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## County Official ...Paper...


## THE ROAD PROBLEM

Mr. W. B. Lottman, of the State Bank of Rainier, writes interestingly in the Rainier Review of the necessity of good roads in this county and the advisability of attempting to procure them in a systematic and intelligent manner. There is no doubt that in the past many thousands of dollars have been spent on road work in this county for which the people have had no adequate return, and this fact is the greatest obstacle that now stands in the way of our progress along more practical and permanent lines. We have spent annually enough to pay the interest on an investment of nearly a million dollars, and, as a rule, the money has been wasted in haphazard and unscientific temporary work. It is easy to see these facts, but not so easy to suggest a remedy that would be acceptable to a sufficient number of the people ta cause its adoption. At a recent meeting of the of the Rainier Commercial Club it was urged by Robert Younts that the county be bonded for a large sum and a scientific and permanent system of roads be built under the direction of a skilled engineer and road builder. Of course nothing of the kind could be done without securing the consent of the people at an election, even if it be admitted that is the best method of procedure. Neither is it probable that such an election could be held until two years from next June, so that there is plenty of time for the discussion of the matter. The first thing to do is to arouse the people to a full understanding of the importance of good roads, and when this is fully appreciated they will be willing to pay whatever price is necessary to secure them. It is wonderful that any farmer or business man should balk at paying taxes for road purposes. No farmer in Columbia County can afford to evade taxes at the expense of having his communication with his market cut off for a great portion of the year, and especially at the time when his produce would bring the highest price. The difference in the price of a load of potatoes at harvest time and later in the year would generally pay the taxes for a year. It is the time when true economy suggests the wise expenditure of large sums of money under careful supervision. So far as Columbia county is concerned it is the question of supreme importance and is pressing for settlement. Far the greater portion of this county is covered with timber. At present it is a great source of revenu for the county, though in the past it has successfully evaded its just share of taxation. In a few years it will have been converted into lumber and in its stead we will have thousands of acres of stump land. To make this land accessible and of any value, good roads are indispensable, and is the part of wisdom for the owner of timber land, unless he is holding for purely speculative purposes—in which case he is entitled to very small consideration—to stand with the settlers and cheerfully bear his part of the burden of securing roads second to those of no other county in the State. No advertisement could equal it. No other one thing would do so much to advance the material interests of this county by attracting a desirable class of immigration. We are glad the Rainier Commercial Club has started the ball rolling and hope the matter will be taken up by the granges and by the people generally. the Mist will cheerfully give space for a discussion of this most important question.

## MR. HODSON

State Senator Hodson, of Multnomah County, has achieved notoriety by his bitter opposition to initiative measure No. 1, and the declaration that under no circumstances will he vote for any candidate for the Legislature who indorses it. We remember at the session in which Hon. Joseph Simon was elected United States Senator there was a joint resolution calling upon Oregon's representatives in Congress to advocate a constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States Senators. Mr. Simon was President of the State Senate, and in casting his vote against the resolution he emphatically said: "The present method of electing United States Senators exactly suits Mr. President." Of course it suited him. He could not have been elected by direct vote of the pepie of this State. So with Mr. Hodson, who prefers the old convention system, where one gang of politicos struggled to out-maneuver and out-bribe their opponents, and where the people had absolutely no say whatever. But Mr. Hodson is one of those who believe the people are unfit for self government, and he has the courage of his convictions.

We believe, however, that Mr. Hodson and all other opponents of the direct primary system and Statement No. 1 are in an insignificant minority, and that the people will elect a Legislature that will be pledged to send to the United States Senate whoever receives the largest majority of votes at the June election, even if it should happen to be a Democrat. The State of Oregon has nearly thirty thousand Republican majority, and if a Republican can be defeated at the polls it is certainly a most remarkable expression of the will of the people and we see no reason why it should not be respected. The day of the political boss has passed, and we hope it will never return. It brought disgrace to the State, it enabled a few to enrich themselves by robbing the people of their birthright, and, incidentally, it brought discord and defeat to the Republican party. In proportion to its wealth and population Oregon was more corrupt than Pennsylvania. This is the system to which Mr. Hodson wishes to return, and he is going to knock out, pulverize and absolutely annihilate any person presuming to call himself a Republican who ventures to differ with him. We are of the opinion that the joint senator from Multnomah and Columbia Counties, if he succeds in his designs, will be compelled to neglect his private business. Better stick to the print shop, Bro. Hodson and let the old party drift onto the rocks, as it is sure to do without your able leadership.

