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COUNTY PRINTING.

THE County Board is making a moun-

tain out of a mole hill over the county printing. The Enterprise has slways contended that as long as it gave the county as reasonable terms as other people received it was entitled to the printing at the hands of a republican board. That the county has always had a reasonable rate for the printing from the Enterprise is shown by the fact that while Clackamas county is third in population it is ninth in cost of printing and supplies in the state. The board attempts to take the ground that the bid of the Enterprise should not have been for the whole of the supplies, like the blank books. If there is one thing that the board has insisted on in the past it is that the whole of the printing and supplies be let to the lowest bidder. Now, if it is best to let the printing by asking for bids it is just as necessary to let the supplies in the same way. In other words, if this bid proposition is a good thing let it all go and not try and hold the blank books up to be placed where the board may fancy, and at the same time insist that the printing be let for less than it costs, and try and squeeze the last drop out of it by competitive bids. The bid of the Enterprise covered the whole of the supplies and printing. and was low, lower than it could have been made if on only part of the work, 50 tons of hay for less money per cord or their own interests.

ANOTHER condition of state matters that is giving rise to some discussion is the fact that the state treasurer has just reported that he has on hand over a half a million dollars belonging to the per- to conquer other worlds. manent school fund of the state. This money accrues from the sale of state lands, and if possible to loan it, the inand there is much spirited discussion in these striking words: regard to so changing the law that this "Oregon, queen of the Western seas; put at 281. doubtedly there will be legislation to crops were never known to fail." that effect proposed at the next session,

results than the old method.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

In another column appears an article relative to the advancement made in agricultural pursuits in Oregon during the taken from the census bulletin just iserence is made in that article to Clackataking up more space in regard to local

Clackamas county stands second in the number of farms contained in any county, the number being exceeded by Marion by but a small margin. In the matter of farm buildings Clackamas proved land this county holds the fourth place, the total being the enormous sum Marion and Umatilla counties, but in the value of buildings on farms Clacksby Linn and Marion by but a small per cent. During the last ten years the ago the glaring announcement: farmers of Clackamas county have expended for farm implements and machinery \$337,630, and paid for belp on their farms \$190,650.

The agricultural possibilities of Clackamas county, even though developed to a degree equal to any other part of the state, are worthy of every effort put forth to raise the standard. The next decade will witness a vast advance over the preceding ten years. In other words the state of development is scarcely more than an intimation of the conditions that will prevail here in the next quarter of a century. Of this there is not an element of doubt. The proximity to the great business mart of the state, and possessing within its borders the greatest manufacturing plants of the coast, easily renders this the most inviting county in Oregon for intending settlers.

Oregon City, the seat of county govordinary advantages, offers unequaled shelled and unshelled." inducements to the capitalist and labor er. Additional plants that will employ a good many hundred hands are now in such as to encourage the present popula- and stock growing interests. tion and invite large additions.

acted a law fifty-tour years ago yester-A man will supply 50 cords of wood or day-August 14th, 1845-giving to the ton than he will five. It is the same days later-fifty-four years ago-General state. The Enterprise has always been seat as governor. On July 1st, 1902, the invested in farm property. evidently received that way, probaby be- Philippines became a law, and on the in 1900 the number had increased to 35,

OBEGON IS QUEEN.

whether it becomes law or not. It is farm, a mining plant, a mountain home, 1900 there were 122,447 dairy cows,

and attorney-general constitute a board chard, a 6,000,000 foot log raft, G. A. 7,751 mules, 3,001,355 sheep, 4,290,818 to pass upon applications for such loans, Young's sheep ranch, near Shanko, a chickens and 55,585 swarms of bees. and the mency be loaned according to dairy and creamery scene and an Oregon The wool products were 18,000,000 law and such regulations as the board log flume. The write-up covers the pounds, valued at \$2,470,741, butter 8, might create. This method of loaning climate, soil, industries, etc., a few of 107,450 pounds, cheese 467,256 pounds.

tropolis of the world and the state of Oregon one of the most populous and 2,823,898 were apples and 2,517,523 important states of the Union? Such a were pinms and prones. prediction was made by a noted English scientist, and recent developments lead many to believe that there were good grounds for his theory. It looks as if Portland, Oregon, is destined to become the Laverpool of America and all the last ten years, the information being world is now turning its eyes on Oregon, where the wheat and other cereal grops were never known to fail, as if that state form 3,130 acres and in 1900, 14,675,577 sued by the national bureau. Some ref-presse is made in that article to Clarke, wonderful commercial importance the western coast has assumed because of mas county, but there is such a vast the new American possessions in the Pacific seem destined to work a revoluamount of good information contained tion in American commercial affairs, in the bulletin that we feel warranted in The trade with the Philippine islands and Hawait, carried on through Portland and San Francisco, is increasing to enor- of acres irrigated 388,310. These figures, mous proportions. Alaska with its many sources of commerce is hourly growing in importance and our rapidly show a big increase in all. increasing trade with China is causing many at this time to look to the land of

the setting sun. "Some marines declare Portland, Oregon, to have the finest natural harbor in the world and it may be that this is to holds second place. In the value of im- become the great shipping center in our enormous trade with Alaska, the Pacific islands and the Orient. Oregon's splendid agricultural resources, her rich soil, ealthful climate and advantageous locaof \$6.664,350. This is exceeded by Line, tion, make this state of first importance to the inventor when considering the wonderful changes in conditions brought dent's report as published in the state about by our recent wars, acquisitions superintendent's annual report. about by our recent wars, acquisitions mas holds third place, being exceeded and stopendous increase of trade, by Linn and Marion by het a small reprising when we noticed a short time

