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## ALL EYES TURN TO REAL ESTATE WHEN SPECULATIVE INVESTMENTS FAIL



First Residence Built in Gladstone, 1893.

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Public confidence in speculative securities has recently received one of the greatest shocks in the history of finance.

As bursts a bubble, so in almost a day millions of dollars were swept away, carrying many hundreds of investors to ruin.

Wall Street's woe is the wise man's warning.

The entire stock market has become demoralized during the last year and the public has shown a decided disinclination to invest in the class of stocks there offered.

On the other hand, heavy investments are daily being made by most conservative interests in select real estate at constantly increasing prices.

### WAS NOT PADDED

Judge McBride Makes Ruling on 1901 Delinquent List.

Says Advertisement of List Went to "the Extreme Limit of Reasonable Compression."

Circuit Judge McBride last Thursday rendered an important decision as concerning the validity of the delinquent tax list for 1902 as published in the Enterprise at the time of its delinquency. The case involved was that of the Gladstone Real Estate Association against Sheriff Shaver and was brought to defeat the collection of taxes against the property of the plaintiff corporation. Taxes against the property for that year amounted to about \$850 which with the accrued costs aggregated about \$1200. By the decision of the court, the plaintiff company is obliged to pay the amount of its taxes and one-half of the costs or about \$1050 in all. In deciding the case, Judge McBride said:

"This is a suit to restrain the collection of taxes of 1901 upon the property of the plaintiff. The complaint sets forth many alleged irregularities in the proceedings of the county and the sheriff which it claims render the tax void and uncollectable. It is claimed among other things that the tax roll as advertised was unreasonably padded, so as to greatly increase the cost of advertising. Section 3120 of the code requires a description of the parcels to be sold, the name of the owner, the amount of the tax, the interest to date of sale, and the penalties accrued against each tract. This necessitates a full description of each tract separately, and I am unable to see that such description could be made in fewer words and yet remain a safe advertisement. Each lot constitutes a separate parcel, has to be assessed separately, and any attempt to bunch them together would render the sale void. In my judgment, the advertisement goes to the extreme limit of reasonable compression.

"Another objection made is that there is no certificate of apportionment attached to the transcript of the assessment roll delivered by the clerk to the sheriff. The certificate is in due form, but unsigned, and is, therefore, not valid for any purpose.

"There is, therefore, no legal evidence that there was in the hands of the sheriff any valid transcript of the assessment roll for the year 1901. In fact, the alleged transcript without the certificate had no legal validity, and could not authorize the sheriff to proceed to collect taxes, and any sale under such circumstances would be unauthorized and void.

"Section 3057 of the Code requires the assessor to return the assessment roll to the county clerk on or before the first Monday in September, but provides that the county court may extend the time until the first Monday in October. The roll was not actually returned until the 14th day of October, long after the extreme limit permitted by law. Under the authorities, this failure to return the roll within the time prescribed by law rendered the assessment void.

"For the reasons above mentioned the assessment was void, and the county had no right to sell plaintiff's property or to advertise it for sale.

"But under the rule announced by the supreme court in Welch vs. Clatsop county, and under the rule which this court announced in a recent case, the plaintiff cannot be permitted to enjoin a tax when it appears that it has property in the county which was subject to taxation without first contributing its equitable share to the general burden of taxation. The plaintiff entered the sum of about \$850, being the amount of the tax, less costs and penalties against the Gladstone townsite proper; in addition to this, it should pay the amount charged against the Gladstone Park, amounting to \$196, and upon the payment of said sum within 20 days, the injunction will be made perpetual, otherwise the complaint will be dismissed."

### WERE PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Zinser Awards More Certificates to Punctual Scholars.

Term certificates to public school scholars of the county have been issued by Superintendent Zinser to such as were perfect in attendance for an entire term. Awards were made as follows: Canemah school, F. J. Meindl, principal—Dora Lubeck, Alfred Tate, Mandy Moline, Naideen Blanchard, Mary Nuttal, May Paddock, Albert Searle, Horace Minor, Thornton Howard.

Union Hall school, Grace Miller, teacher—Fred Moizan, Mary Moizan, Herman Moizan, Martha Heilman.

Willamette school, Millard Hyatt, principal—Ernest Mass, Earl Koplin, Clifford Koplin, Georgia Edmunds, Avah Mass, Etta Rogers, Eva Rogers, Bernice Buckles, Mary Wood, Lena Milstine, Emory Roam, Ida Berdine, Earl Obrien, Orville Hunt, John Ream, Mar Egge, Moreita Hickman, Nellie Johnson, Arline Olson.

Dist. No. 69, Irene Bach, teacher—Bessie Clark, May Clark, Homer McCormick.

Stone school, Edith Toon, teacher—Kenneth Hayden, Effie Watts, Ivy Mumpower, Elton Hailton, Genevieve Mumpower, Elsie Watts, Ruth Dye, Myrtle Schmale, Ruth Brown, Vada Watts, Lillie Anderson, Anna Riebhoff, Nellie Riebhoff, Clyde McMurry.

