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Oregon Produce Company

January Wall Paper Sale

To make room for 20,000 rolls to arrive this month, our entire stock of 1905 patterns will be on sale a short time at less than Half Price.

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When you wish a nice juicy roast or a tender steak, or a piece of boiling meat or pot roast, just phone Main 48 and you will soon have exactly what you desire.

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 Phone Main 8. Remember the phone is on the directory as Boss Meat Market Main 48.

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TAXABLE PROPERTY OF STATE

The total value of taxable property in the state of Oregon, as shown by the assessment rolls of 1905, is \$309,156,685.19, as compared with \$188,058,287.11 in 1904, an increase of \$121,000,000, or nearly 70 per cent. Nearly all of the counties show some increase, and a few very heavy advances in assessed valuations.

Multnomah county takes the lead in the amount of increase, the total for 1904 having been \$56,427,577, while the 1905 roll shows \$143,860,258, an increase of 160 per cent. Columbia made an increase of \$1,500,000, or 50 per cent. Coos county advanced its assessment from \$5,677,000 to \$9,239,000. Jackson county raised values from \$4,646,000 to \$12,712,000, or an increase of 180 per cent. Josephine doubled its assessment in 1905. Malheur county increased its assessment 50 per cent, Sherman nearly 50 per cent, Wallowa over a hundred per cent, Wasco nearly 50 per cent and Washington 100 per cent.

There were six counties in the state whose 1905 assessment was less than the preceding assessment of 1904, Marion, Morrow, Polk, Yamhill, Lake, Lincoln, and Linn.

County	1904	1905
Baker	\$ 3,955,935	\$ 4,272,505
Benton	4,467,840	4,744,805
Clackamas	9,364,000	9,808,045
Clatsop	4,625,676	4,721,975
Columbia	2,579,092	4,199,785
Coos	5,677,048	9,239,783
Crook	2,688,783	2,926,256
Curry	921,729	1,756,157
Douglas	5,951,471	6,577,994
Gilliam	2,490,307	2,429,702
Grant	1,999,050	2,355,470
Harney	2,247,510	2,186,535
Jackson	4,645,871	12,712,019
Josephine	2,064,095	4,199,655
Klamath	3,262,874	3,975,183
Lake	2,186,100	2,013,748
Lane	9,298,690	8,856,030
Lincoln	1,039,592	959,464
Linn	8,321,010	8,254,825
Malheur	2,023,875	3,215,985
Marion	10,373,850	9,824,774
Morrow	2,392,051	2,389,459
Multnomah	56,427,577	143,860,258
Polk	4,146,100	4,055,750
Sherman	2,181,515	3,086,125
Tillamook	2,597,983	2,961,836
Umatilla	9,457,198	10,155,184
Union	4,123,995	5,528,639
Wallowa	1,911,185	4,681,515
Wasco	4,737,220	6,051,945
Washington	5,115,879	10,660,455
Wheeler	1,044,994	1,305,385
Yamhill	5,568,223	5,475,919
Totals	\$188,058,287	\$309,156,685

TO SPOKANE

Charles Liebenstein, for several years past publisher of the Blue Mountain American at Sumpter, has been in Baker City this week, attending to business matters. He stated while here that he has arranged to move his printing plant to Spokane and go into business there.—Inland Miner.

OREGON INVENTOR

Walter Smith, a merchant of Portland, has invented a voting machine, which he says, will register votes accurately and count the totals so that results can be known within a few minutes after the polls are closed. The invention has just been patented and a corporation formed with \$100,000 capital to manufacture the machines in that city.

SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order made by the Referee in Bankruptcy, I will receive sealed bids accompanied by certified check of 10% of bid at my office in La Grande, Oregon up until 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the 29th day of January, 1906, for the grocery stock and fixtures of A. Beck bankrupt. Said stock and fixtures located at Elgin Oregon and invoiced at \$1767.54.

The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

WM. GRANT, Trustee.

MAY LIVE 100 YEARS

The chances for living a full century are excellent in the case of Mrs. Jennie Duncan, of Haynesville, Me., now 70 years old. She writes: "Electric Bitters cured me of Chronic Dyspepsia of 20 years standing, and made me feel as well and strong as a young girl." Electric Bitters cure Stomach and Liver diseases, Blood disorders, General Debility and bodily weakness. Sold on a guarantee at NEWLIN DRUG Co.'s drug store. Price only 50c.

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CORPORATIONS DOWN AND OUT

The proclamation of the governor dissolving 500 Oregon corporations, which have failed for two years to pay their license fees, was filed with the secretary of state this morning, and those corporations are "non est."

The only way that any of these companies can again be permitted to do business is to pay up all back licenses.

