

**OREGON NEWS NOTES
OF GENERAL INTEREST**

**Important Occurrences of Past
Week Briefly Compiled for
Our Readers.**

The state land board has advertised for sale 32,000 acres of school land in Malheur county and 640 acres in Lake county. Bids will be received by the board December 19.

Mrs. John A. Colter has been appointed postmaster at Glenada, Lane county, in place of J. A. Wilkinson, resigned, and George W. Perry has been named at Perry, Union county, to succeed Leon B. Stoddard, also resigned.

Nearly 100 Portland business men made a five-day excursion to the Coos bay country last week in the hope of persuading the people there that Portland can and will make it better for them to trade in Oregon than in San Francisco.

An additional unit will be started immediately by the Carnation Milk Products company to the plant at Hillsboro. The building, estimated to cost \$50,000, will be of concrete and hollow tile, with dimensions of 100 by 170 feet, and two stories in height.

The next "farmers week" at the Oregon agricultural college will be held the first week in January, and it is expected that fully 2000 farmers from every section of the state will gather at the big school to discuss their problems and to get expert advice.

The greatest worry of Hood River orchardists at the present time comes from a shortage of cars needed to transport boxes from northwestern lumber centers. Without boxes sufficient to handle their crops scores of growers are forced to halt their packing operations.

So successful has been the passenger business of the Mount Hood Railroad company in the Hood River valley with its new rail auto the past summer that the schedule of the rail motor car will be continued throughout the winter unless heavy snows block the line.

That the erection of a large sawmill to handle the \$24,000,000 feet of government timber on the middle fork of the John Day river will be started at once, is the announcement of Frank Mitchell, president of the Pacific States Investment company, which

purchased the timber. Mrs. C. M. Maclock, of Salem, was instantly killed, and Mrs. A. M. Matlock and two-year-old daughter, Eileen, of Dallas, sustained cuts about the face when a small automobile they occupied collided head on with a car driven by Christian Alm, of Silverton, one mile below Salem.

H. J. Fitzgerald, manager of the Portland, West Coast Railroad & Navigation company, is at Newport with the company's chief engineer and 15 men running lines for the proposed railroad from there to Portland by way of McMinnville, following the coast to the Salmon river.

The Oregon state fish and game commission will liberate 2000 China pheasants which have been raised on the Corvallis state game farm in different parts of the Willamette valley, beginning this week. In order not to be too easy prey for hunters, they have been raised in as nearly wild surroundings as possible.

Public pulse concerning bulk shipment of wheat from interior points to tidewater is being sounded out in eastern Oregon by G. B. Hegardt, engineer for the public docks commission at Portland, and G. L. Hurd for Oregon agricultural college. They have also been in the Colfax, Palouse and other wheat belts of Washington.

The title and a half of road on the Columbia river highway between the east end of Multnomah county and Cascade locks, which, because of the high bluffs and inaccessibility of the sun at that place, has been the only important barrier against all-year travel to Hood River, is now paved. The pavement, which represents a cost of about \$10,000, is a gift from S. Benson.

The Wittenburg-King company of The Dalles, formerly known as the Dri-Fresh company, has contracted with the Hood River Apple Growers' association to take up 5000 tons of family grade fruit, including the smaller sizes and fruit perfect except for some surface blemish that would render it undesirable for commercial pack. The deal will bring a handsome profit to growers.

The opening of the large section of richly productive country between Grants Pass and Waldo is now assured, according to a report that John Twoby and his son, Robert Twoby, of Twoby Bros. company of San Francisco, have succeeded in arranging the sale of \$2,000,000 of bonds of the old proposed California & Coast railroad. It is the present intention to extend the road from Wilderville to Waldo, a distance of 45 miles from Grants

Pass. The Wasco county court has made an apportionment of the proposed bond issue of \$200,000 for highway improvement to be voted on at the November election. The apportionment is as follows: Mosier via Dry Creek to The Dalles, \$91,000; The Dalles to Petersburg, \$34,000; The Dalles to Dufur, \$27,500; Dufur to top of Tygh grade, \$27,500; top of Tygh grade to Maupin, \$20,000; Maupin to Bakeoven, Shaniko, Autelope and south to the Jefferson county line, \$80,000.

