THREE PRINCIPAL COUNTY OFFICES SHOW BIG GAINS

Multnomah County Taxpayers May Be Interested in Following Figures Setting Forth Expenses and Receipts.

Much interest to Multnomah county taxpayers attaches to a comparative statement of the business and expenses of the three principal offices of the county for a term of years extending from 1902 to the present. Such a statement has been prepared, showing the record of different administrations in the county clerk's, the sheriff's and the assessor's offices.

This statement shows that in the county clerk's office there has been an increase in receipts of from $33,973.03 in 1903 to $75,392.58 in 1909, or an increase in business of 120 per cent.

For the same period the expenses increased frpm $27,607.93 in 1903 to $39,181.83 in 1909, or an increase of 42 per cent.

Taking the sheriff's office, the expenses for 1903 in the legal department totalled $13,476.43; in 1909 they were $20,083.94, or an increase over that time of 48 per cent. The expenses in the tax collecting department in 1903 were $13,818.86, and in 1909 were $20,566.37, an increase of 55 per cent.

Shows Big Gain.

The assessor's office shows the biggest percentage of gain in cost of either of the other three. Its expenses in 1903 were $11,176.95. In 1909 they were $33,835.24, making a total increase for the office of 203 per cent.

The record of the county clerk's office since 1902 shows some interesting figures, inasmuch as it shows that the office, under the present administration has been put on a paying basis, and has returned big sums to the treasury of the county, where, under the administrations of S. C. Beach, J. P. Kennedy, H. H. Holmes and L. Q. Swetland, it reported a big deficit at the end of each term.

In July, 1902, the offices of clerk of the circuit court, clerk of the county court and county recorder were consolidated under the one office of county clerk.

Record of Offices.

The comparative statement showing the record of the offices before and after consolidation is as follows:

Recorder's office under Seneca C. Beach, July, 1900, to July, 1902—Number instruments recorded, 18,196; receipts, $19,233.87; expenses, $21,231.95. Expense to county, $2098.38.

Recording department under F. S. Fields, July, 1908, to July, 1910—Number of instruments recorded, 76,529; receipts, $81,085.86; expenses, $25,387.14 (being one-third of total.) Profit to county recording department, $55,698.72.

Clerk of the circuit court under J. P. Kennedy, July, 1900, to July, 1902—Number of court cases, 1364; receipts, $17,459.68; expenses, $27,309.53. Expense to county, $9849.85.

Circuit court department under F. S. Fields, July, 1908, to July, 1910—Number of court cases, 4369; receipts, $31,657.80; expenses, $25,587.14 (being one-third of total). Profit to county circuit court department, $6270.66. (Fees are less now than in 1900-1902.)

Clerk of the county court under H. H. Holmes and L. Q. Swetland, July, 1900, to July, 1902—Number of marriages, 2113; number of probate cases, 579; receipts, $12,529.30; expenses, $30,994.97. Expense to county, $18,465.67.

Clerk of the county court under F. S. Fields—Number of marriages, 5417; number of probate cases, 1192; receipts, $35,679.25; expenses, $25,387.14 (being one-third of total). Profit to county court department, $10,292.11.

Summary—July, 1900, to July, 1902, under former administration—Receipts, $49,222.65; expenses, $79,636.45. Expense to county, $30,414.90. July, 1908, to July, 1910 (under present county clerk)—Receipts, $148,422.91; expenses, $76,161.42. Profit to county, $72,261.49. Difference in two years, $102,675.39.

Other Interesting Figures.

The figures showing the amount of business, the percentage of increase in business, the amount of expenses and the percentage of expense increase from 1903 to 1909, inclusive, for the offices of county clerk, sheriff and assessor, are as follows:

County Clerk's Office.

	Receipts	P. C. increase over 1903.	Expenses.	P. C. increase over 1903.
1903	$33,973.03	..	$27,607.93	..
1904	38,871.18	15	29,224.26	6
1905	53,677.01	58	27,612.63	..
1906	55,653.85	64	31,899.86	15
1907	58,970.04	74	32,442.01	16
1908	64,150.05	88	38,796.67	40
1909	75,392.58	120	39,181.83	42

Sheriff's Office.

