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GETTING RETURNS

The following letter from Calexico, California, shows that the small amount of advertising done by the Houlton-St. Helens Commercial Club is beginning to bear fruit.

CALEXICO, CAL.
10-15-08.

Mr. E. H. Flagg,

Editor "Oregon Mist."

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find 10 cents. Kindly send me a copy or two of your paper.

I am interested in that part of the country.

Have read your pamphlet issued by the St. Helens C. C. and it has a very pleasant ring of sincerity about it not usually found in literature of that kind.

Very truly yours,
J. B. Bonisson.

We are especially pleased with the statement that the pamphlet has a ring of sincerity. As a matter of fact we do not dare tell the whole truth about Columbia County, for we know it would appear to the investigator to be overdrawn, and that must be avoided. No place on earth offers better inducements to the intelligent, industrious farmer and the time is close at hand when land values will greatly increase. The fact is that our own people are just beginning to realize their good fortune and old settlers who have sold their farms at what they thought were high prices now realize their mistake.

Fruit raising is in its infancy here. We can remember when apples were "a drug on the market," and yet the production of apples has doubled and quadrupled. An apple was an apple in those old days, just as a cow was a cow. No pains were taken to get the best variety and the crop was thrown into coal oil boxes and gunny sacks and taken to the nearest store, where they were sold for 25 or 50 cents per bushel. There was no market for the product because it was not worth having. There is no market now for diseased apples or light weight cow grease, but the market for perfect apples and high grade creamery butter is a hungry one and is constantly growing. Nearly all Columbia county apples are sold locally or to Portland, for the reason that as yet we have not sufficient acreage to attract the attention of buyers for the foreign market. The acreage, however, is constantly increasing, and the quality of our fruit cannot be excelled anywhere in the world. The great need is men who are willing to wait a reasonable time for returns and who will clear up our cheap stump land and set it to the best varieties of apples. One way to interest this class of men is to cut out this article, enclose it in an envelope and send it to a friend in the Eastern or Middle States.

A Columbia County orchard of twenty acres of Northern Spy or Spitzenberg apples can be had for \$5000 and it will yield a yearly net revenue of from \$8000 to \$12,000. This is a fact that can be shown to any inquirer from the experience of others. It cannot be too often repeated or made known to prospective immigrants.

If King Edward desires to exchange letters with president Roosevelt he can do so at the rate of 2 cents each, under the new postal agreement, but he should be careful in his selection of a topic.

The London Times will buy its new equipment of machinery in the United States. The Thunderer shows that it is smart when it borrows the thunder of American inventors, manufacturers and artisans.

THE LAW AND THE ASSESSOR

A number of county assessors, including Columbia County's, have failed to assess money, notes and accounts, though the law on the subject seems plain, and we are at loss to understand how they can evade its provisions. The law reads:

See 3037. All real property within this State, and all personal property situated or owned within this State, except such as may be specifically exempted by law, shall be subject to assessment and taxation in equal and ratable proportion.

The definition of personal property is given in the amended section 3038 as follows:

See 3038. The terms personal effects and personal property shall be construed to include all things in action, household furniture, goods, chattels, moneys, and gold and silver, or in deposit, all boats and vessels, whether at home or abroad, and all capital invested therein, all debts due or to become due from solvent debtors, whether on account, contract, note, mortgage, or otherwise, either within or without this State, all public stocks, all bonds, warrants, and moneys due or to become due from this State, or any county or other municipal subdivision thereof; and stocks and shares in incorporated companies, and such proportion of the capital of incorporated companies liable to taxation on their capital as shall not be invested in real estate; and all improvements made by persons on lands claimed by them under the laws of the United States, the fee of which lands is still vested in the United States.

This seems very plain, and we are unable to see how any assessor can have the power to exempt money, notes and accounts, bonds, warrants, mortgages, etc. It would seem to be a good idea for the assessors to obey the law as they find it, and permit the courts to settle any questions as to its constitutionality.

SEATTLE 1909

Editor Mist: I would most respectfully appeal to the people of Columbia County through the county press, asking for their co-operation and assistance in helping to enlarge Columbia county's exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition which opens June 1st, 1909. The splendid exhibit of grains and grasses which we had at the state fair has been boxed and turned over to the state commissioner and will be installed at the Seattle fair next year for the inspection of the thousands of people who will flock to the Pacific Coast to view the wonderful products of our farms, fields, and forests. And I expect to attract the attention of the prospective settler, manufacturer or capitalist we must enlarge our exhibit so that the seekers after opportunities to better their conditions can see at a glance that Columbia county, with its magnificent forests, fertile soil, rich undeveloped mineral resources, and splendid transportation facilities, offers advantages that no other county in the great State of Oregon can offer. I often read in the county press of Mr. so and so exhibiting such fine samples of the different products of our soil, and I wonder if they will think to send in some of those samples so that they can be preserved in glass jars for our permanent exhibit. The county has jars 6 1/2 and 5 inches in diameter, and if any of our people will send in 3 or 4 of these large apples, quinces, pears, or other fruits or vegetables, I will try and preserve them for exhibition at all future fairs. Right now is the time we should be gathering fruits and vegetables to exhibit at the Seattle fair. The state commissioner will collect storage all fruits and vegetables without cost to the county, so that we can have a complete exhibit at the opening of the fair and can add to our display as the season advances.

