HARRIMAN LINE FILES A PROTEST

Oregon & California Would Have Assessment Cut in Half.

RESERVES RIGHT TO SUE

Corporation Attacks Jurisdiction of Equalization Board-Valuations Placed on Granted Lands Especially Are Condemned.

An attack upon the validity of the proceedings of the County Board of Equalization, which is holding its sessions this week in the County Court rooms, was made yesterday when the Oregon & California Railroad, a Harriman line, through its vice-president, J. P. O'Brien, filed a petition asking that its assessment be reduced by about one-half. The petition is addressed to the County Judge, County Assessor and County Clerk, "constituting Assessor and County Clerk, "constituting a pretended Board of Equalization," and sets forth that the Board is required by the laws of the State of Oregon to meet for the equalization of assessments on the third Monday in August, and that the Board, having failed to meet and equalize assessments last August, is now acting without jurisdiction and

authority of law.

A law passed at the last session of the Legislature does away with the old requirement of a meeting in August, and it is probable that the rallroad company intends to attack the constitutionality of this new statute.

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The corporation says explicitly in its petition that it does not waive any of its rights to assail in the courts the work of the Board as a whole, then sets forth that its assessment is altogether too high. It says first that the relirond grant lands, which it holds, are assessed at \$27.67 an acre, and that such an assessment "is excessive, unjust, unfair, illegal and disproportionate to the assessment of other taxable property." The company alleges that this land is worth only \$10.35 an acre, the valuation placed upon it by the assessor in 1995.

Assessed at \$30,000 a Mile.

It says that the assessment of its right of way, tracks, st. fion grounds and rolling stock, on the main line road, for 1907, was \$30,000 a mile, and asks that this property, nearly six miles of which is in Multnomah County, be assessed at \$17,000,

as it was last year.
Upon nearly six miles of the Yamhili
Division in this county, which is assessed
this year at \$20,000, it asks that the asseasment be reduced to \$5000 a mile, the same as the 1906 assessment, and also prays that the same figure apply to the West Side division, the eight miles of this road in Multnemah County being assessed at \$20,000 a mile.

Yesterday was the banner day of the week for Equalization Board business. 60 petitions being filed, bringing the total up to 185. The Central Door & Lumber Company complains that its stock is as-sessed at \$15,000, and its money, notes and accounts at \$53,000, while as a matter of fact the merchandise in its possession on March 1 was of such little value that it should not have been assessed at all, and its money, notes and accounts on that date, it alleges, were not worth more than \$5000. The company says that most of its accounts were forwarding accounts, covering shipments made from mills other than in this county, direct to Eastern and California purchasers. It says these collection accounts are not assess-

Makes Two Comparisons.

company then calls attention to The company then calls attention to the assessment of the Oregon Planing Mills property at \$19,400, and alleges that this mill's plant, machinery, stock of manufactured products, lumber, accounts and goods delivered on contract is worth a total of \$125,600 to \$140,000, exclusive

of the real estate.

The company calls further attention to
the property of W. P. Fuller & Company. the property of W. P. Fuller & Company, alleging that this corporation had on March 1 a capital of \$1,000,000 invested in its Portland business, in addition to a surplus advanced from the parent house in San Francisco. It is alleged that the paint company's stock was worth \$400,000 and its outstanding accounts more than \$500,000, making a total of \$1,200,000, while the assessment is only \$316,000. The petition also, says that very little of the profits made by the paint company soes into its business in Oregon, but is sent instead to its stockholders in Europe, Now York and San Francisco.

The plumbing stock of M. L. Kline was

New York and San Francisco.

The plumbing stock of M. L. Kline was assessed at \$80,000 and his book accounts at \$40,000. He says in his petition for a reduction that the plumbing stock is not worth more than \$70,000, and that its market value is not more than \$52,000; that the face value of his notes and accounts is not more than \$52,000; and that counts is not more than \$35,000, and that the average value of such property is usually estimated by jobbers and business men at about 75 per cent of the face value, which would make his notes and accounts worth but \$25,500.

Lots Taxed Too High.

Several complaints were made against the assessment of property in Couch Addi-tion. Mrs. B. Castendieck complains that lot 4, in block 255, at Eighteenth and Raleigh streets, is assessed at \$1200, and lot 4, block 6, at First and Everett streets, at \$2000, while the two are said to be worth not more than \$2500.