	Legal Dept. Expenses.	P. C. increase over 1903.	Tax Collecting Dept. Expenses.	P. C. increase over 1903.
1903	$13,476.43	...	$13,818.86	..
1904	14,663.86	8	16,830.56	21
1905	15,266.80	13	17,954.87	30
1906	14,999.75	11	14,294.14	3
1907	16,785.69	24	16,724.06	21
1908	19,716.62	44	19,619.17	43
1909	20,083.94	48	20,566.37	55

Assessor's Office.

	Expenses.	Per cent increase over 1903.
1903	$11,176.95	...
1904	17,427.89	55
1905	17,804.83	58
1906	20,018.06	78
1907	23,293.73	108
1908	29,864.67	167
1909	33,835.24	203

GARBAGE SHOULD BE COLLECTED BY CITY—DR. CHIPMAN

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each other's paths daily, work little at night, when they are supposed to, but make most of their collections in the middle of the day.

A garbage collector stopped his team at 12:30 p. m. yesterday in front of a Fifth street cafeteria. His wagon was an aged and leaky vehicle partially filled with a malodorous mass of decayed pickings. Over the stuff hung a swarm of flies. These had perfect opportunity to dart into the eating place, where several hundred people were taking their lunch, whenever they became tired of garbage. The garbage collector hung nosebags on his horses and let them take their noonday lunch while he proceeded to seek for more garbage in the basement.

Requested to Cover Wagon.

Obedient to the complaints of his guests, the proprietor induced the collector to spread a bit of gunny sack over the mess, but this small protection he immediately removed when he brought out several boxes full of more decayed stuff, which he proceeded first to dump into his leaky cart, then to press down with his feet.

In an east side home a little child lay seriously ill. It was an apartment where several families had residence. The garbage collector came. He tramped his way to the topmost flat. He brought down the garbage and tramped it down in the load he had already secured with his feet. Then he went back up the stairs again and his shoes were dripping with the stuff as he walked. The collector was noisy, a stench rose up from his wagon and the flies hovered over the load and the places where he had trod. Although the garbage was being removed in both instances, it did not seem that the main object of such removal, the conservation of public health, was being well served.

There are 50,000 or more families in Portland beside business places, and they pay from $1 to $12 a month for the privilege of perpetuating the system of garbage collection which the city at present does ont control.

Denounces Present System.

Harry N. Napier, superintendent of the garbage crematory and the five-acre garbage heap which the crematory to come is to burn, has also become wrought up over the system of garbage collection now in vogue. He made an extended report to the members of the city board of health yesterday, in which he recommended that the city look after its own business. His first statement read:

"The present method of (garbage) collections is unsatisfactory and objectionable and must soon be superseded by something more efficient. The daily press, public sentiment and public health require that an improvement be made as quickly as practicable.

"Seattle's condition is as bad, but $90,000 have just been appropriated for the building of two new crematories, and a much larger sum for the installation of a municipal system of collection. The existing condition for collection of garbage in Portland is termed the license system, where 100 private scavengers collect and transport through the streets, garbage in leaky wooden carts that are carelessly left uncovered which are extremely obnoxious and unsanitary.

Fee Exorbitant.

"With this condition, the householder is obliged to employ such an outfit at whatever price the scavenger may choose to charge them, which in many cases is exorbitant but unavoidable due to an agreement among the scavengers. This is true principally, through the summer months when people cannot retain or allow the garbage to stand many days. One instance of this exorbitant charge is at Kenton, where the people were compelled to form a pool and subscribe $10 for a scavenger to gather about one ton of garbage. In Woodlawn we have instances of people telephoning to the health office and crematory scavengers, but up to the present time we are without service and a great deal of criticism is cast upon the city officials.

