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A COUNTY FAIR.

Do the people of Columbia County want a county fair? If they do they can have it notwithstanding the Governor vetoed Mr. Miller's bill providing for State aid to the amount of \$1500. In vetoing this and all the other bills providing for fair appropriations the Governor said: "This legislature has passed two bills which, in my mind, provide a solution of this puzzle. One of these is House Bill No. 172, providing that the county court of each county may, in its discretion appropriate \$2000 out of the general fund in the county treasury for the support of its county fair. The other bill, House Bill No. 337, provides that each county fair association may draw \$500 from the general fund of its respective county for the benefit of poultry or livestock exhibits. These two bills will yield to each county a total of \$2500 for the aid of its county fair. These two measures, it seems to me, are eminently fair, since they allow the required aid for these fairs to come out of the pockets of the people most interested and without additional burden upon the already burdened taxpayers of the state at large."

The Mist is in receipt of the report of the Single Tax Conference held in New York under the auspices of the Joseph Fels Fund Commission. The single tax is to be a live issue in the next campaign in Oregon and it is certainly an extremely important one. The editor is not at all sure that he fully understands. If it means that all taxes shall be levied upon land we fail to see the justice of the proposition. It has long been contended by many that money, notes and accounts should be exempt because of the elusive nature of this class of property, but how can it be made to appear right to place the entire burden upon the landowner and exempt the manufacturer and merchant? The people of Oregon passed the county tax amendment, but we believe they were misled into doing so, and that when the question is fairly before them they will reject the single tax by an immense majority.

A new bank at Scappoose, and we predict that it will be a success and a great convenience to the prosperous farmers of that favored neighborhood.

Among the good bills that escaped the Governor's veto the Pacific Homestead classes Representative Miller's bill regulating the settlement of damage for livestock killed by railroads. Another good one by Miller was the bill which prevents the starting of what are known as gallon houses in dry precincts. Still another was the county attorney bill which the Governor vetoed without good reason. In fact, Mr. Miller made Columbia County a good and effective representative.

Every citizen of St. Helens should be an active member of the Commercial Club. Your aid is needed in the development of a bigger and better St. Helens. The admission fee is only \$1 and the dues 50 cents per month.

Columbia County will spend \$127,000 to secure good roads this year. That ought to help some. Incidentally it may be mentioned that it would pay six per cent on one million dollars and leave a sinking fund of \$67,000.

Of course it is the duty of the United States to police the border, but it is not our duty to interfere in Mexico's family row. Though nominally a republic the government of Mexico is in fact a despotism, where slavery exists under the name of peonage, the condition of the average peon being worse than was that of the slaves in the south.

The Engineering News calls the rental paid by the Post-Office Department for postal cars "grossly excessive." Such a car run 300 miles a day can earn \$12,000 a year for the railway company. The News thinks it would be fairer to pay for transporting mails by the space actually used than by the weight in a given month, which is capable of manipulation. With the failure of the project for taxing magazines to cover postal deficiency, the department and Congress will have another chance to try better business management.

Do not forget that the subscription price of the Mist is \$1.50 per year. This rate took effect the first day of March and all back dues will be settled up to that date on the dollar a year basis.

CHANGE IN SCHOOL LAWS.

OFFICE OF COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.
St. Helens, Ore., Mar. 1, 1911.

To the Teachers:
Pursuant to changes made in our school law, the next teachers' examination will be held on June 21, 22, 23 and 24. There will be no examination in August; hence, all teachers whose certificates expire in August, or persons who wish to take the teachers' examination to teach next year, should write at the June examination. The new law does away with our county certificates, but county certificates will be issued on State grades until May 20.

All persons now writing for a State paper, under the present law, may complete their examination under the same law, but must appear at the June examination.

For a one-year State certificate, is required an average of 75 per cent, and not falling below 60 per cent in arithmetic, civil government, geography, grammar, history, orthography, physical geography, reading, school law, theory and practice of teaching and writing.

For a five-year State certificate, applicant must make an average of 85 per cent and not fall below 70 per cent in writing, orthography, arithmetic, physiology, grammar, geography, theory and practice of teaching, reading, history, civil government, school law, psychology, American literature, algebra, physical geography and composition. Twelve months teaching experience is required for this paper.

For a Life State certificate, the applicant must make an average of 85 per cent and not fall below 70 per cent in methods in reading, methods in arithmetic, methods in language, methods in geography, theory and practice of teaching, writing, orthography, physiology, psychology, and in addition thereto shall write a thesis on an educational subject selected from a prepared list. Twelve months teaching experience is required for this paper. The holder of this paper can teach only in the first, second and third grades.

No examination in the English classics will be required in the June examination on account of lack of time for announcements and preparation.

Questions will be based on the State text books.

Very Truly Yours,
J. H. COLLINS,
County Superintendent of Schools.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.
Walter Gibson, plaintiff, vs. Edward H. Howard Gibson, defendant.

To Edward H. Howard Gibson, defendant above named:
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 suit on or before Monday, the 2nd day of April, 1911, being not less than six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons. The time set by the order of the Judge of the above entitled court within which the said defendant shall appear and answer the said complaint, and if you fail so to appear, and for default thereof, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in the Plaintiff's complaint which is in substance for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Plaintiff and Defendant, and such other relief as the Court and equity may see meet.

The defendant will take notice that this summons is served upon him by publication thereof in pursuance of an order of the Judge of the above entitled Court made and dated this 11th day of February, 1911, in which it was prescribed that this summons shall be published once a week, for six consecutive weeks, in The Oregonian, and that Monday, the 27th day of March, 1911, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and the court room of said court, have been appointed by said court as the time and place for the hearing of objectors thereto and the settlement thereof, dated and first published February 24, 1911.

FRANK SPITTLE,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Estate of Rufus H. King.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator of the estate of Rufus H. King, deceased, has filed her final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County and that Monday, the 27th day of March, 1911, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and the court room of said court, have been appointed by said court as the time and place for the hearing of objectors thereto and the settlement thereof, dated and first published February 24, 1911.

SARAH E. KING, Administratrix.
WM. D. FRISVOLD, Attorney for Administratrix.



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