Our county has made no provision for collecting this exhibit, but I will volunteer my services for a short time to look after anything you have to offer for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. We should have 25 boxes of assorted apples from all over the county, and other fruits and vegetables sufficient to make a good showing. Write and let me know what you have to offer, and I will send you shipping and packing instructions.

Very truly yours

W. J. FULLERTON.

Warren, Or., Oct. 13th, 1908.

Had a Close Call

Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles affected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at Houlton, Deer Island, Warren and Scappoose dealers, 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

150 PERCENT ON INVESTMENT

\$200 Invested Returns \$75 Per Week or \$100 Per Month

This Sounds Like a Klondike Story But It's True

BROOKFIELD, WASH. October 8, 1907. MITCHELL, LEWIS & STAYER CO., Portland, Oregon.

Gentlemen:—In answer to your favor of receipt date will say, your Gasoline Drag Saw Machine which we purchased from you last April has given perfect satisfaction. You bought this machine for a man who wanted to do all the work himself, as you can see what the capacity of the machine would be if kept steadily at work. He starts the machine and then lets her take care of her self and snags or splits while the machine saws off axed. He does not stop, however. Last week he sawed about six cords and cut 625 cords of lumber 125 cubic feet to the cord, and he has used at 20¢ per gallon, leaving him for his work with the machine the net earnings of \$74.02. In our estimation the machine is all that could be desired and excels all others of its kind in the market. She is simple and durable in construction and does not hesitate in recommending same to any one that requires a drag saw machine for cutting logs in short lengths. She is less expensive to operate than a steam saw as she moves herself along at the will of the operator. There is no expense to keep a fireman to keep up steam, or horses to haul water and move the machine about from place to place, nor time wasted in getting up steam or making wood for the boiler. The machine is ready to start and can be put in operation in a moment.

Wishing you the success your Gasoline Drag Saw Machine deserves we remain,
(Signed) FRANK BROS.
By Robt. Finke

Send to Mitchell, Lewis & Stayer Co., East Morrison and East Second Street, Portland, Oregon, for circular and prices, or go and see the machine.

SCHOOL TALK

(Continued)

Teachers of rural schools are often greatly injured and their work handicapped by the untrue and malicious things children and grown people tell about them.

For every parent who goes quietly to the teacher to inquire about the trouble her son or daughter has had at school there are 100 who begin to talk among the neighbors about the imaginary shortcomings of the teacher.

If there is a boy or girl in the whole United States who will go home from school and give a correct account of the trouble in which he or she was the chief factor, a medal should be presented the youngster at once. Children are teased to put up their side of the story, and if they have no able manufacturers one it is human nature to do it, no one should expect anything else. A wise parent recognizes this trait of human nature and acts accordingly. A mother who always, right or wrong, sympathizes with her children, should immediately take them back to the school house to face the teacher and get her version of the affair.

The mountains seem to divide to hills mole-hills and the boys and girls are not so eager to get into trouble after two or three of these trips to the teacher.

Perhaps the teacher is guilty of gross neglect or any of the sins possible, she is, but this imperfection should be thoroughly and truthfully established before telling the neighbors about it, which in any event will not help her case. If she is incompetent, prove it to the proper officials and have her removed at once for the good of the school. Don't be a coward or a liar or a scandal monger or a contentious factor among your neighbors, but rather an angel of peace and forbearance until you are yourself perfect.

Why Colds Are Dangerous

Because you have contracted ordinary colds and recovered from them without treatment of any kind, do not for a moment imagine that colds are not dangerous. Everyone knows that pneumonia and chronic catarrh have their origin in a common cold. Croup, bronchitis, is not caused by a cold but it is cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs that would not otherwise have found lodgment. It is the same with all infectious diseases, Diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, and whooping cough are much more likely to be contracted when the child has a cold. You will see from this that more real danger lurks in a cold than in any other of the common ailments. The easiest and quickest way to cure a cold is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The many remarkable cures effected by this preparation have made it a staple article of trade all over the world. For sale by A J Downing druggist.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

Following is the summary of the assessment of this county for the year 1908.

