

LAST WEEK FOR HALF PAYMENT OF TAXES

Property Holders are Busy Getting in Before Time Limit

FRIDAY IS THE LAST DAY

for Payment to be Made by That Date Taxes go Delinquent

This is the last week for half payment of taxes at the collection counter in the sheriff's office, and Monday will see the close of the last date when you can walk in and deposit one-half of the tax charged and then have until the first Monday in October to remit the remainder. Property owners are lining up at the counter this week with much regularity, and it is expected that Friday, Saturday and Monday will mean heavy deposits in the county treasury.

While taxes are high this year, owing to the extensive road improvement levy, the collections have outstripped any year in the history of Washington County, showing that financial conditions are not as bad as they might be. More money was paid in under the three per cent. rebate ruling than ever before, the total collection, in round numbers, being \$365,000.

It will take the official force several days yet to get the collections by mail computed so it is impossible to tell just how much money has passed over the counter.

RACHEL D. COUPLES

Mrs. Rachel D. Couples, of near Buxton, died March 21, 1912. She has resided in that section since 1904, and has been in poor health for seven or eight years. She was born in Coshocton Co., Ohio, in 1834, her husband passing in 1879. Eight children were born to her, one surviving, C. E., of Buxton. Deceased was a member of the Baptist Church. The funeral took place Saturday, and interment was in the Buxton cemetery.

SPECIAL SALE

On Spitzenburgs, Newtons and Golden Orneys. Four and six foot trees, 10 cents each. All trees guaranteed. Scholls Nursery Co., Scholls, Sherwood, Or., Route 4. 50-3

Dr. Lowe, Friday.

O. Gardner, of Mountaineer, was in the city the last of the week.

J. J. Whitten, of beyond West Union, was in the city Monday morning.

T. H. Brown is plastering the Phelps moving picture building, on Main Street.

Mrs. Gladys Henderson, of Hot Springs, Ark., was in the city the first of the week, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wall.

H. W. Bolger, of Beaverton, cashier of the Beaverton State Bank, was in town Monday, greeting friends and transacting business.

Fred L. Paul, of Multnomah, and Nettie M. Evans, of Washington County, were united in marriage in this city, March 23, 1912. Rev. V. E. Willings officiating.

John Witt, of this city, went to St. Martins, Monday, for a three weeks stay at the Springs. When he returns he expects to challenge a few of the young fellows for a footrace.

Jas. H. Jack was at Scholls the other evening, and says that the basket social, at the Scholls Artisans' Hall, netted the baseball boys \$85. Scholls expects to break into the game early with some good talent.

The grand jury adjourned Saturday night to return to the county seat tomorrow morning. They expect to finish by Friday evening, and at the latest, by Saturday night. Many criminal cases have been investigated by the body.

Dairymen, attention—Seven registered Holstein bull calves for sale, ranging in age from three weeks to seven months. Three of them old enough to head herd. Fine stock, and large for age.—Geo. R. Bagley, Hillsboro, Ore., or Oak Cove Farm, Forest Grove, Route 2.

The Oregon Electric is figuring on making a water level road from Portland to near Tualatin, so as to get a better speed schedule to Salem, and abandon the heavy grade between Portland and Garden Home. In case this is accomplished the Hillsboro-Forest Grove locals will be routed over the present track, unless better time can be made over the new line. The company has also decided to build its freight line between Oreoc and Groveland, connecting the United and Electric. As Hillsboro and Forest Grove supply a splendid passenger traffic the company may be expected to make an effort to get some line wherein better time can be perfected between these points and Portland, in lieu of the fact that the S. P. is coming in with electrification.

The McMinnville Band gave a concert at the Crescent Theatre, last Thursday night, that was one of the best musical entertainments that has visited Hillsboro for many months. It was poorly patronized, and the local band, under whose auspices the McMinnville people came here, went behind financially. The trouble was dating Hillsboro without an issue of the local papers intervening. However, the visitors could come no other date.

