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THE OFFICIAL PAPER.

The County Court for Columbia County, on Friday last, appointed the 'Mist' as the county official paper for the year 1905. This was done according to law, for the reason that the 'Mist' has the largest circulation of any paper published in the county. Last year the Rainier Gazette was appointed for the same reason. The 'Mist' is proud of its growth in the past year and hopes to do still better during 1905. The editor has done his best to make the 'Mist' a readable paper and an influence for progress. During the year to come he expects to increase its circulation and influence and retain its position as the leading paper of the county. The community in which it is published will not support a paper without outside aid, but it is the county seat, and for that reason the best place for the publication of a paper of interest to the whole county. The 'Mist' is Republican in politics, but it does not ask for subscription on that account alone. What the people want is good, honest service, and any paper, in order to succeed, must have their respect. We propose to tell the truth, as we understand it, about all matters of public interest. Continual fault finding benefits no one; but where there is real cause for public complaint, we propose to voice it, and our columns will always be open to criticism of the acts of our officials, providing the person criticizing has the honesty and manhood to be personally responsible for his communication.

We look forward to a busy and prosperous year. The demand for our products is constantly increasing and the great numbers of Eastern people who are coming to the Lewis and Clark Centennial will doubtless furnish us with many new settlers of a desirable class. Let us put aside all professed jealousies and contentions and work in harmony for this general good.

FOREST FIRES.

Our representative in the State Legislature will undoubtedly be called upon to take an active part in the discussion and settlement of the framing of a law to prevent the recurrence of the forest fires that did considerable damage in this State last year. He should approach the subject cautiously, bearing in mind that the true pioneers of a county are those who take their living upon the farms, and that cleared land is worth far more to the country than land covered with timber, especially when the latter is being held by absentee speculators for speculative purposes, and the long yell is emitted whenever they are taxed for road or school funds. The theory that timber is the greatest source of wealth in this county is erroneous. It is the greatest source of present wealth, but it bears but one crop, while the cleared land, under favorable circumstances, will produce every year more wealth than the average acre of timber, and it will continue to produce until the end of time. Timber represents transient prosperity and business, while the little clearing upon the hillside or in the valley represents the highest type of permanent prosperity and civilization. It is the home and however humble it may be, the rights must be respected by the lawmakers. The Government of the United States invited the people of the world to make these homes. It sold these the land, and with the land they acquired the right to do everything necessary to improve their homesteads and make them habitable for the rising generation, and no State Legislature can lawfully interfere with that right.

Moreover, the fault for the great destruction of timber in the past lies largely with the logger. A large area of land is logged over, the trimmed timber is taken out, and the debris is left to dry and constitute a perfect fire trap. Green timber is very slow to burn, and the fire spreads very slowly if set in it; but when it strikes the old logging camp where fallen trees are waiting with open arms to receive it, the camp itself forms a fine fuel for the fire, through which the flames rush irresistibly against the green foliage beyond. If the loggers would take more care in the matter they would suffer less loss.

Still, as we learned years ago from the Essays of Elia, it is not necessary to burn a house to roast a pig, nor to destroy a thousand acres of timber to burn a small clearing. It is right for the lawmakers to enact such legislation as may be thought necessary to protect our forests from needless destruction, always keeping in view the paramount right of the settler to use the means nature has given him to win himself a home in our country.

For the first time in its history Forest Grove has voted to license a saloon. Of course the town will prosper if it never did before. The more saloons the more prosperity. You don't need mills, factories, colleges, etc., if you only have saloons. A town full of gin mills is far more prosperous than one full of saw mills. A factory that turns out drunkards is far better than one that turns out saints. If you get money from saloons and invest it in almshouses, jails and insane asylums, think of the people you are giving employment to.

St. Thomas Benton Kay got bent. That's what comes from mixing up an American came and a Scotch accent.

SHORT BITS.

The Legislature should pass a bill compelling every rancher to cut his slashings into small pieces and burn them in the kitchen stove. In this manner they would thoroughly protect the big timber owners.

We suggest to Hon. Geo. Mayger that if the owners of timber in this county desire protection from forest fires they should pay for it. Let them appoint forest rangers with police authority, under sensible regulations that will not work too great hardship on the men who are trying to clear their land.

It appears that the mayor of Portland is exempt from indictment, the theory being that the mayor can do no wrong. As a matter of fact he has openly boasted of establishing an unlawful system of blackmail upon the gamblers, in return for which they were permitted to ply their robbing avocations. That great reformer, John Manning, requested that the indictment against Mayor Williams be dismissed and the court so ordered.

