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Montavilla Residents Pay High School Levy and Are Ready to Pay More.

TWENTY MILLS RATE FOR PRESENT SEASON

Next Year New Building May Have to Be Built and a Tax Six Times Greater Than Adjoining Suburbs Raise Probably Will Be Necessary.

The east side office of The Journal is in the store of J. M. O. Miller, 300 East Morrison street. Telephone East 27.

Montavilla citizens are not worried about high school levies. For years they have not paid less than 15 mills for school purposes, while Mount Tabor was paying 3 and 4 and the residents of the villa find less difficulty in voting and paying 15 or 20 mills than most suburban districts do in raising a quarter of these amounts. This year the district paid 20 mills for its school and there was only money enough to meet the expenses and pay off \$1,000 of the bonded debt of the district. Next year the citizens will favor a levy that will enable them to pay off another \$1,000, bringing the bonded debt down to \$9,000, and leaving the district free of indebtedness. There was a time when the district had a burden of \$16,000 and a levy of 25 mills and even then there was not much complaint, some property owners selling one lot in order to pay their school tax on the other three or four.

Tonight the annual meeting of the taxpayers of the district will be held, and though there are some problems that require generous taxation to solve, the sentiment of the villa is for a tax big enough to meet the emergency. Besides the regular expenses and the payment of the \$1,000 on the bonded account, it is probable that a two-room building will have to be erected next summer to take care of classes. The district has one 18-room building and an enrollment of more than 400 pupils. In consequence the various rooms are badly crowded, the teachers are overworked and some relief may have to be given.

"Oh, it may be necessary to vote 2 or 3 mills extra to build a two-room house," said President Gus Johnson of the board yesterday, "but if we need the building we will build it. It has been so long since we were able to levy less than 15 or 20 mills that we will not worry about an extra mill or two."

This stand seems to be that of the other board members and the citizens generally, and since the school tax is the only money the residents raise that is expended locally the heavier burden does not seem so onerous. The receipt accorded the collector.

The district has had its property increased in value by the assessor and next year a 10-mill levy on the villa will mean as much as a 25 or 30-mill levy did last year. The secret of the district's big levy is found in the fact that while Mount Tabor with 600 children has a valuation of considerably more than \$1,000,000, Montavilla with more than 400 pupils has a valuation of only about \$400,000. The board will recommend that a 15-mill levy be levied, and it is found that a new building is not essential; if a new building is required the levy will be about 12 mills, or five times that of the adjoining district of Mount Tabor.

INSURANCE TOO HIGH

Business Men Complain That Mills Are Not Regarded By Companies.

Business men in the central east side district assert that the insurance companies are not doing their share in encouraging improvement of the section, which for so long has been allowed to be neglected without street improvements or new buildings. This season the district has been given a boom, East Washington street has been filled and work is progressing rapidly on East Morrison, with the Grand avenue fill already authorized. Danger from fire has been greatly decreased, it is said, and when the work on East Water street is completed the warehouse district will be well protected. The highway, said Yamhill, on which an elevated roadway has recently been completed, allowing the firemen ready access to every part of the district, much of which is also under the range of the fireboat hoses.

The East Side Improvement association is investigating and has discovered that no reductions have been made on account of the fill already completed, and that the board of underwriters offers no hope that any material reduction will be made, even when the lots are filled to basement level and the elevated roadways are replaced by grade. The only thing so far held out as an inducement is the abolishing of the percent for below grade exposure, which is a small part of the present rate.

The association members are certain that disastrous fires can never occur once the elevated roadways are filled and the fireboat and engine companies allowed to reach easily the points of danger. Because the risk will be so much reduced, the reductions offered by the board seem inadequate, and a campaign has been started that will probably not end until the head officials at San Francisco have passed on the question. In certain districts considerable reductions were made when the fireboat was established, but through most of the central district the rate is still higher than seems justified by the risk.

SUBURBAN SKATING RINK

The first suburban skating rink will be built soon in University Park, and it is planned to run not only a large rink through the coming season, but also to install a bowling alley and other amusement devices. H. G. Gilroy has purchased a tract of 100 by 125 feet on Dawson street, near Stanford street, and early in January work will be commenced on a rink. To this time Montavilla has been the only suburb where an amusement place of this sort has been conducted, the bowling alley there having been opened last summer, and proved a good investment. The increase in population in several of the more distant suburbs has opened a field for rinks, bowling alleys and similar resorts, and the residents are coming to depend less on the city amusement places and more on the home attractions, especially in the suburbs, where half an hour's ride is necessary to reach the city.

EAST SIDE NOTES.

The council plans to extend four important east side streets and viewers soon will be appointed to determine the value of the necessary property. The

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SAYS CITY THINKS IT HAS MORTGAGE ON IDAHO

And So Portland Is Doing All It Can to Enhance the Security.

"In Portland they act as if they think they have a big mortgage on Idaho and see the necessity of doing everything they can to build up the country and enhance the security," said Montie B. Gwin, executive committee chairman of the national irrigation congress to the Capital News on his return to Boise. He said that Portland Commercial club had planned to run a big excursion to Boise in June, supposing the next congress would be held at that time, but that if the congress were held in August or September the Commercial club would run the June excursion just the same and then another excursion for the congress.

"I did not meet a business man but said he was coming to the congress," said Mr. Gwin. "They will come on their own train and have the sleeping cars set on sidetracks to be used for their accommodations during the congress. For they realize that Boise hotel accommodations are limited. But we will see that they are well fed and entertained."