Ethi Isabel Burke, owner of lots 1 and 4 in block S. Couch Addition, which are located at the corner of Seventh and Gli-man streets since the corner of Seventh since the corner of Seve

san streets, says the two are assessed at \$19,000 and \$20,000, respectively, and that the assessment should be reduced \$5000 to correspond with other property in the

same neighborhood.

L. P. Beno, William Ballis and E. J. Daly, owners of lots 5 and 8 block Y. Couch Addition, at Seventh and Irving streets, east of the Terminal yards, complain of the assersment rate and say it is too much, while the firm of Beno & Ballis say their money, notes and accounts are not worth more than \$500, though assersed at \$2500.

Two complaints by different persons are made regarding the low assessment of lot 2, block \$2, Couch Addition, at Fifth and Burnside streets, Josef Matschiner, owner of lot 2, block 44, Couch Addition, which is assessed at \$44,000, says the Fifth and same neighborhood.

assessed at \$44,000, says the Fifth and Burnside-street property is worth a fourth more than his, but is assessed at the same figure. He therefore asks that his assessment be reduced to \$35,000, and says it should not be more than \$30,000

Mr. Wemme Complains.

E. Henry Wemme also says the Fifth and Burnelde property is assessed at a far lower rate than his, which is located on the west aide of Seventh street between Burnside and Couch streets. The property he owns, he says, should not be assessed at more than \$50,000. He also says the assessment on lots 7 and 8, block 83, at the southwest corner of Seventh and Stark streets should be reduced at least \$10,000.

at \$13,000 and its money, notes and accounts at \$1000, while its merchandlae is worth but \$10,000 and it has no money, notes or accounts.

Martin A. Peters, of 1565 East Fifteenth street, in Sellwood, says that he was "enormously overtaxed" last year on lot 16, block 2, Shinn's Addition, and finds that he is still valued at \$1350.

MORE WATER FOR ASTORIA

City Planning to Increase Capacity of Present Plant.

ASTORIA. Or., Oct. 24.-(Special.)-The crease Astoria's available water supply in the very near future is emphatically shown by the present conditions. Owing to the long-continued dry weather, the water in Bear Creek, which is the source of supply, has been reduced to an extremely low stage and last week the tremely low stage and last week the flow there was but 2,100,000 gallons per day, whereas the consumption in the city is about 2,200,000 gailons every 24 hours at

this senson of the year.

Accordingly the reserve supply in the big reservoir was being gradually reduced and while, under normal conditions, there would be no danger of a shortage, a break in the mains or a big conflagration would have occasioned a serious condi-tion. However, the immediate danger has been overcome, temporarily at least, as Assistant Superintendent Johnson, with a force of men, has turned another small stream into the headwaters of Bear Creek, and thus increased the flow to 2.500,000 gallons per day, a surplus of 300,-600 gallons a day over the amount con-sumed. The big reservoir is, accordingly, being gradually refilled, but how long this condition will continue should the dry weather extend for a few weeks longer, is purely a matter of conjecture. Several plans for increasing the water

several plans for increasing the water supply have been under consideration by the Water Commission for months, but no action on any of them has yet been taken, further than to have plans prepared and estimates of cost submitted and the purchase of a site for another reservoir in the city limits. The plans reservoir in the city limits. The plans under consideration are the construction of a 20,000,000-gallon high-pressure reser-voir on the hill east of the city at an estimated cost of \$100,000; the building of a storage reservoir with a capacity of 200,000,000 gallons at the headworks on Bear Creek at a cost of about \$75,000 and the construction of an entire new main conduit from the large reservoir to tap conduit from the large reservoir to tap a new source of supply on Big Creek, a distance of about 15 miles, at a cost of not less than \$100,000. It is probable that all these proposed improvements will have to be made within the coming few years, but which one to make first, in or-der to secure the greatest possible re-sults from the least expenditure, is what mission has under consideration.

MRS. EVANS IS RE-ELECTED

Portland Woman Again Head of Oregon Federation of Ciubs.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 24 .- (Special.)-Per-SALEM, Or., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Fer-fect harmony and good feeling character-ized the three days' session of the Ore-gon Federation of Women's Clubs, which adjourned this afternoon. Ideal weather, a pleasant and comfortable room in which to meet, and royal entertainment by the members of the Salem Women's Club have combined to make this the best session the Federation has ever held.

