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OVER \$100,000 THE INCREASE

Amount Added to the Taxable Property of Pendleton in One Year.

TOTAL EXACT AMOUNT IS NOW \$1,660,485.50.

Official Certificate Was Turned in to the City Recorder by County Clerk Saling This Morning—The Tax Levy Must Be Made by the City Council Before the First of January—The Levy Is Expected to Be the Same This Year as Last—Extraordinary Expenses Which the City Has Met and Has Yet to Liquidate—Cannot Make Levy Exceeding Nine Mills.

An increase of a little over \$100,000 in the assessed valuation of the property of Pendleton since last year is shown by the official certificate given Recorder Fitz Gerald this morning by County Clerk Frank Saling. The exact amount of taxable property within the city, according to the assessment of 1905, is \$1,660,485.50, whereas last year it was but a little over a million and a half.

The official certificate of the taxable property in the city is given the council as a basis upon which to determine the amount of the levy for the city tax this year. This levy must be made by the council between now and January 1, and a notice of the action taken given the county clerk before the January meeting of the county court.

Last year a seven-mill levy was made upon the \$1,500,000 assessment, and a tax of \$10,500 thereby netted. What the levy for this year will be is not yet determined, but it will probably be seven mills again, or else very close to that figure. Under the city charter a higher levy than nine mills cannot be made, and during the past two years the levy has been seven mills.

During the past year the money derived from that levy with the amounts received from licenses and fines was sufficient to meet all expenses and at the same time \$10,000 in sewer warrants were redeemed, considerable real estate was purchased, and some money was placed in the sinking fund. Also, the rock crusher was purchased, though the entire cost has not yet been met.

RITTELAT BADLY POUNDED.

Members of Voters' League Whipped Milwaukee Alderman. Milwaukee, Nov. 20.—Alderman Rittelat and J. McBell, secretary of the Voters' league, had a bloody fist fight this morning during the graft inquiry. The mayor rose and 29 aldermen watched it to a finish inside the city hall. McBell tried to go with the aldermen on a trip of inspection, having been detailed to watch every action of the council. Rittelat shoved him out of a carriage. McBell pounded Rittelat almost into insensibility.

BULLFROG BRANCH CERTAIN.

Grading Will Begin December 1 at Las Vegas. Salt Lake, Nov. 20.—Senator W. A. Clark is here to attend the meeting of the stockholders of the Salt Lake route this afternoon. He announces a contract for the branch to build the Bullfrog was made November 1. Grading commences December 1, and ties have been ordered. The line is to run from the main line at Los Vegas and later be extended to Tonopah.

LONG UNFAIR LIST.

Under the Ban by the American Federation of Labor. Pittsburg, Nov. 20.—The report of the committee which considered the Gompers report was adopted by the Federation of Labor this morning. A long list of "unfair" goods was read, and a number of mail order houses declared "unfair."

Sugar Has Advanced.

New York, Nov. 20.—All grades of refined sugar were advanced 10 cents per 100 pounds today.

New Panama Canal Deal.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The president is contemplating a new deal with the Panama canal affairs. The commission is to be abolished and the entire work placed under one man. Congressman Mann of Illinois, will introduce a bill in the house to that effect, and the administration will back it. The president is said to be disgusted with the sea level plan of the engineers.

SURVEYORS HAVE RETURNED.

Mysterious Railroad Party Has Traversed Blue Mountains.

A special from Lewiston to the Walla Walla Statesman, says:

E. S. Clark, a civil engineer of Walla Walla, who it is claimed is in the employ of the North Coast Railway company, reached Lewiston yesterday, having come down the Snake to this city.

When questioned by a representative of the Evening Statesman, Mr. Clark declined to give out but little information as to the result of his investigations.

He admitted, however, that he and his party made a complete investigation of the country from Walla Walla, up Mill creek and then through the Blue mountains. They then went over to the Snake river and the Snake. Several days were spent along these streams making investigations, and then the engineer came on to Lewiston, following the Snake into this city. Mr. Clark left this morning for Spokane, presumably to meet one of the chief engineers of the North Coast.

Surveying Party Returns.

The men who left Walla Walla with Mr. Clark several weeks ago on the exploration trip, returned to this city this morning with their pack horses. They are very reticent regarding the result of the investigation, and in response to questions from a representative of the Evening Statesman they referred him to Mr. Clark for information desired. They said, however, that they had completed the work which they had to cover on the trip. They report that they had a strenuous time while out, especially did they find some difficulty working while going through the Blue mountains.

Is it the Milwaukee?