Quinn, of North Plains, is said to have a petition so large for a saloon petition at North Plains, that a remonstrance will not beat him out at the May term of court. His place is now closed, as a result of a remonstrance against his application, filed at the March term.

Henry Hesse, the veteran mail carrier, is again driving his mail wagon between town and the Southern Pacific, his injured thumb being pretty nearly well. Geo. Butler was his relief during the period of his injury.

Gottfried Schlaedli and John Gfeller, of above Mountaineer, were in town Monday. Mr. Schlaedli has just finished hauling in his potato crop, and says the roads are fine for hauling this Spring.

I saw cordwood, poles up to 12 inches in diameter, fence rails, and boards of all kinds, into stovewood lengths. Will go into the country. Write, phone or call on me.—Carl Skow, Tualatin Hotel, Hillsboro, Oregon.

Virgil Massey, editor of the Cornelius Tribune, was in town Tuesday. He has filed his announcement for the nomination for representative on the Republican ticket—the fifth in the list.

F. C. Orth, with the condensers, was in town Saturday, on one of his trips out to view the patrons of his employers. He says the farmers are very busy plowing and seeding.

Attorney Geo. W. Stapleton, of Portland, was out to the city Saturday, in his auto. Geo. was very much pleased to see how the old town had progressed since his last visit.

For sale—Fresh Shorthorn cow, good milker, and calf at side. Near Sewell station, on Oregon Electric. Address Gus Steves, City R. 4, or see him at Virginia Place. 52-2

Peter Zuercher and family, of near Elmonica, were in the city Friday morning. Mr. Z. has been indisposed the best portion of the Winter, but is now improving.

Eggs for sale.—Thoroughbred Bull Orpington. Per setting, \$1.00. Mrs. Jas. Sewell Jr., Phone 469, Hillsboro, R. 1. Three miles N. E. of Hillsboro. 52-2

Geo. W. Kelly, of Buxton, was down to the county seat a few days the last of the week. He says his health is improving rapidly.

Full blood Ancona eggs for hatching, \$1 per setting of 13. Phone City 753.—Mrs. W. Whitmore, Hillsboro, Seventh and Fir Streets. 2-tf

Ulrich Kemp, of Helvetia, was over to the city Saturday afternoon. He says all the people up his way are very busy these days.

Frank Wallace, of Farmington, was in town the last of the week. Frank thinks farming beats railroading in many ways.

Born, March 25, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Von Gruenofsen, of Centerville, a son.

Jas. Gibson, of Reedville, was in the county seat Friday, and called the Argus.

C. L. Brown, of above Banks, was a county seat visitor Saturday morning.

Sam Moon, of Centerville, was in the city Saturday, greeting friends.

S. P. AGENT SMITH, OF GASTON, NOT IN COURT

B. Fleischauer and I. T. Larsen on Bond for Five Hundred

DEFENDANT NOT IN THE COUNTY

Shipped Ducks to Portland During Closed Season There

S. S. Smith, agent for the S. P. at Gaston, in January, 1911, under \$500 bond, was not in court Monday morning when his appeal case was called. As a result of his non-appearance his bail bond was in danger of forfeiture, and his sureties, B. Fleischauer and I. T. Larsen may be called upon to make good the sum of \$500. Smith shipped some ducks for one L. C. Fort, Jan. 24, 1911, holding them over one day, so as to deceive the game wardens. They were billed to Fort in Portland, and Multnomah was then in the closed period, so that shipment was not possible without violation of law, unless the shipment was properly marked as consisting of ducks. Smith was fined \$125 by Judge Smith, and he appealed to the circuit court, the bond following. The last heard of Smith was when he was in Corvallis, but since that time his friends have lost track of him.

Fort killed the ducks during the open season, here, and was not liable for the shooting of the birds, but was fined \$50 for offering them for shipment. Geo. Russel, Roy Bremer and O. B. Parker were the deputy game wardens who located the shipments and caused the arrests. The bondsmen and officers will try to locate Smith so as to get a remission of the bail.

Fleischauer and Larsen says they will have the defendant in court today, and in that case they be released from liability.