Saturday was getaway day for the County Commissioners. They made all the appointments for road supervisors on the afternoon of that day and then hit the trail for the railroad. It was a great scheme.

It now appears that there is no branch of the county expenditures in which any material saving can be effected without damage to the public service, and the tax roll will be just about the same size as heretofore. The levy is lower, but the assessment is higher. If you want roads, bridges, and schools, you must pay for them. Dig up.

Mr. Dooley says: "The husband who gives his wife a violet bokay is as apt to lose her as the husband who gives her a violet eye."

Petitions are being circulated and pretty well signed in Crook county asking the county court to appropriate a sum of money, not over \$5,000, to help form an exhibit for that county at the Lewis and Clark Fair.

Peabody, the anarchist Governor of Colorado, has failed in his attempt to usurp the office for a second term. His program was entirely too revolutionary to meet the endorsement of men having one particle of regard for the laws of the country. His defeat is not a triumph for democracy, but a victory for law and order.

Governor Peabody should join the beef trust. He is still at it-beefing over the result of the election.

Judge Dimmick, of Oregon City, drew the lucky number that entitled him to carry the electoral vote of Oregon back to Washington, but immediately handed it over to Judge F. A. Fee, of Pendleton.

A convention of Assessors of the State of Oregon will meet in Portland Jan. 20th for the purpose of conferring together on the subject of assessment and taxation.

Quite a number of Russian officers refused to be released on parole, preferring to remain in captivity with the men with whom they had shared the hardships and dangers of the siege.

The Oregonian warns the people of the state that the Legislature is organized in the interest of the Portland liquor ring. Nothing new.

Mr. Mills says he is going to have a thirty-day session. Better take the other ten days, Mr. Mills, and do your work so it won't have to be done over. Extra sessions are expensive.

State Senator Booth is charged with complicity in the land frauds. Mr. Booth recently gave \$10,000 to the Willamette University at Salem.

It is just possible that instead of a county seat fight the next move will be for the division of the county on a line between Goble and Rainier. The south end of the county is beginning to feel as if it was getting the worst of it in several ways. This may be pointed out more clearly in the near future.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

Table showing expenses of the county for the year 1904. Items include Roads & Bridges, Payers, Criminal Acc't. Circuit court, Assessor, County Commissioner, etc.

Greatly in Demand. Nothing is more in demand than a medicine which meets modern requirements for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. At Deering's drug store, 25c, guaranteed.

REAL ESTATE.

Following is the list of the real estate transfers since Dec. 9. Allen, Clark to Addie M. Elliott a 1/2 n w q r and a 1/2 of s w q r sec 20 7 4 1 Ashland Lumber Co to Harry L. Powers a 1/2 of s w q r and a 1/2 of n w q r sec 28 n e q r of 33, all of 36, 1200 acres in 7 4 13204 95 Ashland Lumber Co to Harry L. Powers a q r sec 6 4 3 1700 Annerstedt, John to Benson Logging and Lumbering Co lease for frontage on S 6 8, 31 8 4 1 Hansen, Loretta J to L F Bauer s w q r of s w q r sec 12 and e 1/2 of s e q r sec 11 7 3 1 Buck W O and Della M to Louis Lyon tract in Wagner d l e 225 Both W (assignee) to Dean Blanchard s e q r of s e q r sec 21 7 2 1 Blanchard Dean to Laura M Hongbirk 12 blk 5 Rainier Bangardner 1 8 and Aliso M to H E La Bare tract in sec 8 7 4 Conyers W H and Annie J to the Benson Logging and Lumbering Co n e q r of s w q r sec 22 6 4 1 Cox Richard and Annie to Fritz Carlson n e q r of n e q r sec 14 7 4 160 Dyer Bertha J to Eva M Duggan w h of s e q r and a h of s w q r sec 5 5 5 825 Davies, Lew and Eva May to C Kohlstad 10 acres in Stevens d l e 200 Dobbins A C to M M Francis a strip of land in Rainier 1 Elligon George and Katherine to Florence E Godfrey tract in sec 15 3 3 100 Francis Miramita M and Robert to Dean Blanchard a strip of land in Rainier 750 Graham A Land George et al to the Benson Logging and Lumbering Co s e q r of s w q r sec 14 7 4 1 George Walter S to J Freeman lot 4 blk 1 Deer Island 20 Hill G to Geo Smith a h of n e q r and 1 lot 1 and 2 sec 5 5 4 225 Johnson Louis and Sarah to the Benson Logging and Lumbering Co a h of n e q r sec 1 6 4 59 Kilby W C and Carrie M to Yon Pelton Co w h of w q r of s w q r sec 3 7 3 200 Lemont Sarah E to W R Dillard 6 acres in Lemont D L C 150 Meeker, Emmeline to St. Helen Lodge No 32 A F & A M lot 8 blk 18 St. Helens 120 Powers, H E & Jessie F to Benson L L Co. s w q r of w h of s e h w of n e q r e h n e q r sec 28 n e h 33 sec 36 7 4 1 Pringle, John to John G Pringle e h of n e q r and n h of s e q r sec 5 5 4 650 Richardson, M S to D Blanchard lot 6 blk 4 lots 2 3 4 blk 6 Rainier 20 Tichenor E D & Grace G to M Mattson 50 x 200 n Clats. 120 Tichenor R D & G G to C Hansen 100 x 200 blk 6 n Clats 450 Tyszkiewicz, Hannah & G E to W B Dillard land in front of lot 22 blk 11 St. Helens 25 Benson, L & L Co to John Stewart a h of sec 9 w q r sec 10 4 4 1

