

Corvallis Times.

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WHY IT WAS KILLED

Why the late house at Salem refused to enact the law taxing corporations is inconceivable. Similar laws are in full force in other states, and yield handsome revenues. The principle of uniformity in taxation is fundamental in the science of government. It is violation of the principle that makes taxation fall so heavily upon real property. Large volumes of profit-earning investments are doing business in Oregon upon which the hand of taxation is scarcely laid at all, while industries and lands groan under the burden.

Speaker Harris introduced in the house at Salem a bill that proposed to exact a just share of taxes from the big corporations. Like a measure of similar character that was introduced in the legislature two years ago, it was promptly voted down. The information is that a hired lobby of attorneys and others swarmed into the state house and juggled the representatives out of their senses and the people out of their rights. The result was accomplished in spite of Speaker Harris' significant warning that none of those who voted against the measure two years ago had been returned.

The law was well worthy of enactment, and that is why it was killed.

THEIR HUGE JOKE

The most interesting thing that happened at Salem was the adoption of a resolution in the interest of the election of senator by direct vote. It is interesting, because most of the men who voted for it with a grand flourish, deliberately ignored opportunity to elect a senator in Oregon by direct vote and thereby opened the way for their resolution to be regarded as humbug and themselves as insincere.

The Mays law offers the people of Oregon all they need for election of senator by direct vote. It binds the legislature just as strongly to vote for the party nominee for senator as the presidential elector is bound to vote for the party nominee for president. In principle, the two plans are exactly identical. There is not a shadow of difference between them. In the late presidential election a republican elector, so far as the law is concerned, had he so desired, have voted for the democratic or any other nominee.

As it stands, in Oregon, there is no need for congress to provide for election of senator by direct vote. All that is necessary is for those legislators who howl about election of senator by direct vote to act in good faith with the people and observe the law now on the book. Let them, as did the democrats, nominate a man for senator in State Convention, vote for him at the polls and vote for him again in the legislature and there will be no possibility of deadlocks or occasion for resolutions.

STILL CRUSHING COMPETITORS.

With the Rockefellers buying a volcano and its immense sulphur deposits, to which they propose to build a cog-wheel railroad, there is reason for the devil to be uneasy. With an active volcano and its hell fire and brimstone for an asset, it is likely that, as they have so often done with other competitors, the Rockefellers will drive his satanic majesty out of business. If there is comfort in the thought for poor sinners, it must be dispelled, for it is to be remembered that it is the Rockefellers that will be in charge of the new establishment. Of course there will be the novelty of journeying there in a Pullman on the cog-wheel railroad, but most of the damned would rather take chances on the orthodox concern and its short-cut route.

Our store will close at 7 p. m. during January, February and March, Saturday evenings excepted
J. H. Harris.

BIG PRICES NOW.

For Butter Fat—Condensed Milk Factory a Factor—Creameries Suffer.

State Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey was in town Wednesday, for a visit at the college, where problems connected with his office are frequently worked out. He has returned but recently from the East, where he attended the National Livestock Association, the meeting of which is to occur next year in Portland. From the latter event, Mr. Bailey expects much for the Webfoot state. The attendance will be anywhere from 1,000 to 1,500 men embracing stock growers from all over the country. Oregon is especially adapted to the business in which they are engaged, and Mr. Bailey feels sure that when the delegates come and see the comparatively low-priced lands and the unusual advantages for the livestock business that many an investment by men of means in Oregon will follow.

"Oregonians," Mr. Bailey said, "have an inadequate idea of the real value of their opportunities in the line of dairying and stock raising. In spite of the multiplication of dairies and creameries throughout the state, the price of butter is increasing, instead of diminishing as many expected, and still there is not enough of the product to supply the demand, and we are importing vast quantities. The reason is that there is a far greater consumption. We eat three times as much butter as we did formerly. This is not so much due to increase of population as it is to the fact that the better the butter product, the more of it there is consumed. Set a plate of bad butter before even a hungry man, and he will taste it, and for the rest of his meal, leave it untouched. Give him instead, good butter and he will eat it all and call for more. The butter that Oregon now makes is of first quality. A first rate product is found at the hotels and restaurants, and the result is that the state consumes three times as much as it did a few years ago, exhausting not only our own product, but a large stock of imported. In consequence, the price is advancing and dairymen everywhere are adding to their stocks of cows, and are making money. Oregon has not now more than half the number of cows that she needs.

