

COLLECTING COOS TAXES

The New System Adds Much Work to the Sheriff's Office.

The new system of collecting taxes has been adopted in Sheriff Gage's office this year, which it is claimed will be a great saving to the county, as the chance to miss anyone's description is reduced to a very small percentage, under the old system a large percentage being missed, and the county was out considerable money. Under the system it required three volumes with 29 lines to the page, and the personal and real property taxes were lumped together. This year there are six volumes and 39 lines to the page, and real and personal taxes are separated. Deputy Sheriff Gage informs the Sentinel that as the system is new it is difficult to work out to perfection, for the reason that it is difficult to obtain the necessary office help to transact the business. Heretofore it took only a small force to collect the taxes, but this year it seems impossible to obtain competent clerks to do the necessary work, and the six volumes have compelled them to use the circuit court room for the collection of taxes. If the new system proves successful it will be necessary for the sheriff to have a larger office than the present one, as the books when opened up measure about 72 inches, and it will require a large room to hold the six of them and the other necessary blanks.

Up to Tuesday there had been paid in about \$5,000 out of a total collection of \$260,265.78. Deputy Gage informs us that very little kicking is being done, and they all seem to be anxious to take advantage of the three per cent discount, some of the old settlers claiming "that they have lived in this wooden world long enough to exempt them from paying any more taxes". They forget the old adage that the only thing a man can expect from the time he is born is the tax collector and the undertaker.—Coquille Sentinel.

DOG POISONER AT WORK.

County Seat Canine Owner's Suffer From Deprivations.

During the past week or two several dogs belonging to citizens of this place have been poisoned by scattering slices of bacon covered with arsenic on the streets. Among those who have lost dogs by the poison route are T. H. Mehl, Robt. Watson, Ed. Lorenz, M. J. Hartson and Mr. Dashney, who lost a valuable Scotch collie which he brought from Duluth, Minn., a year ago. All of these were good bird dogs and were harmless, never bothering anyone and it seems strange that a person will take this method of getting rid of dogs which were good for something, and the street mongrels which are snapping at everyone's heels go unharmed. It is a state prison offense to throw poison on the streets, and if those who have lost dogs find out who the guilty party is they will see that he gets the limit.—Coquille Sentinel.

Today's ads. should find some desirable tenants for some desirable properties.

The much-lauded "power of the press" is never more usefully employed than in assisting a worthy store to become a bigger store.

WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO AVOID IT

An Official Treatise on the Grip by the Oregon Board of Health.

To Coos Bay people who have been recent victims of the grip it may be some consolation to know that it is an aristocrat of diseases. It has descended from the oldest families, having come down from twenty centuries.

Influenza, or la grippe and how to cure and prevent it is exhaustively treated in one of the recent bulletins of the state board of health by Dr. E. A. Pierce. Its history and peculiarities are well described and much information of value is contained in the paper.

"Lagrippe is an acute infectious disease whose history dates back 2,000 years," read the paper. "It frequents all parts of the civilized world and attacks all ages and conditions of life. It may be carried long distances in the clothing. In the last great epidemic the disease spread from St. Petersburg to the state of Kansas in two months.

"Children as a rule have the disease much less severely than adults. The aged and poor in health suffer most. La grippe is the cause of more consumption than all other causes combined. People who live or sit in badly ventilated or overheated rooms or in crowded assemblages, upon going out into the fresh cold air, are often chilled and the disease follows.

"The symptoms of the disease are usually, first, a tired feeling, followed by sneezing and a sense of having taken cold; pain and aching of the body. Constipation and fever are almost always present. If the bronchial tract or lungs are the seat of the trouble, a tightness of the chest and cough will follow. This may rapidly lead to bronchitis or pneumonia.

"If people would avoid la grippe, ravages, it will be necessary for them to work, eat and sleep regularly to avoid all excesses, keep in the open air as much as possible, avoid over-heated and badly ventilated apartments, keep the bowels regular, and avoid patent medicines and nostrums, and in a word keep the bodily vigor at its highest possible standard."

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals are invited and will be received by the directors of School District No. 53, Coos county, Oregon, until April 15, 1908, for the construction of a school house 22x36, with 14-foot ceiling, contractor to furnish all material. Work to be completed by July 1, 1908. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Hall & Hall, Marshfield, or at the clerk of said district. The board of directors of said district reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the board of directors of said district pg-BqR. Tolna, Clerk of District No. 53, Coos County, Ore. B. F. SAVAGE, Clerk.

