LAND GRANT TAXES PRESENT PROBLEM

Question Whether Counties Blair, at whose office alleged recruiting Can Collect on Assessed Value Is Raised.

TANGLE IN ROLLS LOOMS

Levy on Basis of More Than \$2.50 an Acre May Not Be Legal. Books for 1913 in Muddle. Railroad May Not Pay.

To what extent the Western Oregon counties in which is located the land involved in the Oregon & California land grate, will be able to collect taxes thereon under the recent decision of the Supreme Court, is a serious problem with the affected county as-sessors and with the State Tax Com-

The aggregate area of land under the grant is 2,074,161 acres, distributed among the several counties, in which the respective annual taxes on this property is as follows:

Since the decision of the Federal Circuit Court forfeiting this land the Southern Pacific Company, as lessee of the Oregon & California rallroad property, has decilined to pay the taxes on any of the land. Two of the annual payments have been withheld. With the accumulated interest these delinquencies cumulated interest these delinquencies whom she berated roundly.

serves explanation. By decision of the United States District Court for Oregon, rendered July I, 1913, the Congressional land grant to the Oregon & California Railroad Company was declared and held forfeited to the United States. The appeal of the Company to the Supreme Court of the United States is now pending. The issue is raised, whether the land in question, scattered through 18 counties, and totaling in assessed value more than \$21,000,000. The witness said that on one ocasion when he and Nelson had surreptive taxable during the pendency of this appeal. It is further a question whether, in the event the Oregon & Cailfornia Railroad Company finally wire and the containing the marks they had gotten in their studies, he wins its contention, taxes on these lands can be collected for the period of their declared forfeiture to the Fed-eral Government under the aforesaid decree of the District Court. The comlands can be collected for the period of their declared forfeiture to the Federal Government under the aforesaid decree of the District Court. The company has refused to pay the taxes charged against the lands in the several counties on the assessments of land in this own dismissal.

Lands Not Entered in 1914, "That all the rights of the counties might be protected the Commission ad-

wised the several assessors that these lands should not be entered on the 1914 assessment rolls. At the same time it would be manifestly unfair to compel the counties to pay state taxes, from year to year, on said lands while unable to collect the same and other taxes levied and charged therson.

"After careful consideration of the subject the Commission decided to leave these lands out of consideration in its equalization between the counties for the year 1914. The effect of this action is that, for the current year, no county is required to pay additional state taxes on account of this assessment appearing on its rolls of lands involved in this litigation between the United States and the Oregon & California Rallroad Company."

New York Governor Gives Private Hearing Lasting Two Hours.

ALBANY, N. Y., June 22,—Martin T. Manton, attorney for ex-Police Lieuvennit Charles Becker, pleaded in private for nearly two hours today for the life of his client, who has been condemied to die in the week of July 12 for instigating the murder of Herman Rosenthal. Neither the Governor nor Mr. Manton would discuss the details of the conference.

The Governor said, however, that he would confer with Mr. Manton again next week, when, it is expected the formal application for executive clemency will be made.

The Governor also announced that he would see Mrs. Becker, wife of the

BRITISH RECRUITS HELD Eleven Are Detained as Witnesse in Neutrality Test.

NEW YORK, June 22. - Acting on Party of Four From Berkeley Starts instruction from Washington, Assistant United States District Attorney

rejected were to become artisans with the home forces, and forces in colonial possessions. All the men claim to be possessions. All British subjects.

VETERAN ADMITS RECRUITING Only ex-British Soldiers Enrolled at

San Francisco, Is Defense. SAN FRANCISCO, June 22.-Ralph R.

Blair, at whose office alleged recruiting for the allies in the European war is said to have been carried on under instructions from the British Consul, has given Federal authorities information which led to the arrest of several men in New York, it was announced today. The men will be brought here as witnesses before a Federal grand jury to be called soon. Other arrests are expected. pected.