A Grim Tragedy. Is daily enacted in thousands of homes, as death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But when Coughs or Colds are properly treated the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley, of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the Consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong. It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1 by A. J. Deming, druggist. Trial bottle free.

The Blossomless, Seedless Apple.

The boomers of the blossomless, seedless apples are sending out their circulars to catch suckers. Evidently this "company" counts no practical or expert horticulturist among its members. At least, some of the statements in the circular disclose utter ignorance of pomological knowledge. A writer in "Country Gentlemen," under non de plume "Anania B. Good," ridicules the stories of the seedless-apple boomers in the following fashion: "In the spring of 1895 we were butchering a pig just at apple-grafting time. My brother who was helping me, cut off the pig's tail and threw it on the ground. It attracted my attention, and my mind being full of horticultural schemes, I immediately took it while yet warm, inclosed it in a tube of fresh apple-bark taken from a Bailey Sweet apple-tree, and using the whole as a scion, I grafted it into a vigorous Ben Davis tree standing near the cow-lan. To my astonishment, the scion grew. It had a peculiar look from the start, and I was greatly worked up about it. When it bore, in 1896, I was delighted to find that each apple contained, in place of the ordinary core a fine pork sausage. The tree has born abundantly every other year since, and we have had baked sweet apples and sausage to our heart's content. The only drawback is that the sausage lacks seasoning, but I am experimenting now on a line which I think will entirely remedy that small defect." I give this simply for the purpose of advising readers that they can use their money to far better advantage than to put it into the pockets of the propagators and boomers of the blossomless, seedless apple.

Spotted Her Beauty. Harriet Howard, of 309 W. 34th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spotted with skin troubles. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it until I used Dr. King's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c at Deming's drug store.

ROAD SUPERVISORS.

The following road supervisors were appointed by the county court. Dist. No. 1—Mat Engler. Dist. No. 2—Wm Cooper. Dist. No. 3—J W Nowells. Dist. No. 4—Chas Olson. Dist. No. 5—James Kennedy, sr. Dist. No. 6—G W Richardson. Dist. No. 7—W L Brown. Dist. No. 8—John H Cramer. Dist. No. 9—R A Lillich. Dist. No. 10—Oscar Elliot. Dist. No. 11—G W Welch. Dist. No. 12—Al Harvey. Dist. No. 13—A J Van. Dist. No. 14—C W Mellinger. Dist. No. 15—Peter Bergensen.

THE TAX LEVY.

The county court, at its recent session, fixed the tax levy for the year at the following figures, in mills: State 4 34 School 6 24 Salaries 0 833 County roads 0 County general 10 427 Court house fund 2 Total 29,700 This is, of course exclusive of the special road and school taxes, which are levied by each district, and which the court has nothing to do with. The levy last year was 38 mills, but the raise in the valuation this year will probably offset the reduced assessment, and the total amount raised by taxation will be about the same as last year, if not a little higher. A complete showing of the amount of money expended last year is made in this issue of THE MIST, and after carefully studying it, the court did not see where the running expenses of the county could be decreased.

Mr. Mayger's Bills.

