Washington Lines Appeal for Cut in Valuations of \$30,000,000.

LEVY IS NOT EQUITABLE

Claim Made That Other Property Is Not Taxed at Full 60 Per Cent of Real Value, While Railroads Are by Own Figures.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 17. - (Special.)-Reductions that will aggregate at least \$20,003,000 in the assessed valuation of the Great Northern and

valuation of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Raliways, as fixed by the Tax Commission, are asked by attorneys for the two railroads of the State Board of Equalization.

Approximately \$8,000,000 of this is claimed as a flat reduction on the ground that to leave that amount stand would result in double taxation. The balance of the reduction is asked on the ground that the Tax Commission. The true value of the railroads, while other property in the several counties traversed is not assessed at so high a proportion.

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The Tax Commission, in assessing railroads, adopted as the basis the figures fixed by the Railroad Commission as the market value of the roads and fixed the assessed valuation at 60 per cent thereof.

The Railroad Commission placed the market value of the Northern Pacific in this state at \$111,000,000, and the Great Northern at \$59,000,000.

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It is claimed by the railroad attorneys that the Railroad Commission, in making up these values, put in approximately \$13,000,000 on account of facilities offered the railroads by commercial property owned by them in Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma. It is asserted that the three counties have listed this commercial property also and that to retain it in the value of the railroads by the state board would result in double taxation. The property in controversy, assessed at 60 per cent, constitutes nearly \$5,000,000 of the Tax Commission's figures.

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The railroad attorneys claim that a fist valuation of 60 per cent, or any other percentage, of the true value of railroad property is unjust. They propose to the State Board of Equalization that the true value of the railroads, determined by excluding the \$12,000,000 worth of commercial property above mentioned, be adopted as the basic valuation, and that this valuation be segregated by counties according to the mileage in each county. That thereafter the valuations be fixed in each county in the same proportion as other property is valued for taxaother property is valued for taxa-

tien purposes.

The adoption of this pian would, it is claimed result in a reduction from the fax commission figures of millions of dollars. Great Northern attorneys assert that in Spokane County other property is valued at from 35 to 40 per prop cent of its true value, and that in other counties traversed by the road, with the exception of King, the proportion is from 25 to 25 per cent. King County, they claim, is assessed at a higher proportion of true value than any other county in the state. It was asserted before the state board that if King County's last year's figures were adopted this year, the county would still be assessed at a higher proportionate valuation than any other county in the calmed that Okusaki had tried to state.

Higher Rates With Higher Taxes.

S. Gresscup, counsel for the Northern Pacific, presented the argument to the state board that the rall-roads themselves were little interested in the actual amount of taxes they had to pay. He claimed that under presentconditions the managements of the railroads were but trustees of the prop-erty and were held down by state and Government supervision to a standard

High taxation would mean increased rates in order that this standard of in-come might be realized and the people would actually pay the bills.

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The assessing officers of King, Pierce and Spokane counties are also objecting to the listing of what is claimed to be commercial property in Tacoma, Spokane and Seattle as operating prop-

erry of the two railroads.

The value of the property aggregates about \$2.080,000 in each city. If classed as operating property its value will be about \$2,000,000 in each city. If classed as operating property its value will be spread over the entire state on a track mileage basis. If classed as distinctly commercial property the entire value of the

will be assessable in the counties where

State Board Has No Plan Yet. The State Board of Equalization has not yet adopted a plan for the segrega-tion of the railroad values by counties. It seems to be conceded that the board

It seems to be conceded that the board cannot legally adopt the tax commission's flat valuation of 59 per cent of the true value of the railroads.

If the railroad company's plan is not adopted, it is likely that the average percentage of true value of other property throughout the state will be the basis for determining the assessable value of railroads. The law apparently requires the state board to adopt figures representing the assessable value of each railroad in its entirety and then to segregate by counties according to track mileage. To average the entire state would result in a lesser reduction from the tax commission's figures than if the railroad company's plan is adopted, for the reason that King County, having nearly one-third of the total state valuation and a high percentage, would bring up the general average in the other counties.

