

ATTORNEY GENERAL SAYS LAND EXEMPT

Tells the State Tax Commission Cannot Assess O. & C. Lands

BOARD NOT YET TAKEN STAND

Assessor's Office Not Yet Decided Whether to Place on Roll

Attorney General Brown has given the State Tax Commission an opinion which holds that since the Supreme Court decision and the Congressional legislation, has taken place on the subject matter the lands of the O. & C. land grant can not be placed on the taxroll, as they are not assessable. This places the local assessing office in a quandary. Nothing will be done, however, until the state tax commission has given out orders to the various assessors.

The Supreme Court holds that the railway company has an equity of \$2.50 per acre that can not be gained, and it would appear to the average layman that this is an interest that is not only tangible, but that is assessable.

Until the state board issues an order nothing will be done here. It is feared that if the lands are placed on the roll without authority the county will have to pay the state tax, at least, until such time as a proper court might determine the status.

There are a little less than 18,000 acres of the grant lands in this county under the decision of the court and the recent legislation.

Last year the assessment was \$81,000 on the land, and \$81,000 on the timber.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(From The Argus)
T. M. Kelso, residing on the Coleman place, near the Minter Bridge, while riding a bicycle across the structure Friday evening, sustained a fall of nearly 30 feet, causing the loss of an eye. Kelso will recover although he is suffering from internal injuries. He was recently married to Miss Della Coleman.

C. E. Whitmore, of near Laurel, yesterday, brought in two coyote pelts, for which he received \$20 bounty. The state pays \$10 each for their scalps.

Dr. F. J. Bailey is now practicing at Suplee, Oregon, beyond Prineville. He is in charge of some mineral springs, and besides taking care of the home practice some times rides 50 miles to see a patient.

An inscription on the minutes of the county clerk's record of date 1854, Washington County, reads: "Easton versus Easton. Dismissed. This cause is dismissed and the costs gone to him."

Frank Weisenbeck, of Reedville, fell from a horse the other day and dislocated a shoulder.

CHRISTIANSSEN—SAPPINGTON

W. M. Christiansen, of Portland, and Miss Amy V. Sappington, of Forest Grove, were united in marriage in Portland, Saturday, July 1, 1916. The bride is a daughter of County Treasurer E. B. Sappington, and the groom is an employee of the Blake McFall Co., of Portland. They will reside in the Rose City.

Spirella Corsets—Not sold in stores. A question and a suggestion. Have you any corset troubles? If so, let Spirella service cure them. Over three million satisfied Spirella wearers testify to the ease, comfort and perfection of style produced by Spirella corsets. Any exclusive designs from which to select the corset best suited to your individual needs. A Spirella residence corsetiere in this field. My advice, experience and training are at your service, without obligation. Appointments by letter or telephone given prompt attention.—Phone Main 384. Residence, Fifth and Jackson, Hillsboro, Ore. 3-16

Philip C. Peik, of near Beaverton, has sued Lewis Nielson, a sawmill proprietor for \$6,062.50 for damages, pain and humiliation, punitive damages, medical bills, etc., caused by an alleged assault made by Nielsen, June 17. He charges that Nielsen struck him on the head with a stick, and seriously injured his chest and head, and that it was without cause or provocation. Peik claims he was able to make \$2.50 per day, and that his nervous system is now so badly shattered that he is unable to perform manual labor.

J. G. Turner, formerly of Lowe & Turner, the well known eye specialists of Portland, will make regular trips to Hillsboro every thirty days in the future. Dr. Lowe leaves for the East July 6, to be gone several months, and Dr. Turner will attend to any of his patrons who may call during Dr. Lowe's absence. Watch papers for dates later.

I. C. Nealeigh, of Scholls, was in town Saturday. He says that all grain and vegetable crops are fine down his way, but that the pears will be scarce. Apples will be a good crop, but the cherries have been practically ruined by the heavy, continuous rains.

Wanted: Your fat hogs, cattle, sheep and lambs, live weight. Highest market prices. We make regular shipments from Hillsboro and Forest Grove. Telephone us what you have.—Peterson Bros., Forest Grove, Ore. 7-16

Leola Blanche Oakes, of Portland, has sued M. E. Oakes for divorce, alleging desertion in 1914. Charge infidelity, also. She asks for the custody of a minor daughter, Irene, and \$10 per month toward support.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Milne recently returned from an overland trip to Seattle. They had no trouble with travel because of high water, but crossed the lowlands with their machine just ahead of the inundation near Kelso.

