

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.

NUMBER:
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.



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.

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.

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			

CITY OFFICERS OF ST. HELENS

- MAYOR—A. W. Mueller
- COUNCILMEN—N. O. Larabee, Chas. Graham, M. Saxor, H. Morgus
- CITY ATTORNEY—J. W. Day
- RECORDER—E. E. Quick
- MARSHALS—J. L. Chittum, L. L. Decker
- TREASURER—H. P. Watkins
- WATER COMMISSION—L. E. Allen, J. W. Aiken, Robert Dixon, E. A. Crouse, John Pringle
- WATER SUPERINTENDENT—Chas. Lope
- FIRE CHIEF—L. E. Allen

Ordinance No. 172

An Ordinance providing for the erection of a Municipal Wharf at the easterly termination of St Helens street, in St. Helens, Oregon; providing for the adoption of plans therefor; providing for the advertising for bids therefor and the entering into a contract with the successful bidder for such construction.

Whereas, the City of St. Helens, Oregon, and its citizens are without wharf or dock and there is no adequate or proper place for the landing and embarkation of passengers or the shipping or receiving of freight; and

Whereas, said city is urgently in need of such a wharf in order to preserve and foster its river traffic; and

Whereas, said city is owner of all water front lying easterly and adjacent to said city and in front of and the easterly termination of its streets, and especially at the easterly termination of St Helens street in said city

Now Therefore, said city does ordain as follows:

The Common Council shall require the successful bidder to enter into a contract with said city for the faithful construction and completion of such wharf in a thoroughly workmanlike manner, providing for the holding of 25 per cent of the contract price for the period of thirty days from and after the completion of such wharf; and requiring from the successful bidder a good and sufficient bond acceptable to said Council, in the sum of \$4000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of such contract and the payment of any and all labor or material men's liens, or other claims filed or levied on said wharf.

Read the 1st time April 13, 1914.

Read the 2nd time by title April 13, 1914.

Read the third time in full and passed, April 1914.

Approved April 21, 1914.

A. W. MUELLER, Mayor.

Attest: E. E. QUICK, Recorder.

Notice to Contractors

Oregon State Highway Commission, Columbia County.

Scaled proposals, addressed to the County Court of Columbia County, Oregon, and indorsed, "Proposal for constructing a portion of the Columbia highway in Columbia County, Oregon," will be received by the County Court of Columbia County, at its office in the court house at St. Helens, Oregon, until 2 o'clock p. m. of the 6th day of May, 1914, and at that time and place publicly opened and read.

All proposals must be made on blank form, to be obtained from the State Highway Engineer, at his office, Capitol Building, Salem, Oregon, or Room No. 442, court house, Portland, Oregon; must state the section or sections bid on, bidders may bid on any single section, or on any number of sections, or on all the sections; must give the prices proposed, both in writing and in figures; and must be signed by the bidder, with his address.

Each bid is to be presented under sealed cover and shall be accompanied by cash, a bidder's bond made payable to Columbia County or a certified check made payable to the County Judge of Columbia County, for an amount equal to at least five per cent of the amount of said bid, and no bid shall be considered unless such cash, bond, or check is enclosed therewith.

Such bidder's bond shall be conditioned that if said bid be accepted, the party bidding will duly enter into and execute the contract. Should the successful bidder to whom the contract is awarded fail to execute the same within ten days, not including Sunday, from the date of notification of such award, such cash, bond or check shall be forfeited to Columbia county, and the same shall be the property of the county. All other cash, bonds and certified checks will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders who submitted the same.

A corporate surety bond will be required for the faithful performance of the contract in a sum equal to one half of the total amount of the bid.

All bids are to be compared on the basis of the State Highway Engineer's estimate of the quantities of work to be done as follows:

- Clearing, light 97.8 acres.
- Clearing, heavy 32.4 acres.
- Grubbing 8749.0 square rods.
- Earth 284,290.0 cubic yards.
- Hard pan 86,500.0 cubic yards.
- Loose rock 37,100.0 cubic yards.
- Soft rock 9,900.0 cubic yards.
- Hard rock 76,600.0 cubic yards.
- Borrow 151,200.0 cubic yards.
- Overhaul 279,600.0
- Pipe, 12 in diameter 1,906.0 lineal feet.
- Pipe, 24 in diameter 3,146.0 lineal feet.
- Pipe, 36 in diameter 758.0 lineal feet.
- Box culverts, 4 x 4 610.0 lineal feet.
- Box culverts, 4 x 6 190.0 lineal feet.
- Box culverts, 6 x 8 280.0 lineal feet.
- Box culverts 4 x 8 150.0 lineal feet.
- Dry walls 23,480.0 square yards.

The foregoing quantities are approximate only, being given as a basis for the comparison of bids, and the County Court of Columbia County does not expressly or by implication agree that the actual amount of work will correspond therewith, but reserves the right to increase or decrease the amount of any class or portion of the work that may be deemed necessary or expedient by the State Highway Engineer of Oregon.

