

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.—County board of equalization meets next Monday, at which time all persons may appear and present their claims for a change in their assessment. The board consists of the judge, clerk and assessor, who have their minds prepared for all manner of grievances.

GOY BURNED CONTROL.—A disastrous fire has been raging in the vicinity of J. M. Archibald's place, back of Hauken, for several days. Mr. Archibald set fire in a stump near his house and at an unguarded moment the flames crept away to the timber and brush and soon was beyond all control. Goy Reed's house and barn, valued at about \$600, were destroyed, 600 cords of wood was burned, 100 cords of same was destroyed, a barn on Harvey Fowler's place, valued at about \$150, was burned, and a small house belonging to T. C. Watts, worth about \$100, was destroyed.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—The party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey and family returned from the falls on North Scappoose, where they had been camping, last Friday evening. During their stay there Miss May Whitney met with a painful accident by falling about forty feet down an almost perpendicular rock bluff which she was attempting to ascend. The fall rendered her unconscious for some time and resulted in many bruises, some of which are of a serious nature. Another young lady was making the ascent at the same time and came near suffering the same fate. It was only a miracle that Miss Whitney did not lose her life.

SHINGLES MILLS RESUMING.—It is asserted by those who should know, that the white pine shingle manufacturers are starting up a great many of their mills that have been idle for some time. The advance in cedar shingles has encouraged them to again enter the field. This statement is probably correct, but on the basis of present prices for cedar shingles, or even a little higher prices, the demand for them will not equal the supply. The danger is not so much from white pine as from boomish ideas again getting started and a whole lot of new cedar mills be put up. Already there are several new ones contemplated. A few more would be all right, but not many.—West Coast Lumberman.

DEBENTURE TO SUCCEED.—Thirteen young men, students of Portland University, have been camped near Yankton for several weeks cutting cordwood, most of which will be used at the university. Something like 850 cords is the result of their summer vacation, which will materially aid them financially in getting through the next school year. The wood is being brought to this city through the flume and from here shipped on scows to Portland. These determined young men deserve great credit for their efforts to secure an education, and it is a safe proposition that their industry and energy will prepare them for the higher walks of life. "Where there's a will there's a way" seems to apply in this case.

HERMANN AND HIS FRIENDS.—About the first appointment secured for Oregon was that of ex-Congressman Hermann, to the commissionership of the general land office. Then Mr. Hermann's brother was appointed postmaster at Myrtle Point; then another brother was appointed to a place in the pension office at Washington, and later Mr. Hermann's brother-in-law was appointed to a place in the land office. All of the appointments above referred to live in Coos county, and it seems a little strange in view of the fact that Coos county gave Bryan several hundred majority and has been carried by the populists for the past six years, that Coos county should be singled out as the county to be especially favored by the present administration. There are several able bodied men in the Hermann family yet unprovided with an office.—Statesman.

ALL SAY KEEP AWAY.—Mr. J. E. Laithrop, who started for Klondike from Pendleton, representing several newspapers, writes back as follows from Dyea: "If anyone ever saw a sight like this before he saw it in his dreams. Imagine 3000 people landed here during a few weeks with camping outfits. Not a man of them ever was here before, and the majority have not been doing manual labor for years. They are strung along from tide water to the foot of the pass, desperately struggling to get over. Every day sees intense rivalry and vain endeavor, but little success. Men simply can't get over who came late, at least, that is my judgment." Throughout his letter his words are good advice: "Do not come this fall. Under any and all circumstances stay at home this winter and come in the spring. I know absolutely enough to say this as a final conclusion." And he concludes his letter with this unmistakable fall, "Again do not come north this fall, excepting on pleasure trips."

STEAMBOAT MEN STRIKE.—Last Saturday morning only a few minutes before schedule time to leave Portland, the captains on several of the river steamers were notified that the deckhands and firemen would not go out on the boats unless their wages were raised \$5 per month. This action was brought about by an order from the steamboatmen's union in Portland. Heretofore the deckhands have received \$35 per month and board, and the demand was to increase this to \$40. No previous notice had been served on the owners of the different boats, and consequently there was no chance to consider the demand. In a short time, however, a sufficient number of boats had been secured to enable the boats to leave. Only a few days were required to have a full complement of men union deckhands and firemen, and everything went along as if nothing had happened. Just at this season are worked the crews on the steamboats are working pretty hard and earn a good salary, but the greater part of the year traffic is light, many of the boats not making expense. A few years ago deckhands on the larger boats received \$45 per month and board, but during the depression their wages could not be paid, so claimed the company officials.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

Frank Dow spent Tuesday in this city.

