

OREGON MIST.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1906.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Progress Made Therein is of a Lasting Character.

News in the history of the St. Helens public school was such a progressive spirit developed as never before...

The addition of a higher grade of studies being taught in the school this year marks a distinct advance...

CORN AND SILOS.

Both are Being Brought Into General Use in the County.

We have on exhibition in our office a number of ears of corn grown on the Gill place, at Warren, by Mr. H. H. Clark...

CIRCUIT COURT.

Proceedings Had From Thursday to Close of Term Saturday.

Mosk vs Epperly, tried, submitted without argument and taken under advisement. Burek and Eppure Packing Co. vs R. G. Davey...

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

The latest styles in fall millinery at Mrs. W. B. Buell's, near the schoolhouses.

Mr. and Mrs. Smiley, of Eureka, are in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jan. Sheldon.

An adjourned term of circuit court will convene here next Tuesday. The term will probably last all week.

The regular November term of county court will convene in this city on Wednesday, the 9th of the month.

The quarterly examination for teachers will be held in this city beginning at 1 o'clock, Wednesday, November 9.

There is no excuse for an idle man around St. Helens these days. Those who so desire can find employment at good wages.

Judge Doan admitted Emil Menke, a subject of Germany, to citizenship last Friday. The witnesses were Joel Hill and F. W. Smith.

Rev. Mr. Philbrook will hold communion service at 11:30 a. m. in the Congregational church, in this city, next Sunday, and the regular evening service at 7:30.

Woodchucks of this place have put the price of wood up to \$2.25 per cord on the wharves. It really looks as though business conditions were slightly improving.

Old fashions in dress may be revived, but no old-fashioned medicines can replace Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross, druggist.

The Oregon Wood Company has removed its office from up stairs in the Taylor building to the room for a long time occupied as a barber shop by J. H. Decker, in the same building.

Henry Waters is having erected a neat little cottage on a lot he recently purchased, near the walk to Houlton and just above the old spring. Mr. M. K. Epperly is doing the carpenter work.

Judge Doan and Commissioner Frakes inspected the new bridge built over Tide creek, last Wednesday. The bridge is just now completed, and Mr. Frakes says the work of construction is entirely satisfactory. The contract price of the bridge was \$420.

The sheriff's sale of property for delinquent taxes took place Tuesday. A great deal of the property was bid in by private parties and a large percent of the tax was paid during the process of advertising. The remaining parcels the county bid in and now holds a lien upon it for unpaid tax.

It is a reminder of old times for the city to be filled every evening with many strangers—men returning to town after a day's labor in the quarries and at the rock crusher. About forty men now find employment here at present in the rock business, and the work will continue for a number of months.

John Cloninger, George Frakes and James Evered succeeded in bagging 74 ducks last Sunday in four hours shooting on the Frakes place. The boys are feeding wheat and as a consequence have splendid luck in rolling the game into their lake. We can testify to the palatable qualities of the fowls as John generously donated a third of a dozen to our sustenance.

In the list of names of persons having patents to lands recently arrived at the land office at Oregon City, we note the following belonging in Columbia county: Anton Glimiecki, Felix Glimiecki, Charles B. Armstrong, Wm. F. Myers, Wm. A. Christolm, John Mullen, Lars Elison, John Edholm, Charles Peterson, Laforest B. Sturtz, Jacob Alexander, Frank Koefe, Joseph Dixon, Francis M. Parker, Godfred Bergerson, Frederick W. Fluhrer, Rufus D. Blakeley.

Mrs. M. J. Scott has leased the Oriental hotel in this city for a term of years, and will hereafter cater to the demands of the friends of that popular hostess. Mrs. Scott, for some time since, has been taking care of the public at her private residence, but the degree of popularity which has steadily developed in her favor rendered the home facilities entirely inadequate; hence to supply demands the large hotel was leased. Mrs. Scott will undoubtedly do a profitable business.