Blair told John W. Preston, United States District Attorney, it was learned.

that he had aided a number of British veterans to return, "as a patriotic act." He said only men who had served in the British army, as he said he had, were "enlisted." He said he examined them for fitness, but received no pay

Blair is a partner of Supervisor Murdock in a printing firm, at the office of which the alleged recruiting took place. Blair said he sent 75 men, all veterans, to New York, on their way to join the British army

WIFE'S WITS AID IN TRIAL

MRS. SAM KRASNER BATTLES WITH WOMEN TOO TART FOR SPOUSE.

Women on Stand Denounce Man Ac cused Under Mann Act and Jury Enjoys Discomfiture.

The trial of Sam Krasner, who is under indictment on two white slave charges, continued all day in Federal Judge Bean's court yesterday and will be resumed this morning. Krasner is acting as his own attorney. His cross-examination of witnesses was con-ducted yesterday with all the assurance of an experienced trial lawyer. In handling his case he has the as-

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Railroad Declines to Pay.

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cumulated interest these delinquencies now aggregate approximately \$1,000,000.

The land is assessed at a valuation of approximately \$21,000,000 in the aggregate of the 18 affected counties.

At the time the Southern Pacific ceased paying taxes it agreed to pay interest at the rate of 6 per cent in the event the Supreme Court finally gave it full possession of the property.

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Nelson was accused of having stolen papers, other than those referred to in the original charge, by Midshipman James E. Waddell, who was investigat-ing irregularities in examination

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BECKER COUNSEL PLEADS

he would see Mrs. Becker, wife of the condemned man, "or anybody else in his interest that may come to Albany.

WOMEN AUTOISTS DEPART

Home After Trip to Portland.

Wood today obtained an order for the detention of 11 men alleged to have enlisted at San Francisco as British reservists by Raiph K. Biair. The 11, it was said, were on their way to England. Seven were found by agents of the Department of Justice and held as witnesses for the Federal grand flury in San Francisco, which is said to be investigating alleged breaches of the neutrality of the United States.

The order of detention was made in accordance with the Federal criminal code, which declares it to be unlawful for anyone in the United States to enlist or induce another to go beyond the jurisdiction of this country for service as a soldier, sailor, marine or a privateer. The maximum punishment for such an offense is a fine of \$1000 or three years' imprisonment, or both. The men were wait to have a soldier to have entired to physical education of the Berkeley. Who had just completed an automobiling trip from that city to Portland, left yesterday for home. They planned to return by way of Nevada.

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Louis Rathbun, deputy fish warden, was in the Pacific Ceast yesterday, and they expected, Government officials say, to sail on the steamship Arabic shonds of \$500 each. They will be sent back across the continent at the expense of the Government.

According to Mr. Wood, the men were on their way to England as the result of an understanding entered into with the men in San Francisco. Under the agreement, he added, such of the men were far were fit for military service were in the limits and the procured donations of approximately 1000 pounds of fresh Spring chinook salmon that were saily to be given Thursday afternoon to the members of the Oregon Pioneers' Association.

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ceny in a dwelling and was sentenced to serve seven years in the Montana prison. Joseph the men in San Francisco. Under the agreement, he added, such of the men were fit for military service were lumbia River Packers' Association.

ON LAND GRANT

Delegation Plans Measure Covering Disposition of Acres Involved by Court.

Members of Congress Favor Plan to Ease Way for Settlers, but Say Time Short and Some Scheme Must Be Hurried.

A bill covering the disposition to be nade of the Oregon & California land decision is obtainable here and they have the opportunity to become thoroughly conversant with the situation, members of the delegation cannot predict along just what lines the bill will

"There is no time to lose, for the next "There is no time to lose, for the next session of Congress does not convene until December 4, which is nearly six months from now, and the Supreme Court puts it up to Congress to act within six months," said United States Senator Lane last night. "If the six months are to date from the actual handing down of its modified decree by the United States District Court in Portland, we will have a little more time but still none to spare.

Organized Effort Suggested. "I think some plan of procedure should be formulated here in Oregon by the delegation so we can prepare bill beforehand and rush it through Congress. Public bodies in Portland, and especially in towns up the Wil-lamette Vailey and in Southern Ore-gon, where the disposition of the lands is of especial importance, the farmers through their granges, and all others interested ought to meet at once and decide on what they think should be done. They should send their findings to us so we can know their views. drawn, in my opinion, as to make it possible for actual settlers to purchase tracts of the land and settle up the country. I consider that as very important. The details will have to be worked out very carefully however."