Refore adjourning, this afternoon, the Federation elected the following officers for the ensuing term of two years: Presfor the ensuing term of two years; President, Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, Portland; first vice-president, Mrs. Percy Raymond. Salem; second vice-president, Mrs. C. E. Moore, La Grande; general Federation secretary, to be appointed by executive board; recording secretary, Mrs. Walter Hoge, Forest Grove; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. D. Hayes, Fortland; treasurer; Mrs. Francis Fox. Troutdale; auditor, Mrs. Mary E. Stafford, Eugene; directors, Mrs. Adam. Ontario; Mrs.

directors, Mrs. Adam, Ontario; Mrs. Chambers, Cottage Grove. The Federation adopted a number of resolutions, among them the following: For the establishment of a traveling library of reference books for women's clubs; for free use of public school rooms for entertainment in behalf of local edcational enterprises; for discussion of tuberculosis prevention at each session of the Federation; for the encouragement of public kindergartens; for coperation with the dairy and food commissioners in enforcement of pure-food

TRACE THIEF TO ALASKA

Long Chase for Man Who Stole Ships' Plans. '

NOME, Alaska, Oct. 1.-Detectives are searching in the Kougarok district for a man charged with stealing from the White Star Steamship Company, of New York, plans for two immense ships projected by that company. The supposed thief had been in the employ of the big traussportation firm for a number of years, and was taken into the confidence of the officers of the company.

The employe whose name has not been

The employe, whose name has not been given out by the detective, well knew that the plans were of immense value. They were locked up in the safe in the president's private office, but one morning a little more than a month ago both plans and confidential clerk were missing. The missing clerk was traced to St. Paul, Chicago, Helena and Scattle, but in each case those on his trail were just too late to apprehend him. When Seattle was reached it was learned that a young man answering the description of the al-leged thicf had taken passage on one of the Alaska liners for Nome.

One of the detectives took immediate passage on the next steamship for Nome. He learned in Nome that the man had gone on to the Kougarok district, in the

CITY STATISTICS

Articles of Incorporation.

MACE'S MARKET—Incorporators, M. C.

Mace, Anna K. Mace and A. E. Gebhardt;
capital, \$15.000.

interior. He immediately started out.

PHOENIX INVESTMENT COMPANY-Incorporators, Frank E. Geiser, E. D. Geiser and Aicx. Sweek: capital, \$5000. PACIFIC LUMBER & MANUFACTURING COMPANY-Incorporators, M. C. Banfield, L. H. Briggs and C. B. Stetson; capital \$70,000

Marriage Licenses.

ZUKE-SMITH-Norman E. Zuke, 31, city; Bertha Smith, 21, city. YOUNG-DELL-Wiley E. Young, 37, city, Mre. Flora Dell, 35, city. Building Permits.

Building Permits.

MRS, ANNA PUTNAM—Frame dwelling, Highland Park; \$7500.

MISS C. M. SHERER—Brick apartment, Holladay Addition; \$25,000.

L. E. FENTON—Frame dwelling, Clifford Addition; \$2000.

O. M'GILVRAY—Frame dwelling, Woodlawn Heights; \$1500.

C. H. THOMPSON—Frame dwelling, Glencoe Park, \$1800.

MANUFACTURERS IN PLIGHT FOR MONEY.

They came to us. We are offering four wholesale clothiers' entire stocks at about one-half of retsil value. Brandegee, Kincald & Wood produce the best-made clothing in America. Men's fine 25 and \$28 suits on sale at \$14.55. Imported patterns, newsyl styles. See them today or Satursouthwest corner of Seventh and Stark streets should be reduced at least \$10,000.

The Outlet Clothing Company says its merchandise is assessed this year shoes over the doors.

During the Rose Festival.

Called in Off the Road to Act as Entertainment

Open house for an entire week will be the watchword of the Portland Rose Fes-tival Association from June 2 to 7, next First steps in that direction will taken in a day or two, when all the nolesale houses and jobbers will be requested to call in their salesmen from their respective territories for that week for the purpose of making them committees to entertain all the country cus-tomers who visit Portland during the celebration. The wholesalers will be asked to keep their doors wide open all week with "welcome" signs 10 feet high, and it will be up to the glib-tongued drummers to take the country merchants

th hand and show them the sights.

