and one half to eight billion feet.

**ASSESSED VALUE OF TIMBER:** \$11,467,180.

**ASSESSED VALUE OF TILLABLE LAND:** \$911,355.

**TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTY:**  
\$18,000,000.

**MILES OF COUNTY ROADS:**  
500 miles, some of which is in first class condition, some in fair condition and some in very poor condition.

**MILES OF RAILROADS:**  
About 125 miles which includes the main line of the S. P. & S. and the various logging roads.

**POPULATION:**  
Census of 1910 gives 16,580 but a careful estimate this year gives it at least 15,000.

**CLIMATE:**  
Temperate. During the summer the thermometer rarely reaches 100 in the shade and in the coldest weather of winter zero weather is almost unknown. During the winter months there is considerable rain, but not too much. Just enough to insure crops. Crop failures are unknown.

**PRODUCTS:**  
Fruits of all kinds, especially apples, pears, plums and berries; Grain and grasses; garden truck of all kinds and dairying.

**SHIPPING:**  
Ships from all parts of the world carry Columbia County products down the Columbia River and to the markets of the world. A through line of Railroads traverse the county from the North to the South. River boats carry local products to local markets at low rates.

**LAND:**  
Thousands of acres of first class land can be purchased at reasonable prices upon which are stumps left from the timber operations. This land is especially suited for farming, fruit raising and dairying.

**INDUSTRIES:**  
Lumbering and timber is the principal industry; there being about twenty-five saw mills. Salmon fishing in the Columbia River is also an important industry. Farming and fruit raising; Stone quarrying; Ship building and all kinds of lumber manufacturing plants.

**OPPORTUNITIES:**  
There are fine opportunities for the small farmer, dairyman, fruit grower and truck gardener. Also a number of choice deep water sites for manufacturing plants.

**THE DELTA GARDENS:**  
12,000 acres of low lands along the Columbia River which have recently been dyked and are now in high state of cultivation especially adapted to growing of vegetables and small fruits.

**SCHOOLS:**  
Four standard High Schools; Grade schools in each locality.

**CHURCHES:**  
Nearly all denominations represented.

**THE COUNTY OFFICERS:**  
Circuit Judges, J. U. Campbell and J. A. Eakin  
District Attorney, W. B. Dillard  
County Judge, W. A. Harris  
County Clerk, H. E. LaBare  
Sheriff, A. E. Thompson  
Assessor, C. W. Blakesley  
School Superintendent, J. B. Wilkerson  
Treasurer, R. S. Hattan  
Coroner, F. H. Sherwood  
Surveyor, Geo. Conyers  
Commissioners, John Farr, Louis Fluhrer.



**ST. HELENS**  
A city on the Columbia River, 28 miles from Portland, with a population of 2500 people. The County Seat of Columbia County. A Four year Standard High School. Methodist, Congregational, Episcopal and Catholic Churches. All the leading fraternal orders. Gravity water system owned by the city sufficient to supply a city of 10,000 people. Electric lights, graded and macadamized streets, sewers. Principal industries are lumbering, shipbuilding, creosoting, stone quarrying, fishing and shipping. Two large saw mills with a capacity of 250,000 feet per day; more than 5 million feet of lumber shipped each month; several large ocean going vessels built each year; timber treated with creosote and shipped all along the coast. Two big stone quarries and rock crushing plants in continuous operation. An average of 300 tons of Columbia River Salmon caught and marketed. A farming country back of it that cannot be excelled in the world. Several new business blocks now under construction. Five miles of sewer being built. A PAY ROLL OF NEARLY \$100,000 PER MONTH. Many beautiful and attractive homes.

**CITIES, TOWN, AND POST OFFICES:**

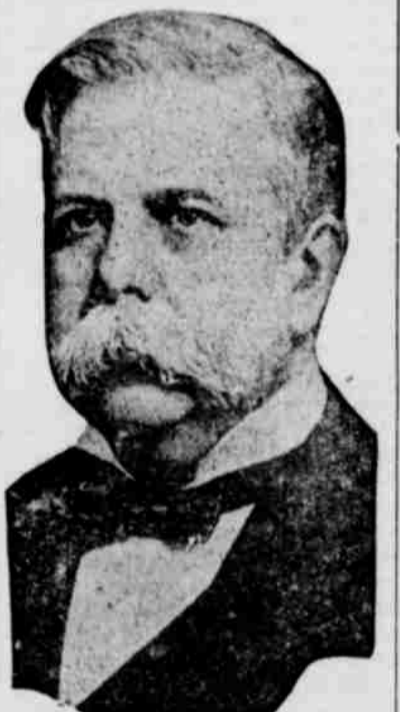
St. Helens	Rainier
Clatskanie	Houlton
Scappoose	Warren
Deer Island	Goble
Yankton	Vernonia
Mist	Quincy
Mayger	Marshland
Columbia City	Reuben
Apiary	Hudson
Prescott	Trenholm
Inglis	

