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Our Portland Letter.

A big project is that just launched by the Deschutes Rimrock Power Company, which plans the expenditure of \$9,000,000 in developing electric energy on the Lower Deschutes and operating pumping plants with it to lift water into the semi-arid lands lying near the Columbia River. This concern, capitalized for \$1,000,000, has interested English capitalists in the plan and British money will be available within 90 days to start the work. It is expected to be irrigating 15,000 acres within 18 months and more land will probably be added later.

This is thought to be the biggest investment of foreign capital ever made in the Pacific Northwest, exclusive of the trans-continental railroads. It is also the greatest individual power project in the Pacific Northwest. But it is nevertheless essentially an irrigation scheme, which can be carried out only by pumping water from one river onto thirsty lands through the power furnished by the swiftly flowing waters of another stream. The company just formed will harness the Deschutes near its mouth and the project contemplates the development of a maximum of 140,000 horsepower.

The first knock is yet to be heard on the Pendleton Roundup. For an affair that attracted the wide attention this unique celebration enjoyed, this is indeed an enviable record. The Northwest press gave wide publicity to the Roundup and in not a single instance so far found after careful search, has there been an adverse criticism of either the amusement features, the event as a whole, or the treatment of visitors by Pendleton people.

The Rogue River Valley Industrial Fair that has been attracting attention during the past week at Medford, will develop into a pear show of national importance. At least, that is the plan now being developed and there is little doubt that it will succeed. Next year it is planned to have a competition between all pear districts of the Coast and finally enlarged the annual event until it includes exhibits from all over the country.

The Stat Land Board will probably try to secure title within a short time of Summer and Albert lakes in Southern Oregon. It has been recommended that this be done because of the value of the salts in the waters of the two lakes. Reports show there are 40,000,000 tons of salt in the two bodies of water and the state may claim them from the federal government. A plant to extract the salt will then probably be built.

Some complaint has come regarding the giving of half the road in case of an automobile coming up behind a team. The parties claim that when they come up behind a fellow with a team he stubbornly refuses to give any of the road, no matter if there is plenty of room to turn out. Now the law recognizes the rights of both the man with the team and the man with the auto, and these rights should be respected. There are plenty of men who are funning autos who should be running ox-teams and vice versa, but all men should not be treated this way. The law says that when a man is overtaken by a faster vehicle, the man driving the slower vehicle shall turn out and give half the beaten path.

There are no "House for Rent" signs to be seen in our town. That is proof of growth and prosperity, but also an indication that more homes ought to be provided for the people who would move here, if houses could be rented. A number of cozy and attractive cottages that can be rented at a reasonable figure is what we need.

STATE FUND APPOINTED.

Superintendent J. H. Collins completed the work of apportioning the state school fund this week. It gives to each district the sum of \$1,000,000. Following is a list of the sums for each district, together with the name of the clerk and the number of children.

District	Clerk	Children	State Fund
1	O. M. Washburn	257	\$459.23
2	Watkins, H. P.	230	465.20
3	Keelan, B. J.	72	136.56
4	Burns, R. P.	61	118.24
5	Tichenor, E. D.	367	711.27
6	Brown, Ida	28	54.28
7	Holt, Wm.	154	298.47
8	Harvey, A. E.	10	52.35
10	Graham, Geo. A.	48	93.04
11	Caples, H. H.	33	63.67
12	Mills, T. B.	22	42.66
13	Flippin, T. J.	424	821.73
14	Wilson, H. A.	39	75.00
15	Barr, Martha J.	64	124.05
16	Johnson, J. E.	89	172.50
17	Wood, Albert	15	29.09
18	Sitts, Geo. H.	9	17.46
19	Shumway, C. C.	17	32.97
20	Watts, T. C.	80	155.06
21	Paterson, Lincoln	16	31.03
23	Fluiter, Fred	72	139.56
24	Paterson, Nettie B.	6	17.44
25	Base, Thos.	217	420.57
26	Nelson, Oliver	33	63.67
27	Gessell, E. A.	11	21.35
28	Braun, Fritz	38	73.64
29	McAdam, John	41	79.48
30	Beigg, Fred	113	219.01
31	McGee, L. E.	10	19.40
32	Kirby, Francis	11	21.35
33	Washburn, Nancy	32	62.04
34	Jasper, G. J.	36	69.79
36	Armstrong, J. W.	49	94.98
37	Daniels, E. S.	28	54.42
38	Brown, Irena	15	29.10
39	Clark, A. N.	153	295.83
40	Erickson, M. E.	17	32.97
42	Hoberg, E. E.	23	44.57
43	Fowler, Carrie	21	40.73
44	West, Jessie E.	31	60.10
46	Anundi, John	12	23.28
47	Mills, G. R.	28	54.28
48	Graham, R. F. Sr.	35	67.85
49	Schmidlin, Albert	6	11.63
50	Foster, Mary	9	17.46
51	Malmsten, Minnie	13	25.21
52	Jepson, H.	49	94.98
54	Restinus, Wm.	34	65.91
55	Dallas, J. R.	12	23.26
56	Salmi, Oscar	38	73.65
7	McMath, Robt	5	9.69

Total 3,252 \$6,361.36
 The state fund gives each district \$1,000 per capita. The county apportionment has not yet been made but will be about \$8 with the bonus.
 The county fund this year will be slightly larger than last and with the bonus given to each district will amount to about \$8 per capita.