"The butter product brings now a third to a half more than it did a few years ago, and it will still further increase in price. The condensed milk factory in Washington county is a factor that will still further advance prices and increase the profits of dairymen. There, the price paid for butter fat is 38 cents, or \$1.40 per hundred for milk. For a market the factory has the world, and the supply can never exceed the demand. The factory is far behind on orders, and in order to meet them is buying milk from farmers at all points along the Westside. It has taken so great an amount of the product that several creameries have shut down, because at the higher prices the farmers sell to the condensed milk establishment rather than to the creameries. It has been a loss to the creamery owners, but a great gain to the farmers."

Mr. Bailey says that there is a prospect of the establishment of other condensed milk plants in the state.

CANVASSING THINGS

And Found Lots of Men—OAC's Next Track Team—Training Begins.

A meeting of the student body for canvass of the situation with reference to spring athletics, occurred at the college Wednesday. There was a large attendance and much enthusiasm. A canvass of the situation disclosed the fact that from sixty to seventy men will go into training for the track team. Each event will have five or six candidates and some of them will have as high as a dozen or fifteen. Those who attended, declare that there is more material than has ever appeared on similar occasions at the college. The fact that W. O. Trine is to be director of operations has served to give men confidence such as they have never manifested before, and there is no doubt that the college will have fine representation in such meets as occur during the coming season.

A complete schedule of meets has not yet been arranged by Manager Johnson. Among the teams with which meets will take place, is the University of Oregon. It will occur at Corvallis.

Preliminary practice will begin in a few days under Captain Burroughs, who has full instructions from Director Trine.

FOURTEEN VETOS.

Chamberlain Kills Many Bills, an Appropriation Bill Among Them.

In addition to the veto of the Newport Summer School bill, the Pure Food bill, the Bureau of Mines bill, the land graft bill and several others, Governor Chamberlain, Thursday, killed with his veto one of the three general appropriation bills, which carried appropriations to the amount of over \$63,000, of which \$14,500 was for the purchase of an executive mansion. In all, the governor has vetoed fourteen bills passed by the legislature. It is declared by those familiar with legislation in Oregon that he has surpassed all his predecessors in that regard.

The Bureau of Mining bill carried an appropriation of \$20,000, but when it was under discussion in the house there were members who declared on the floor that its passage would ultimately cost the state at least \$60,000. His veto of one of the three general appropriation bills was based largely on constitutional grounds.

On all sides the action of the governor meets with emphatic commendation.

HIS DEATH.

And Burial—Robert B. Blodgett of Benton—Pneumonia the Cause.

After an illness of ten days, Robert Blodgett, died at his home in Blodgett Valley, Tuesday evening. His malady was pneumonia, resulting from a severe cold contracted a couple of weeks ago. The funeral occurred from the family home Thursday afternoon, and was attended by a large number of old neighbors and friends. The interment was in the family burying ground on the farm, where lie the remains of the father and other relatives of the deceased.

Robert Blodgett was all his life a resident of Blodgett Valley, having been born 47 years ago on the homestead that was also the scene of his death. His father was Robert B. Blodgett, a graduate of Yale College, and twenty years ago a familiar figure in Corvallis. The elder Mr. Blodgett was the original settler of Blodgett Valley, and it was from him that the well known community to the west, takes its name.

The death of the younger Robert Blodgett was totally unexpected until within a few hours of the end. The survivors are, the widow and eleven children.

SUPERVISORS ACTIVE.

Preparing for Spring Road Work—They are to Meet County Court.

There is considerable activity among the road supervisors of the county with reference to the coming campaign on the county highways. Most of them are laying plans for beginning operations just as soon as the spring work on farms is finished. They are to have all road polls in cash, and this fund is now collectible. They are in addition to have all of the two per cent levy collected in the district of each. With respect to this the county court has arranged to supply from the general fund such of the two per cent road fund as is not collected, so that the whole of the latter shall be available for the spring work. This will give each supervisor a good supply of cash with which to begin operations, and each counts on making a good showing.

All the supervisors are to meet with the county court at the regular session week after next. The purpose of the meeting will be to arrange for uniformity of method for getting the utmost out of the season's road improvement.

Corvallis Improvement Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the Corvallis Improvement Society was held last evening at the County court room at 8 o'clock.