This proposal has already been discussed with a number of wholesale men, and they have heartily approved of it. It is expected there will be a general response to the request of the Festival people that such step be taken. Such an arrangement will not be difficult to. arrangement will not be difficult to carry out, for the first week of June is an "off season" for traveling men in almost every line. Therefore the scheme will accomplish a three-fold purpose giving the wholesaler a chance to show his establishment to his out-of-town friends, the traveling man to have a rest and a good time, and country merchants an opportunity to see the sights of the city.

Travelers to Discuss Plan.

Next Saturday night the United Commercial Travelers will have a regular meeting and Senior Counsellor A. L. Young will lay the Rose Festival plans before the organization. He has already been in conference with officials of the festival and personnelly indexes the festival, and personally indorses the plan of campaign for the traveling men as previously outlined in The Oregonian. as previously defined in the Gregorian.

The special committee named by President Whitemore to represent the U. C. T. throughout the Northwest will be approved, and additional names suggested to take care of lines not already covered. A vote to "chip in" a certain lump pledge to the Festival fund will be called for at the meeting.

the meeting.

As an indication of the widespread interest that has already been taken in the terest that has already been taken in the festival plans, particularly among the travening men, the following letter was received at headquarters yesterday afternoon. It will probably open the eyes of many Portlanders who do not as yet appreciate the broad scope of the plans for the celebration, and the wide territory that has already been reached by the publicity work which has been done.

Chicago Man Gives Cash.

you are enlisting the aid of traveling who are asked to help make your next

stival. And to show my earnestness in matter, please find inclosed my piedge for I have heard scarcely anything out rottless.

Rose Show from the day I left Chicago, till I landed yesterday in the "Rose City" Even in Seattle I heard a great deal of favorable comment on the Flesta given by you last

A great many Chicago people will be with will have thousands from all over the United States, as the courts and schools will be adjourned by that time and the lawyers and theachers, and others who enjoy annual vacations will come to see the beautiful scenery of

Rose Festival, which I know will be a grand,

of lovely and fragrant roses. Sincerely yours, AARON LIVINGSTON. Shows Spirit of Guild.

Mr. Livingston is on one of his quar-terly trips to the Pacific Northwest, op-erating out of Chicago and covering the Northwestern cities for one of the largest clothing houses of his city. The receipt of his letter, together with the \$25 pledge, came as a surprise to the Festival Asso-ciation, but the officers have accepted it simply as an evidence of the class of 'boosters' traveling men are when they sick up an idea that makes a hit with hem. The festival management expects there will be something doing every min-ute, when the hustling "drummers" get turned loose on their part of the pub-

man, of 448 Burnside street, has written in from Corvallis, where he now is, wanting to know why he was overlooked get even with him for his inquisitiveness and to make him work, he was added to the official list as published resierday

Y. M. C. A. Night School.

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has just completed the fourth week of the Fall term, is experiencing the most successful year in its history. There are at the present time 425 pupils, and the capacity of the classrooms is already being taxed. Recently the office of the school was vacated for the purpose of giving much needed room. It has been found necessary to close the registrations for the classes in architectural drawing, plumbing, carpentering, woodwork and electricity and electrical machinery as these row have as many chinery, as these now have as many members as can be accommodated. It has also been found necessary to form two new classes in English. There are at present six classes in English for men of foreign birth. A class in gas motor en plications for membership in this class have already reached the number of students who can be accommodated. Through the kindness of the Southern graph-room, so that the members and the

WHOLESALE HOUSE

Clothing Must Be Sold Out

and choice of any suit in the house for only \$15. There are now in the store over 1000 suits worth \$27.50 to \$40 at retail. And several thousand more that would be special values at \$22.50 to \$25. Fifteen dollars now takes the choice, and the early birds are getting the finest suits.

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Sam S. Goldsmith, a traveling salestoday and Saturday.

SAILING EMPRESS OF CHINA

The sailing date of the Canadian Pacline's royal mail steamship Empress of China has not been changed. She is sched-uled to sail from Vancouver October 28 for Japan and China ports.

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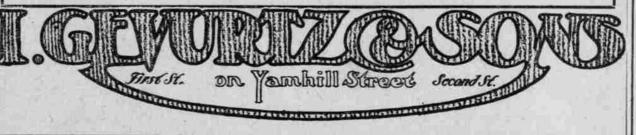
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