County Clerk Weed was a Portland visitor last Tuesday.

Mr. John Dibble, of Rainier, visited our city Wednesday.

Mr. A. J. Shepard, of Paris, was in this city Wednesday morning.

F. M. Tompkins, of Scappoose, was a county seat visitor Wednesday.

District Attorney Cleston was a Portland visitor Monday and Tuesday.

John Swager, of Kelso, was in this city Wednesday.

Oregon Bartlett pears are bringing from \$1.75 to \$2.25 per box in the Chicago market.

Judge Switzer went to Grant county several days ago to investigate mining in that part of the state.

Rev. Burlingame will preach at Readers on Savie's island next Sunday morning and evening.

A. H. Blakesley spent several days at Astoria and the coast last week, returning home Sunday night.

Mrs. Judson Weed and children and Mr. C. Weed returned Wednesday from a several days' visit to relatives on the Cowllis.

O. W. Emerson has the repairs on the schoolhouse completed, and the building will be ready for use by the time school is to begin.

Miss Reuba Payne, of Quincy, returned to her home Monday after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. White at Houlton.

Dr. H. R. Cliff and Edwin Ross, of this city and J. E. Hall, of Clatskanie, have been appointed a board of pension examiners for Columbia county.

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Miss Alfreddie McAllister, of Oconto, Wis., is in the city the guest of her cousins, the Misses Way. Miss McAllister has been on the coast about eight weeks, and in a short time will leave here to visit friends in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dolman, Capt and Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Knowles, Miss Dell Butler, Dr. W. B. Morse, E. C. Giltner and L. K. Adams returned from Mount St. Helens last Sunday, after spending two weeks in that wilderness of woods.

Mr. W. F. Piper, of Scappoose, was in town Wednesday and made this office a pleasant call. He says crops are good in his section, and a general feeling of contentment prevails among the people. He also reported some forest fires in that locality.

If "by their fruits ye shall know them" be anything to judge by the people of Deer Island are a go-ahead, thriving community. Much valuable improving is being done in that community and a spirit of enterprise is everywhere noticeable.

The warehouse of W. P. Fuller & Co., in Portland, was completely destroyed by fire last Monday evening about 9:30. The loss of the building and what it contained—glass and paints—was said to be \$50,000, covered by considerable insurance.

The steamboat strike has been the cause of a number of St. Helens young men finding employment. On the Gatzert will be found Robert George, Bert Whitney, John Lamberson and Sam Turpin. On the Potter Knute Sundry and L. L. Decker have positions.

A man by the name of Marmod, a native of France, employed on the Northern Pacific railroad grade work at Deer Island, fell dead about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning of heart disease. An inquest was held by coroner McLaren and the jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes. His remains were taken to Astoria for burial the next day.

Last Tuesday evening a number of our people, young and old, joined by several of the university boys, gathered in Park Dillard about 7 o'clock and spent the time drinking lemonade, eating watermelons, chatting and singing. The crowd remained until about 10:30, when they retired, all pleased with Mr. Dillard's hospitality and the amusements of the evening.

A personal letter received a few days ago informs us that Mr. O. L. Colburn, formerly of this place, is now school superintendent of Klickitat county, Wash., and is located in Goldendale. The letter also states that Mrs. Colburn was just recovering from a serious illness. Mr. and Mrs. Colburn have many friends here who will be glad to hear they are getting along well.

Andrew Rubert, who recently returned from the mining districts of Southern Oregon, has the pattern for an invention for catching and saving fine gold. The invention is such that the apparatus is to be attached to the extreme end of a set of sluice boxes, and thus by its intricate mechanism, catches all the fine gold which may be carried down the sluices. Mr. Rubert has applied for a patent and as soon as it is granted he will probably begin the manufacture and sale of the machine.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Joseph went to Vernonia Wednesday morning in response to word from there that Mrs. Joseph's father, Mr. William Wilkinson, had suddenly expired on Tuesday morning. Mr. Wilkinson had complained to his wife a few moments before that he felt sick, and retired to the shade of a tree in the yard, where, after a few moments, Mrs. Wilkinson's attention was attracted by a noise, and running to her husband, found him dead. It is said that death was caused from sudden heart attack. Mr. Wilkinson had resided in that locality for many years, and had the respect of every resident of that part of the county. He left a wife and four children. Mrs. C. W. Mellinger, of Vernonia, Mrs. Ed Joseph, of this city, S. A. Wilkinson, of Vernonia, and an unmarried daughter.