Mr. R. B. Mason, who resides on Milton creek, near Howard's mill, has adopted a rather unique method of burning stumps. He fires the stumps and encourages the burning until a degree of heat is developed which insures their continuous burning, then they are entirely covered with earth, and the process of absorption is like burning a pit of charcoal. Mr. Mason reports fair success in this undertaking, and if it can be successfully carried out no doubt the method will be more generally employed.

The large rock crusher now in operation just below town is a gigantic and intricate piece of mechanism. It is worth the time of any person to visit the scene of operation and watch the mammoth machine grind the huge slabs of rock blown from the face of the solid bluff into dust and small fragments. A large force of men finds employment in operating the machine and loading the barges; a great many of those employed being local residents. The lowest wages paid is \$1.75 per day, and the work will continue for several months.

Bills allowed as follows: T. G. Waits, balliff, \$30.00; J. K. Frazier, balliff, \$15.00; T. J. Cleaton, district attorney, \$27.00; G. A. Hall, deputy district attorney, \$35.00; C. E. Bunyon, official reporter, \$30.00. A. P. Davis vs Joel and Mary C. Hill; motion for new trial overruled, and motion for judgment set for hearing November 1st, 1906.

State of Oregon vs John Harris, default and decree and foreclosure. Wm. Wolf vs Peter Mayer, dismissed and judgment for costs in favor of defendant. Court adjourned until November 1, 1906.

ON EVERY BOTTLE Of Shiloh's Consumption Cure is this guarantee: "All we ask of you is to use two-thirds of the contents of this bottle faithfully, then if you say you are not benefited return the bottle to your druggist, and he will refund the price paid. Price 25 cts, 50 cts and \$1.00. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross, druggist, St. Helens, Oregon, and N. A. Perry, Houlton, Oregon."

ROYAL Baking Powder. Made from pure cream of tartar. Safeguards the food against alum. Alum baking powders are the greatest enemies to health of the present day.

SCHOOL REPORTS.

St. Helens School Makes Good Showing for Past Month.

Following is a report for the first month of the St. Helens public school:

GRAMMAR GRADE. Number days taught, 30. Whole number enrolled, 50. Number of boys enrolled, 25. Number of girls enrolled, 25. Average daily attendance, 35. Number tardy, 3.

Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Pearl Decker, Nellie Cooper, Lucile Whitney, Lottie Hill, Agnes Mackie, Cecile Cole, Lavelle Watkins, Birdie Charlton, Frank Wikstrom, Nettie Charlton, Grace Dart and Lulu George.

G. A. HALL, Principal.

PRIMARY GRADE. Number of days taught, 30. Total enrollment, 100. Number boys enrolled, 50. Number girls enrolled, 50. Average daily attendance, 75. Number tardy, 10.

Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Raymond Watt, Bessie Kattan, Lloyd Hatten, Noble Vandolish, Lilly and Fannie Vandolish, Berber, Sadie Ellis, Loraine Keithley, Willie Waters, Roy George and Beatrice Rice.

Mrs. S. S. WAY, Assistant.

Report of school district No. 30, for the month ending October 7th, 1906:

Number days taught, 30. Total enrollment, 220. Number boys enrolled, 110. Number girls enrolled, 110. Average daily attendance, 150. Number tardy, 10.

Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Alice Briggs, Harry Brown, Lester Bay, Leroy and Ernest, Laura Smith and Ray Tarbell.

Flora S. VINCENT, Teacher.

LOWER RATE OF INTEREST.

Legislature Passes Act Placing Legal Rate at 6 Per Cent.

The bill reducing the rate of interest, introduced by Senator Daly, of Benton, and now before the governor, provides that section 3867, chapter 51, of Hill's annotated laws of Oregon, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 3867. The rate of interest in this state shall be 6 per centum per annum, and no more, on all moneys after the same become due; on judgment, and decrees for the payment of money; on moneys received to the use of another and retained beyond a reasonable time without the owner's consent, expressed or implied, or upon money due upon the settlement of matured accounts from the day the balance is ascertained; on money due or to become due when there is a contract to pay interest and no rate specified. But on contracts, interest up to the rate of 10 per centum per annum may be charged by express agreement of the parties, and no more.