"From this the board can realize that the outlying districts suffer from lack of collection, while the central districts suffer from too much collection undeg the present system."

By this last assertion Mr. Napier meant that in the central districts, where the hauls to the crematory are comparatively short and the garbage to be collected considerable, the garbage wagons almost block the streets. But where the haul is long and the customers scattering, getting the garbage collected is as hard as getting water enough for a bath in Ivanhoe.

Poor People Suffer.

In the meantime poor people who cannot afford always to have the garbage and objectionable matter removed, suffer from the abiding presence of the decaying, unsanitary stuff. Mr. Napier, in continuing his report, uses some plain words:

"It has been the custom in many cities, with a like condition, for boards and committees to undertake an improvement by resorting to the contract system, because that was a convenient way for the disposal of a subject not understood. Working under the contract system we naturally are reminded of the Boston garbage scandal, of a few years ago, when, under this system the contractor collected and was paid a certain amount per ton for garbage which the city had no authority to collect or pay for.

"The results of the contract system, in our most important cities, show that under well drawn contracts the contractor has employed inefficient, low grade men, objectionable men or teams, unsanitary wagons and poor service with many complaints from outlying districts, when the contract per ton was a reasonable contract price, and has been nearly as bad as the license system.

"There appears to be a unanimous demand, on the part of health departments and the public generally, for the municipal collection of garbage. If municipal ownership be of advantage in other civic departments, it certainly is in this where it is so closely allied with the health and comfort of the public."

Mr. Napier submits figures showing that a system of municipal garbage collection can be installed at a total cost for wagons, teams, harness, horses and fireproof barns at $50,000. Dr. Chipman, who has been in correspondence with garbage wagon manufacturers, believes that the total cost need not be proportionately so great. The maintenance would be small in comparison with the amount now being paid by householders and others for "independent" collection. The members of the city health board have decided to leave it to the council whether taxes or payments made by those who have garbage collected will defray maintenance cost. But they are, however, determined to use all their influence to induce the city to replace the leaky wagons and daylight collections with steel, sanitary garbage wagons and night collections.

More Cheap Rates.

On August 3, the Canadian Pacific will again place on sale special round trip tickets to eastern points. There will be only one sale date for August. Early reservations should be made.

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Bathing Suit Sale

A seasonable showing of women's and children's Bathing Suits at particularly attractive prices. Several pretty styles with sailor collar or square neck; trimmed with wash braid, made of twilled serge, poplin and mohair in black, navy and red. Special reductions for Saturday—
39¢ $1.68 $2.50 $4.50

Silk Petticoats $3.75

Fine quality Silk Taffeta Petticoats, in black and many different dark and light colors, plain or changeable. A very pretty style, with deep circular flounce, finished with two rows of shirring and corded ruffle. Another neat plain sectional flounce; underlay and dust ruffle; $5 vals.; Sat'day $3.75

Panama Skirts $3.50

They are of a good grade all wool Panama in black, navy and brown. The very newest styles in pleated and plain gored effects. For a Saturday special $3.50

House Dresses $2.50

Good quality Gingham and Chambray House Dresses in plain colors or nurses' stripes; two styles; two-piece dress with waist finished with bars, straps and plain skirt with fold. The other a pretty style one-piece dress, with tucked yoke and plain skirt with fold. Saturday.. $2.50

Long Kimonos $1.19

Full length challie and Japanese crepe kimonos, in beautiful Persian and flowered designs, light and dark colors, satin edging to harmonize. Saturday special $1.19

Children's Dresses

A big showing of children's Wash Dresses at prices all the way from $1 to $3.50. Of gingham, chambray and percale, in plain colors and stripes, checks and plaids. Many entirely new styles, plain or trimmed with braid. Other dainty lingerie Dresses of fine white lawn and trimmed with lace. Saturday special, $1.00 to $3.50.