FOR STATE SENATOR

If I am nominated and elected I will, during my term of office, vote for the candidate for United States Senator who has received the highest number of votes at the preceding election for that office.

Will support an economy that will keep down expenditures and apply the acid test to all appropriations and see that when made they have been judiciously expended and sufficient for which appropriated, thus avoiding deficiencies.

New boards and commissions have been unnecessarily created and some of these should be abolished, rather than more created. I believe in a judicial reform that will insure more speedy justice, prevent delays and save money for the taxpayers of Washington County.

W. D. Wood.

BITULITHIC REPEATED

Contracts awarded year after year show the satisfaction given property owners and officials

The development of bitulithic pavement has been phenomenal. The city of Fort Worth, Texas alone, showing an increase of over two hundred thousand square yards in three years. In the year 1907 there was approximately 10,123 yards laid, in the year 1908 shows an increase of three times that amount, and in the year 1910 there was in use over 200,000 square yards of this pavement, showing conclusively the satisfaction bitulithic pavement is giving in this and other large cities of the United States.

REGISTERED JACK

Beecher, the registered Jack, No. 3529, taking first premium at the State Fair; age 6 years; pure bred; 16 hands high; white points, one of the best jacks in the state, will stand the season from March 15 to June 30 at the place of undersigned, First Avenue North, Forest Grove. A sure foal getter. Terms—\$20 for live colt; \$15 for season; \$10 for single service.—W. H. French, Forest Grove, Ore.

E. E. Fisher, of Beaverton, was in the city Saturday afternoon. He has again announced his candidacy for the state senate, one of his planks being a two-cent fare on railway lines. His announcement is found elsewhere.

Thos. Talbot, of Cornelius, was in the county seat Friday afternoon.

O. Westcott, of Cornelius, R. 1, was in the city Friday afternoon.

J. B. McNew, of Beaverton-Reedville, was in the county seat Friday.

Hon. C. F. Tigar, of Tigar, was a county seat visitor, the last of the week.

Thos. G. Meacham, of above Mountaineer, was in the city Friday afternoon.

Jacob Reichen, of West Union, was greeting friends in town the last of the week.

Supt. Church, of the Warren Construction Co., was in town the last of the week.

Robt. Thompson, Cedar Mill, was in town Saturday, transacting business at the court house.

J. E. Borwick, in the merchandising business at Reedville, was in the county seat Friday afternoon.

I have about 8,000 horseradish plants for sale, at \$4 per thousand.—T. J. Ford, Hillsboro, R. 1, Box 68. 3-4

G. N. Hale, of East Portland, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Hale still owns a part of his original farm, at Oak Park, and generally spends his Summers here.

E. E. Yarnell, proprietor of the Timber Hotel, was down to the city Friday and Saturday. He expects times to be brisk at that point as soon as the lumber market opens.

Gov. West will address the Tigar Improvement Club at Schamoni's Hall, on the evening of April 1, his subject to be his "Road and Prison Policy." No admittance will be charged. The public is invited.

We have moved to our handsome brick quarters, on our old site, Second Street, where we are better than ever prepared to cater to our patrons. Confectionery, delicacies, oysters, cigars and tobacco.—H. T. Koeber.

Frank Keenon, of Vinelands, was a city visitor Saturday. F. M. lives where they raise the best Burbanks that can be produced in the world, and his section has been one that has enjoyed great development the past ten years.

C. E. Holcomb and wife, of Bethany, and A. L. Holcomb, were in the county seat Friday, in C. E.'s car. Charles is in the Belmont Auto School, Portland, and his firm is also handling machines. He says he expects a good year.

W. B. Jolly, of Portland, was out the last of the week, on business, and called on the Argus. Mr. Jolly well remembers incidents away back in the latter part of the forties, when Oregon flour, from Washington County mills, was shipped to California on the backs of burros and mules.

Next Monday the open season for trout is on, and there will be many a fine fellow pulled from the Washington County streams. After April 15 McKay Creek will be closed to anglers, and the deputy game wardens are preparing to give that tributary a close watch—so those along the stream should observe the mandate of the wardens, or there will be "trouble, trouble, trouble everywhere."