KING COUNTY'S COMPLAINT

Assessed Valuations Higher Than Any Other Except Spokane.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 17 .- (Special.)-This was King County day before the State Board of Equalization and arguments were made to the Board by Assessor Parrish, by M. J. Carkeek, J. S. Goldsmith, Attorney Gorham and

snapp submitted a tpyewritten attackment giving what he chalmed was a correct statement of the proportion of assessed valuations to real value. Tax Commissioner Frost insisted that this statement was simply a conclusion and that it should not be considered by the Board unless evidence was submitted to show upon what the conclusions were

hir. Snapp said that for about a year it men have been employed in all of the counties of the state making records of considerations named in actual transfers and in other ways securing actual valuations, and in this work more than 41,000 transfers have been checked up.

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The figures shown as actual prices paid have been compared with the assessed valuations this year, and these, he claimed, show that property in the several counties have been assessed at the following percentages of real value: Adams 34 per cent, Asotin 33, Benton 35, Chehalis 20, Cheian 35, Chailam 26, Clark 31, Columbia 32, Cowlitz 31, Doughas 28, Ferry 25, Franklin 26, Garfield 25, Jefferson 23, King 40, Kittitas 27, Kilckitat 27, Lewis 23, Lincoln 30, Mason 27, Okanogan 26, Pacific 25, Pierce 32, Skagit 25, Skamania 31, Snohomish 33, Spokane 40, Stevens 22, Thurston 27, Walla Walla 25, Whittom 28, Whittman 18, and Yakima 38.

ARREST JAP HIGHBINDER

Oriental Secret Society Member Ac-

paid him to do it.

He claimed that Okasaki had tried to get him to kill T. Uyehara, who is king of the Japanese Highbinder society in Los Angeles, and for that reason he shot Okazaki, at a supper which Ito gave and tavited his victim to come as a guest.

Ito, who is a noted highbinder, is said to have killed two Japanese in the State of Washington, but escaped capture. It is a rule among the highbinders that when one of the number accepts a commission to commit murder, he cuts the first joint of his little finger on his ioft hand and gives it to the society king as a pledge. Ito cut off a portion of his little finger last January, and the officera helieve it was a pledge to the society that he would murder Okazaki.

Ito will be taken to Los Angeles for trial, but the detectives will remain here for a few days before starting on their return trip.

MANUFRS' MISTAKE; PEOPLE'S GAIN \$25,000 Stock New Full Style Shoes Labeled

RECORD BREAKER

Over 25,000 People in Attendance at State Fair Grounds at Salem.

CROWD PULLS UP FENCE

Impatient to Enter Grandstand. Track Lined With Spectators for Quarter of Mile-Trotting Record Is Broken.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 17 .- (Special.) -- Over 25,000 people attended the State Fair to-day, Portland day, thus breaking all previous records. The crush at the grandstand this afternoon exceeded that of yes-terday, and not only was the grandstand packed by about 6500 people, but the race-track on both the outside and inside was bordered with a dense mass of people for a distance of over a quarter of a mile. And with this immense throng at the track, all other parts of the grounds were crowded at the same time.

Early this morning all the main roads eading into Salem assumed the appearance of a line of march for a farmers' procession. The visitors came by team from as far away as Independence, Dallas, McMinnville, Silverton and Stayton and by the time each city, village and hamlet had sent its quota, the total made up an almost continuous stream of vehiup an almost continuous cies coming into Salem.

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The excursion trains from Portland brought several thousand, the exact number being unknown. The day was perfect, the fair at its best, the races unusually interesting and everybody in good humor. Fortunately a very large proportion of the visitors brought lunch baskets, otherwise many would have gene hungry, for the restaurants and lunch counters were crowded till long after the noon hour. As it was, all were provided for.