Plans may be seen and forms of specification and contract may be obtained at the State Highway Engineer's office, Capitol Building, Salem, or Room 442, Courthouse, Portland, Oregon.

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for Columbia County.

County Court of Columbia County.

W A Harris, County Judge.

John Farr, County Commissioner.

Louis Fluhrer, County Commissioner.

H L Bowlby, State Highway Engi.

H E LaBare, County Clerk of Columbia County.

St. Helens, Oregon, April 21, 1914

MEXICAN PORTS



Principal Ports on east coast of Mexico, including Tampico, where arrest of American sailors brought on a crisis.

MEXICAN DEFENSE IS MADE

Senor Rojas Denies American Flag Was Insulted at Tampico.

Mexico City.—The Mexican foreign minister, Senor Portillo y Rojas, announced it would be impossible to agree to the demand of the United States that the flag be saluted unconditionally, because that flag was not insulted, as it was not flying from the launch, and because the launch was set free even before an investigation and the officer responsible for the arrest was himself arrested and held for trial.

The foreign minister here announced that the Mexican government would agree that both flags be saluted, the American flag first and then the Mexican flag, this arrangement to be made by a protocol signed by American Charge d'Affaires Nelson O'Shoughnessy and the Mexican foreign minister. The United States government, Senor Portillo asserted, has refused

permission to Charge O'Shoughnessy to sign such a protocol and demanded an unconditional salute by Mexico, which Mexico felt was incompatible with her dignity.

ATTEMPTS TO KILL NEW YORK'S MAYOR

New York.—In an attempt to take the life of Mayor John Purroy Mitchel Michael P. Mahoney, an apparently irresponsible, elderly man, who later said he was a blacksmith out of work, fired into a group of three men seated in the mayor's automobile, which stood at the east side of City Hall park.

The bullet from his revolver entered the jaw of the corporation counsel, Frank L. Polk, who was sitting next to the mayor in the tonneau of the automobile. Mr. Polk was taken to the New York hospital, where it was said the wound would not prove fatal.

Mahoney shot at the mayor, he asserted in the course of a disjointed statement extracted from him, because he felt aggrieved at the city executive's "extravagant expenditures" and because he was incensed at being turned back from the door of the mayor's room in the city hall on two occasions when he went to apply for a municipal job.

Beveridge Named on "Dry" Platform.

Indianapolis.—The platform of the progressive party, unannouncedly adopted at the state convention, pledges the party to work for the elimination of all breweries and saloons in the state and indorses the Hobson resolution now before congress.

Albert J. Beveridge, ex-United States senator, was indorsed unanimously for United States senator. He accepted the nomination.

Busch Heirs Won't Pay Inheritance

Los Angeles.—Refusing to abide by the \$37,900 inheritance tax fixed on the \$1,184,767.78 California estate of Adolphus Busch, his heirs, including the widow, Mrs. Lilly Busch and her six children, filed a contest before Judge Rives in probate court.

C. W. Fairbanks Injured.

Frankfort, Ind.—Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indianapolis, ex-Vice President, was slightly injured when the speakers' stand on the courthouse collapsed at the Arbor day exercises here.

Representative Hawley introduced a bill to amend the act to authorize the sale of certain lands belonging to Indians on the Siletz reservation, making the net proceeds of the land sales payable to members of the tribe.

Oregon timber, the felling of trees, and their handling in the logging camps will be shown in moving pictures at the Panama-Pacific exposition. Arrangements for this were made at a meeting of the Oregon exposition commission.

The Apple Growers' association of Hood River has wired Representative Sinnott that they were informed that the express companies had issued new rates for carloads of western berries, advancing the estimated weights on 24 pint crates from 17 to 25 pounds, when the actual weight is 19 pounds.

Amid a storm of argument and disapproval on the part of the men of the Oregon Agricultural college who are in favor of retaining the "swallowtail" coat for use in formal affairs, the student body voted the adoption of resolutions declaring against the wearing of the full dress.

At the next meeting of the state land board it is expected that 80 sections, or 51,200 acres of newly surveyed school lands will be offered for sale. The board will advertise for the bids, probably fixing a minimum price of \$7.50 an acre. Most of the lands are in Malheur and Harney counties.

Oregon's oldest woman, Mrs. Mary DeLore, 117 years of age, died at Portland. She was born and reared near the old Hudson's Bay company trading post at Vancouver, Wash., her father being a trapper and her mother an Indian. She raised a large family, but outlived them all.

To reassure commercial and fruit interests around Medford the agricultural department positively assured Representative Hawley that it would maintain a permanent weather station at Medford, giving efficient service for the especial benefit of fruit growers.

THE MARKETS

Portland.	
Wheat—Club, 92c; bluestem, 99c;	red Russian, 90c.
Hay—Timothy, \$16; alfalfa, \$13.	Butter—Creamery, 25c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19c.	
Seattle.	
Wheat—Bluestem, 98c; club, 92c;	red Russian, 90c.
Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton; alfalfa,	\$14 per ton.
Eggs—22c.	Butter—Creamery, 28c.