There is still a great amount of speculation as to just who is behind the North Coast road. Tacoma newspapers are claiming that from information received on good authority that the North Coast is only one or more of the right of way agents of the Harriman system. Local railway men, however, are of the opinion that the North Coast is not backed by Harriman, but that it is probably the agent for some other transcontinental line that is seeking an outlet to the Pacific coast.

GLASGOW FIRE CAUSES DEATH

THIRTY-NINE CREMATED IN BIG LODGING HOUSE.

Building Was Occupied by Three Hundred Thirty-Nine Sleeping Men. Many of Whom Flew Naked into the Street—Men Fighting for Exit Hinder the Entrance of the Firemen—Identification Impossible in a Great Many Cases—Thirty-Two Were Injured—Dead Were Nearly All Workmen.

Glasgow, Nov. 20.—The most terrible fire that has occurred in Great Britain for many years, broke out here today in a cheap lodging house for men in Watson street and resulted in the loss of 39 lives and the severe injury of many others.

The flames were first noticed at 6 o'clock this morning in the fourth floor of the building which was occupied by 320 men.

An extraordinary scene was created by a procession of almost naked men rushing out of the entrance to the building and against their frantic efforts to escape the firemen had actually to fight for admission. Reaching the upper floors the firemen found that the narrow passages were becoming congested with men who had dropped to the floors overcome by smoke. The fire, however, was confined to the fourth floor and as soon as the firemen were able to get to work it was speedily extinguished. The flames had been fed by the wooden partitions which threw off volumes of smoke resulting in the suffocation of the inmates, but others had to be taken to hospitals.

The dead were mostly workmen in the prime of life. They presented a horrible sight, their blackened faces bearing evidence of terrible struggles to escape.

Many of the men were sleeping in the attic above the burning fourth floor and these had narrow escapes. The flames burst through the floor and it was impossible for the men to descend. The windows were securely fastened and the men had to break them so they could climb through to neighboring roofs. By 10 o'clock a search of the building was made and a complete list of the victims obtained, which showed that 39 were dead and 32 injured.

Owing to their migratory habits and the absence of permanent homes many of the dead will never be identified. The identification of others is rendered difficult by the absence of clothing.

One steamer recently reached London laden with 14,000 bunches of bananas from Jamaica.

STEAMER HILDA WRECKED ON THE COAST OF FRANCE

Fifty-seven Bodies Have Been Recovered and it is Believed the Casualties Will Reach One Hundred.

Wreck Took Place on the Northwestern Coast of France, Near Brest, at Which Place Fifteen Bodies Were Washed Ashore—Captain Gregory and Chief Officer Pearson Were Drowned—Supposed That After Striking the Rocks the Cold Sea Water Reached the Boilers and the Steamer Was Torn Asunder by a Terrific Explosion—Many Passengers Were Drowned in Their Staterooms.

St. Malo, France, Nov. 20.—Definite information about the wreck of the steamer Hilda is lacking. Reports this morning from various points along the coast state that 51 bodies have been recovered. Fifteen were washed ashore at Brest.

It is difficult to obtain even the most meager details of occurrences aboard the Hilda. It is now stated that Captain Gregory fired rockets which were answered by the keepers of the Jardin lighthouse. Apparently the replies were unseen, or misinterpreted. So far 57 bodies have been washed

ashore, among them Captain Gregory and Chief Officer Pearson.

Evidences are that the Gregory lost her bearing in a driving snowstorm and ran upon the rocks. Water reached the boilers and caused an explosion, tearing the ship into three pieces.

Passengers were drowned in their staterooms. The body of the mate was found, his dead hand grasping a life belt, which he had no time to put on. A capsize lifeboat was found on the beach near where the 15 bodies were recovered. It is presumed the casualties will reach 100.

SECOND TRIAL OF BURTON.

Jury Selected and Government's Case Presented.

St. Louis, Nov. 20.—The trial of Senator Burton for the second time began this morning before Judge Van Devanter in the federal court. Col. D. M. Hensdell, sergeant at arms of the United States senate, is here to appear against Burton. He was not a witness at the first trial. A jury was quickly selected.

United States District Attorney Dyer presented the government's side to the jury.

It has developed that Randall was summoned to produce copies of telegrams said to have been sent by Burton to members of the Rialto Grain company. The government alleges the messages were from the senate chamber and paid for by government funds.

AGAINST THE COMMISSION.