To greet Oregon's athietic heroes who recently returned with laurels won in the world's Olympic games; to see the Lone Oak track tretting record and the 3-year-old pace records broken and to witness a parade of the prize-winning livestock, the best and most valuable assemblage of stock anywhere in the United States, were the special privileges enjoyed by the visitor to the fair grounds today. The livestock parade took place this forenoon. Heretofore the parade has been held on a small track east of the pavilion. This year the crowd of speciators was so great that it was necessary to cenduct the parade on the racetrack.

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The breaking of the Lone Oak track trotting record occurred in the 2:14 trot for the Lewis and Clark purse of \$500. The previous record was that of R. Ambush, 2:11%, in 1907. The record was broken in the first heat of the 2:14 trot today, when Joe McGuire's Day Break made the mile in 2:11%. In the second heat the same horse reduced the record to 2:10%.

Oriental Secret Society Member Accused of Los Angeles Murder.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 17.(Special.)—T.

H. Zeigler and T. N. White, detectives comected with the Los Angeles police department, arrived here at noon today after Rio, the Japanese, who was arrested by Policeman Wilson on the arrival of the ship Berlin from Alaska, on a charge of murdering K. Okazaki in Los Angeles of the fair management, and durantees were introduced to the auditored by Governor Chamberlain. The crowd went wild with enthusiasm, and after greeting them with hearty appliance gave three cheers as a further expression of appreciation. There were numerous calls for speeches from Smithson, Gilbert and Immediately identified him as the man wanted and Ito made no attempt to deep this identity. In fact, in conversation with the detectives he admitted committing the crime, but said no one had paid him to do it.

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The Olympic victors were the special guests of the fair management, and during the races were introduced to the auditorial to the first heat it seemed that the expectations of Nogi's admirers would be fulfilled, but by a phenomenal of appreciation. There were numerous calls for speeches from Smithson, Gilbert and Kelly, but the calls had no other effect than to cause the athletes manifest combattansment and to induce them to get the form among them.

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occurred to mar the pleasure of the day except that in the 2:14 trot a collision be tween Berta Mac, driven by Helman, and Della Derby, driven by Whitehead, result-ed in Helman being thrown from his sulky. He was somewhat bruised, but aulky. He was somewhat brussed, but after resting for a few moments was in condition to resume his place in the race. The crowd refused to be controlled, and was good-natured in its unrulineas. Before the gates to the grandstand were opened a crowd had gathered large enough to fill the vast structure. Many of those who came early became impatient and oulted up the fence, but they will-

those who came early became impatient and pulled up the fence, but they willingly paid their admission fees.

During the races many people stood in the aisles so that those seated could not see. The judges and other officers tried in vain to keep the crowd seated, but whenever a race was in progress everybody stood up, hughed at the officials and enjoyed the race. Had the day been hot instead of cool, the crowd, under the circumstances, would very likely have been in poor temper. Starter R. L. Har-riman, who has been criticised for being slow in getting races started, has al-

GREAT TRADE-BUILDING SALE



There are no secret reasons for the wonderful growth of this business-everything is well defined and apparent to even the most casual observer. "Everlastingly giving the best values," "Selling absolutely dependable merchandise at all times," "Making good every spoken or printed statement," are some of the things that have placed this store at the front in clothing

selling on the Pacific Coast. Necessity compelled us to double the size of the store. We want to be placed in a position where we will be obliged to enlarge our quarters again and again. To gain that point we are simply outdoing any and all our previous efforts in value-giv-

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ing. What we are doing is told in a few bold words. Read on:

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"MILL-TO-MAN CLOTHIERS"

PORTLAND, OREGON

there has apparently been good feeling

Impatient Crowd Pulls Up Fences.

Up to a late hour tonight nothing had occurred to mur the pleasure of the day. by a length.