## The Upper Columbia.

The prospects for the opening of the upper Columbia river to navigation are made more hopeful by the trip of inspection just taken by government engineers to Kettle Falls. It is gratifying to learn that the officials found conditions much better than they expected, though to the people of Stevens county, especially those of the Columbia valley, here never has been any doubt that with a very reasonable expenditure the river, as far as Kettle Falls, could be converted into a valuable channel for transportation.

The likelihood that success will soon crown the efforts to secure improvement of the upper Columbia will be welcomed by all residents in that section of the Inland Empire, a territory unequaled for natural resources and productivity.

The Columbia valley is famous among fruit regions. In Stevens county it varies from three to 15 miles wide, and everywhere is found a profusion of the finest orchard products known to the west. It is one of the glorious horticultural domains of eastern Washington.

The opening of the upper Columbia to navigation will accord not only to the fruit growers a readier access to markets, but will prove an inestimable boon to all residents in that part of Stevens county, a people who have proved themselves enterprising and energetic and who unquestionably are entitled to the better accomodations which the improvement of the river will give. —Spokesman Review.


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## WARREN'S WELCOME

### Grangers Enjoy the Hospitality of the Bayview People.

Pomona Grange for Columbia County held its regular quarterly meeting at Warren on Saturday last, and the good people of Vail Grange justified the Mist's prediction by entertaining their visitors with the true hospitality for which they are noted.

The first number on the programme was dinner and after that was satisfactorily disposed of the Grange was called to order in the fifth Pomona degree by Worthy Master James Barr. State Master Buxton being present he was called to the chair and took charge of the deliberations.

The report of the subordinate granges showed that the order in this county is in better condition than ever before, there being an increased membership and nearly all the subordinate granges being out of debt and owning their own halls. Every grange in the county was represented, with one exception.

The report of the treasurer showed that Pomona has a balance on hand of $50 60.

The committee on condolence reported the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, since our last meeting, death has again visited our order and claimed one of our members, Charles English, of Deer Island Grange; now, therefore, be it resolved, that in his death we have lost a dear brother and a valued member. Further, resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and a copy sent to the bereaved family and a copy placed upon the records.

JENNIE LOVEJOY
J. A. HOLADAY.
EMMA TARBELL
Committee.

The committee on resolutions presented the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that Columbia County Pomona denounce as inequitable and unjust the proposition to exempt from taxation manufacturing plants and other descriptions of property and trusts that the people of Oregon will defeat any such measure when presented for approval at the polls. We believe that instead of exempting any description of property from taxation it should be the duty of our lawmakers to see that all classes of property including franchises and earnings of corporations, etc., bear their just share of the public burden.

R. P. BURNS
M. P. YOUNG
E. H. FLAGG
Committee

The Master announced that the grange County Convention meets at Clatskanie March 7th. Each subordinate grange is entitled to three delegates and three alternates to the county convention, which elects delegates to the State Grange.

An invitation was accepted for Pomona to meet with the Yankton Grange on May 2nd.

At the evening session there was a class of ten given the Pomona degree.

The lecturer's hour was mainly taken up by the address of State Master Buxton. There was also excellent instrumental music by the Warren orchestra, and a recitation by Mrs. J. A. Bergie.

Before adjournment resolutions of thanks were passed to the State Master for his attendance and to the Grange for their splendid hospitality.

## REUBEN

Albert Meier, of Portland, was in town Monday.

A. Winans was transacting business in Portland on Monday.

The Schooner Irene sailed from Neer City Monday with a load of ties for San Pedro, Cal.

F. W. Jordan lost a large mule Monday night, by it getting its foot over the halter rope, and throwing itself.

O. J. Thomas, J. W. Patrick, E. H. Flagg, C. J. Fowler and T. C. Watts attended the Pomona at Warren, from Goble grange.

C. C. Hoven returned to his position as watchman on the G. W. Rider after a months vacation.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith, at Reuben, Feb. 4th. 1908, Miss Corda Rubens was united in marriage to Jay Burtraw, the Rev. F. McConoughy of Kalama, officiating. The guests in attendance were John Robbins and wife, E. D. Potter and wife and Mrs. Guy Smith.

The following Officers of Goble Grange No. 329, were installed by W. J. Fullerton, of Warren, Ore., for the year 1908: O. J. Thomas, Master; G. C. Fowler, Overseer; J. W. Patrick, Chaplain; G. W. Maknster, Sec; Mrs. E. Thomas, Lecturer; W. E. Ricker, Steward; G. W. Jordan, Asst. Steward; Mrs. C. Link, Lady Asst Steward; Mrs. M. C. Jordan, Gatekeeper; T. C. Watts, Treasurer.

## TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The amended postal laws of the United States, which went into effect January 1st 1908, requires that no paper shall be sent through the mails, except upon the payment of transient second class postage unless it is paid up to within a year of the date of mailing. This makes it necessary for us to strike from our list all delinquent subscribers and, as rapidly as possible, put the subscription list on a cash basis, as, of course, we cannot afford to pay postage or violate the law to accomodate those who are in arrears. All papers have been given a reasonable time to adjust their business to this new basis so we trust those of you who know yourselves to be behind with your subscription will make an effort to settle up, and, if possible, pay one year in advance.

The Mist is now the official paper of the county, and it is also the biggest, best and cheapest paper in the county. We intend that it shall be better worth the money than at any time in its history. The court proceedings will be published in full, the real estate transactions given weekly, and all news of interest from all parts of the county will be found in the Mist. If you know you are indebted to the Mist aid us by sending to the amount due and one year in advance.

### NOTICE OF SCHOOL INDEMNITY SELECTION

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, January 16, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that the State of Oregon, on January 16, 1908, applied for the SW¼ of SE¼, of section 10, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., and filed in this office a list of school indemnity selections in which it selected said land, and that said list is open to the public for inspection.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land or any legal subdivision thereof, or claiming the same under the mineral laws, or claiming to show said land to be more valuable for mineral or other than agricultural purposes, or improper to sell selections for any legal reason, should file their claims or their affidavits of protest or objection in this office on or before the 2nd day of March, 1908.

ALGERNON S. DRESSER
Register
GEO. W. BIRGE
Receiver.

### CITATION

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia.

In the matter of the estate of S. K. Hudson, deceased.

To A. C. Hudson, of Pendleton, Oregon; F. M. Hudson, of Marion, Oregon; James C. Hudson, of Rainier, Oregon; Mrs. Minnie Tyson, of Sacramento, California; Mrs. Belle Elwell, of Rice, Washington; Mrs. Agnes Washburn, of Marion, Oregon; Mrs. Susie Evenson, of Arleta, Oregon; and Mary Decker, Alice Decker, Frank Decker, Bill Decker and Elbridge Decker, children of Rachel Decker, deceased, all of the State of Idaho, whose residence in said state is unknown; and to all other heirs and devisees unknown, if any there be, and to all other persons interested in the real property of and belonging to the estate of S. K. Hudson, deceased. Greeting:

In the name of the State of Oregon:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required to appear in the COUNTY court of the State of Oregon for the county of Columbia, at the courthouse thereof, at St. Helens, in said county and state, on Saturday, the 15th day of February 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon thereof, then and there to show cause, if any exists, why an order of sale of certain real property belonging to the estate of said deceased in said county and State, should not be made as prayed for in the petition of J. B. Dunn, the administrator of said estate, on file in said court.

The real property described and petitioned to be sold in said petition is as follows, to wit:

The West half of the Northeast quarter and the East half of the Northwest quarter of section 12 Township 7 North, Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian, containing in all 160 acres more or less thereon; and an undivided one-half interest in and to the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of section 12, Township 7 North, Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian; all of said in the County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

Witness the Hon. R. S. Hattan Judge of said Court, with the seal of said Court affixed, this 26th day of January A. D. 1908.

(SEAL) Attest: W. A. Harris, Clerk.
W. H. Powell, Attorney for Petitioner.

### TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the directors of school District No. 29, up to February 1st, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the construction of a building to be used for school purposes in accordance with plans and specifications to be seen at the Mist printing office, St. Helens or at S. R. Hyde's, Yankton, Ore.

The directors reserve the right to reject any and all bids. A certified check for ten per cent of the amount of bid accompany each bid. All bids should be marked "Bids for school house in district No. 29, and addressed

FRANK BROWN,
School Clerk District No. 29,
Yankton, Oregon.

### SUMMONS

In The Justice Court in and For Union Precinct in the County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

Victor Fiore, Plaintiff
vs.
Spruce & Fir Lumber Company, a Corporation, Defendant.

To the Spruce & Fir Lumber Company, a Corporation, defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon:

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action on or before the 7th day of March, 1908, that being the day fixed in the order of the court for you to appear and answer, and more than six weeks from the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of $27.40 and his costs and disbursements of this action.

This summons is published in The Oregon Mist once a week for six successive weeks, by order of H. P. Watkins, Justice of the Peace, Union Precinct, Columbia County, state of Oregon, dated the 18 day of December, 1907.

First publication Jan. 24, 1908. Last publication March 6, 1908.

W. H. POWELL,
Attorney for Plaintiff
H. P. WATKINS
Justice of the Peace.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Adolph C. Bergerson, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County, and has duly qualified as such. Any and all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same to me at Vernonia, Oregon, or to my attorney, W. H. Powell, at St. Helens, Oregon, verified according to law, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 10th day of January, 1908.

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