"The first shall be last and the last first." Often it has been said and often it has come true. So it is with Oregon; the last of our states to attract any great amount of attention, may soon become first in commercial importance. It seems that Providence has reserved this land of many charms for a certain people and that people is now about to take posses-

Flooded districts and persistent rain, such as have but recently brought de-vastation to the farmers of the East and Central West, are unknown in Oregon. "The health seeker can find in Oregon

almost any temperature desired, ranging greater than that of England to such conve wide extremes as are to be found in the central portion of continents.

Oregon affords a vast area of farming lands, the best conditions to warrant the production of heavy crops and a climate

"Oregon has been for years the great cattle center of the Pacific Northwest. It is also noted for its production of horses and sheep. The mild winter climate, the fact that native grasses re main green during most of the year, and the ease with which the cultivated grasses can be raised, make Oregon an excellent county for every kind of stock. "Not only the lands, but the waters

ernment, with the unusual and extra- of this marvelous region are fertile. The

OREGON AGRICULTURE.

The most interesting bulletin concerncontemplation or in course of actual con- ing Oregon yet issued by the census struction. New and modern transports. bureau is that on Oregon agriculture, are prohibitive, in many cases, of better tion facilities are penetrating the interior, showing the rapid progress being made and the general conditions existing are in the state in the development of farm has been made during the past year of trip excursion tickets between Portland

The farms of Oregon, June 1, 1900, numbered 35,837, were valued at \$132,-THE congress of the United States en- 337,514. Of this amount \$19,199,694, or 14.5 per centy represents the value of buildings, and \$113,137,820, or \$5.5 per people of Oregon civil government. Two cent, the value of land and improvements other than buildings. On that rious school apparatus, flags and pictures thing with the printing and supplies. Joseph Lane, of Indiana, was appointed date the value of farm implements and The Enterprise knows of no reason why provisional governor. Within three days machinery was \$6,506,725, and of live the blank books should not be included after his appointment Governor Lane stock \$33,917,048. These values, added in the bid as much as the printing, and started for Oregon, and on March 2nd, to that of farms, give \$172,761,187, the made its bid accordingly. The Enter- 1849, reached this city, the then capital, total value of farm property. The prise put in a straight bid for the whole and two days later, just six months and total value of farm products for 1899 exof printing and supplies, which if accepted eighteen days after the approval of the ceeded that of 1889 by \$19,064,849, or would provide these matters as cheap as act creating civil government in Oregon, 100.2 per cent. The gross income from they have ever been provided in Clacka- Governor Lane, by proclamation, pro- farms for 1899 is put at 31,896,248, or mas county or any other county in the mulgated the organic law and took his 18.5 per cent gross income on amount

square with the board, but its bid is not act creating civil government in the In 1890 Oregon had 25,530 farms and cause the board has been listening to Fourth of July thereafter it was promul- 837, or a gain of 10,503. The value of het air from people wishing to further gated by proclamation and the civil gov- farm property in 1890 was \$143,024,800 ernment began operations there, not- as compared with \$172,791,287 in 1900, withstanding those islands are almost a gain of \$28,636,487 in ten years. In on the opposite side of the globe. Just 1890 the total number of acres in farms, fifty years had elapsed from the time of 6,909,888, as compared with 10,071,328 Lane's enthronement until volunteers acres in 1900, a gain of 3,101,440 acres. from our worthy state were sailing forth Oregon contains 60,518,400 acres, and only 16.6 per cent are included in farms. In 1900 Clackamas county had 2568 farms, containing 298,491 acres, valued A copy of "Popular Mechanics," publat \$6,664,350. The value of live stock terest is apportioned to the school fund lished in Chicago, one of the greatest de- was \$945,879. There are 35,289 white in the different counties. There is no scriptive magazines published in the farmers, 14 negro farmers and 94 Chinapparent demand for this enormous sum West, has been teceived at this office. ese farmers in the state. The average of \$550,000, or any part of it, conse- It has six and one-half pages, profusely value of Oregon farms (in the state is quently it lies idle in the state treasury. Illustrated, descriptive of Oregon and its \$3,157. There are 1287 tarms contain-Under existing laws it cannot be vast resources. Around a picture of ing 1000 acres and over, and 1105 conloaned only upon real estate security, 100,000 sacks of Oregon wheat it has taining from 500 to 900 acres. The average number of acres in the farms is