Classification of property	Value
Acres of tillable land, 12874.....	\$ 677,053
Acres non-tillable land, 401934.....	8,786,955
Improvements on deeds or potential lands.....	424,193
Town and city lots.....	318,750
Improvements on town and city lots.....	290,030
Improvements on lands not deeded or patented.....	661,750
Miles of railroad bed, 32.....	1,670,000
Railroad rolling stock.....	279,529
Miles of logging railroad bed 58.....	307,100
Logging railroad rolling stock.....	160,950
Miles telegraph and telephone lines, 477.....	14,960
Steam boats, sailboats, stationary engines, and manufacturing machinery.....	556,110
Merchandise and stock in trade.....	213,520
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc.....	42,730
Money.....	25,610
Dogs.....	730
Household furniture, watches, jewelry, etc.....	102,344
Horses and mules, 1750.....	120,961
Cattle, 6836.....	143,846
Sheep and goats, 1708.....	4,591
Pigs, 1249.....	5,800
	\$14,813,535

Fifty Years a Blacksmith

Samuel E. Worley of Hixburg, Va., has been shoeing horses for more than fifty years. He says "Chamberlain's Pain Balm has given me great relief from lame back and rheumatism. It is the best liniment I ever used." For sale by A J Downing, druggist.

Call for Warrants

NOTICE is hereby given that the county treasurer now has bonds on hand for the payment of all Columbia County general fund warrants endorsed prior to and including July 7, 1908 and the following warrants endorsed on July 9, 1908. Nos. 7312, 7281, 7282, 7278, 7281, 7278, 7433, 7437, 7387, 7472, 7418, 7419, 7449, 7461, 7472, 7469, 7503, 7260, 7311, 7474, 7067, 7291, 7370, 7380, 7370, 7311, 7334, 7447, 7281, 7360, 7432.

Interest on said warrants ceases Oct. 14, 1908.

E. H. QUICK
Treasurer Columbia County.

HOULTON LIVERY AND FEED STABLE

L. H. COMBS, Prop.

Good Livery Rigs at Reasonable Rates.

Houlton-St. Helens Hack.

Leaves Houlton at 7:30 to meet Irada, returning meets north bound A. & C. train; returning to St. Helens after train leaves, leaving their in time to meet 11:15 train. Meets 3:15 train and steamer Irada in afternoon.

Drummers Trade A Specialty.

"OREGON BUILDERS"

Are you doing what you can to populate your State?

OREGON NEEDS PEOPLE—Settlers, home farmers, mechanics, merchants, clerks, people with brains, strong hands and a willing heart—capital or no capital.

The Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. AND Southern Pacific Co. (Lines in Oregon)

We are sending out tons of Oregon literature to the East for distribution through every available agency. Will you not help the good work of building Oregon by sending us the names and addresses of your friends who are likely to be interested in this State? We will be glad to bear the expense of sending them complete information about OREGON and its opportunities.

COLONIST TICKETS will be on sale during SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER from the East to all points in Oregon. The fares from a few principal cities are:

From Denver	\$30.00	From Louisville	\$11.50
" Omaha	30.00	" Cincinnati	42.20
" Kansas City	30.00	" Cleveland	44.75
" St. Louis	35.50	" New York	55.90
" Chicago	38.00		

Tickets Can Be Prepaid

If you want to bring a friend or relative to Oregon, deposit the proper amount with any of our agents. The ticket will then be furnished by telegraph.

Wm. McMurray, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Ore.

Would Mortgage the Farm

A farmer on Rural Route 2, Houlton, W. A. Floyd by name, says: "The len's Arica Salve cured the two sores I ever saw; one on my hand and one on my leg. It is worth more than its weight in gold. I would not have got it if I had to mortgage the farm for it." Only 25c at Houlton, Warren, Scappoose and Deer Island dealers.

The American people have enough to do as it is, and do not need too much urging to get them to vote, though they know that the government is founded on the ballot.

Where Bullets Flew

David Parker, of Fayette, N. C., veteran of the civil war, who lost a leg at Gettysburg says: "The good electric Bitters have done more for me than five hundred dollars in expensive medical money doctoring for a case of stomach trouble, which I then tried Electric Bitters and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic and they keep me strong and well." at Houlton, Warren, Scappoose and Deer Island dealers.

One of the Democratic electors in Massachusetts asks permission to withdraw on the ground that he has decided to vote for Taft. He will excuse.

You take Kodol just for a little while when you have a slight touch of indigestion, and you take it just a little longer in order to get relief from severe cases of indigestion of nervous dyspepsia, and Kodol today. Sold by A J Downing and Scappoose Drug Co.

By a tremendous effort Mr. Bryan kept the Nebraska majority against the her down to 26,000. The latest whirlwind tour in Missouri may have saved some of the baggage wagon.

Don't let anyone tell you that anything else is just as good as DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills because there isn't anything that is just as good. Sold by A J Downing and Scappoose Drug Co.

The ballot-box stuffers have been laughing about legal baggages. In tenor of five years in the penitentiary has stopped their grinning.