A gravity water system to supply Richland and the unincorporated town of Newbridge two and one-half miles to the north, has been decided upon.

The Southern Pacific car shortage established a new high record in reports received by the state public commission Saturday, the total being 1847.

Harley Yetter, a rancher, was fined \$250 by Justice of the Peace Parkes at Pendleton and forfeited his gun and hunting license for unlawfully killing a China pheasant.

The assessed value of all property on the Clackamas county assessment rolls has shrunk \$1,200,000 in the last year, including the loss of the Oregon & California grant lands.

Building records for Baker of several years were broken by the total of the year ending September 30. The permits for 1916 totalled \$210,989, which is double the amount for 1915.

Oregon's total registration for the general election next month will be approximately 275,000, or nearly 30,000 below the 1914 registration, according to estimates by Secretary of State Oleott.

Frank Smith, of Portland, and James O'Brien, of Coos county, two of the worst characters in the Oregon prison, made their escape from the building provided for incorrigibles and degenerates.

The people of North Bend have started agitation to have the name of the town changed to Coos Bay, which is proposed to include the contemplated consolidated towns of North Bend and Marshfield.

Figures of liquor importation into Multnomah county during September show a gain of nearly 2000 shipments over August. In September the total shipments were 15,245 as compared with 13,284 in August.

Building of a shipbuilding plant at Warrenton is to start within a few days, according to announcement of Spokane men who have formed the American Shipbuilding company. The plant is to cost \$100,000.

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Present Methods of Conducting the Assessor's Office of Crook County are Many Years behind the Times

On your farm the sulky and gang plow has replaced the walking plow for the reason that one man can do as much work as three or more did with the old method.

The binder, header and combine replaced the cradle and scythe long ago for the same reason. In the factory machines are being invented to take the place of men, for labor is the expensive element.

In the offices and stores all kinds of devices are in use to do the work of many people and the successful people use these judiciously.

One of the most valuable and inexpensive inventions for any office is a system of manifold forms, or a set of blanks where, by the use of carbon paper and a typewriter, one person can do as much work and better work in a day as a half dozen can do with the old method, pen and ink.

Such a system has been worked out for use in the assessor's office and has been in use for years in many counties in this state.

Do you know the different steps that are taken in getting your taxes collected? It is something like this: After the blanks are brought into the office and the field work is done the name and address of the party assessed and the description of the property is written into a large book with pen and ink. After they are all put on this book, which requires many weeks, a second party takes the books and extends the rolls. This work consists in part of figuring the amount of taxes collectable in the different road and school districts and filling in these figures again with a pen. Following this worker comes another, who makes out on another form, the tax notice

which is mailed to you. This notice is made up by the grouping together of your timber and farm land holdings, city property and whatever else you have and getting it all onto the tax notice. Later, should you happen to not have the notice when you come to the office to pay your taxes, another search must be made to get the amounts all together, another form made out by the tax collector, which is your receipt, and then after the roll is credited up for the amounts you have paid, the process is complete.

Some Work Isn't it? And Work of This Kind Costs You Money

By the system which has proven such a success in other counties all of these things are done by the first operation in the office of the assessor, a loose leaf book with pages about the size of a sheet of letter paper being used, and all of every taxpayer's property is listed on one sheet much in the same way as your account is kept at the grocery store.

The typewriter and carbon process enables the assessor to make up all of the forms while the matter is there fresh in his mind, and mistakes and much expense is avoided

In other words, I pledge myself to handle this office just like you handle your private business in such a way as to get the most for the money expended.

If you believe in a reduction of taxes that is what I stand for. If you are satisfied or want higher taxes do not vote for me for my platform is

"Economy and Equal Assessments to All"

If I am Elected Assessor of Crook County on November 7 I will do the work in this manner and will save you a large amount of money in the handling of that office

R. D. KETCHUM, for ASSESSOR of CROOK COUNTY