From The Oregonian. To make way for better interstate salmon legislation for the Columbia, Mayor of Columbia and Burns of Clatsop introduced concurrent resolutions in the House last Tuesday. Both resolutions call for a joint committee of five members to confer with a like committee of the Washington Legislature for investigation of the needs of the fisheries and for framing bills for concurrent legislation. After the Oregon committee shall have reported back to the Legislature, the lower Columbia fisheries interests desire that a bill be brought forward lengthening the open season five or ten days after August 15. A closed Sunday is proposed, also lengthening of the spring closed season after April 15.

A prosecuting attorney for each county at salaries proportionate with population after the present district attorneys shall have ended their terms in 1908 will be proposed to the House tomorrow in a bill which will be probably offered by Mayor of Columbia. The bill will increase Multnomah's Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys from two to three, each of whom will be paid \$1800 a year. Each of the nine judicial districts now have a prosecuting attorney, one of them two, but if one is to be allowed each county, the number will be 33. A bill to require conditional sales of personal property to be recorded was introduced by Representative Mayger. The bill aims to stop abuses such as the sale of personal property acquired on instalments and disposed of to a third party before the second party has acquired ownership. For example, the person who secures a sewing machine frequently disposes of it to a third party before he has completed payment and secured title. Mayger thinks the recording of the conditional sale would stop the abuse.

A bill by Mayger would take from county judges, sheriffs, and county clerks the drawing of juries and give that function to the circuit court. The object of the measure is to obviate political and other prejudice in the drawing of juries.

The exhibit sent to the St. Louis Exposition from the pathological laboratory of the medical school of Boston University, which won the gold medal over all exhibits sent from medical schools all over the country, will be transported, at the expense of the state of Massachusetts, to the Lewis and Clark Exposition. The exhibit attracted much attention from the medical profession, not only of the United States, but of all countries represented at the Fair. It consists of two cabinets, containing many hundreds of specimens, photographs, and tracings, so arranged that the various methods used in teaching are shown to the best advantage.

Vatican Treasures for the Fair.

The fine arts exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Centennial will receive an almost priceless addition in the shape of Vatican treasures from Rome. The Cardinal Secretary of State has given permission to Rev. J. T. McNally, special commissioner to Rome, to transfer the sacred treasures, which were exhibited at St. Louis and supplement the collection by additions imported from Rome. The exhibit embraces manuscripts, paintings, mosaics, Byzantine work from the Apse of the basilica of St. John Lateran, and some objects of art never before shown. At least four very valuable pieces of mosaic may come, which will be highly prized by art lovers visiting the Exposition. These are copies of Raphael's Madonna Della Seggiola, in mosaic; of the Madonna of Barbino, both originals in the Pitti Palace at Florence, Italy; of the Arch of Titus; and a tivoia di lavoro, or a small table showing the method of working the mosaics. Seven pieces of Byzantine work from celebrated pieces of architecture are also expected, as well as a very good death mask and hand of Pope Leo XIII.

An old maid who recently died in a New England town left her immense fortune to the town in which she lived provided it would change its name to hers. Having been unable to change her own name she no doubt desired to have at least something to do in that line of business, if only by posthumous direction.

Educational Display.

Portland—Plans for the educational department of the Oregon display at the Lewis and Clark Centennial have been outlined by General Supervisor R. F. Robinson and approved by the State Commission. Professor Robinson is planning a display of educational methods in the Exposition state which shall embrace the work done by every school in the state, and every grade in every school. Probably so comprehensive a display was never before attempted for an exposition. The state will be organized by counties, each county being made an exhibit unit, although cities that so desire may make separate exhibits. The work will be arranged by grades, commencing with the primary and ending with the high school. This plan will enable visitors to understand the educational work of the state in the order of its development. Circulars will be sent to every school in the state. Compositions of pupils, paintings and drawings made by students, and photographs of school rooms, class rooms and pupils will be features of the exhibit. Several schools have already arranged for exhibit space, among these being the University of Oregon, the Oregon Agricultural College, and the Monmouth Normal School.

A Portland paper reports a Washington girl who "shot and killed four polecats and then killed a china pheasant for a change." But when going on an expedition for polecats she should have taken a change with her.

Boston has a tunnel or "subway" but its people are to cultured to call it by that name. Although it is an ordinary hole in the ground, the same as that in New York, Boston calls it a "subaqueous corridor." A part of it is under water.

"Are the American people getting shorter?" asks a medical contemporary. That is a nice question to ask right on the heels of Christmas!—Atlanta Constitution. But it is all right if they are high heels.

