

Oregon City Enterprise

TOLD IN SIDEHEADS.

PAY YOUR TAXES.—The date for the expiration of time in which to pay taxes is October 1. After that date it will be impossible to pay, and to avoid a rush and many difficulties it would be well for delinquents to visit the tax collector. There remains on the roll unpaid about \$22,000.

LARGE DRIVE OF LUMBER.—The big drive containing 600,000 feet of ash lumber started from Tyra Smith's place, near Corvallis, last Friday for its destination in Portland, where it will be consumed by a large furniture factory in that city. A crew of sixteen men will have charge of the drive, and forty days will be consumed in getting it to Portland.

KILLED A BEAR.—The Randall, Draper and Meldrum party, which left here a few days ago for Roaring river, met with all kinds of good luck after they had been out but a short time. Tom Randall is given credit for having slain the bear, which was sent in to this city a few days after their departure. The bear was on exhibition at Albright's meat market, and certainly bore sufficient evidence of the fact that it had been shot.

OREGON COTTON.—Probably the first cotton ever raised in Corvallis is now to be seen at the home of Willbanks in that city, says the Gazette. During a visit to his old home in the South about a year ago, Mr. Willbanks secured some cotton seed, which he planted in the lot near his house. The plants appeared above the ground in due time and are now quite thrifty, the larger ones being about three feet high. They are now just ready to bowl. Cotton will grow and bloom in this section, but it will not mature in this climate.

LARGE BRIDGE IN DANGER.—Considerable uneasiness was felt by the county authorities last Friday morning by a report reaching them that the county bridge, on the Long road, east of New Era, was on fire. The commissioners immediately dispatched a man to investigate, but fortunately he was enabled to return with the information that the structure was not on fire but it was in some danger of being destroyed by the fire raging in the woods near by. People living in that vicinity sent back word that they would protect the bridge, and nothing further has been heard.

BOUGHT HOME AT MILWAUKIE.—D. B. Newman was up from Milwaukie last Friday attending to some business matters in regard to quieting the title to some property he had recently purchased at that place. Mr. Newman came to Oregon with his family from Minnesota a short time ago, not necessarily with the idea of locating, but he was so impressed with the beauty of the location and surroundings at Milwaukie that he decided to locate there, and accordingly purchased six blocks of ground, erected a neat residence and made other valuable improvements. Mr. Newman considers Oregon far ahead of the state he came from, and is content to remain here.

PREMIUM LIST OUT.—The premium list for the sixteenth annual meeting of the Butte Creek Agricultural Fair is just issued. The prizes offered this year are very attractive and will prove a great incentive to exhibitors. These meetings, which have been held annually at Marquam for so long, have had a wonderful effect in promoting breeding and agriculture in that part of the county and are looked upon of one of the most important events of the year by the people there. The meeting will last two days this year—September 26th and 27th. The officers of the association are J. R. Shaver, president; T. R. Hibbard, vice-president; A. F. Jack, secretary; Wm. Osterhout, treasurer.

SELWOOD SCHOOLHOUSE.—Selwood people have been experiencing all kinds of difficulties in getting work started on their new schoolhouse, but from present indications the work will now proceed without further delay. The foundation was completed and the old portion moved on to it. Owing to some difficulty in securing good title to a lot the board proposed to purchase, the plans for the new building were entirely changed. The old building is being put in readiness for occupancy and will be ready for the opening of school next week. Work will progress on the new building, however, which will be used later in the year. In relation to the contract, the first contractor became discouraged and left his work incomplete.

STOLE A HORSE.—Chief of Police Burns had something doing in his department Wednesday morning by complying to the request of the officers from one of the towns up the line that a man had stolen and sold a horse and was headed toward Oregon City. The chief kept a lookout for the fellow and was but a short time in apprehending him. He was located in a barber shop here and taken to the city jail and locked up. Information was sent here by telephone from Hubbard. The man's name is Frank Molley, his home being at Silver-

ton. His father and others from that part of the country were here Wednesday afternoon and arranged to take the young man back to the county from whence he came.

CRIPPLED UNDER CAR.—From being knocked under an Oregon City car at First and Alder streets, Portland, Tuesday, by a careless bicycle rider, M. A. Poppleton, of the Portland Seed Company, had both legs, near the ankles, frightfully mangled. It was necessary to complete the work left undone by the use of the surgeon's knife, at the hospital, where the unfortunate man was taken. Poppleton was just boarding the car when the accident happened. The physician says one of his limbs may be saved, but it remains a question whether or not that much good fortune will result. No blame is attached to the operator of the car for the accident.

