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who produce clothes which we consider very swell. We know these goods will satisfy the most particular dresser in town; and the prices are so reasonable as to be a strong argument in themselves. We shall show you in our

Spring Opening

a fine assortment of these famous H S & M goods which will give you a chance to select suits from a big line. You'll be sorry for yourself if you miss the chance.

WE THINK

Our Spring Stock is right as to

**Quality,
Pattern**

**Quantity,
and Price**

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One Price Clothiers.

MR. VAWTER and Jackson County have reason to be proud of the delegates sent to the congressional convention at Eugene. Untrammelled by pledges or instructions they voted steadily for the candidates, who were the unanimous choice of the county convention, and only left him when publicly released by Mr. Vawter on the last ballot. The fight made by the Jackson county candidate was a fair and honest one, and though it was a losing one, it secured a recognition for this end of the state which will count in future contests.

A. E. REAMES, of Jacksonville was nominated for congress on the first ballot at the Democratic convention at Albany last Saturday getting 67 vote to J. A. Jefferys 32. Mr. Reames is a native of Jackson county, having been born in Jacksonville in 1862, and has served as district attorney of the 1st judicial district for the past two years with credit. He is a good campaigner, but he is up against a pretty hard proposition in trying to beat Binger Hermann with a handicap of nearly 4000 to overcome.

A PECULIAR condition of affairs exists at Sherman institute, the Government Indian school at Riverside Calif. The appropriation for the employment of teachers proved to be inadequate, and, not wishing to labor for the love of humanity alone, the teachers decided to quit in a body until July 1, when more funds will be available. In the meantime Superintendent Harwood Hall and his wife are teaching the 400 Indian boys and girls, assisted by a number of the older pupils.

IN spite of a fair share of support on the part of his friends at the Eugene convention, W. I. Vawter failed of the nomination, although he was much closer to victory than the records of the ballots show, and Binger Hermann was chosen as the standard bearer of the Republicans of the First Congressional district.

Mr. Vawter was the choice of a majority of the Republicans of Jackson county with Mr. Hermann a second choice and now that he is the candidate of the Republican party, as such is entitled to and will receive the loyal support of every Republican. There is something more than personal considerations involved in this campaign. It is the forerunner of the presidential year, and a weakening of the Republican forces in congress would be an implied lack of confidence in the party which is now in charge of the administration of public affairs, so that it behooves the Republican voters of the first congressional district to stand by the nominee of their party and keep up the reputation of Oregon as a solid Republican state. Especially is this true of Jackson county. The Republican majority in this county is small—very small—and we must see to it that it is not reduced in June, so that the people of the state will know that, although our candidate was defeated in the convention, after a square and honorable fight on his part, that we are "good losers," and are ready at all times to stand close and present an unbroken front to the "common enemy" when it comes to election time. Mr. Hermann is entitled to our support, not only because he is the party nominee, but on account of his past services to the state when serving as congressman for three terms. Mr. Hermann was one of the hardest working and most efficient congressmen ever sent to Washington from Oregon and succeeded in doing much good work for the state. His long residence in Washington and wide acquaintance with public men will enable him to assume at once a prominent position. To quote the words of Mr. Vawter, whose candidacy THE MAIL is proud of having advocated, "We are all Hermann men now," and it is our duty to see that he goes back to Washington with the hearty and complete support of the Republicans of the first district.

RAILROAD MERGER A TRUST.

In deciding the Northern Securities case the United States Circuit Court of Appeals holds that:

The merger destroyed competition between the Northern Pacific and Great Northern by destroying the motive for it.

Such a combination would have been a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, if formed by individuals.

Acts done by corporations are illegal if the same would have been illegal if done by natural persons.

The Securities Company has power to suppress competition, and has provided for so doing.

The New Jersey charter of the company is no shield against the operation of the law, for the New Jersey law allows incorporations only "for any lawful purpose."

Aside from this restriction, any state law is void so far as it gives powers to violate the anti-trust act.

The plea that the Government can do nothing because the merger is already consummated is absurd.

Though the plea that the objectives and effects of the merger are to confer a public benefit may be true, still the merger is illegal.

