

VERY ENCOURAGING WORDS

WILL SOON BEGIN SECURING THE RIGHT OF WAY.

Northern Pacific Branch to Hillsboro is an Assured Fact.

This week we became in possession of information to the effect that within less than thirty days the work of securing the right of way for the Northern Pacific branch road to Hillsboro will be started...

Mr. Dalton has been working in the interest of the Northern Pacific road for over a year, and while there were other matters which he hoped to consummate, but failed, he has continued to urge the construction of the road...

Under this law the county surveyor is entitled to an office in the county court house. He shall file this office up as becomes his position...

There has been much difficulty experienced by the engineers in locating the route on account of the elevation to which the road must rise in order to get over the summit...

SHOULD BUILD SCHOOL HOUSE.

Time for Action in the Matter is Now Certainly at Hand.

The building season of the year having arrived it is a propitious time to advocate and demand the erection of a suitable school building in this city.

What the committee did ascertain, however, was the desire for the erection of a new school building, one suitable for not only present use but future demands...

In this school district the valuation of property amounts to the snug sum of \$75,000, on which \$3000 or \$4000 might be borrowed for ten years or twenty years without seriously involving the district...

PALOMA AND KARLA.

Pleased a Large Audience in This City Saturday Evening.

The Methodist church was filled almost to its capacity Saturday evening with a fashionable and appreciative audience which had gathered there for the purpose of listening to Paloma and Karla Schramm...

Fishing Season Opened.

The 1901 fishing season opened last Monday morning with such pleasing results that fishermen are highly elated. Eight tons of fish were brought to this place for shipment the first day...

Resolutions of Condolence.

Whereas, An all wise Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst Mrs. Sundry, a worthy and respected member of the United Brethren church...

Teachers' Examination Closed.

School Superintendent Copeland, assisted by Mrs. S. S. Way and Mrs. C. L. Hatfield, conducted a very careful and successful teachers' examination during the past week...

COLUMBIA COUNTY'S FINANCES

EXCELLENT SHOWING FOR SIX MONTHS PAST.

Reliable Resources are Equal to the County's Liabilities.

The semi-annual financial statement of the various county officers, appearing in this issue, disclose a most satisfactory and welcome condition of county financial affairs...

THE COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A Law That Makes His Office Much More Lucrative.

If we interpret the matter aright, the last legislature passed an act which transforms the county surveyor's office from a position offering little employment to one affording affluence, influence and plenty to do.

The duties enumerated in the act will increase materially the number of days' employment now enjoyed by the surveyor. He is authorized to administer oaths...

Upon the establishment of any road he shall enter the plat and field notes upon the official records of the county. He shall make out a complete description of all or any part of the real estate of his county...

COURT HOUSE ITEMS.

County and Probate Business Lively During Past Week.

On April 10th Ray E. Watts was appointed administratrix of the estate of Geo. C. Jaquish, deceased.

April 16th Judge Doan filed an order for the appointment of an administrator in the estate of Ella Purney.

May 4th, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, has been set as the time for the final settlement of the J. E. Beggie, Jr., estate.

Monday, the 6th day of May, has been set as the time for the hearing of the final settlement of the R. S. Fullerton estate.

J. C. Moreland, administrator of the estate of Murdo McKay, deceased, will settle the affairs of the estate on May 6th.

An order has been made authorizing the administrator of the G. W. Stalter estate to sell certain property.

M. J. Kettering, administrator, will settle the affairs of the John Kettering, deceased, estate on May 7th.

On April 13th an order was made appointing Ollie Melville administratrix of the estate of Olive Melville.

The appraisers of damages in the matter of the Kappler road, filed their report April 12th, allowing Mrs. E. S. Faxon \$25 damages.

In the matter of the J. N. Brinn et al road, the appraisers of damages allowed Frank Brown \$25 damages in their report filed April 12th.

Judge Doan was up from Rainier Monday. The time for holding regular terms of probate court has been changed to the first Monday in each month...

Anton Kerowski made final proof on homestead entry No. 10,611, for the west 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 and south 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of section 26, township 5 north, range 3 west...

From April 1st to the 15th the sheriff had collected nearly \$4000 taxes. Some of the largest taxpayers had not yet liquidated.

It will no doubt be information to many persons to learn that the new seal law requires the killer of any animal on which a bounty is paid to present the scalp to the county clerk...