## PRIMITIVE CURRENCY.

Eggs, Tobacco and Codfish as Mediums of Exchange.  
A curious medium of exchange in the world not many years ago was made of eggs. This is equaled by Switzerland, where eggs are still current. Eggs would be rather risky to deposit in the bank for several reasons, but not so wheat and corn which have been used for all purposes of sale and purchase in Norway and have even been banked. The national corn crop of Mexico is maize and not very long ago formed the chief money of that republic.  
At the time of our ancestors tobacco was used almost exclusively in the Indian instead of gold and silver. In the New England dried codfish was at one time a great medium of exchange and had the advantage of keeping indefinitely, and it is said that the Newfoundland fisher got as much pleasure from the odor of his possession as though it were from Araby.  
In savage lands they used more curious things as money. Salt circulated in Abyssinia; cubes of beeswax were the medium in Sumatra, cubes of tea were used in Tartary; in some of the Chinese possessions the coin consisted of straw mats. In the islands of the Pacific they depend upon feathers. In Madagascar the natives count their wealth in iron shovels. China had varied forms of currency, not the least curious being the coins made of wax, while Japan used the slightly expensive substance resin—New Sun.

man, aided by instruments, may bridge the ghastly chasm of the infinite. Distances beside which the immense line stretching from earth to sun is an invisible point are now measured by means of Roemer's special discovery as to the velocity of light—Exchange.

## GEORGE WESTINGHOUSE



George Westinghouse, a foremost figure in the engineering world and inventor of the air brake, who died recently in New York.

## ELEANOR WILSON WILL WED

Bride-to-Be Youngest of Family and Father's Pet.  
Washington—Formal announcement of the engagement of Miss Eleanor Randolph Wilson, the youngest daughter of the president and Mrs. Wilson, to William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, was made at the white house.  
Mr. McAdoo is 50 years old and for many years has been an intimate friend of the Wilson family. He has six children, two of whom are married. Miss Wilson is 24 years old. The marriage will probably take place at the white house in June.  
The youngest of the family, Miss Eleanor, is said to be her father's pet, and there is a strong personal friendship between the president and the man who is to marry his daughter.

## HERBERT H. ASQUITH



Herbert H. Asquith, English premier, who faces a difficult situation as a result of his determination to pass the Irish Home Rule bill.

## PIG'S EYE AIDS BABE TO SEE

Infant, Blind Since Three Weeks Old, Distinguishes Objects.  
Baltimore.—Sight has been given to the left eye of Davis Kane, 9-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kane, of Gettysburg, Pa., through the grafting of the cornea of a pig's eye to the child's eyeball, according to a statement of physicians at a hospital.  
Tests, they assert, have brought out this fact without a doubt. When the bandage was removed, it was said that the child followed the course of a lighted candle which was moved in front of him. Another test that brings out the fact more clearly is that the child now winks his eyelid if a finger or a small object is waved close to the eye.  
The disease from which he has been a sufferer since he was three weeks old is known as staphylococci of the cornea.

Trade at Home.  
There will always be a town here, because there will always be some who see the folly of spending our money trading somewhere else; but how much better and bigger a town it would be if all of us would trade at home.

## JUAREZ WELCOMES GENERAL CARRANZA

Juarez, Mex.—General Venustiano Carranza, first chief of the revolution, was welcomed to Juarez Sunday. In the last two weeks the general has ridden horseback for 500 miles and in the last two months he has traveled 2000 miles in the same way.  
Telegrams from General Villa admit a rebel loss in the last six days of fighting around Torreon of 900 killed and wounded, and places the federal loss at 2000. As there are already at Chihuahua 500 wounded, the report of rebel losses is thought to have been minimized. Among the rebel wounded is General Tomas Urbina.  
It is said that private soldiers taken prisoners are being taken into the rebels' ranks, but their officers are executed unless they take the oath of allegiance to the constitutionalist cause. All irregular troops in the federal garrison are executed on capture.

Women Make War on Quid.  
Pasadena, Cal.—Women of Pasadena have appealed to city officials for the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the chewing of tobacco in streetcars.

Jesse Grant Can Not Get Divorce.  
Goldfield, Nev.—Jesse Root Grant, the late Ulysses S. Grant's youngest son, was refused a divorce from Mrs. Elizabeth Chapman Grant, whom he accused of desertion.