Sandy Ridge school, Anna Bachman, teacher—Anna Strasser, Laura Widmer, Lydia Strasser.

### Have You Indigestion?

If you have Indigestion, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure you. It has cured thousands. It is curing people every day—every hour. You owe it to yourself to give it a trial. You will continue to suffer until you do try it. There is no other combination of digestants that digest and rebuild at the same time. Kodol does both. Kodol cures, strengthens and rebuilds. Sold by Geo. A. Harding.

### DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT BALTIMORE

Fire Broke Out Sunday and Destroys \$200,000,000 of Property.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 8.—A fire which started Sunday morning about 11 o'clock in the dry goods house of John E. Hurst & Co., and which for almost thirty hours raged with unabated fury, despite the efforts of probably the largest fire fighting force ever used, was brought under control this afternoon. At the present time, while there are large fires blazing at places in the ruins, it is thought these will either be put out by the firemen as soon as they can be reached, or else will burn themselves out. Whichever way they are extinguished, it is now highly unlikely that any further spread will occur, though should a strong wind arise the danger would again become imminent. The area burnt over is about 140 acres located in the heart of the city.

Public buildings, newspaper offices, the principal mercantile establishments, warehouses and portions of the wharves have been consumed. Not even a close approximation can be made of the loss. No guess can be made of the insurance. An expert, the city building inspector, estimates the loss in buildings alone at \$150,000,000. On the other hand, it is said the insurance estimates do not place the loss at so great a figure. So far there has been no systematic attempt to fix the values. Not a single life has been lost and not a human being has been even dangerously injured. Fire apparatus was brought from Washington, Philadelphia, New York, New Jersey City and Wilmington.

### HOSTILITIES HAVE COMMENCED

Japan Naval Fleet Engaged Russian Ships and Sank One Vessel.

War between Japan and Russia began with a naval engagement at Port Arthur on the night of the 8th inst. Japan scored the first victory. Two Russian battleships and a cruiser were disabled and in the engagement two Russian officers and nine men were killed and 51 injured while the Japanese fleet escaped undamaged. By the fight, the Russian fleet is badly crippled since it has no means near the scene of the fight of repairing the damage sustained by its men-of-war.

Russia has landed a large force of men in Korea and this has called forth a note from Secretary of State Hay, addressed to the powers in which it is proposed for the different powers to reach an agreement by which the scene of the pending hostilities, outside of Japanese and Russian territory, may be confined to Manchuria. The note also proposes that when the war has ended, Russia and Japan shall be prevented from seizing any Chinese possessions.

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### A Cure for Eczema.

My baby had Eczema so bad that its head was a solid mass of scabs, and its hair all came out. I tried many remedies but none seemed to do any permanent good until I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The Eczema is cured, the scabs are gone and the little one's scalp is perfectly clean and healthy, and its hair is growing beautifully again. I cannot give too much praise to DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve.—Frank Farmer, Elm City, Ky. In buying Witch Hazel Salve look out for counterfeits, DeWitt's is the original and the only one containing pure Witch Hazel. The name E. C. DeWitt & Co. is on every box. Sold by Geo. A. Harding.

### REPUBLICANS TO MEET.

The republican state central committee is hereby called to meet in the city of Portland on Friday, the 12th day of February, 1904 (Abraham Lincoln's birthday), in room 12 Hamilton building, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of selecting the time and place for holding the next state convention, apportioning delegates to said convention, recommending date for holding primaries, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the committee. Frank C. Baker, chairman; Harrison Allen, secretary.

### CO-OPERATIVE RURAL TELEPHONE.

J. W. Scramlin, of Macksburg, this county, reports the successful operation of a farmers' co-operative telephone system in the southern part of the county. Three prominent farmers are at the head of the enterprise and the service extends to the people of the Molalla, Macksburg, Needy, Canby, Woodburn, Barlow, and Aurora neighborhoods. If sufficient encouragement is given the movement, it is proposed to make connections with Oregon City. There are now more than 200 subscribers.

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### Oregon Washington State Fair Victories ON BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCKS

**Oregon State Fair 1902**  
1-2-3 on Cock Birds, 6 in Competition 1st on Hen, 10 in Competition 1-2-3 on Pullets, 40 in Competition 2nd on Cockerel 21 in Competition 1st on Pen, 11 in Competition 1st in American Class  
Have won 1st on pullets the past 3 years. Stock for sale, eggs in season.

**Washington State Fair 1902**  
We only sent 3 pullets, 1 hen and 1 Cock and won on every entry but one besides specials, including best pen in the show. Prizes won 1st Cock, 1st Hen; 1st and 2nd Pullet; 1st pen.  
Exhibition Stock a specialty Some grand pullets for sale. Eggs \$5.00

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