In the county clerk's office the officials are dealing with some documents filed for record, conveying title to certain lands along Clatskanie river to the government of the United States.

The documents contain very long descriptions and a blue-print profile of premises, all of which has to be recorded verbatim.

Superintendent Copeland went to Astoria Thursday to attend the Clatskop county teachers' institute.

HACKER LOST HIS SUIT.

Case Thrown Out of Circuit Court at Hillsboro.

The case of W. H. Hacker, of Kenney, The Nehalem, was Tuesday thrown out of circuit court in response to a motion for judgment. Hacker brook one of his ribs, the left one (October 21, 1900), and had the bones set by Doctor C. L. Large and W. P. Via.

Attorney Huffman, of Forest Grove, and Attorney Gruber, of St. Helens, were attorneys for the plaintiff, and S. B. Huston and T. H. Tongue appeared for the defendants.

PAID \$16 ROAD TAX.

Test Case of New Law Tried Out in the Justice Court.

The effectuality of the new road law was given a thorough test in the justice court of this precinct last Saturday, when upon complaint of Road Supervisor E. H. Ford, a hearing for refusal to pay the \$3.00 road tax, as required, the complaint was filed against Ford several weeks ago...

Reuben News Notes.

John Burbeck visited Portland Tuesday. Everybody is making garden this week.

Wm. Meacham is on the sick list this week.

W. H. Hampton was a Portland visitor Saturday. James Chester attended the I. O. O. F. dance at Rainier Thursday evening.

M. C. Gray, of St. Helens, was seen in town Saturday.

W. D. Satterlee is out on his homestead near Vernonia this week.

Mrs. L. Goss and daughter, of St. Helens, were in town Tuesday.

Miss Rose Bishop, of Tide creek, visited friends in Portland Friday.

Ed Cannon, president of the G. N. & P. R. Co., was in town Friday.

Judge T. A. McBride passed through town Sunday on his way to Portland.

James Chester attended the I. O. O. F. dance at Rainier Thursday evening.

C. H. Callender, of the Columbia Mills, of Knappa, Wash., was in town Friday.

Wm. H. Doherty moved his household goods from Goble to Candelay Monday.

Miss Louisa Morel returned to her home Sunday after a month's stay at this place.

Emil Wassner and Henry Morel attended the I. O. O. F. lodge at Kalama Friday evening.

Thomas Day, manager for the G. N. & P. R. Co., was attending to business affairs in Portland Monday.

Forty-five members of the society of Washington of Portland, paid Goble lodge of Washingtons a fraternal visit Saturday evening.

Miss Meta Finley, of Oregon City, spent last Sunday in this city the guest of her sister, Miss Gertrude Finley.

Mr. F. S. Gray, formerly rector of the Episcopal church in this city, is spending the week or two here visiting friends, on his way to Milwaukee, Wis., where he goes to take charge of a parish.

Dr. C. L. Hatfield, of Vernonia, is on route in this city last Friday, en route for Portland, where he and Mrs. Hatfield visited until Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brinn have returned from Tillamook, where Mr. Brinn has been in business for about a year. Mr. Brinn has disposed of his interests in Tillamook and returns to this city to engage in business with his brother.

A dozen members of Houlton assembly went to Kalama Wednesday night to attend a meeting of Artisans, which was largely attended by members from various societies.

The time for holding Sunday school in this city has been changed to 10:45 a. m.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS FILED HIS FINAL ACCOUNT as administrator of the estate of Murdo McKay, deceased, in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County, and the said County Court has fixed Monday, the 6th day of May, 1901, at ten o'clock, forenoon, for the hearing and settlement of the same. All persons having objections to said account are hereby notified to present their objections at said time and place.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior. LAND OFFICE at OREGON CITY, OR., March 26, 1901. 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 the 17th day of May, 1901, at 2 o'clock, p. m., at the court room of said County.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, in and for Columbia County.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT M. J. Kettering, the administrator of the estate of John Kettering, deceased, has rendered and presented for settlement and filed in said Court his final account of his administration of said estate, and that the 7th day of May, 1901, at 2 o'clock, p. m., at the court room of said County, at the court house, in the City of St. Helens, in said County and State, has been appointed by the judge of said Court, for the settlement of said final account, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and object to such final account and settlement thereof, and contest the same.

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