Danish Senate Rejects Peace Treaty.  
Copenhagen, Denmark.—The Danish senate failed to ratify the new obligatory arbitration treaty with the United States.

Car Robbers Kill Engineer.  
Peoria, Ill.—Two men were killed and two deputy sheriffs and a woman wounded as the result of an attempted holdup of a Chicago & Northwestern freight train at Manlius, Ill., 45 miles north of here. Arthur Fisher, of Pekin, Ill., engineer of the freight train, was shot dead by one of the robbers and an unidentified robber was killed in a battle with the sheriff's posse.

Seven counties have availed themselves of the bill passed at the last session of the legislature providing for agricultural and horticultural extension work. The state, under the provisions of the measure, gives an amount equal to that appropriated by each county for the work.

## 7 BANDITS HOLD UP ELMA, WASH., BANK

Set Fire to School Gymnasium to Divert Attention From Their Operations.

Elma, Wash.—Setting fire to the school gymnasium at Elma, Wash., to divert attention from their operations, seven bandits at 8 o'clock Saturday, held up the bank at Elma, and, taking \$3500 in currency, escaped into the woods.

The bank of Elma remains open Saturday nights from 7 to 8 o'clock. The attack was just before closing time and the only ones in the bank were Cashier Earl France, his bookkeeper, A. H. Fleming, and three depositors, Walter Myer, Ed Bosley and George Avery, and Ben Young.

Four of the highwaymen entered the bank, covered the occupants, forcing Cashier France into the vault, where he was held prisoner. Three of the gang on the outside hurriedly forced two passersby into the bank, where they were "covered." One of the men on the inside made the haul during the dramatic "covering" of the citizens, taking only the money in the vault, leaving \$2000 on the counter untouched.

The holdup was completed within five minutes. On account of resistance made by Cashier France, who attempted to reach his revolver on the cage counter, one of the robbers fired twice at him, but neither shot took effect. The loot had been obtained almost before the town realized that one of the boldest bank robberies in the history of southwestern Washington was being staged.

## RUN DOWN COUNTERFEITERS

Spurious \$5 and \$10 Gold Pieces Circulated in Many Cities.  
Portland, Or.—United States secret service officers detailed to run down a gang of counterfeiters who have placed a large number of bogus \$5 and \$10 goldpieces in circulation in the Pacific northwest have arrested W. C. Vaughn, alleged to be the leader of the gang, in Portland; Harry S. Stone in Spokane and Charles Dutcher in Seattle.

The headquarters and mint of the gang are alleged to have been in a little cottage on Dearborn street, Seattle. The counterfeit coin is well made, but a trifle thick. Stone and

Vaughn are alleged to have passed the coins in Bellingham, Anacortes, Everett, Tacoma, Auburn, Olympia, Portland and Seattle. More than 100 of the coins have recently been rejected by banks.

## ROBBER KILLS ONE AND SHOTS SECOND

Mount Vernon, Wash.—A man believed to be Charles Hopkins, known as the "tattooed robber," because of the words "true love" tattooed across his hands, killed Tony Gerb and shot and probably fatally wounded John Freeman, loggers, two miles north of McMurray, 15 miles southeast of here.

Freeman and Gerb were walking along the tracks, when the highwayman halted them and demanded their money. Neither had any and the robber obtained a razor carried by Gerb. Incensed because of failure to obtain loot, the robber drove the two men into a slough 300 yards from the track. "Guess I'll get rid of you right now," said the robber, and then hit Gerb on the head with his pistol, killing him. The blow broke the pistol, but the robber produced another and shot Freeman through the neck, leaving him for dead.

Freeman, when shown a picture of Hopkins, who is wanted at Seattle for the murder of Charles Hodges in a rooming-house last January, said the photograph resembled his assailant.

## Tax Penalty Forbidden

Eugene, Or.—A temporary restraining order, asked for by the First national bank of Eugene, was granted against County Treasurer Taylor by Judge Coke forbidding the collection of penalties on taxes on which one-half is paid before April 1.  
Over \$500,000 in unpaid taxes are involved. The suit was filed by the bank on a complaint parallel to that filed in Portland, in which Judge Cleeton ruled the penalties are unconstitutional.

## Science Can Regulate Human Growth

Berkeley, Cal.—Professor S. S. Maxwell of the university of California announced that by treatment of a certain cerebral gland a growing animal, brute or human, can, within some limits, be kept as small or made as large as desired.

Loggers' Association Opposed to Tolls.  
Portland, Or.—The Pacific Coast Loggers' association went on record here in favor of free Panama canal tolls for American vessels in the coastwise trade.