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I should be glad to have commercial "I should be glad to have commercial bodies and others express their views. However, the matter will finally have to be threshed out in Congress, for Congress may not accept all the provisions of a bill introduced by the Oregon delegation."
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C. N. McArthur, Representative from the Third District, said. "My idea is that public bodies in the counties where the Oregon & California lands are situated should meet and make recommendations at the earliest date. Whatever is recommended by them should be considered at conferences by the whole Oregon delegation, as the disposition of the lands is so important that the delegation should be unanimous in whatever course it decides to is in whatever course it decides to

The public interest is entitled to the first consideration. What we want on these tracts is settlers who will till the lands and make their homes there and develop the country. On the other hand, we should provide ample protection against speculators and fradulent locators. The big need is actual settlers, and I think it should be made as easy as possible for actual, bona fide settlers to go on the land under the terms of the grant."

G. W. CHURCH IS DEAD

Ex-Contractor Dies From Effects of Second Heart Attack.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 22.—(Special.)—Glibert Wheeler Church, a resident of Portland, Oregon City and Gladstone for the last 35 years, died at his home in Gladstone this morning following an illness of only a few days. This morning he had a second ays. This morning he had a second ttack of heart trouble and died within

a few minutes.

Until about eight years ago, when his eyesight failed, he was one of the most active contractors in the county. He spent many years in Portland, but lived the greater part of his life in Ore-

gon City.

Mr. Church is survived by his wife,
Mrs. M. E. Church, and two sons, James
W. Church, manager of the Marion Hotel in Salem, and Carl G. Church, of Sellwood

Farmer Guilty of Threat.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 22.—(Special.)—Otto Wiseman, a farmer of the Clarks district, was found guilty in the Circuit Court this afternoon on a charge of threatening to kill Charles Schreiber son of John Schreiber, a neighbor. Dis the statutory charge again Lloyd Han-son, Ross Huddleson and Oliver Leek would be dropped following the ac-quittal of Irving Hanson Monday, and that Matt Jagmin will plead guilty or

OREGON TO OFFER A PERSONAL APPEAL

those who expect to buy in a year or so, to help me out now and I will make it well worth your while to buy

I have a number of used pieces.

is only one way for me to raise this at \$450 to \$500, now \$230 money. I have the pianos, and good Of course, these are cast pianos, such as the world-renowned for a small additional sum, I have Sohmer, Behning, Strohber, M. Schulz, made arrangements with my bankers Bennett and many others. I have whereby if you pay a good, substanthem in abundance. I need the money tial payment down you may have 20 months on the balance. and the public needs the pianos.

grant, which was made the subject of and every one of them speaks for terested, and I will see that you re-Congressional action by the decision of the United States Supreme Court on Monday, will undoubtedly be introduced reputation, and they have always been should not buy.

Of course, until the full text of the decision is obtainable here and they decision is obtainable here and they sold at prices ranging from \$300 to Investigate my line and you will conthere are players that have always sold from \$450 to \$1500.

ting prices, but I am facing a crisis compels me to throw this beautiful stock on the market at

Artillery Reserves Practice With Searchlight Busy.

SUB-CALIBER FIR!NG

All Placed in Readiness for Oregon Citizen Soldiers to Fire Full Service Charges in Fort Stevens Weapons.

The guns are loaded, set and fired in exactly the same manner as they would be in full service practice using shells that weigh more than 600 pounds and up to one-half ton each. This accustoms the Oregonians to the use of the guns under actual firing conditions and prepares them for full service tar-get practice with full-weight projec-tiles and powder charges,

Full service practice under actual battle conditions is scheduled to take place Thursday and Friday for all companies of the state troops.