While in Portland Mr. Gwin talked with officials of the Commercial club, chamber of commerce and Harriman railroad lines, and he was strongly im-

BEST CITIZENS PICKED TO SERVE ON JURIES

Presiding Judge Arthur L. Fraser is spending a part of his Yuletide holidays in helping select the list of 500 taxpayers who will be held liable to serve on juries in the circuit court during 1906. It is the purpose of Judge Fraser to have this new list composed of men who have not served on juries for some years, men who are representative citizens and who will make the local circuit court juries known throughout the Pacific coast.

Some time ago Judge Fraser announced from the bench that he did not care to have juries composed of riffraff picked up.

Committed to Asylum.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Woodburn, Or., Dec. 29.—Annie Shafer, aged 35 years, was taken to the insane asylum yesterday. She was cook at the Hotel Woodburn and became so violent that she had to be handcuffed.

streets are: Woodlawn, for four blocks; East Seventeenth, from East Taylor to Brown's addition; East Eighteenth, from East Morrison to East Salmon, and East Twenty-eighth, from Hawthorne to Dolan's addition.

President A. W. Lambert of the Citizens' bank has purchased the Odd Fellows' home farm at Fairview. The price paid for the 100 acres was \$5,000. The farm is partly cleared, and a four-story building is on the place.

Milwaukee Grange opened a farmers' institute at the town hall today. J. H. Reid, fruit inspector; B. Harry, state fruit commissioner at Dilly; Professor Kent of the Agricultural college, and W. K. K. Newell were the speakers. Yesterday an institute was held at Maple lane and tomorrow there will be a meeting at Russellville under the auspices of the grange there.

The Peninsula Feed & Fuel company has purchased a lot 100 by 15 feet adjoining its warehouse site in University Park, and will erect a large blacksmith shop on the premises.

GOVERNOR IS SANTA CLAUS TO NATIONAL GUARD

Officers in Return Present Him With Certificate for Another Term.

Governor George E. Chamberlain essayed the role of Santa Claus at a joyously inspected, parade review and muster of the local companies of the Oregon National Guard at the Multnomah County Armory last evening. The military features of the evening were followed by a dance for the enlisted men and their friends and a Christmas tree and banquet for the officers, the latter being held in the officers' room. It was at that point in the evening's entertainment that Governor Chamberlain took the part of Santa Claus, taking Christmas presents from the brightly illuminated tree and presenting them to the officers present. Many of the gifts were symbolic of hobbies of the officers and caused much merriment. At the conclusion of the present distribution Governor Chamberlain was presented with a certificate of election for an ensuing term, which provoked much laughter and hearty applause.

The review and inspection was viewed by the governor and the members of his staff. They were conducted under the command of Colonel Gantebien. Adjutant-General W. E. Finer also was present. The governor complimented the guardsmen upon their appearance and presented company M with a silver cup, a trophy won three successive years for making the highest average of marksmanship.

GROGERS OPPOSED TO PROPOSED COFFEE TAX

Aid of the Portland chamber of commerce has been asked by the Portland Retail Grocers' association to prevent threatened imposition of a tax on coffee. The association has adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, Certain capitalists who are interested in the production of coffee in our nearby possessions are making strenuous efforts to secure the imposition of a tax on that commodity; and

"Whereas, It is the sense of this organization that any such action would

not only be detrimental to the trade in general, but, in addition, would impose an unjust burden on the great mass of consumers.

"Resolved, That we earnestly protest against the placing of any tax on either coffee or tea, and that a copy of these resolutions be mailed to our representatives in congress; and, further, that the members of this association, by personal letters or otherwise, urge their representatives to use every influence opposed to such action."

The chamber trustees will meet next Tuesday and take action on the resolution.

WOULD LET EVERY MAN BE HIS OWN PLUMBER

Walter H. Wahl, a building contractor, is of the opinion that plumbers should not be required to take out licenses and that everybody who desires should be permitted to do his own plumbing. He is much opposed to the additional

charges for plumbing inspection and licenses for plumbers which were recommended in the annual report of William Hey, plumbing inspector.

"I believe in giving the poor man a chance," said Mr. Wahl today. "At the present time a man cannot build a house unless he employs some of these licensed plumbers to do his plumbing and they charge not less than \$10 a day. If a man employs a plumber who is not licensed the others will have him arrested. This is not fair to the poor man, who could perhaps get his work done much more cheaply if licenses were not required.

"It does not seem to me that it would make any difference whether a plumber has a license or not, just so long as he does work that is up to the standard and has it examined by plumbing inspectors or health officers."

CHOLERA KILLING LANE COUNTY HOGS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Eugene, Or., Dec. 28.—A large number of hogs belonging to Joseph Davies, residing north of the city, have died in a mysterious manner within the last week and the owner was at a loss to account for it until yesterday, when County Stock Inspector Mathews, accompanied by a veterinary surgeon, made an investigation and found that the hogs had died from swine plague or cholera. Davies thought they had been poisoned in some way.

Forest Grove Block Sold.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Forest Grove, Or., Dec. 28.—John W. Caples of this place has purchased the Woods and Adams business block. It is one of the most desirable pieces of realty in the city. The price paid is reported to have been \$11,000.

Saturday Special

\$2.50 UMBRELLA STAND FOR ONLY \$1.25

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