The decree forbids the voting of stock in the merged roads by the Northern Securities Company, forbids the railroad companies to submit to any influence of the Securities Company, and orders that the railroad stock held by the Securities Company may be exchanged again for its own stock with the persons from whom it was acquired or others.

To Whom It May Concern.

Notice is hereby given that J. H. Norris has withdrawn from the firm of J. Beck & Co. All accounts and bills will be paid to and settled by J. Beck, Jr. JOHN H. NORRIS. Dated Medford, Ore., March 23, 1903.

HOOD RIVER ADVERTISING.

Hood river, Wasco county, arrogates to itself the position of the leading fruit growing section of Oregon. So far this end of the state has been content to let Hood river claim the honor, while our growers have been getting the top price for their fruit without having to bother themselves much about advertising. But the Hood river people have been going a little too far of late, inasmuch as they have purloined a Jackson county orchard scene and printed it on the back of letter heads they use for advertising purposes, without stating where the picture was taken, leaving the impression on the mind of a stranger that the picture was taken in the Hood river valley.

Plagiarism seems to be rife these days, but those Hood river orchardists can't put up the plea of "unconscious" borrowing.

The picture in question is the famous one of the Olwell Bros., orchard near Central Point, which picture Olwell Bros. have gone to the trouble to have framed and posted in prominent places in many of the large cities. It was printed in a short sketch of the Hood river valley, on the back of the stationery used by the Hood river hotel and came to W. T. York through a letter written him by a man with whom he had been corresponding on real estate matters. It was a steal, pure and simple, there is no question about the identity of the picture, the likeness of N. B. Bradbury and Jos. Olwell which are prominent figures in the original photograph, can be readily distinguished with a good glass in this picture.

This is not the first time this picture has been used for advertising other sections of the state. About a year ago the O. R. & N. Co. got out a circular describing the country tributary to it, and among the views taken along the line of the O. R. & N. was this picture of the Olwell orchard.

The MAIL reporter was also informed, that it has been the practice of certain dealers in the northern part of the state to ship inferior apples in boxes bearing the brands of well known Southern Oregon packers. The matter is being quietly investigated and steps will be taken to stop both practices. If Hood river can't find orchard

scenes worthy of reproduction in its own territory, let it resign the claim of being the champion fruit section of Oregon and give the honor where it rightfully belongs, to Jackson county in general and the Bear creek valley in particular.

WANT THE LAW OBSERVED.

A number of the taxpayers of Clatsop county have asked the attorney-general for an opinion on the mode of procedure necessary to follow in order to compel the county assessor to comply with the assessment laws of the state. The statute provides that all property shall be assessed at a fair cash valuation; but this provision is rarely, if ever observed. Valuations on personal and real property are rarely over 25 per cent. of the actual cash value of the property and in many instances will not reach 10 per cent.

The consequence of this is that, in order to raise funds for the carrying on of the state and county government, the levy must be so high that people from other states are frequently deterred from settling in Oregon by the apparently high tax rate.

One reason for a low valuation being placed on taxable property in former years, was in order to reduce the amount of state taxes the county must pay. But under the new law this reason is eliminated. Each county now has a fixed sum to pay and does not pay a percentage of taxes raised as in former years.

It appears reasonable to suppose that, having a certain amount of money to raise the object could be accomplished just as well by placing a high valuation on taxable property and lowering the levy proportionately, and a low tax rate and high property valuation would make a better impression on prospective settlers.

Special Real Estate Bargains.

No. 1.—One 5 1/2 acre tract, one mile from Medford, Black land, House and barn, and outbuildings. Price, \$750.

No. 2.—One 13 1/2 acre tract, 11 miles from Medford, Black land, House and barn, outbuildings and orchard—mostly apples. Price, \$1200.

WILLIE & TROWBRIDGE.

—For rent or sale—The Brooks tin shop, in Medford.

City Property for Sale.

I will sell my city residence, situated on West Second street, Mingus addition to Medford. One acre of land well set to grapes, apples, pears, prunes, peaches and cherries. Good house, with basement, furnished throughout except basement. Call at residence for particulars and price.

A. L. DRISKO.

—West 11th St. B. P. yards. Eggs, \$1 for 15. A. POTTENGER, Medford.

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