Powder has been blended, the projectiles weighed, measured and all oil residue removed. Blending of powder is a system of mixing the contents of the various hermetically sealed cans so as to attain uniform results. For instance, the powder in one lot might have slightly deteriorated, but by com-bining it with another lot in equal proportions an average result in ve-

locity of all projectiles fired would be attained.

An interesting fact in connection with the smokeless nitro-cellulouse powder used is the number of per-forations extending lengthwise through the short tubes of powder used. The purpose of these interior perforations is to gain an increasing combustion of the powder. This is made possible by the fact that the inside holes in-

crease in diameter as the powder burns, thereby insuring an increasing gas pressure as the shell is being forced through the long tubes of the pieces fired. Problem Studied Long. For many years the problem of

For many years the problem of an increasing gaseous pressure puzzled the artillery experts of the world. Solution was sought by having many-sided grains, different-shaped grains, small and large grains, but all proved futile and resulted in a diminishing rather than increased pressure.

It is related that one of the students who had given considerable thought to the problem was at dinner one day and happened to glance at the macaroni dish. Suddenly the thought flashed upon him that powder prepared with perforations like the savory Italian dish answered the query of the experts as to how an increasing the experts as to how an increasing burning surface could be attained.

IMMIGRANT IS ACCUSED Finlander Held at Astoria Says He

Forgot His Assumed Name.

ASTORIA, Or., June 22.—(Special.)—
On complaint of Immigration Inspector
Gooch, Henry Roos is being held in
the County Jail in default of \$10,000
bends to await the action of the Federal authorities in Washington. Roos
is a native of Finland and a subject of
the Carr.

the Czar.

He came to this country recently from Victoria, B. C., and is accused of having made false affidavits in order to gain entry into the United States. He is charged with giving a false name and now says he can't remember what name he gave the authorities. Roos was arrested at his home at Smith's Point and three other members of his family are facing similar charges which, if sustained, will mean the de-portation of all.

Cornelius Votes Half-Mill Tax. CORNELIUS, Or., June 22.- (Special.)

I am making a personal appeal to prices that will induce the public to prospective piano buyers, and even buy now, even though you do not wish

I have a number of used pianos that piano or player-piano at this some of them of the old standard makes, all in pretty good condition; I am striving with all my might to some of them will make splendid raise money. I have a big obliga- pianos for beginners, ranging in tion to meet in a short time. I have prices from \$65 to \$100. New pianos, set about to retire \$40,000 worth of good, reliable, guaranteed makes, \$143 VIEWS OF PEOPLE ASKED set about to retire \$40,000 worth of preferred stock, as the holders of this guaranteed in every detail, the kind stock insist on their money and their that you have always had offered you

Of course, these are cash prices, but

I do not know of anything more I These instruments are standard can say other than to assure you that quality. They are not pianos of un- you will meet me personally at this known brands, but the name of each store. I am the man who is vitally initself. They are instruments with a ceive every courtesy, even though you

vince yourself immediately.

E. H. HOLT, President, Now then, I do not believe in cut- E. H. Holt Piano Company, Wholesalers and Retailers, 333 Morrison Street, Northwestern National Bank

> -W. B. Vickers was elected director and W. E. Sherbrooke was re-elected clerk at the annual school meeting held here Monday. A half-mill tax was levied for the building of a playshed, which will likely be up by the time school begins in the Fall. By a vote it was decided to discontinue the ninth

MANUAL TRAINING ADDED

Milwaukie Taxpayers Vote on School Matters and Re-elect Director.

MILWAUKIE, Or., June 22 .- (Speial.)-At the annual meeting of the axpayers of Milwaukie school district No. 1 it was voted nearly unanimously that the directors be authorized to in stall manual training and domestic science departments in connection with the high school next year. It was esti-mated that the cost will be \$1500 for the first year. Chairman Grasle said these departments can be housed in the present school building without addi-tions by using the basement.