For Sale—Registered Holstein yearling bull, fine animal; also registered bull calf, two weeks old.—Gerhard Goetze, Cornelius, Route 2, five miles South of Cornelius. 17

Mr. and Mrs. McPheeters returned Saturday from Bend, Oregon, where they found one of the liveliest little cities in the state.

For Sale—A yearling Holstein bull, also a bull calf. These fellows are purebreds and are bargains at the prices I am asking for them.—Frank W. Connell, Hillsboro, Ore., R. 1. 17

Carl Pfahl, Toni Sinay and Gerhard Goetze, of above Blooming, were in the county seat Saturday afternoon.

Frank Lichty, of near Cedar Mill, was up to the hub the last of the week.

FRANK L. MATHEWS DIES OF EXPOSURE

Wife Suing for Divorce, Husband Wraps Self in Quilt, Lays in Storm

BROUGHT TO HOSPITAL AND PASSES

Was About Sixty-five Years of Age, Broken, and Addicted to Drink

Frank L. Mathews, aged about 65 years, perished Sunday, from the effects of exposure sustained Saturday night. Some days ago Mathews' wife, who is a hard-working, estimable woman, sued the husband for divorce, alleging that he would not work, and that he frequented card tables, spending what little substance he had. Mathews tried hard to make a reconciliation, but the wife refused to talk with him. Saturday night he went to the home in Forest Grove, wrapped himself in an old quilt, and proceeded to lay down in a storm. He was found late in the night, moaning from the exposure, and Sheriff Reeves despatched Emmett Quick to the college town to bring the delinquent to the Hillsboro Hospital. The exposure was too much for the old gentleman, who was in a weakened condition, and he died about ten o'clock Sunday morning.

Mathews has been in the Grove but a few years, and has done but little work, the wife having provided the livelihood by means of sewing. They were married in the East. Mathews came to Hillsboro last week to see Sheriff Reeves, and tried to get the official to intervene and have the wife talk over matters, but to no avail.

Investigation has shown that that Mathews must have swallowed some rat poison, as he smelled strongly of some chemical. While the poison might have been taken it is more than probable that the exposure was the chief cause of death.

S. P. & P. E. & E.

All, except the P. R. & N., trains are electric, and stop at the depot on Main Street.

TO PORTLAND

Forest Grove Train	6:50 a. m.
McMinnville Train	7:36
Sheridan Train	10:03
Forest Grove Train	12:50 p. m.
McMinnville Train	2:15
Forest Grove Train	4:10
Eugene Train	4:55
McMinnville Train	6:40
Forest Grove Train	9:50

FROM PORTLAND

Eugene Train	8:15 a. m.
McMinnville Train	10:03
Forest Grove Train	11:59
Forest Grove Train	3:14 p. m.
Sheridan Train	4:33
Forest Grove Train	6:40
McMinnville Train	7:15
Forest Grove Train	9:00
McMinnville Train	12:15

All trains stop on flag at Sixth and Main; at North Range and Fir streets, Sixth and Fir Sts., and at Tenth street. Steam Service from old depot at foot of Second Street

TO PORTLAND

P. R. & N. Train 4:30 p. m.

FROM PORTLAND

P. R. & N. Train 9:15 a. m.

Motor Car Service

To Buxton	12:25 p. m.
To Timber	4:20
From Timber	9:55 a. m.
From Buxton	2:10 p. m.

Beach Special—Daily

To Tillamook	3:02 p. m.
From Tillamook	9:22 p. m.

OREGON ELECTRIC TRAINS

To Portland—55 minutes.

6:32	a. m.
7:18	a. m.
8:28	a. m.
9:58	a. m.
12:43	p. m.
3:58	p. m.
5:43	p. m.
8:10	p. m.
9:38 (Sat. only)	p. m.
From Portland—55 minutes.	
7:54	a. m.
9:20	a. m.
11:25	a. m.
2:12	p. m.
4:27	p. m.
6:25	p. m.
7:13	p. m.
8:26 (Sat. only)	p. m.
12:25	a. m.

M. Rasmussen, of below Orenco, was a county seat visitor Friday.

Buy your Kodaks and supplies at the Delta Drug Store. tf.

