

County Levy 10 Mills; Less Than Last Year

Tax .8 Mills Smaller Than a Year Ago--State Tax Reduced Almost Two-Thirds and Levy for County Road Fund Is Larger Than Last Year--Taxes Also Reduced by Lower Assessed Valuation.

At a special meeting of the county court Friday the tax levy for general county purposes was fixed at 10 mills. This is 8 mills less than the levy last year.

Table showing tax levies for State tax, General county purposes, County school tax, County library, and General road tax. Total is 10 mills.

Another factor which will tend to further reduce taxes this year is the fact that the total assessed valuation of property in the county is \$651,309 less than last year.

RAILROAD AGAIN FIGHTS RIVER ROAD

In an effort to adjust a further complication which has arisen between the county and O.-W. R. & N. Railroad Company in regard to the construction of the Shell Rock road, a conference between the county court and officials of the railroad company was held here Saturday.

This year among the various counties the last of the week and a telegram announcing Hood River's apportionment was received by County Clerk Hanson.

ORCHARDISTS WILL DISCUSS DRY ROT

A meeting of importance to all local orchardists has been called at the Commercial Club for Saturday, January 25, at 1:30 p. m. sharp, when there will be a general discussion of dry rot, which has this year caused considerable loss among local orchards.

Arrangements for the meeting are in charge of the Commercial Club and Secretary Scott says: "The meeting is open to everybody who has anything to say."

WORK STOPPED ON LOST LAKE ROAD

That work on the Portland-Mount Hood Road has been stopped was the information received a few days ago by Representative Hawley from Chief Forester Graves.

GETTING READY FOR PROSPERITY WAVE

"We are getting in shape for the prosperity wave that has been promised," said Charles T. Early, who has been spending much of his time at the Dee mill.

"I have been incorrectly quoted in a Portland paper in connection with our 1912 business. I did not say that it was one of the most prosperous in our history or that it was profitable at all.

Two Men Sentenced to Terms in Penitentiary

L. W. White, Drug Fiend, Who Held Up Drug Store for Supply of Cocaine, Gets from One to Ten Years--Horse Thief Is Sent Up for from One to Seven Years--Underwood Case Is on Trial.

Two men were sentenced to the penitentiary by Circuit Judge Bradshaw when court convened for its second day's session yesterday morning.

Speedy justice was meted out to White. The crime which has landed him in the penitentiary was committed Wednesday night. As reported in another column, he held up Mr. Kresse, then sought refuge in a shack near the railroad where he had been living.

The indictment against White charged him with larceny in a store. A note true bill was returned against Milton Burnette, who was alleged to have given liquor to a minor--Morton Whitney.

Several other indictments were returned, but the persons against whom they are directed have not all been apprehended. A statutory charge is preferred against Mrs. Carrie Satterlee and Wayne Mack.

MUCH INTEREST IN THE DITCH ELECTION

Great interest is felt in the outcome of the election held on the East Side yesterday when the proposition of creating an irrigation district was submitted to the property holders within the proposed district.

As voting was carried on in five different polling places scattered from Pine Grove to Odell, it was impossible to secure the returns last evening in time for publication.

Election of officers also took place. R. H. Waugh was the only candidate for assessor. John C. Duckwall and J. M. Taylor were candidates for collector. Truman Butler and A. D. Moe for treasurer and Chris Dethman for director.

CATCHES COYOTES WITH TIN CANS

Leo F. Brune, proprietor of the Loma Alta stock ranch near Granddallies and one of the largest sheep owners in Klickitat county, was at Goldendale last week securing the bounty on 21 coyote pelts trapped by him during the past month.

SYMPHONY BAND IS ORGANIZED HERE

The Hood River Symphony Band has been re-organized. All are old-time players, who own their instruments.

LOCAL TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

George W. Clarke to Frederick A. Forbes. 40 acres north of Winans. Walter L. Upson to A. L. Woodard, lot 3, block 1, Blowers Addition, \$1000.



News Snapshots Of the Week: Thirty-three of the thirty-eight labor leaders convicted in the Indianapolis dynamite conspiracy were sentenced to from one to seven years.

Evaporating Plant and Cannery Are Planned

Hood River Apple Vinegar Company Increases Capital Stock from \$50,000 to \$150,000 with View to Erecting Factory--Announcement Made at Commercial Club Meeting--Members Wanted.

At the meeting of the Commercial Club Monday evening W. L. Clarke, president of the organization, made the announcement that he had been authorized to state that the Hood River Apple Vinegar Company has increased its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$150,000 with a view to erecting and operating this season an up-to-date cannery and evaporating plant to be run in connection with the vinegar factory.

It was announced that these plans will be held in abeyance, however, until the city cuts Railroad st. through and provides proper streets over which to handle the incoming and outgoing products of the plant.

SNOW PLAYS HAVOC WITH THE WIRES

The heavy, wet snow which fell Saturday played havoc with the electric light and telephone wires in the valley. In many places the weight of the snow caused the wires to sag against each other, interrupting service.

the grower as well as to this enterprise. "This last season in the apple line alone the company has distributed among apple growers in the valley in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

"Before we can make any definite plans as to the building and so forth we must have a street opened up in this manufacturing district which would give us easy grades in getting in and out with our product.

New Club Members Wanted: The club meeting was an enthusiastic one and with many improvement projects which the club could assist in bringing about a live interest was aroused in the idea of increasing the club's membership.

The meeting of fruit growers to discuss means of eradicating dry rot, announcement of which will be found in another column, is only one of the many ways in which the club plans to benefit local industries.

- Committees Announced: President Clarke announced appointment of the following committees for the present year: Entertainment--Carl Vaughan, E. C. Smith, R. W. Kelly.

FRANKTON CARRIES OFF DOUBLE HONORS

Frankton school won both games played at the rink Saturday evening. The first team of Frankton defeated the second Barrett aggregation by the score of 43 to 0.

Immanuel Church Notice: Commencing next Sunday Mr. Hargreaves will preach a series of sermons at the Heights church on "The Ten Commandments, Their Original Setting and Present Day Application."

A daughter was born the last of the week to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carter.