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In the first race, the 3-year-old pace, E. S. Train's Ray of Light reduced the Oregon record for 3-year-olds from 2:16% to 2:06%. In the 2:15 pace Josephne won in three straight heats, but in the third had a lead of but a nose over Tom Murphy, who made a terrific spurt in the last 200 yards.

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Benton County exhibit at the State Fair HISTORIC SITE SELECTED had again been awarded first prine, gen-uine enthusiasm was manifested about the Commercial Club, and now there is talk of celebrating this victory in proper style. Today flags are flying from pub-lic buildings and prominent business houses, and last night the news of the victory at the State Fair was fiashed on

the curtains of the electric theaters in this city. Booster Bob Johnson has been beside Hooseer Boo Johnson has been beside himself with Joy and is planning to utilize the award to great advantage in a new advertising scheme. Frank Groves, who has a "Hood River" apple orchard at the edge of Corvallis, worked up the Benton exhibit this year, and is certain of a royal welcome on his return.

MOSES WILL HOLD OFFICE

Ex-Clerk Vincent, of Benton County, Loses Contest Case.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 17 .- (Special.)-The election contest proceeding filed by ex-County Clerk T. T. Vincent has been dismissed and Victor Moses declared elected Clerk of Benton County. The de cision was handed down by Judge L. T. Harris Thursday morning. In reaching his conclusion Judge Harris passed upor about 350 ballots, with the result that the Running, three-fourths mile, \$100—Forest Rose first, Gaives second, Kansack third; time, 1914%.

GREAT REJOICING IN BENTON

Winning of State Fair Prize Second

Time Is Occasion of Joy.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. II.—(Special.)—When the news reached here that the Court of the part of costs are considerable. These are taxed up against the plaintiff.

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Proposed Location Bishop Scott Academy Is Hallowed Ground.

near North Yamilli, and held the lifts regular Episcopal service in Oregon, if not the first West of the Rocky Moun-tains. He contemplated starting a church school at his home, but was

CAME FROM OREGON CITY Man Killed by Train Was Lost Last

saw him in the yard at their home and called him to come in doors. Surprised to not find him in the house a little later, she made a vain search for him. Nelson had disappeared, and for nine days his anxious relatives searched the country for miles around, and after they had concluded he was dead, Nelson returned. He had been in the timber not more than a mile from the house, and had subsisted on berries. His mind was not clear and he had no recollection of his McMINNVIII.E. Or., Sept. 17.—(Special) — The announcement that the Episcopal Church intended to re-establish the Bishop Scott Academy in this county is halled with a great degree of county is halled with a great degree of sentimental pride here, since Yamhill County is the mother of Episcopalianism in the West.

To was in 1848 that Bishop Richmond came to what is now the Torrence place near North Yamhill, and held the first regular Episcopal service in Oregon, if

Applegrowers of Walla Walla Pro-

church school at his home, but was forced to give that up.

The site of Bishop Richmond's home was near the 1915-acre Oak Hill farm, which the county records show has been purchased from Blandherring by Dr. Morrison, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Portiand. The Episcopal Diocese it is understood, has acquired 100 acres of this farm, upon which the academy will be established.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 17.—
(Special.)—A special meeting of apple-growers of the Walla Walla Vallay has been called to meet in the Courthouse, at 1 o'clock Monday, for the purpose of organizing an applegrowers' combine to secure better prices for fruit and plant efforts to successfully combat any ac-

efforts to successfully combat any ad-vances in transportation rates.

The plan is not a new one here, as it has been discussed by growers for some time. With the exception of some new ideas for operation, the organization will probably adopt a method of procedura similar to that now in force in fruit-men's combines in Wenatchee and North Yakima.

Yakima. It has been prominently brought to the knowledge of applegrowers here that Walla Walla fruits are equal in flavor and quality to any grown in the state, but they do not sell as well as those from more widely-known districts. It is for the purpose of eliminating these conditions that the meeting Monday will be collect.