Mrs. Alvina Fuller, of Portland, was the guest of Mrs. R. Heater, Sunday.

Bring or send us your Kodak films. We do developing and printing. The Delta Drug Store.

John Milne, of near North Plains, visited the city the last of the week.

The big band concert—seventy pieces—was cancelled Sunday, owing to the threatening weather.

All the latest Kodaks and Brownie Cameras at the Delta Drug Store.

For Sale—Ten head yearling and two year old Cotswold ewes. In fine shape. Address Box 102 A, Hillsboro, Ore., R. 3. 18.

Clifford Long, of Portland, was in town Sunday, the guest of his brother L. A. Long and family.

Nursery stock, fine roses, asparagus roots, outdoors grown cabbage plants, now ready—4 to 8 inches.—Morton's Greenhouse.

Will Darcy and J. E. Campbell, of beyond North Plains, were in the city Monday, and called on the Argus.

Money to loan on first-class farm security.—Washington County Abstract & Title Company; by E. J. McAlear, Manager. 4tf

Jos. Werre, of Oak Park, son-in-law of Mrs. Viohl, has leased the Herman Koehnke place of 95 acres under cultivation, and will take charge October 1. He will conduct a dairy and expects to milk 20 or 25 cows.

M. G. Hughes will tune your piano and guarantee high-grade work. Special attention given to player work, action regulating, voicing and repairing. Phone Hillsboro, City 515, or address Cornelius, Oregon. 15-19

L. A. Fernsworth, who was a candidate for the legislature at the last primaries, and who has edited the Banks Herald for several years, has enlisted with the Oregon National Guard, and was mustered in last Friday, at Camp Withycombe.

Oakland is not satisfied with the pitching of Higganbotham, and unless the veteran twirler does better in the near future he will get his release. Hig doesn't appear to have the steam of his earlier years.

John M. Scott, G. P. A., of Portland; Everette H. Williams, T. P. A., Kansas City; N. M. Kean, T. P. A., of Chicago; J. W. Crump, Assistant Ticket Agent, Boston, Mass., and W. C. Gilbert, Purser of the Steamship Antilles, passed through the city Friday, on a trip of sight-seeing around the Loop.

Butter Day—Every Friday will be Butter Day at the Reynold's Hardware & Package Grocery. On this day you will get a special price. We carry the highest grade of butter made—the Clear Creek brand, this Friday, 55 cts the 2 lb. roll.

Former Hillsboro residents down along the Columbia write that the high water has made many settlers on the various islands below Portland more than anxious, and quite a number have moved to higher ground to await the subsiding of the flood.

For Sale—Furniture and furnishings of boarding house which accommodates 12 or 15 people, at Orenco. Am selling on account of death in the family; chickens and chicken yards in connection.—J. W. Enochs, Orenco, Oregon. 18

Geo. Miller, of Cooper Mountain, was in town Friday, having a chat over old times with Dr. C. W. Lowe, who leaves at once for the East and will in a few weeks visit with the two's boyhood friends in old Catawba County, N. C. Lowe and Miller were school mates in the old tarheel state.

For Sale—Dwarf Essex Rape seed, finely cleaned, at market price. Also Banded Plymouth Rock eggs, O. A. C. strain, 75 cents per setting of 15. Also a few pure bred Jersey cows with official records.—Wm. Schulermerich, Hillsboro, Ore.

Dr. J. O. Robb and wife departed for San Francisco the first of the week, and they are making the trip overland. Dr. Robb will take a six weeks post-graduate course at the Golden Gate City, and at the same time visit many points of interest around the California metropolis. They go equipped to camp along the way and expect a good time as soon as they get out of the rain belt.

BANKS MILL COMPANY TO REBUILD STRUCTURE

Mill Will be Smaller Than That Destroyed by Fire

HOW THINGS ARE GOING IN STATE

Valley Rains Insure Splendid Crops, Grain and Vegetables

The Eccles mill will be rebuilt at Banks, but will be smaller than the one destroyed by fire.

In reconstructing penitentiary buildings, all Oregon building material will be used.

Chemawa—Government Indian School will expend \$12,500 on enlarging auditorium, \$5,000 on new sewers and \$12,000 on new building.

Coquille—67.2 pounds of butter fat is record for one cow in the month of May.