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VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

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Park Mitchell returned to Portland last Monday.

Vernon Mow left for outside points last Saturday.

W. D. Case, of Pittsburg, was a Vernonia visitor last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell, of Pittsburg, were in this city last Sunday.

Bert Mills drove the mail stage out to Houlton last Saturday.

Mr. Sam Turk, of Upper Nehalem, was in town Saturday and Sunday.

A. Melle and family, of Mist, were attending campmeeting at this place last Sunday.

Geo. Sitta, of Upper Rock creek, brought in a load of merchandise for F. A. Zillgott last week.

Cal Howard, of Yankton, has been sojourning here for some time. He returned home last Monday.

Old Mr. McCullough, of Upper Nehalem, came down last Saturday and remained over Sunday in town.

Mr. Charles Fisher, of the Barn, who has the Ridgway farm rented, came up last week to thresh his grain.

Mr. North and family were in attendance at campmeeting the last of the week. They returned home Monday.

Arthur Johnson, who has been working in a logging camp on the Columbia river, returned home last Saturday.

Lloyd Detrick, who has been working in a logging camp at Westport, came home on a short visit last Saturday, returning Monday.

Miss Esther Fisher, who has been visiting her brother, Rev. Fisher, of this place, returned to her home in Monmouth last Monday.

Mann Fizer, of Cornelius, came over the mountain on his bike last Sunday, and is visiting his friend, C. B. McNutt, of this city, this week.

Among the people from Pittsburg attending campmeeting at this place we noticed Mr. Ballard's father and mother, lately arrived from the East.

Frank Malmsten, accompanied by John Baker and S. P. Ballard, as witnesses, went out to St. Helens last Friday to make final proof on his homestead.

The talk of Olondyke reminds us very much of some of our populist friends who have politics for dinner, politics for supper and politics for breakfast.

Rev. Shupp, Rev. Winert and several others left for their different fields of labor last Monday. Rev. L. S. Fisher will remain in the valley visiting friends.

Everybody is on the rush to get their harvesting done in time to go hop picking. The greater number of pickers have been engaged by Frank Tracy for a Marion county grower.

Mrs. Daywall, the Misses Beatrice and Jennie Burkhead, Mr. Harvey and Master Daywall, of lower Nehalem, came up last Saturday to attend campmeeting. They returned Monday.

The fire at large has not done any material damage as yet. A large fire is reported down the river. The fire east of town is liable to do damage. Persons setting out fires this time of year should be careful that they do not get away.

Benefit Entertainment.

An entertainment will be given at the opera house in St. Helens this (Friday) evening for the benefit of Rev. Blackwell, at which time the following programme will be rendered:

- Song..... Little Girls
- Recitation..... Grace Dart
- Recitation..... Jennie Gilson
- Duet..... Miss Miles and Miss Longacre
- Recitation..... Gladys Piggott
- Recitation..... Winnie Way
- Solo..... Miss Longacre
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- Lawn..... 06
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- Blacked Muslin..... 05 1/2
- Callon..... 05 1/2
- Duck Suiting..... 09 1/2
- Ladies handkerchiefs 10 each, three for 15
- Ladies heavy vests with long sleeves..... 12
- Ladies corsets..... 40
- Ladies shoes 25 cents and up
- Childrens shoes 25 cents and up
- Ordinary pins per paper..... 01
- Dragon spoon collets, 300 yards on a spool three spoons for..... 02
- Clark's O. N. T. spoon cotton, three spoons..... 02
- Childrens hose, per pair..... 15
- Gents shirts, each..... 25
- One dressing comb..... 05
- Ladies hose..... 05
- Gents white shirts..... 20
- Gents woolen pants..... 25
- Gents cotton pants..... 25
- Gents jumpers..... 25
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- Gents suspenders, 15 cts., two for..... 25
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- Gents socks 3 pairs for..... 25
- Gents suits \$1.50 and up..... 25
- Gent handkerchiefs two for..... 05
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- Six dozen black buttons..... 05
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