STREET CONDEMNED.—There is a portion of the most prominent thoroughfare of our city condemned by reason of its unfit and unsafe condition. Tuesday of this week there were danger signals placed on the street, and perhaps none too soon. The elevated roadway in the vicinity of the Broughton mill has been considered unsafe for travel for some time, and at the last meeting of the city council, the committee, in whose hands such affairs are placed, was instructed to look into the matter. The bridge is said to be in a very unsafe condition, and measures will be taken at once to repair it before there is some serious accident, for which the city would be liable.

RECEIVED PROMOTION.—An Oregon City boy has just received a promotion that affords him no greater pleasure than will the knowledge of it afford pleasure to his great number of friends. Leighton Kelly, who has been employed for a considerable time at the fish hatchery on Clackamas river, is to assume new duties and new and larger responsibilities. He has been promoted to the position of traveling distributor of eggs and small fry fish throughout the United States, receiving an increase in salary and having all expenses paid. He is a young man who richly deserves success and the promotion which has recently been given him. He is capable and willing, even anxious to do his work well, and we are pleased to be able to note that while having received this promotion he is getting no more than he deserves.

BATTY BOY LOCATED.—Robert Batty, the lad who ran away from his home at Canby about three weeks ago, has been located, and is now with his father in Chicago. The young man went from Canby to Salem, where he sold his bicycle and took passage on the overland train for Sacramento. His parents sent his photo to the San Francisco Call, which published it, together with an account of his disappearance. This publicity had the effect of identifying the boy. The lad worked in Sacramento about two weeks, meanwhile his parents were in Santa Barbara endeavoring to locate him. He was identified and taken into parental custody on Wednesday of last week, and his father, who is employed by a railway company in Chicago, has taken him there, where he hopes to be able to influence him in proper channels.

RUSH FOR TIMBER LANDS.—During the past three weeks there have over one hundred people from Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota arrived in Ashland and started from there for the Sprague river country, in Klamath and Lake counties, to take up timber claims. A large number of them have also gone from the Willamette valley to the Tidings. The influx for the possession of the timber lands of Southern Oregon seems to have spread and gone on increasing. The rush also extends over the Northern California counties and in Oregon wherever there is any available timber land left. Some of these claims come fairly expensive to the filers for their expenses, for their round trips cannot be less than a round \$200. Then they must pay the locator, pay for the advertising notices and later return again to make final proof and pay the United States government \$2.50 per acre for the land. Many of them figure that the claims will cost them at least \$700; but they hope to sell at a large profit.

FARMERS' MARKET PLACE.—Plans for a farmers' resting and market place are receiving some attention and were drawn and inspected at a meeting of the East Side Improvement Association held Tuesday evening. The location is to be in the Hawthorne tract, a block of ground having been donated by the Hawthornes for the purpose. There will be suitable buildings erected on the grounds and other improvements made which will add to the convenience of the farming element. The project is receiving great encouragement and will undoubtedly develop into something tangible. Granges throughout the adjacent country are indorsing the plan. At meetings of the Damascus and Logan granges, held Saturday, strong resolutions were passed indorsing the proposed market place and rest rooms, and commending the offer of the Hawthornes for the use of a block of ground for the purpose. Portland people attended the meeting of Damascus Grange No. 260, Patrons of Husbandry, in the morning, and explained at length the purpose and scope of the movement.

MANY BLOOMS ON ONE STALK.—Exc-Sheriff Cooke has a variety of lily growing in his yard, in this city that is much of a curiosity. On one stalk there are eighty-five fully developed blooms. The variety is the Golden Banded, a name, indeed, appropriate. The petals are long and of a most beautiful color, while the inner portion of the bloom is of a deeper tinge of scarlet. On other stalks of the plant there are numerous blooms, but nothing to equal in number the stalk which is so completely billed. Mr. Cooke has a great variety of choice flowers and shrubs in his yard, which is one of the attractive places in the city.

COUNCIL DIDN'T MEET.—At its regular meeting on the 3rd of the month it was mutually agreed that there should be held another meeting on the 8th, but when Mayor Dimick called the meeting to order it was necessary to adjourn because a quorum was not present. The meeting was to have been held to discuss the matter of granting a franchise to President Morris, of the O. W. P. & Railway Company for track and depot privileges. Since the matter of meeting has taken the turn it has, there will probably be no discussion of the matter until the next regular meeting.