"That all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the above, be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

"That inasmuch as the counties of this state are paying interest on their county warrants at the rate of 8 per centum per annum, thereby imposing a useless burden on the taxpayers, it is not shall become a law upon receiving the signature of the governor."

ASSESSMENT OF THIS COUNTY.

Total Valuation of all Taxable Property is \$1,895,505.

Following is a summary of the assessment roll of Columbia county for 1906, compared with that for 1907:

Table with 2 columns: 1905, 1907. Rows include: Tillable land, Non-tilable land, Improvement on dead lands, Improvements, Improvements on land not taxed or patented, Railroad rolling stock, Telephone and telegraph, Merchandise and stock in trade, Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc, Steamboats, sailboats, stationary engines, etc, Money, Notes and accounts, Shares of stock, Household furniture, Jewelry, etc, Horses and mules, Cattle, Sheep and goats, Swine.

Gross value of all, \$1,489,930. Exemptions, \$1,425,930. Total taxable property \$1,305,505. Number of polls in 1905, 700; in 1907, 640.

TELL YOUR SISTER.

A beautiful complexion is an impossibility without good pure blood. The best that only exists in connection with good digestion, a healthy liver and bowels, and a healthy blood.

Hit the High Places.—Hops are already "hitting the high places" in Washington. Several offers of 15 cents a pound have been made at North Yakima, with no sales, which latter condition is due to the fact that growers are content the price will reach 20 cents before the end of the winter.—Shamokawa Eagle.

EVERYTHING GOES UP.—Wheat has gone up two cents; hops and prunes are making fortunes for owners; wool, sheep, cattle, hogs, chickens, eggs, butter, apples, potatoes, and everything else produced on the farm, are commanding the highest prices all around that they have been for a number of years. Last fall we thought we were in clover, but prunes and hops were worth but little then.—Bugee City Register.

A GREAT HOWL.—What a howl would go up if the newspapers were to criticize the individual as freely as people criticize the newspapers, says an exchange. Every issue of a reputable newspaper is a mantle of charity, and the matter left out—truth, not gossip—would often equal in volume the matter published. If an editor were to get out a cold fact edition some day, and then climb a tall tree and watch the result—what a howl the world would have.

BIG PRICES FOR POTATOES.—The following clipping from the Cowlitz Advertiser, published at Castle Rock, in Washington, shows that potatoes are liable to bring good prices this winter. "Frank B. Housler is again in the market buying potatoes this season. He informed the Advertiser the latter part of last week that he had purchased about 8000 sacks; paying therefor 50 cents per sack and furnishes sacks and twine. He is also advancing 10 cents per hundred on all potatoes bought."

EXPOSITION COUPON. \$1.00 to \$5.00. For the benefit of visitors to the fair—CUT THIS OUT—present it to us, and we return \$1.00 on every \$10.00 purchase of MEN'S OR BOYS' CLOTHING... FAMOUS CLOTHING HOUSE. PORTLAND OREGON.

THE NEHELEM COUNTRY.

Coal and Timber There—Great Development Possible.

The following communication appeared in the Sunday Oregonian of October 22nd: Portland, Or., Oct. 21.—(To the Editor),—Recently I received a letter from Mr. H. Hawgood, a civil engineer formerly of this city, but for the past ten years a resident of California. In this letter he writes quite fully regarding the resources of the Nehelem valley, and the benefits that would accrue to Portland by the construction of a railroad between the two points.

Mr. Hawgood was engineer for the Portland & Willamette Valley line; also the Ilwaco & Shoalwater Bay railroad, and is thoroughly acquainted with the Nehelem country and the route over which a railroad to this city would probably be built.

