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AN ILLEGAL ACT.

The arbitrary action of the board of equalization, composed of County Judge Dunn, County Assessor Applegate and County Clerk Coleman in raising the assessed valuation of the property in Jackson county 66 2/3 per cent, was not only outrageous, but illegal, and it is extremely doubtful, if any one should make a test case, whether the assessment would stand or not in the courts.

The increased assessment was made without complying with the statutes, which provide that each person must be served with notice so as to appear to show cause why the increase should not be made. Property owners were not so served.

The board's action can be annulled as illegal because it deprives persons of property without due process of law, violates the constitutional right of every individual to a hearing in court, was not made in accordance with the law, but in direct violation of it, and was not an equalization. It arbitrarily raised cash valuations, calling \$100 \$166.66 and in other ways was not an act of legal discretion.

Section 3081, Belonger & Cotton's Code, which has not been repealed, provides: "Said board of equalization shall not increase the valuation of any property so assessed, without giving to the person in whose name it is assessed at least three days' notice in which to appear and show cause, if any he has, why the valuation of his assessable property, or some part thereof, to be specified in such notice, shall not be increased: Provided, that such notice shall not be necessary if the person appear voluntarily before said board and be there personally notified by a member thereof that his property, or some specified part thereof, is, in the opinion of the board assessed below its actual value."

The section under which the board of equalization is said to have acted was section 3074 of the general laws, 1907 session, which provides for listing the full cash value, but which it was expressly stipulated, did not govern the present assessments. Placing a flat increase of 66 2/3 per cent, regardless of actual value, cannot be called equalizing in any sense of the word, nor can it be called listing the full cash value.

This section 3074 provides for listing the full cash value of each parcel of land taxed; the taxable personal property owned by or to be taxed to such persons as provided by law, and exemptions allowed; the total valuation of all property taxed, real and personal.

But this law, as provided by section 46, does not apply either to property subject to assessment thereof, to the assessment which but for this act would be made in the year 1907 upon the basis of ownership and valuation of property March 1, 1907, but the statutes which have heretofore been in force shall continue to be in force as to the assessment for that year until all things in and about the same necessary to a valid assessment for taxation shall have been done as fully as if this act had not been enacted.

The truth of the matter is that in many parts of the county no actual revaluation has been made for years, but previous valuations taken and either left as they were or arbitrarily raised without required notice to taxpayers.

GRANTS PASS COMMITTEE REPORTS UPON PAVING

The Grants Pass city council paving committee has made the following report: "To the honorable mayor and common council of the city of Grants Pass: We, the undersigned committee, to whom was referred the matter of paving the different street pavements beg to report as follows: "We visited the cities of Portland and Eugene, in Portland we found various kinds of pavements to use, such as asphalt, bituminous, street iron, but given their kind, brick and macadam. In our opinion any of the first three named would be the only pavement suitable for our streets. We would recommend that the matter of pavement be taken up immediately and the city attorney be instructed to proceed along those lines."

PLOT AGAINST UNIONISM SHOWN IN COURT DECISIONS

WASHINGTON, March 10.—(City) One result of the recent decisions of the supreme court of the United States, especially the one

in which the boycott was held to be in violation of the anti-trust law, culminated today in the call for a conference of labor leaders here on March 18. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has issued a call inviting the executive officers of the international trades unions of America to meet at the executive council of the American Federation of Labor for the purpose of talking such action as the situation demands, conveying also an intimation of possible revolt. In referring to the boycott decision Gompers explains in the call that the decision is binding upon all "until changed or modified by committees of relief."

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POLITICAL CARDS.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE. The undersigned respectfully announces himself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for county judge of Jackson county, Oregon. J. R. NEIL.

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TIME TABLES

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Table with columns for Northbound and Southbound trains, listing train numbers and destinations like Portland, Eugene, and Grants Pass.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY.

Table with columns for train numbers and destinations like Grants Pass, Medford, and Jacksonville.

OGUE RIVER VALLEY RAILWAY.

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Sams Valley News.

Forest Ranger S. S. Swenning from Roseburg passed through town last week. Mr. Mercury is petitioning for a new road which will be a benefit to the country. I. B. Dungan recently sold 240 acres of his farm to Dr. Jones and C. Straung of Medford for \$19,000.

Sams valley promises to be a prospective fruit country. People are just waking up to know the value of their soil. In the near vicinity of town 150 acres are being planted to orchard, mostly Newtown apples, Du Corneice and Bartlett pears and French walnuts.

Two blacksmith shops are here now, the second one being opened up by Mr. Greybur on Main street.

Reimond Stoner started for Ashland last week. Dr. Chisholme of Gold Hill is very busy in this section of country through business.

L. F. Gardner, the merchant, has lately purchased the Sismore property, located on Second street.

Tom Panby and wife made a trip to Gold Hill last Saturday.

Professor Head from Medford made Sams Valley a call a few days ago, and left some fine organs. He is an excellent musician and is always welcome.

Coal for Sale. We are now prepared to furnish hand picked coal at the mine, five miles east of town, in any amount desired \$7.50 per ton. PACIFIC COAL CO.

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