Absolute Fact.

You can save from \$2.50 to \$5 on a man's suit or overcoat by getting it from John Dellar. You can save from 50 cents to \$1.50 on a boys suit or overcoat by getting it from John Dellar. You can save from 50 cents to \$1 on a pair of shoes for ladies, men, misses or boys by getting them from John Dellar, corner First and Yamhill. We are away from the high rent district; that's why we can undersell others.

NOTICE OF SALE.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County. In the matter of the Estate of Willie A. Bailey, deceased. Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order (issued out of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County, made on the 12th day of December, 1904, at St. Helens, Oregon, in the matter of the Estate of Willie A. Bailey, deceased, the administrator of said estate will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by said court, all the right, title and interest of Willie A. Bailey at the time of his death, and all the right, title and interest that he has, in operation of law or otherwise, acquired since, in and to the following real property, situate in Columbia County, Oregon, to-wit: An undivided one third interest in the north half of the Joseph and Caroline Churchman D. L. C. in Twp 40 N of R 10 E of W 1 of the Willamette Meridian, containing about 233 acres of land. An undivided one third interest in lot 12, blk 10, St. Helens, Oregon. An undivided one third interest in one eighth interest in the south half of the Caroline C. Cunningham, D. L. C. in Twp. 40 N of R 10 E of W 1 of the Willamette Meridian, containing about one hundred and sixty (160) acres of land. An undivided one third interest in Lot nine (9) Section sixteen (16), in Township four (4) North of Range one (1) West of the Willamette Meridian, containing forty four (44) acres of land. An undivided interest in the west half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section seven (7) Township four (4) North of Range one (1) West of the Willamette Meridian, containing about twenty (20) acres of land. The said sale will take place on Tuesday, the 15th day of January, 1905, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the court house in the City of St. Helens, Oregon, and is for the purpose of paying the funeral charges, expenses of administration and claims against the estate. The terms of sale are cash, lawful money of the United States, one fourth of the purchase price at time of sale and the remaining three fourths on confirmation of sale. This will be received for each separate tract. A. F. SMITH, Administrator.

Guardian's Sale

In the County Court of Multnomah County, State of Oregon. In the matter of the Estate of Llanette Sharrington, a minor. By virtue of a license duly granted by the above named court on the 7th day of December, 1904, whereby Margaret Forrest, the guardian of the person and estate of Llanette Sharrington, a minor, was authorized and directed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by said court, all the right, title and interest which the above named Llanette Sharrington has in and to the following described real property, to-wit: Beginning at a point in the partition line dividing the corner of the John M. Olson donation land claim from the south half of said claim, where the county road crosses the same, said point being the west corner of a lot marked C. S.; thence east on partition line seventy four (74) and thirty hundredths (30/100) chains to a corner at the eastern extremity of the same; thence south eleven (11) degrees forty five (45) minutes east one and one hundredths (1/100) of a chain to the first of the following thirty (30) minutes east eighteen and thirty (30) hundredths (18 3/100) chains; thence north thirty (30) minutes east seven (7) minutes west eighty seven (87) and ninety one hundredths (91/100) chains; thence north seven (7) minutes east thirty (30) minutes west eighty seven (87) and ninety one hundredths (91/100) chains to the place of beginning, containing eighty and five hundredths (80 5/100) acres, in Columbia County, State of Oregon.

FOREST RESERVE SELECTION

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, Nov. 26, 1904. Notice is hereby given that Edward B. Ferrin, by W. R. Morse, his attorney in law, has made application February 25, 1904, to select 400 acres of land in 1907 (30 state, 30) the following described tracts of surveyed land, to-wit: North half of southeast quarter of sec 18 township 4 north, range 2 west, Willamette Meridian, Section No. 926. Within the next thirty days from date of first publication hereof all persons or interests claiming the selection on the ground that is more valuable for its mineral than for its agricultural purposes will be received and noted for report to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, D. C.

This notice is given for the purpose of allowing all persons claiming the selected lands under the mining laws, or desiring to show that the mineral is of such a character as to entitle the claimant to an opportunity to file a plan of the Dutch selection with the local office of the General Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, the land district in which the land is situated, and to establish their interest therein on a different character thereon. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register. Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, November 26, 1904. Notice of the above application will be published in the Oregon Mist, printed at St. Helens, Oregon, which I hereby designate as the newspaper in which I hereby designate the land described in said application. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

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