THE TAX ROLL

Assessor Clark and Deputy Fallerton have finished their work on this year's tax roll, and the following is the way the assessment is divided, and also a comparison with the roll of 1910.

Classification of Property	1911	1910
12,110 acres tillable land	738,005	740,065
297,356 acres non-tillable land	3,899,645	9,386,480
Improvements on deeded land	460,230	451,110
Improvements on land not deeded	700	1,225
Town & City Lots	549,200	482,885
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40 1/2 miles logging railroad	210,350	320,150
Rolling stock	161,750	182,850
Water, craft, engines, machinery, etc.	406,045	520,960
Mechanize and stock in trade	204,295	215,165
Farming implements, vehicles, etc.	40,995	43,533
Money, notes and accounts	92,165	130,740
550 shares of stock	50,770	26,460
Household furniture, watches, jewelry, etc.	114,000	111,850
1822 horses and mules	123,845	120,505
6475 cattle	133,640	138,410
1214 sheep and goat	2,610	3,360
1145 swine	5,900	4,440
656 dogs	4,045	4,475

Total 12,858,280 13,375,072
 This does not include public service corporations which are assessed by the State Board of Tax Commissioners and the valuation placed on the last year in this county was \$2,054,821, \$1,970,574 of which was assessed against the railroad. The balance being on telephone, telegraph, etc.

The big drop of over \$110,000 on the assessed value of logging roads was due to the fact that on the 1910 assessment there was a mistake, and instead of the big decrease in value, it in reality about the same.
 The value of the non-tillable land decreased less than half a million dollars, as show on the roll, owing to the fact that while there was over a million dollars worth of timber cut, the value of the land was raised.

License to wed was issued to Beatrice H. Witham and Alfred Cottis, of Hudson, on Tuesday last.
 Marie Angelo Kreuder and A. K. Grondahl were united in marriage by Rev. S. G. Roper at Houlton on the 26th of September.

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Notice of Meeting of the Road of Equalization for Columbia County.
 Notice is hereby given that on the Third Monday in October, (Oct. 16, 1911) the Board of Equalization will attend at the Court House in St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon; and publicly examine the Assessment Rolls, and correct all errors in Valuation, Description or quality of land, Lots, or other property assessed by the Assessor. And it shall be the duty of all persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. Dated September 28th 1911.
 U. W. Clark, Assessor.

SUMMONS
 In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.
 Louis Martin, Plaintiff vs. Will Martin, Defendant.
 In the name of the State of Oregon, You, Will Martin, are hereby required to appear and answer to the complaint filed against you hereon on or before the 10th day of November 1911, that date being six weeks from the first publication hereof, and if you fail to appear and answer herein, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in the complaint. Respond, and more particularly desired as follows: For a decree from this Court dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant on the ground of desertion committed by the defendant against the plaintiff, and that the plaintiff be allowed to resume her maiden name of Louise Keller in place of Louise Martin, and for such other and further relief as may to the Court seem equitable and just.
 This summons is served upon you by publication thereof for not less than six weeks in the "Oregon Star," a newspaper published in the County of Columbia, State of Oregon, and by order of the Honorable J. A. Eakie, Judge of the above entitled court, which order is dated the 26th day of September, 1911 and the date of the last publication of this summons is the 10th day of November, 1911.
 May G. Cohen, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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CITATION.
 In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County.
 In the Matter of the Estate of E. B. Sanders, deceased.
 To A. P. Sanders, W. J. Sanders, M. A. Sanders and E. E. Sanders, heirs of said deceased and to all persons unknown, interested in said estate, if any such there be, 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 Court room thereof, at St. Helens, Oregon, on Saturday the 28th day of October, 1911, at one o'clock P. M. of said day, then and there to show cause, if any there be, why an order of said Court should not be made granting to the administrator of said estate permission, and directing him to sell the following described real property of said deceased, at public or private sale, as may be for the best interests of said estate, to-wit: All that certain tract of real property of said estate, situated in the county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, described as Lot number Nine (9) in Block numbered Two (2) in Rockwood Park, as shown by the duly recorded Plat thereof.
 Witness Honorable James Dart, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, with the seal of said Court 4:15 a.m. this 27th day of September A. D. 1911.
 Alfred H. E. Lillard, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of said Court.
 Published in accordance with an order of court made in the above matter on the 27th day of September, 1911, requiring four weeks publication in the Oregon Star, date of first publication September 29th, 1911.
 DILLARD and DAY
 Attys. for Admtr.

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