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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1905.

In response to an inquiry whether a timber claim after final proof has been made upon it and before patent has been issued is subject to taxation, the Portland Journal quotes authoritatively as follows: "Until patent has been issued for realty there is no provision under the present law whereby it may be taxed. Improvements on unpatented property may be taxed, as other property of the same kind, but the real estate itself, timber thereon or mineral within does not seem subject to tax until patent has been issued or whatever form of deed may transfer title from the government to the individual, has been executed and delivered. This point is a vital issue in Linn county where it is said that the Northern Pacific has 100,000 acres of valuable timber land. A vast area of these holdings are unpatented, yet such progress has been made in acquiring title that the patent would issue if requested by the company. Technically, it has been held that the law will not permit of assessing this property, although it seems apparent that the last stage of perfecting title is wilfully delayed by the person profiting thereby. An effort has been made to establish the state's right to taxes under such circumstances, but the present rule is to exempt such property. Unpatented mining property is not assessed. Improvements thereon are subject to tax, but a thoroughly developed and producing mine which has not been patented has been held not subject to taxation."

Heretofore unpatented timber claims in this county and in practically all others in the state have been taxed, and each year more of these lands which are yet without government title are added to the assessor's lists. While the above opinion is based upon the state statutes and the rulings of the courts would in all probability invalidate any taxes levied upon unpatented lands, it is not likely that the various assessors throughout the state will depart from the custom, which has been in vogue ever since timber lands became a common topic, of assessing unpatented claims. Just now the revenue derived from this source is a material one, particularly to those counties in the east-part of the state where vast areas of government land have passed into private ownership during the last three years.

Interest in the Livestock show to be held in connection with the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and the inducement of over \$50,000 in prizes, which is offered stock raisers, is certain to attract all the leading stockmen of the country to the Exposition. The leading stock-raisers' associations of the country have shown their interest in the Exposition's enterprise by contributing generously to the fund set aside for prizes, and their hearty co-operation is assured. The National Livestock Association has appropriated \$2500; the Percheron Horse Registry Association \$2000 for premiums on Percheron horses; the American Shorthorn Breeders Association \$3000 for premiums on shorthorns and the American Herefords Breeders Association \$1000 for premiums on Hereford cattle. This, with the \$40,000 appropriated from the Exposition funds for the purpose, brings the grand total of prize money up to \$51,000. It is safe to assert that a good part of this prize money will be kept at home as the Oregon stock raisers will be more generously represented than ever before.

Sheepmen, hold your wool until sales day and preserve the integrity of your organization. The wool supply of the world is reduced to the very bottom of the wool bins. Boston is crying for wool, Liverpool is crying for wool, all the great centers are crying for wool. This is the year of all years to

secure for you a good price—a price that will somewhat compensate for the long years of dearth and famine in the wool and sheep markets. Make the buyers pay you what your product is worth. You should enjoy the profits this year, instead of selling early at a low figure and allowing the commission men who do not produce your clip, to reap the benefits. Hold your wool, and preserve your organization. Stand by each other. It will pay you to do it. The buyers, the manufacturers, are combined against you in the markets. If you secure justice, you, too, must combine. It is your only hope. Don't sell a pound before sales day. Don't do it.—Canyon City Eagle.

In a very few weeks time the new roadway up the grade west of the city will be completed. It will be the first monument erected to the energy and progressiveness of the Citizen's Business League and note should be taken of that fact. It may not be amiss to remark that the League's work will not stop with the completion of this new road. But this is its maiden effort, a big one, too, and encouragement may be drawn from the success attending this first project. Taking it altogether, if the League does nothing more for a year the new grade will signify this much: that an association of common interests among the business men of this city, or any city for that matter, is never untimely and goes a long way toward instilling no small whiff of pride in the city's advancement and the progress of the country surrounding.

Along with the dispatches last week stating that the lieu land law had been repealed came the additional information that the provisions of the law passed as a last act of Congress before it adjourned were rather vague in their scope. In consequence the measure will be passed up to the Interior Department and the General Land Office will pass its interpretation upon the law. Until such action has been taken and a circular issued by the land officials the public will remain a little in doubt as to the exact meaning and intent of the law. It is evident that something has been repealed, but it remains for the General Land Office to define more closely the provisions of the act.

A suit will soon be instituted between the states of Oregon and Washington for the purpose of determining the northern boundary of the former and the southern of the latter. The northern boundary of this state was described in the admission act of congress in 1859, and the Columbia river was used as a distinguishing marker. But the channel of the Columbia river, like all good things, has changed as the years rolled by and a more definite line must be established. The suit will be a friendly one in the United States Supreme court. Oregon will have no cause for complaint against the decision if the sand banks along the Columbia are given to the sister state on the north.

There was once a young man who thought he was the stellar light in amateur theatricals. So annoying did his boasting become to his acquaintances they decided to extinguish his conceit once and for all. Accordingly one young lady wrote him a note, as follows: "Dear Mr. Snapp—We are just about to present a little play entitled 'The Prodigal Son'. Can we count on you to take a part? Very truly, 'May'". Mr. Snapp was delighted. Seizing a pen he dashed off the following: "Dear Miss May—Your note received. In reply will say that I would be pleased to help you out with the play. I am glad you re-

cognized my superior talent. What part would you like me to take in 'The Prodigal Son'? "Charley Snapp." Next morning the answer came: "The fatted calf."—Ex.

