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FRENZIED FINANCIERING.

In the board of equalization, consisting of County Judge Dunn, County Clerk Coleman and County Assessor Applegate, Jackson county possesses a trio of financiers who put the frenzied financiers of Wall street to same. They have invented a process whereby simple fiat, they make a dollar into $1.66 2-3.

Probably nowhere in the world has such a simple formula for increasing wealth been discovered and put into practice. It was alleged during the free silver agitation that Bryan proposed to make fifty cent dollars. Here, however, we have a practical working scheme whereby we are saved even the trouble of coining, and by simple declaration find our money grown over night as it were, two-thirds its size.

Those so fortunate as to have had a thousand dollars in the bank before the board of equalization set, found this $1000 sprouted as if by magic yeast into $1666.66 after the board met. Of course we could not see the increase in our coin, but all knew it had increased and were taxed for it, for didn't we have Judge Dunn's word for it as well as that of the other two members of the board of equalization? And didn't they all solemnly swear to "faithfully and honestly examine, correct and equalize at full cash value all property," and haven't we Judge Dunn's own word for it that he obeyed the law and his oath? Don't he himself assert in his numerous open letters, in which he is prolific in calling other people liars, that he is a Simon pure truth-teller, one of the few in Oregon? Consequently, when he says that our money has grown like the mushroom over night, isn't he to be believed? And don't we imagine vain things when we ask to be shown and can't find even with a microscope the inflated values that Judge Dunn and the other say is there? in our

Of course the defect must be in our own vision, for the dollar before it came size to us that into $1.66 2-3, was equalized and rose to give more Still the merchandise worth of goods for than the dollars lose sixty-six and our money is, presumably through two-thirds. In these days of trusts their men't stand much show, any a and we find merchants demanding with 2-3 cents of the dollar in addition to their regular profits. Everyone can see at a glance how much money there is in keeping store in Jackson county.

Two of this coterie of high financiers are asking re-election upon their records. They have repeatedly approved the 66 2-3 per cent increase in valuations from the platform, and have said that they will do the same thing over again and that their action was right and legal. In other words, it is perfectly just and right to make a dollar into a dollar and sixty-six and two-thirds cents, so as to tax a man for two-thirds more than he possesses. In case of their re-election the property owners may look to see their money grow still more rapidly to swell the tax list.

We are a simple, unsophisticated people, we residents of southern Oregon, but many of us are from Missouri and have to be shown. Such scintillating financial genius as exhibited by the board of equalization in the increasing of our wealth dazzles us. We don't want to be classed by Roosevelt as among the "malefactors of great wealth," "those whose faces have grown hard, while their bodies grew soft," and that will be our class if we permit Judge Dunn to keep on practicing his frenzied finance, magically increasing our wealth by the stroke of a pen.

MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN.

"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn."

Since the days of inquisition, when in the name of religion fiendish tortures were practiced upon the helpless prisoners, humanity has constantly grown better. As civilization advanced in no way was its progress shown clearer than in the more humane treatment given prisoners.

There must be a good deal of the savage in the man who delights in torture of any kind, whether of man or beast. The aborigines took a devilish pleasure in maltreating victims. The brute of today who has a thin veneer of civilization spilled upon him to hide from the unobserving his real nature, shows himself in his treatment of inferiors or unfortunates.

ago, when hanging was a punishment provided by the laws of England for petty theft. Those accused of even minor offenses were treated inhumanly, often being sold into a life of slavery in distant lands.

It is therefore with a considerable shock that we read of cruel practices and tortures given minor offenders in our own county jail under the regime of Sheriff Jackson.

On March 10, 1907, there was a jailbreak at Jacksonville. Four prisoners escaped to the hills, one of them, a man named Ganung, accused of stealing a rifle from a shooting gallery, was recaptured and brought back to prison. As punishment for his attempted escape, he was strung up by the wrists, handcuffs being placed upon them, the chain being passed through the steel lattice work of the cell above the prisoner's head. Then the jailer locked the cell and, taking the prison keys with him, started out to search for the other escapes. The torture became so great that the prisoner's screams attracted the attention of courthouse officials. Tools were secured from a Jacksonville store, entrance into the jail forced and the prisoner cut down from outside the cell. He had been triced up about an hour.

This is as cruel torture as can be given, and there is no excuse in this day and age of practicing such an outrage upon a helpless prisoner. There is absolutely no justification for such brutal treatment. Anyone who has frequented jails knows that many of the prisoners are more sinned against than sinning. There are many unfortunates for whom more can be done by kindness, mercy and consideration than by brutality. To treat a man cruelly arouses all his savage instincts and brings to the every ugly spot in his nature. Frequently the treatment that Jackson's given prisoners under Sheriff to sink administration is calculated to souls. them in the slough of it and sanction

A man who will unfortunate confided the torture of the county is not worthy to his care, not worthy of being the of re-election of power, where it placed in or him or his subordinates is possible their petty spite and chagrin to wrapless prisoners.