During the month of January a good deal of work was done with the limited means at the disposal of the managers. Some \$33.40 was collected and spent in various locations and several dollars of advanced work done. The drainage of the west half of the public school block was completed which removes a very unsightly condition as well as improving the sanitary situation of the block. Slowly but surely is the work of beautifying the C. & E. grounds progressing. The society is very grateful to the many citizens who have been so ready to assist in these beginnings. Attend the meetings if you can spare the time.

For Sale.

Shropshire sheep and Poland China hogs. Wanted to buy or take on shares, a band of goats.
L. L. Brooks.

OSBURN WON.

A Decision by Judge Hamilton—Title to Corvallis Home Retained.

A decision that involves the title to the John M. Osburn home in Corvallis, was handed down Wednesday by Judge Fullerton. The suit was one of several that followed the Osburn bankruptcy. William Groves, Nettie Spencer, and others were creditors of Mr. Osburn before passage in 1893 of the Homestead Exemption law. When the bankruptcy came, the residence property was set aside for the benefit of the owner. The creditors referred to, brought suit in the state courts to have the property sold for the benefit of their claims. The case was heard at the November term of the circuit court, and was taken under advisement. The decision of Judge Hamilton is that Mr. Osburn retains the title to the Corvallis home and that it is not subject to the execution of the creditors who were plaintiffs in the proceeding.

The contention of the plaintiffs was that the property was subject to execution in the state courts. The defendants interposed that the state courts had no jurisdiction, the bankruptcy being in the federal courts, in which the estate had been settled and the bankrupt discharged. The attorneys for the defense were Yates & Yates.

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Nolan & Callahan.

The Poetry of the Orange

It appeals to you, when the fruit hangs ripe and sweet on the trees in February or early in March. Then the blossoms break out and the trees are yellow with golden globes, and white with orange flowers. It may be that a flurry of snow has whitened the mountain tops, and then you have an artistic background for a tropical forest. The air is full of sunshine, and heavy with fragrance a night comes on, and then if the moon be shining, you may hear at midnight through open windows the song of the mocking bird in the scented grove, and it never seemed so melodious before.

An experience like this is possible every winter, and it is worth a journey of a thousand miles, while you can have it, by taking the scenic Shasta route through the grand and picturesque Siskiyou and Shasta mountains to Southern California. Complete information about the trip, and descriptive matter telling about California may be had from any Southern Pacific agent or W. E. Coman, Gen. Pass. Agt. S. P. Co. Lines in Oregon Portland, Ore.

TOO MANY WEDDING GIFTS.

Express Agent at Greenwich, Conn., Resigns Because He Cannot Handle Them All.

So many car loads of wedding presents have come to Greenwich, Conn., by express to be delivered to the May and June brides that the local agent, Charles D. Nowrey, and his assistants, Harry Burnest and George Jerman, have thrown up their positions. There have been numerous weddings among society folks this season, among which were the Lauder-Rowland and Rowland-Hubbell nuptials, and the agent found that delivering the hundreds of presents along with the usual run of business was too much for him. He found it impossible to deliver the gifts and other merchandise on time, although he and his force of four men worked 15 hours a day, and more weddings were coming, so finally in disgust he threw up the position.

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E. B. Horning.

Administrator's Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Kinnam Vanderpool, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required to me at Wells, Oregon, or at the office of Yates & Yates, Corvallis, Oregon within six months from this date. Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 7th day of February, A. D. 1903.

Referee's Sale of Real Property.

On the 7th day of March, 1903, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. at the front door of the Court house in Corvallis, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate to-wit: Lots nos. 107 and 111 in block no. 25 in the City of Philomath, Benton County, Oregon. Said sale is made under and in pursuance of an order and decree of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton County in the suit of George H. Birch, et al Plaintiffs vs. Jennie Churchill et al, Defendants, a proceeding for the partition and sale of real property.

M. P. BURNETT, Referee appointed by the said court to sell said real estate.

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Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hutchins

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the Matter of the Estate of James Marvin Applewhite, deceased. Notice is hereby given that I, E. E. Wilson, as administrator of said estate of James Marvin Applewhite, deceased, have filed my final account as such administrator with the clerk of the County Court of Benton County, State of Oregon, and the said Court has fixed Saturday the 7th day of March, 1903, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the County Court room in the Court House in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, as the place for hearing any and all objections to the said final account and for settlement thereof. Dated this February 7, 1903.

E. E. WILSON, Administrator of the Estate of James Marvin Applewhite, deceased.

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