San Francisco

EXCURSION RATES

"GREAT NORTHERN" Sails From FLAVEL Tomorrow

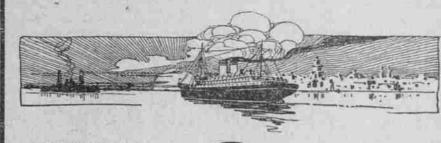
SPECIAL EXTRA SAILING OF "NORTHERN PACIFIC" From FLAVEL, Friday, June 25

Regular Sailings, June 28, July 1, 3 and Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Make Reservations Early. Sailings from San Francisco June 26, 29, 30.

STEAMER TRAIN 9:30 A. M.—NEW STEEL COACHES AND PARLOR CARS.

Sun Parlor and Glass-Inclosed Promenade-Shower Baths and Bachelor Apartments-Suites de Luxe-Orchestra-Deck Games -Palm Garden-Free Refreshments, Midforencon Bouillon, 4 o'clock Tea, Buffet Lunches.

\$30, Round Trip to San Francisco-One Way, \$8, \$15, \$20. Meals and Berths Included.



NORTH BANK Ticket Office, Fifth and Stark. Station, Tenth and Hoyt.

Broadway 920 A 6671

PHONES

Tentative plans include ground for an athletic field and addi-tions to the building.

tion to naming the man or weman to be honored will hame a date for the celebration. When advised of the com-mittee's action the Governor will complete arrangements with the exposition

Astoria Elects Woman Director.

ASTORIA, Or., June 22.—(Special.)—
Mrs. G. Wingate was elected as a member of the Astoria Board of School
Directors, defeating two men.

One dollar cleans and repairs your watch at Friedlander's. Special offer

Mrs. Baker So Weak-Could Not Do Her Work-Found Relief In Novel Way.

Adrian, Mich. - "I suffered terribly got so weak that I



could hardly do my work. When I washed my dishes had to sit down and when I would sweep the floor I would get so weak that I would have to get a drink every few minutes, and before I did my dusting I would have

to lie down. I got so poorly that my folks thought I was going into consumption. One day I found a piece of paper blowing around the yard and I picked it up and read it. It said 'Saved from the Grave,' and told what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for women. showed it to my husband and he said, 'Why don't you try it?' So I did, and after I had taken two bottles I felt better and I said to my husband, 'I don't need any more,' and he said 'You had better take it a little longer anyway.' So I took it for three months and got well and strong."-Mrs. ALONZO E. BAKER, 9 Tecumseh St., Adrian, Mich.

Not Well Enough to Work. In these words is hidden the tragedy of many a woman, housekeeper or wage carner who supports herself and is often helping to support a family, on meagre wages. Whether in house, office, factory, shop, store or kitchen, woman should remember that there is one tried and true remedy for the ills to which all and true remedy for the ills to which all women are prone, and that is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It promotes that vigor which makes work easy. The Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

HAIR, LOOK YOUNG

By Applying Q-Ban—Not a Dye— Harmless—Changes All Your Gray Hair to a Soft, Beautiful Dark Shade.

Don't look old—look young—so, if your hair is wispy, thin, falling, gray, streaked with gray, faded, dry, prematurely gray, to restore to original dark color, simply shampoo hair and scalp a few times with Q-Ban Hair Color Restorer. All your gray hair will then become beautifully darkened, lustrous, soft, fresh, wavy, with that dark, lustrous gloss, making entire head of hair evenly darkened, fascinating and attractive. Also stops itching scalp, dandruff and falling hair. Q-Ban is not a dye, but acts on the roots, making hair healthy, so the gray hair naturally turns beautifully dark, so evenly that no one can tell it has been used. Q-Ban is not sticky or messy; harmless and is is not sticky or messy, harmless and is guaranteed to darken gray hair. Big 7-0z. bottle only 50 cents. Hunliey Drug Co., 4th and Wash, sts., Portland. Out-of-town folks supplied

Safeguards

In Open Competition

Panama-Pacific

International

Exposition

Pure Wholesome

Efficient

Ask Your Grocer

This bank is a member of the Federal Reserve Bank and the Portland Clearing House Association. Each year it publishes five sworn statements of condition; has two examinations by National bank examiners, one examination by the Clearing House Examiner and one examination by the board of directors-all this in addition to careful management by experienced officers and directors.

We Invite Your Account