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Davenport, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Merryman, of Portland, were guests at the W. N. Barrett home Friday. Mr. Davenport is on the staff of the Governor of Indiana, and is a cousin of Mrs. Barrett. Col. Davenport and wife have just returned from a trip through California, and they return home this week via Seattle. They were very much pleased with Oregon. Col. Davenport is also a relative of the late Hon. W. D. Hare.

Stump blasting down below Elmonica last Thursday afternoon put the electric light system out of business for an hour or so. A flying stump smashed the wires together, and the way transformers were shot to pieces was not slow. It is said that it will cost the company at least \$4,000 or \$5,000 to put them back into commission. The trouble extended to Portland, and the wires had to be cut between Beaverton and Portland in order to free the General Electric in its current, or Portland would have been without lights, except in such buildings as furnished their own power. The local plant was steamed up and Hillsboro was supplied with juice within two hours.

HUMPHRYS BROTHERS PLEADED NOT GUILTY

John A. Jeffrey, Rosclair's Counsel, to Defend Them at Corvallis

SEEK TO SET ASIDE CONFESSIONS

Aunt of Doomed Men Says She has no Means to Give for Defense

Geo. M. and Chas. T. Humphrys, of above Banks, were indicted last Friday at Corvallis, the State charging murder in the first degree. They were taken into court and each pleaded not guilty. Both refuse to talk to any except their lawyers, and the brothers have hired J. A. Jeffrey, who defended Rosclair, to take their cases into the Benton County court. Each has signed a written confession, exactly like Rosclair, and now each tries to dodge that confession. The cases will probably go to trial within a few days.

C. P. Huntington, a Yoncalla real estate dealer, who sold the Humphrys' place, before they moved to Philomath, wrote Sheriff Hancock a letter the other day, telling that official that Geo. still owes him \$40 of an unpaid commission. Huntington says he and George mixed over the deal, and that he gave Humphrys a thrashing—but it did not bring the commission. Humphrys paid \$45 on the account, but never came through with the other. Huntington says that George Humphrys threatened to kill him. The Yoncalla man wants to know if there is any chance for him to get his money.

Judging from the \$2,100 mortgage on the Humphrys property above Banks it would seem mighty slim picking for anyone, and it must look rather scaly from a financial standpoint for our old friend J. A. Jeffrey, who is to defend.

C. E. Cline, the militant M. E. minister, formerly of Hillsboro, writes the Oregonian as follows, anent the case: "With many others, no doubt, I am perplexed. The Humphrys brothers, from press reports, were making a clean breast of their crimes, most atrocious and sickening, till counsel—a lawyer—was employed to advise them. Then all changed suddenly! Their jaws were closed like a steel trap, and when arraigned pleaded 'not guilty.' I know little about court technicalities, but it is surl things that bring our courts and the legal profession—in the main honorable—into general contempt. How long must decent people and law-abiding citizen stand such mockeries?"

E. B. TONGUE

Candidate for Nomination

If I am nominated and elected, I will, during my term of office, honestly, vigorously and impartially perform my official duties, without fear or favor, endeavoring to accord to every individual, irrespective of party, politics or personalities, a square deal under the Laws, keeping always uppermost in my mind, the interest of the taxpayers. I will protect the innocent, as well as prosecute the guilty.

During my present term of office, I have secured convictions of more than 95 per cent. of my cases. I have won every criminal case tried before the Supreme Court. I have defeated my opponent, Mr. Norblad, in every case in which we have been opposed to each other. Every District Attorney before me has been given two terms. Does the record above merit the second term for me?

Office Hours:—Any time, day or night, you have official business to transact.

E. B. Tongue.

BACK TO THE FARM

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U.S. Bonds (at par)	25,000.00	Surplus	25,000.00
Other Bonds	57,160.00	Undivided Profits	3,988.29
Banking House	18,500.00	Circulation	25,000.00
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