Men—You'll Find Values Here That You Can't Get Elsewhere

Here's a sale that ought to interest every man in town—a sale of seasonable garments at prices that permit of splendid savings—Shirts, Underwear and Neckwear at a third to a fourth less than real worth, for instance:

Men's Balbriggan Underwear 25c a Garment

A special summer clearance sale of Men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers at less than regular wholesale cost. The shirts are made with fine ribbed wristlets and the bottom, front and neck are bound with tape. The drawers have double seat, are faced at top and finished with suspender straps—35c, 39c and 45c garments are on sale at..... 25c

$1.50 Men's Negligee Shirts at $1.15

A sale of men's fine summer weight Negligee Shirts, mercerized to look like silk and made with soft button-down collar and double button sleeve. They come in plain tan, cream and white; also in fancy self-figured patterns and assorted colored stripes. All our best $1.50 numbers are included in this sale. Special at..... $1.15

$1.25 Men's White Shirts at 99c

A special purchase and sale of men's plain white Dress Shirts. They are made coat style, with cuffs attached and full pleated bosom, shown in three-width pleats. The best $1.25 values are priced at..... 99c

Men's 25c Four-in-Hand Ties at 10c

A special offering of men's Four-in-Hand Wash Ties, made reversible. They come in a large range of patterns and colorings; in stripes, checks, broken plaids and plain colors and white. Values to 25c on sale at..... 10c

Four Underpriced Specials for Saturday in Dainty New Undermuslins

Muslin Skirts Vals. to $3.00 $1.89

A fine offering of women's white Underskirts, made of good quality cambric, with extra deep flounce, trimmed with rows of pretty lace insertion with ruffle to match. Other styles have deep embroidery flounce with insertion to match. All made very full and well finished. Dainty garments that sell regularly at $3.00 each, specially priced for this sale at, each.. $1.89

Corset Covers Values to $1.25 85c

An extra special showing of Corset Covers, made of pretty allover embroidery or fine nainsook, daintily trimmed with linen lace or embroidery. Well made and neatly finished garments that wear fine. Regular $1 to $1.25 values. Specially priced for this sale at 85c

Muslin Drawers Values to $2.00 98c

A fine line of Muslin Drawers, made of excellent quality cambric, nainsook or crossbar dimity, trimmed with embroidery and laces. They come in the extra wide circular style or regular width and are regular values to $2.00. Specially priced for this sale, per pair 98c

Muslin Gowns $1.50 to $1.75 at 98c

An extra big showing of women's Night Gowns, made of fine quality cambric, crossbar dimity or sheer nainsook, daintily trimmed with fine laces, embroideries and ribbons. They come in the high or V-shaped neck with long sleeves, or the low neck, slipover style, with short sleeves. These dainty garments come very full, are well made and neatly finished and are best $1.50 and $1.75 values. Specially priced now at 98c

1000 Leather Handbags in New Styles $2 Values at 98c Each

The Best Values Offered This Season.

We have just received a special purchase of over 1000 fine leather handbags that are quite the best values that we have ever offered. They come in all the new shapes and leathers, made with gunmetal and gilt finished frames, lined with excellent quality leather or moire, fitted with coin purse and finished with double or single handles. Bags that if bought regularly could not be sold for less than $2 are priced for Saturday at 98c

Economize in Hosiery

If you knew of the good things—the uncommon things we have in the stocking line you would be impatient to get here. Such selling as this sale occasions will encourage hundreds of prudent women to supply both present and future needs.

Women's Tan Hose, 20c Vals. 8 1/3c

A special sale of Women's Tan Stockings at less than actual wholesale cost—fine seamless stockings, made with double heel, sole and toe; all sizes in all shades of tan; the kind that sell regularly at 20c a pair are priced Saturday 8 1/3c

Women's Fancy Hose, 25c-35c at 15c

A splendid assortment of Women's Fancy Lisle and Cotton Stockings, in polka dot, laces, fancy stripes, etc.; also plain shades in all the popular new colors. Fine, full fashioned hose that sell regularly at 25c and 35c pair, Saturday 15c