PUSH CLUB

Articles of incorporation have been filed by The Northwest Exploration Company of Canyon City, for the promotion of mining, hotel and livery business, etc. The organizers are Otis and O. L. Patterson, F. S. Slater, Geo. Davis and E. H. Adams, and the capitalization \$1,000,000.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

MILLIONS COMING TO OREGON

Oregon is being financed with eastern capital to the extent of more than \$100,000,000. A large part of this money already is coming in, and the bulk of it will have been actually invested here within the next eighteen months. Exclusive of private irrigation, development projects for which money is now in hand, or provided for, amount to \$100,000,000. These enterprises include railway construction, and betterments, electric roads, power plants, mills, office buildings and government works. Of this \$100,000,000, projects planned and contracts practically closed involve an investment of \$45,000,000 in electrical developments.

A LETTER FROM SANTA ANA

Santa Ana, Cal., Jan. 16, 1906

Editor Observer; Dear Sir—

Allow me space in your valuable paper to make mention a few days items that may be of interest to some of your many readers.

The writer landed here Dec. 27th and found a cold wave on. It was five degrees below freezing for several mornings colder, (so old timers say) then it has been for twenty years.

One, two and three year old orange trees suffered by having the young growth killed and in some places the bark was burst loose from the body of the tree. But the oranges do not appear to be damaged very much, as the orange foliage is a great protector from frost. Tender vegetables were also injured while some were killed.

It makes the writer's heart ache to see the damage done to the flower kingdom. Mr. Editor, by consulting your maps you will find Santa Ana almost due south of La Grande and something over fifteen hundred miles between the two points by rail. Santa Ana is a flourishing city of seven thousand inhabitants. Although a dry town her citizens are very friendly.

The surrounding country is more level than the Grande Ronde Valley.

Santa Ana is blessed with two steam railroads. The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe, and one electric car line, all direct from Los Angeles distant 33 miles Newport beach is nine miles south west of this city and is a fine beach for bathing and fishing.

Orange three miles north east of Santa Ana is a nice looking burg of one thousand population.

Anahiem is a German town eight miles northwest. It has a population of two thousand people. It is noted for its fine wines and brandies.

It has turned warm and the last four days there has been one and a half inches of rainfall, and the country will soon have a new coat of foliage.

J. T. WOODRILL

DEALERS PUT UP PRICES

Seattle, Jan. 22—Following the action of the Washington and Oregon lumber dealers, British Columbia lumber dealers have advanced prices on all grades of rough lumber \$1 per thousand locally, and \$2 delivered on board cars for shipment.



DON'T REST CONTENT

In the matter of cigars until you have smoked at least one C. B. True, there are no cigars that will afford a measure of satisfaction—it remains for the C. B. to fill the whole bill of prime tobacco, flavor, making up, shape, style and great value for little money. If you can crowd more comfort in the smoking line into cigar shape than you'll find in this all-to-the-good cigar tell us. We'll beat it if we can.

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ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stock holders of the Oregon, Montana Development Company will be held in the city of La Grande, Oregon, on Friday, January 26, 1906, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers and board of directors and for the transaction of any other business that may come before said meeting.

W. W. RANDALL, Pres.
 E. A. WILLS, Sec., Pro. tem.

DINING ROOM OPENED

The Blue Mountain Hotel has opened its dining room. Rates, \$1 and \$1.25 a day. Meals 25 cents.

LA GRANDE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

PROF. DAY, PRINCIPLE.
 MRS. DAY, ASSISTANT.

This is one of the best musical institutions in the state, and that people in this city and valley are beginning to discover the advantage of this school. The system is the latest and most practical, and includes all the latest discoveries in the art of teaching music. The school is divided into two departments: No. 1 is for beginners from 5 years or more and are taught the first three grades. Pupils come one hour each day. This is no kindergarten system but far superior. In No. 2 the grades are from 2 to 5. Here they graduate. Pupils take one or two lessons a week as they desire. No scholars will be permitted to remain in this school who do not study.

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LIGHTNING COLLECTION AGENCY

H. A. Watson, Mgr.

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NOTICE TO BRIDGE BUILDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the county courts of Union and Wallowa counties of Oregon, up to noon, February 7, 1906, for the construction of a bridge across the Wallowa river, according to plans and specifications on file in the Clerk's office of each of said counties. Bids for the abutments and approaches must be separate from the bridge proper. Certified checks for 20% of the amount of the bid must accompany the same, as a guaranty that a contract and bond will be entered into to build said bridge, or abutment and approaches as the case may be, according to said plans and specifications. Said courts reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

J. B. GILMAN

County Clerk of Union county, Oregon.

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