Believing the information contained in Mr. Hawgood's letter might encourage public sentiment in favor of such an enterprise, I enclose copy of so much thereof as refers to this subject. D. W. TAYLOR.

"How is it that Portland does nothing towards opening the lumber and coal fields of the Upper Nehelem? The extent and high grade of the Nehelem lumber is common knowledge in Portland. The coal fields have been examined and reported on, both by the United States government and private individuals. All reports are of the same tenor. The coal is good, the field is extensive, and the topographical features render mining economical.

"The report of the United States geological survey, March, 1898, is a public document, easy of access. "It seems incredible that such all-powerful agencies for the permanent growth of a community should be allowed to lie dormant year after year, within 45 miles of Portland. "A short railroad is all that is needed to inaugurate an era of prosperity. If the people of Portland would subscribe for bonds, a tenth of what they were willing to do for the 'Hunt' system some years ago, this road could be built. If about one-half the bonds of the road, say \$200,000 to \$300,000, were taken up locally, the balance of the money can be gotten. It is estimated that the coal consumption of Portland alone amounts to from 250,000 to 300,000 tons yearly. It goes without saying that the Nehelem coal commands a very large proportion of this, as well as other coal business. Add to this the traffic in lumber and local freight, and the road would be a good investment from the start. The bondholders would run no risks. "As to construction, I have knowledge based on actual surveys of a very thorough character. A good line can be had at reasonable expense. "A cash subsidy might be an inducement for the building of the line, but would scarcely be an satisfactory to the community as actual ownership of the bonds, or the people of Portland might do as the people of San Francisco did with the San Joaquin Valley road, own and operate it. This would at least leave in their own hands all matters relating to any extensions or other things that might be considered as affecting the best interests and welfare of Portland."

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., September 26th, 1906. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Columbia county, at St. Helens, Oregon, on November 12th, 1906, viz: JOHN HILDBRAND, Homestead Entry No. 985, for the north 1/4 of northeast 1/4 and lots 2 and 4 of section 4, township 4 north, range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: F. M. Tompkins, H. O. Leacherson, Julius Eisenmann, and Orville D. Garrison, all of Scappoose, Oregon. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: F. M. Tompkins, H. O. Leacherson, Julius Eisenmann, and Orville D. Garrison, all of Scappoose, Oregon. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. United States Land Office. OREGON CITY, OREGON, Oct. 1, 1906. A SUFFICIENT CONTEST AFFIDAVIT HAVING been filed in this office by George F. Smith, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 977, made June 11, 1906, for Southeast 1/4 section 11, Township 4 North, Range 2 West, by Constant Bruggeman, contestant, in which it is alleged that the said Constant Bruggeman never made settlement on his claim; that he never resided there at all after he was admitted; nor did he cultivate or improve the same after making entry; that he has not lived on his claim or been on his claim for over six years nor anyone acting for him; that his absence is not due to his employment in the military or naval service of the United States in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. December 6th, 1906, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed Oct. 1, 1906, set forth facts which show that after the expiration of the term of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. W. GALLOWAY, Receiver.

Three Doctors in Consultation.

"When you are sick, what you like best is to be chosen for a medicine in the first place; what experience tells you is best to choose in the second; what reason (i. e. Theory) says is best is to be chosen in the last place. But if you can get Dr. Inclinorin, Dr. Experience, and Dr. Reason to hold a consultation together, they will give you the best advice that can be taken.

When you have a bad cold Dr. Inclinorin would recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, because it is pleasant and safe to take. Dr. Experience would recommend it because it never fails to effect a speedy and permanent cure. Dr. Reason would recommend it because it is prepared on scientific principles, and acts on nature's

Richardson.—At the month of Lewis river, Monday, October 24, 1906, to the wife of Dan Richardson, a daughter.

Richardson.—Near Warren, Monday, October 24, 1906, to the wife of Marlon Bender, a son.

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