Sheriff Jackson merits defeat on account of his muddled tax records and inefficiency in the conduct of the tax collecting department. But more than all this, he merits defeat because of his brutal inhumanity to those unable to defend themselves, those unfortunates entrusted to his care by the people of Jackson county.

RAILROAD ASSESSMENT.

"It is said that the board of equalization did not raise the railroad assessment on its lands along with the assessment of the other property of the county. This is as near the truth as the other falsehoods which have been circulated. Every piece of property in Jackson county was raised the same proportion as every other piece."—Medford Mail.

For the benefit of the organ of the courthouse ring, which is trying to becloud the issue, it can be stated that no one ever charged that the railroad escaped "equalization." What did happen, however, was the material reduction in railroad assessment, by the board of equalization before the horizontal raise was slapped on.

In 1906 the courthouse records show that the Southern Pacific company paid taxes on an assessed valuation of $3,341,451. In 1907 the board of equalization reduced this gross valuation to $3,181,997, a reduction of $159,455. Then the property was "equalized" and the 66 2-3 per cent raise was slapped on. Did any farmer secure a reduction in assessed valuation before the horizontal raise proportional to that of this corporation?

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF INCREASING SUPREME JUDGES

Among the many measures to be voted upon at the coming election is the proposed constitutional amendment increasing the number of judges of the supreme court.

This proposed amendment has the following advantages:

First—It simply substitutes regular judges for the present commissioners.

Second—It adds no additional expense to the conduct of the court, there being relatively the same number of men at the same relative salaries.

Third—It will expedite the hearings of appealed cases.

Fourth—As to all re-arrangements of the inferior courts comprehended by this amendment, the matter is left to the legislature, as the interests of the different localities may require.

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Rose Festival.

A 12-section drawing-room Pullman car has been provided for the Medford people who wish to leave Monday night to attend the rose carnival.

A large portion of this space is engaged. Those going on that night should call at the depot at once and se-

Democratic Ticket

PLEDGED TO STATEMENT NO. 1.

Election June 1, 1908.

For U. S. Senator—Geo. E. Chamberlain.
For Congressman—J. J. Whitney.
For Supreme Judge—R. S. Bean.
For Joint Representative—Jackson and Douglas Counties—F. E. Cavender.
For Representatives—M. Purdin, D. H. Miller.
For County udge—J. R. Neil.
For County Commissioner—M. Marshall.
For County Sheriff—Wilbur A. Jones.
For County Clerk—A. S. Barnes.
For County Recorder—J. C. Masterson.
For County Treasurer—M. M. Taylor.
For County Assessor—R. B. Dow.
For County Surveyor—E. B. Sawyer.
For County Coroner—Dr. A. C. Stanley.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Election June 1, 1908.

For United States Senator—H. M. Cake.
For Representative in Congress—Willis C. Hawley.
For Food and Dairy Commissioner—J. W. Bailey.
For Supreme Judge—Robert S. Bean.
For Railroad Commissioner—T. K. Campbell.
For Prosecuting Attorney, Jackson and Josephine Counties—B. F. Mulkey.
For Joint Representative, Jackson and Douglas Counties—J. A. Buchanan.
For Representatives—J. L. Hammersley, H. D. Kubli.
For County Judge—G. W. Dunn.
For County Commissioner — James Owen.
For County Sheriff—D. H. Jackson.
For County Clerk—W. R. Coleman.
For County Recorder—R. T. Burnett.
For County Assessor—W. T. Grieve.
For County Treasurer—J. M. Cronemiller.
For County School Superintendent—J. Percy Wells.
For County Coroner—A. E. Kellogg.
For County Surveyor—F. A. Grisez. *

A STATEMENT BY D. H. MILLER

Certain persons in Jackson county, who are opposed to my election as representatives, are circulating a report that I did not sign Statement No. 1 at the time I filed my declaration as a candidate for nomination.

In reply I wish to say that I am heartily in favor of Statement No. 1 and have always been, as I believe that the majority of the people should have the right to say who should be elected United States senator. At the time I filed my declaration for nomination I wrote out a statement to the fact that I was in favor of Statement No. 1 and sent it to the county clerk with my declaration, thinking that it could be made a part of the declaration and wishing it to be made a part of it, but it seems that this was not done, and I do not feel that this is my fault.

I want to say right now that I was then and am now a Statement No. 1 man, and I pledge myself that if elected representative I will cast my vote for the man receiving the majority of the vote of the people of Oregon for United States senator, irrespective of party, which the two republican candidates for representative, J. L. Hammersley and H. D. Kubli, have declared they will not do.

Respectfully submitted,
59 D. H. MILLER

Buy Tickets by Wire.

Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be furnished at the same time."

NOTICE

Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the city council of Medford, Or., at its next meeting, to be held June 2, 1908 for a license to sell malt, vinous and spiritous liquors in less quantities than a gallon for a period of six months, at our place of business, lots 16, 15, 14, block 21, Medford, Or.

YOUNG & HALL.
Dated May 22, 1908. 63

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