STOCKHOLDERS TO MEET.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Willamette Valley Chautauque Association will be held next Tuesday, in the Court house in this city, for the purpose of electing a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and five directors. These, with the four officers, constitute a board of directors, who transact the business of the association. This year's assembly netted a profit of about \$400, and there is now existing a debt of only \$200. Should next year's assembly be as successful as this year, the association will be free from debt for the first time in several years. The present officers of the Chautauque Association are: President, Professor W. C. Hawley; vice-president, C. H. Dye; secretary, H. E. Cross; treasurer, Thomas F. Ryan; board of directors, W. C. Hawley, T. F. Ryan, E. E. Charman, C. H. Dye, George A. Harding, Dr. W. E. Carl, H. E. Cross, Mrs. Robert A. Miller, Mrs. William Galloway.

A GENTLE HINT.—The editor of the Tillamook Headlight evidently has something up his sleeve for the persons who are contesting the land filings in that county. In the current issue of that paper appeared the following: "If those who are contesting the timber claims and a few homesteads have any sense left they will use good horse sense by withdrawing the contests and leaving the country for their health, for there is so much evidence of collusion in this direction, which has become so tropical and annoying in department circles, that some persons will find themselves in a tight place if they do not watch out, with the result that the 'stool pigeons' will place others also in a tight place, for something is likely to transpire at any time which will cause one of the biggest sensations Tillamook ever had. Some persons can monkey with the people part of the time, but they cannot monkey with the people all the time. We intend this as a word of advice to those who are in the contest business, and especially to those who have started in to contest homesteads of settlers. We shall have something more to say in the near future about this and what ought to be done with homestead jumpers."

HAS NOW INCORPORATED.—Articles of incorporation of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, were filed in the county court last Friday. The incorporators are Lanora Cooke, Annie L. Wilehart, Chas. Moehnke, George Frey and Laura E. Beattie. The object of the corporation is to create and maintain in Oregon City a church organization in which shall be taught and proclaimed the religion of Jesus Christ as portrayed by the Bible and by "Science and Health, With Key to the Scripture," by Mary Baker G. Eddy, and to establish, conduct and maintain one or more Sunday schools, dispensaries and reading-rooms. The estimated value of property and money belonging to the society is \$30; the source of revenue shall be from voluntary contributions by the members and attendants. The articles are executed by the present trustees of the society, the president secretary, treasurer and two others. The election of their successors shall be by secret ballot, without nomination, from the members of the church, of five trustees to serve one year. For the present the church will be located at the Red Men's Hall.

FILED WITHDRAWAL.—In the United States land office here Tuesday the Northern Pacific Railway Company filed notice of its withdrawal of lieu land list No. 7, for all of section 9, township 8 south, range 4 east, which renders that section now vacant government land, excepting the mineral claims already filed there, of which there are several, as that particular part of the country is largely of a mineral nature in its formation. The company will use the script received for the purchase of land at some other point in the district, or elsewhere for that matter. There had been some difficulty experienced by the company by having other filings, or contests, rather, against their holdings in that township. There is some interest shown in these matters because of the mineral wealth of the location, there being several fairly well developed prospects there already. It is claimed that one of considerable value has been taken from some of the ledges discovered there in recent years.

PROBABLY BY MRS. DYE.—It may still be too soon to look for the great American novel which is bound one day to startle the reading world, but one of the publishing houses is about to issue a book which in subject and manner of treatment will perhaps come near at yet to the goal, says last Saturday's Oregonian. Needless to say it is not the old familiar type of Colonial or Civil War romance. Those mines of material for the novelist, rich though they may be, have been too much worked. The great American novel can never be built on so weakened a framework; it must be blasted out of the virgin rock and reared of the sturdy timber just beginning to be known for its romantic possibilities—the West. And it is with the West that this new book is concerned, and with the most wonderful event in all its wonderful history—the expedition and exploration of Lewis and Clark. The book is to appear in November and will be awaited with interest. Neither title nor author is yet announced, but it is understood to be the work of a well-known and successful writer.

SHOPS AT SELWOOD.—Selwood people seem to think they still have a good chance to secure the carshops of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company. President D. M. Donough, of the Selwood Board of Trade, says that he has assurances from President Morris that grounds purchased on the water front south of East Clay street, will not be used for carshops, for the reason the property is too valuable to be used for that purpose. A supplementary power plant is being erected on the land, but the intention is to keep the property for manufacturing purposes, and place the carshops on ground less valuable, probably at Sellwood or a little north of Sellwood. The Selwood Board of Trade says President Donough will endeavor to secure the shops and will take up the matter at the opening Fall meeting, which will be held very soon. If Mr. Donough is right in the statement that the carshops are not to be erected on the grounds secured south of Hawthorne avenue—the company controls every foot south of Loman, Poulson & Company's sawmill—it will be news to a good many who have supposed that the land was purchased for that purpose. A power plant is now being built there. Boilers have been set up and a generator is being placed on a foundation.

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