More Thirsty Acres Watered.

State Engineer Hammond was in Bend this week after an inspection of 9000 more acres of the Columbia Southern Irrigation Co's segregation. This land lies under the ditch completed last year on the west side of the Deschutes, north of the Swallow bridge between the town of Laidlaw and Clime Buttes. Mr. Hammond found the reclamation to be satisfactory and the list will be made up and passed to patent in due time. Mr. Hammond expresses his entire satisfaction with the reclamation works of the Columbia Southern. He measured the canal and examined the headworks months ago and reported his approval to the state land board, which is proceeding on his recommendation. Mr. Hammond is sure the capacity of the works is ample to water all the land in the segregation and more. The matter of providing laterals and leading the water out to the extremities of the system will require time, but nearly 13,000 acres have already been patented and the additional 9000 now ready will leave but 8000 unwatered. Probably that area will be covered this season.

Construction work on the Columbia Southern irrigation ditches was resumed this week, the principal force being out on the desert north of Laidlaw.—Bend Bulletin.

First Game April 2.

A challenge was received this week by the Prineville Base Ball team from Manager E. R. Lester of the Bend club and the opening game of the season has been set for Sunday afternoon, April 2. The game will be played at the fair grounds on the new diamond which is being made ready for the contest. An admission of 25 cents will be charged.

On Friday evening, March 31, the local ball team will give a dance at Athletic hall the proceeds of which will be used in paying for the new material. Supper will be served by the young ladies.

The ball team this year will begin the season with as strong a list of players as closed last year's playing and is confident of winning both the first game and the majority of those played during the coming summer.

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Ball Games at Fair Grounds.

A committee from the baseball team met with the officers of the Livestock and Agricultural Association Saturday afternoon and completed arrangements to use the fair grounds during the base ball season this year.

Arrangements are now being made for erection of a grand stand in front of which the diamond will be laid off. The ball team has already taken steps to have the ground leveled and packed and the diamond put in shape for use, which will be some time the latter part of this month. Arrangements for a game with the Bend team are now under way.

C. E. Bedell has been elected manager of the team and will look after its welfare during the summer's trials and tribulations.

Teachers' and Parents' Meeting Saturday

The third of the teachers' and parents' meetings will be held at the High school next Saturday afternoon. A number of interesting papers will be read and several addresses given. The Rev. J. A. Mitchell has consented to address the meeting and it is expected that a good attendance will be had. Sup't Dinwiddie is anxious that everyone interested in the work be present as the greater interest shown the more benefits to be derived.

County Court Proceedings.

Now on this day, March 18, 1905, J. J. Smith, county clerk reports to the Court that he will not agree to hire a deputy or cut out all outside work as per order made March 8 by this Court. In view of same the Court countermands pay of deputy at \$2 per day after March 18, 1905.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the time for the Eighth Grade examinations has been changed to April 11, 12 and 13; May 18 and 19; June 8 and 9. The new law governing Eighth Grade examinations will go into effect May 18, therefore the May and June examinations in accordance with its provisions. Teachers please notify me as to the number of pupils expecting to take the examinations in April so I can mail copies of questions. An Eighth Grade examination will be held in Prineville April 11, 12 and 13, in accordance with the present law.
C. B. DINWIDDIE,
County Sup't.

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BANK STATEMENT.

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Report of the Condition of The First National Bank, in Prineville, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

Resources:

Cash and disbursements	\$ 179,288.19
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	21,633.61
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	2,508.66
Bonds, Securities, etc.	2,508.66
Banking-house furniture and fixtures	3,500.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	18,974.47
Due from State Banks and Bankers	8,770.46
Due from approved reserve agents	32,116.14
Internal Revenue stamps	979.90
Checks and other cash items	393.00
Notes of other National Banks	393.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	3.08
LAUREL MONEY RESERVE IN BANKS VIZ:	
Specie	\$ 17,200
Legal-tender notes	2,150
U. S. certificates for gold deposited	19,280.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'y (5% of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$217,134.80

Liabilities:

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	34,372.25
National Bank notes outstanding	4,000.00
Individual deposits, subject to check	240,574.75
Demand certificates of deposit	2,593.81
Total	\$341,440.81

STATE OF OREGON,
County of Crook,
I, T. M. BALDWIN, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
T. M. BALDWIN,
Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of March, 1905.
J. J. SMITH, County Clerk.

CORPORATE MANAGERS:
W. W. WENZELER,
Z. M. BROWN,
Carey W. Foster, Directors.

Notice to Creditors
In the matter of the Estate of J. H. Barnett, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Deceased, to present the same to the undersigned administrator of said Estate at the office of G. W. Barnes, in Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice. Dated this 23rd day of March, 1905.
R. H. BARNETT,
Administrator of the Estate of J. H. Barnett, Deceased.

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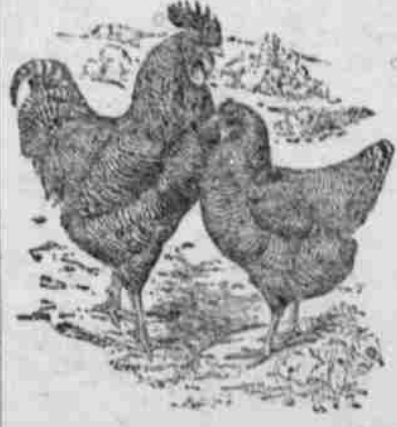
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