money might be put out on other kinds two hundred and fifty thousand free The value of farm products is as folof security. Many people are now advo- homes, no tornadoes, no thunder storms, lows for 1900: hay and grain, \$61,892,cating the practicability of amending the no blizzards, where horses, cattle and 811; vegetables, \$5,011,107; fruits, \$4,863,law that this money could be loaned sheep grow for nothing and feed them- 662; live stock \$59,927,043; dairy prolaw that this money could be loaned sheep grow for nothing and feed them- 662; live stock \$59,927,043; dairy pro- can be done systematically, reaching all to counties and school districts, and un- selves, where the wheat and other ceres! duce, \$14,176,453; sugar, \$125,507; flowers the schools in session along a given and plants, \$199,230; nursery products, The pictures drawn are of a model \$220,870; miscelaneous, \$26,643,704. In

proposed that the governor, treasurer J. H. Stewart's Rogue river valley or 577,856 other cattle, 287,932 horses, school funds is in vogue in some states, the paragraphs we append herewith # eggs 7,700,670 dozen. In 1900 Oregon and it is found to be fraught with better "Is San Francisco to be the future me- had over 6,000,000 fruit trees, of which

In 1850, 8 pounds of hops were reported for Oregon; in 1860, 493 pounds, and in 1870, 9,745 pounds. In 1880, 244,-371 pounds were reported from 304 acres; in 1800, 3,613,726 pounds pounds from 16,434 acres-the product being over four times, and the acreage almost five times, as great as in 1800. The total number of irrigators in Ore-

gon in 1900 were 4636 and the number when compared with the census of 1890,

LOCAL SCHOOL MATTERS.

Recommendations for Improvements in School Affairs.

Superintendent Zinser prepared the folowing recommendations for improveneht in school affairs and forwarded them to State Superintendent Ackerman, These will be included in the local superinten-

"The Annual Institute, held in Oregon City during the first week in Septemb was in every respect a success. the academical needs of our teachers should not be lost sight of, yet a three days' session cannot hope to accomplish much in this direction. Hence the chief aim of the Institute must be inspiration and the raising of teacher's ideals. This we have tried to do and the results have been noticeable all the year.

LOCAL INSTITUTES.

"Generous attendance and lively ininfluence during the year indicate a healthy state of public school sentiment and a growing interest in the local school. The average attendance was

CONVENTION OF SCHOOL OFFICERS.

"One school officers' convention was held, which was addressed by the state superintendent. 36 districts were repre-The aim was to bring about a setter knowledge of the duties of school officers, a more general co-operation of directors, teachers and superintendent.

SCHOOL MOUSES AND GROUNDS.

"There is a growing disposition to provide more comfortable and attractive school conditions. Besides the four school-houses that were built during the year, five more are in process of construction, and a number of other dis-tricts have made greater or less improvements, cleared and fenced the grounds, replaced rude home-made furniture by the Wild Waves Say at Sesside" so atrikwith paint and brush.

TEACHERS' LEBRARY.

sional tesiming. Small salary and short terms and long-established habit. preparation in college or normal school. As an aid to such teachers a beginning teachers' professional library. Its hun dred volumes have been well patronized. SCHOOL LIBEARIES.

"Owing to unfavorable local conditions no effort was made to secure the benefits good to return Sunday night. Wasse of the recently enacted library law. But salt water baths at Seaside now open to numerous entertainments have been the public. given, by means of which 909 volumes, or about 28 per cent, have been added to the school libraries. Besides this, vahave been purchased by this means. DISTRICT TAX.

"There is a growing disposition to help out the public school funds, which amount to less than \$5.00 per capita, by a special district tax. This is sometimes defeated in districts where the controlling elements are not directly interested in the local school. Yet forty districts succeeded in levying this tax, and a number of others did so at the annual meeting in June, and the results of which are not included in this report. The average for the county is more than 2.5 mills, as against 1.8 mills of last year. tricts reporting, as against 6 mills last

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

"The course of study is steadily improving the quality of the echool room work. Seventy-two eightn grade diplo-mas were issued and all the grades are feeling the stimulus of this final exami-

SUGGESTED LEGISLATION.

"The law should be amended so that a person residing in the district, but owning property in the county, would be a legal voter.

"The salary of the clerk might be paid from a special tax, and the amount left to the judgment of the district. In the case of some districts, the authorized salary is too small to attract persons suitable to fill so important an office.

"Since the time of the annual meeting has been charged from March to June, a special district tax can now be voted at this meeting. For the convenience of the county clerk the law should authorize districts to report this special levy by the first of January, when all other taxes are reported, instead of February 1. "In section 162 for the word "April"

substitute "August" for obvious reasons, "The County Superintendent's work would be much facilitated by a more prompt report on the part of the district clerks, of the selection of teachers and the time of beginning school. mas county is so large that it is practi-cally impossible to visit all the schools once a year unless this work of visiting route, so as to avoid going over the

Respectfully submitted, J. C. ZINSER. Superintendent Clackamas County.

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