

TO BE DEBATED

Largest Taxpayers of County Hasten to Take Advantage of Law.

MAKE 3 PER CENT SAVING

On Tax Roll Aggregating \$3,266,564 Sheriff Stevens Reports the Prompt Payment of a Total of \$2,428,000.

Property owners desiring to take advantage of the new tax law should make accounts with the Tax Collector today. Practically every corporation and heavy taxpayer in Multnomah County has secured the benefit of this discount and paid taxes in full.

Under the law, taxpayers who fail to pay their taxes before the Sheriff's office closes today will have to pay one-half of their tax assessments.

Big Corporations Pay Up. With the exception of the Postal Telegraph Company and the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, all of the large corporations have paid taxes on their increased tax assessments as levied by Assessor Slinger last year.

The franchise of the telephone company was listed at \$250,000 and the franchise of the telephone company was assessed for \$150,000 and the tax amounted to \$121.

Pay Also on Franchises. The North Pacific Terminal Company has paid \$1,000 on its franchise. The Southern Pacific Company likewise has contributed to the coffers of the county and in addition to its personal and real estate taxes has paid \$2150 taxes on a franchise assessment of \$150,000.

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LENT AND PRESBYTERIANS

Dr. W. H. Foulkes Explains Attitude of His Church.

Dr. William Hiram Foulkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, preached the Lenten sermon, "The Question of Lent," which was assisted in the preparation of his sermon through receiving a number of replies to queries on the subject, which he had mailed during the week to members of his congregation.

Members of his flock were asked whether they observed Lent in any way, whether they believed in Lenten services, and upon a more extended observance of the season among Presbyterians.

Yesterday was the first anniversary of Dr. Foulkes' Portland pastorate, but he mentioned the fact only incidentally in his sermon.

Irrevocably that there is neither need nor use of my addressing myself to them. Others, while true to their convictions, are quick to discern the distinction between Lent and Lenten observance.

Dr. Foulkes then dwelt in detail upon the historic growth of Lent, its establishment in England in 800 A. D., under Erasmus, seventh King of Kent, and its growth in the United States.

Whether it was among the Presbyterians of Holland, the Huguenots of France or the Presbyterians of Scotland and Ireland, the same origin and growth of Lenten observance is traced.

It is not a question whether we have forms and ceremonies, but who observe them. The Presbyterian Church, in its historic origin, has its historic origin in a protestant ritual as against a false theology; as much against a cult as against a creed.

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OUTLAW CAPTURE POSSE

BOLD STROKE BY FUGITIVE TYRO BANK ROBBERS.

Desperadoes Continue Flight Into Osage Hills—Hundred Armed Men Soon to Follow.

COFFEYVILLE, Kan., March 15.—At 10 o'clock this morning three members of the Osage Hills posse came upon the Tyro bank robbers, the bank of Coffeyville, where they were waiting for an oil lease.

Several plans have been prepared by the posse to dispose of the oil lease. The posse is now ready to move into the Osage Hills.

DISCUSS SEWER PROBLEM

Sellwood Board of Trade Takes Up Old Question.

It is hoped to dispose of the sewer question by the Board of Trade at the meeting of the Sellwood Board of Trade tonight, but what action will be taken cannot be foretold.

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OHIO AND MICHIGAN MEN WILL DEVELOP JOSEPHINE MINES.

Secure \$500,000 Share

Purchasers Will Install 100-Ton Smelter Plant That Will Be Ready for Operation by May 15.

An Eastern syndicate of capitalists of Ohio and Michigan have within the past two or three days closed a deal whereby they secure a \$500,000 interest in the famous Almada mines, in Josephine County, this state.

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RETURNS FROM THE SOUTH

Tom Richardson Finds Southern California Interested in Portland.

Manager Tom Richardson of the Commercial Club has been visiting in Los Angeles during the past month, returned home yesterday.

On the return trip Mr. Richardson visited a number of the cities in Southern Oregon, and was deeply impressed with their possibilities and the determined effort which they are making in commercial development.

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Dr. Foulkes took for his text Romans xiv. "He that regardeth the day regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that eateth not, he that eateth not, unto the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks."

WHOLESALE

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. SCOTT & MUNSELL, 221 E. Morrison. REALL & CO., 421 Hawthorne. CHAS. H. DODD, N. 18th and Upshur.

WHOLESALE. DOORS, SASH, MILL WORK. GEO. ANSELTE, CO., 1265 and Patterson. OREGON PLANING MILLS, 19th and Vaughn.

WHOLESALE. MARINE HARDWARE. BERMAN-SPALDING-WOOD, 71 Front. PORTLAND MARINE SUPPLY CO., 221 1/2 Front.

WHOLESALE. MARINE STEAMBOAT MACHINERY. WILLAMETTE I. & S. WKS., Front and 11th. PORTLAND MARINE SUPPLY CO., 221 1/2 Front.

WHOLESALE. MEATS. FRANK L. SMITH CO., 226-228 Alder. UNION MEAT CO., 4th and Grand.

WHOLESALE. MEN'S FURNISHINGS. FLEISCHNER, MAIER & CO., Front and Ash. BUTLER-SCHUBERT CO., 45 1/2 St. CASE & REIST CO., 3rd and Oak.

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The market reports on wheat from Portland and Puget Sound were also of great interest to me. "San Francisco is an enigma. A man knows little more about the place after he has been there than he does before. Oregon might just as well be a foreign country for all the publicity it gets in the San Francisco press. No mention was made of the location of the packing plants here, though, generally news items appear occasionally. They will resume operations next Thursday. About 1000 men are affected. Spring styles Hanan shoes at Rosenthal's."