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EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW LIGHT PLANT

Coos Bay Gas and Electric Light Company Will Shortly Receive Mammoth Wright-Corliss Engine.

Construction is about completed on the building in the rear of the Simpson mill at Porter, which will house the plant of the Coos Bay Gas and Electric Light Company. Under shipment is a Wright-Corliss engine which will supply power for the electric light current for Marshfield and North Bend. The engine is of monster proportions. It measures 29 feet long, weighs 190,000 pounds, and has an eighteen-foot fly wheel with a four-foot face and eleven-inch shaft, and a 42x32-inch cylinder. The engine is of 800 horse power, but Seymour Bell states that, for present needs, only 400 will be developed. There is sufficient power to run both the electric light system and a trolley, and he says that even this tax would not require quite all of the full capacity. Six tubular boilers of 150 pounds pressure are now en route from the Hodges-Casey Company, Chattanooga, Tenn. They are of the automatic feed type, equipped with an arch chamber leading into the chimney. Last, but not least, a monitor stop will be installed in the main offices in Marshfield, by which the entire plant can be stopped simultaneously. The first shipment of machinery is due on this Alliance.

BANDON BREVITIES.

News of the Week as Found in the Columns of the Recorder.

Miss Annie Waldvogel left recently to take charge of the school at Sumner, where she taught last term, she will finish the term.

Varney & Tuttle, the news and variety dealers, dissolved partnership Thursday evening of last week. Mr. Varney selling to his partner and retiring from the firm. Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle will run the business.

S. C. Smith, the millwright at Cody's who was seriously injured two weeks ago, is able to again return to work. And the widows are accordingly happy.

E. M. Blackerby has received \$1,000 on the life of his deceased wife from the Fraternal Aid Society, one of Bandon's lodges.

Ole Holland had the misfortune to break a bone in his ankle while longshoring last Monday.

Charles H. Bramley is the new business manager of Marsden's wholesale liquor house in Bandon. Charley is a popular fellow, and the business will suffer none at his hands.

The residence of Charles Lorenz was burglarized some time last week and many valuable articles taken. A search warrant revealed the articles in the house of a neighboring family. Prosecutions will probably follow.

Captain Ott Willard is preparing to move his family from Coquille to Bandon, he having started the erection of a house in the western part of town. Captain Willard, as all know, is having a passenger boat built for the Bandon-Coquille run, and his headquarters are going to be at this end of the line.

Frands Thomsen, who was up last Saturday from his widely known dairy below Langlois, tells us that he

has ordered and is now installing six milking machines and a gas engine and pump on the ranch. This machines will expedite the work of drawing the lacteal fluid from his 150 dairy cows.

The many friends of Reeves, the barber, will be pleased to learn that he has bought the three-chair shop of a barber house in North Bend, and will continue one of our Coos county community.

Charles Daly and mother left for their future home at Eureka, Cal., the first of the week, traveling by private conveyance down the coast.

A. E. White, the Columbia avenue groceryman, was called to the bedside of his sick father recently. He left Friday morning for the parental home in Lloyd, Wisconsin.

George A. Gage, who is now marketing a fine article of coal from his mine at Riverton, was in town last Friday. He announced his intention of putting up a receiving shed for his product on the West End dock, in the rear of the Hotel Gallier, in the near future, and will cater to the wants of the people of Bandon.

Alvin Munck expects to move his business from the Blackerby building to the fine new quarters near the woolen mill about the first of March. His place will then be known as the Eagle saloon instead of the Anchor bar.

Work on the extension and filling in of the north jetty of the bar goes steadily ahead, rain or shine, and Mr. Jacobson proposes losing just as little time as possible. We shall have more to say about this work in a future issue.

J. H. Price, the ship builder, is on a visit to Portland and San Francisco. Accompanying him when he left was C. E. Bland, the gentleman who came here as the representative of the McKay estate, for whom Mr. Price has begun the construction of a new and second steam schooner at his yard. Mr. Bland greatly enjoyed his stay among us, and promises to come again soon.

Post Card Views Of the Smith Mill

We have eight special souvenir cards of the C. A. Smith Mill. Just the thing to send your eastern and western friends to show what we have on Coos Bay. They would be very appropriate to go with a copy of The Times if you send one away. We also have 80 other local post card views. Be a booster. Mail a card to your friends.

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