Baker—Muddy Creek district voted \$15,000 to build new school at once.

Springfield—S. P. Co. puts on special train to handle increased log output from Mohawk Valley.

Eugene—Careful survey of flax crop by State University shows profit of \$36.50 per acre. Eugene company to manufacture hand made sport and outing shoes for men and women.

Roseburg Brewing & Ice Co. reorganize to operate soft drink and cold storage plant.

St. Helens—John Phillips has contract to get out \$100,000 paving blocks.

Milton's new Carnegie Library to cost \$9500—work started.

Silver Lake—Railroad to Klamath Falls being surveyed.

Lumber mills of Northwest restrict output—lay off one day in the week.

Sheridan rebuilding burned cannery and installing fruit juice factory.

Vale—American Nitrate Co. has 45 men at work in Lake county.

Grants Pass—Takilma smelter not used since 1908 to be put in commission.

Port Orford wharf to be reconstructed by S. F. lumber company.

Oregon City—Several new school houses to go up, costing \$15,000.

Portland has \$500,000 street improvements under way.

Salem—Mile of paving to go down on S. Commercial St.

Paisley—Bond election carries three to one for \$30,000 high school.

Pilot Rock—200,000 lbs. wool sold here at 21¢ to 31¢ cts. per lb. Roseburg may get a large fruit packing plant.

INDICTED FOR BURGLARY

Bennett Thompson, in jail on the charge of murdering Mrs. Jennings, and also held on the charge of burglary, was indicted last Friday on the latter information. He is charged with burglarizing the Japanese wood camp near the Jennings' home. The agency that first led the officials to believe Thompson committed the burglary was a pair of Japanese scissors, fashioned like a pair of sheep shears, only they were not over four or six inches in length. Several suits of underwear, some shoes, shirts, and much other loot was taken from the Jap domicile, and some of it was found hidden on the Jennings place, and the Japs identify much of the clothing, some of which was found in the possession of Thompson, so the allegation goes.

BIDS FOR WOOD

Bids will be received until July 21st, 1916, and then opened, for furnishing the Orenco School District with wood as follows:

5 cords Oak.
36 cords first class Old Fir.

Oak wood to be not less than 4 inches or more than 8 inches in diameter. Wood to be piled at the School House so that it can be measured; and delivered by Sept. 1, 1916. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Dated July 1, 1916.

H. McDonough, Clerk.

NOTICE

The Recall Committee wants all those who circulated recall petitions to report to Claud Johnson, Sherwood, Ore., R. 4, stating number of names turned in; also number on hand at present time. Recall Committee.

THE CONVENIENT WAY OF KEEPING MONEY ON HAND



WITHOUT the consequent risk is through the universally approved check-book, which has become an earmark of affluence, conservatism and substance. The men of mark in your community do business with their check-books. Are you one of them?

4 Per Cent. Interest On Savings
American National Bank
Main and Third Sts., Hillsboro, Ore.

LUMBER

For Less Than Wholesale Cost

We have an immense stock of all kinds of lumber. This stock we are going to move this Summer, and to do so we offer you a big saving. This lumber was bought for less than cost of manufacture and enables us to sell this now CHEAP. No matter where you live in Washington County, we can beat any and all competition offered. Write us or call us up and we will show you what a LOW PRICE WE WILL MAKE and WHAT YOU WILL SAVE. We deliver anywhere. Remember that this is the BIGGEST PRICE CUTTING IN LUMBER THIS COUNTY EVER HAD. Send in your material list NOW for this year's needs. We can give terms.

Badger Lumber Co.

Main St. and P. R. & N. Ry. Co's. Tracks.
ABSOLUTELY
Everything in Building Material

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Prices Reasonable
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DID YOU EVER CONSIDER

That your watch is normally "on the job" 24 hours each day?

That in each 24 hours the balance wheel vibrates more than 400,000 times?

That a variation of 100,000 of a minute in each of these vibrations would cause a variation of more than 4 minutes a day in the time of your watch?

BY ACTUAL COUNT

143 distinct parts must be given individual attention when the average watch is properly cleaned and oiled.

IF YOU HAVE NOT

Thought of these little details, do so now, and give us an opportunity to demonstrate the extremely close timing which fine tools, skill and experience can accomplish with your watch.

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The Shute Savings Bank