Court Holds Roads Did Not Charge Too Much.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Judge Beetha today rendered a decision against the interstate commerce commission in the case against the Chicago & Great Western and 17 other roads. The commission held the roads charge rates that are too high. The commission charged the railroads with discriminating against small dealers and in favor of the packers. The alleged rates for shipping cattle were too high.

The court held there was no discrimination and declared the roads on account of extra trouble of handling cattle must charge more for livestock than for packed meat.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

Quotations From the Greatest Wheat Market in the United States.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Wheat closed at 85 1/8-8; corn at 44 1/8-8, and oats at 29 3/4-4.

Club Declines One Cent.

In the local market wheat is now quoted at 61 cents, a decline of one cent having occurred Saturday. Bluestem is quoted at 63.

OLDEST CIVIL WAR VETERAN.

Died at Salinas, Cal., Aged 99—Was a Coast Pioneer.

Salinas, Cal., Nov. 20.—David Rose, aged 99, the oldest civil war pensioner of California, and the United States, died last night of heart failure. He came to California in 1850 and mined in this state, on the Frazer river, B. C., and Washington territory.

He lost several fortunes, and when 55 years old enlisted in the first regiment of Washington territory infantry, serving three years. He has sev-

Is Sturgis Married?

It is rumored in the city that William Sturgis, the well known and popular member of the Eagles, who has been visiting on the sound for several weeks, is married to Mrs. Carl Stewart, of this city.

At Hamilton, Ont., Hill House

Brown, the embezzling manager of the Hamilton bank, was sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.

RENEGADE LEADER IS DEAD.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—A cable was received from Lieutenant General von Trotha, commanding the German forces in German Southwest Africa, which announces the death of Henrick Wilbot, leader of the Hottentot revolt. His death was the result of wounds received while attacking a German force October 29. He was succeeded by his son, Isaak.

Taft Will Speak in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Nov. 20.—Secretary Taft arrived this morning. He will speak tonight at the Commercial club.

TWO CASES DIPHTHERIA.

Both in East End—Neither is Serious—No Cause for Alarm.

This forenoon two more cases of diphtheria were reported, though both are said to be of a mild nature. One of the cases is that of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mumm of Lewis street, while the other is that of the child of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown, who live near the purging plant. The first case is being attended by Dr. C. J. Smith, while Dr. T. M. Henderson is the physician in the other.

In speaking of the situation this morning Dr. Smith expressed no alarm. Although there are now a number of cases under quarantine, they are all of a mild nature excepting one in the country. In many cases it has been practically impossible to tell whether the trouble was bronchitis or diphtheria, and in some it has clearly been the former.

While most of the cases so far reported have been of children who attended the East End school, the situation is not become such as to warrant a closing of the school yet. However, many parents have taken their children out of school because of the scare, and the room of Miss Froome has especially been affected. This morning there were but 13 pupils in that room.

According to Dr. Smith there is no need of children being taken out of school excepting in cases where they may have a predisposition to throat trouble, or else be in such feeble health that an attack might prove serious. In most cases he believes that children are better off at school than elsewhere, as the sanitary conditions are good, and the ventilation and temperature of the rooms are carefully looked after.

The fact that Dr. Smith has not taken his own little girl out of school, nor has any other doctor done so, shows the confidence that is felt by those men.

Third Case Discovered.

This afternoon another case of diphtheria was reported by Dr. C. J. Smith. The patient is the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ward, of 116 Jeff Davis street.

TAX DODGING IN MULTNOMAH

REFORMS BADLY NEEDED IN PORTLAND METHODS.

More Money in Banks Subject to Checks Than is Represented by All the Notes and Accounts on the Assessment Rolls—\$11,000,000 in Mortgaged Securities Are Not Taxed at All—These Are Claims Made by Morrow, Tax and Right of Way Agent of the O. R. & N.—Other Great and Illegal Discrepancies.

Portland, Or., Nov. 20.—Not 10 per cent of the present property of Multnomah county is on the assessment roll.

"The total for notes and accounts on the roll is approximately \$9,000,000 and the statements of the national banks alone in Portland show that they have more money than that subject to the checks of individuals.

"The county records show that there are \$11,000,000 of mortgaged securities in Multnomah not taxed at all."

These were some of the claims made by J. W. Morrow, tax and right of way agent of the O. R. & N., before the county court, sitting to pass upon the claims presented to the board of equalization, this morning. "The assessed valuation of the railroads has been increased year by year, and in much greater proportion than that of anything else," he told the members of the court.

"Let us notice how some other values have increased. In 1891 the total valuation of notes and accounts was about \$6,000,000. This year it is only \$9,000,000. Do you suppose for an instant that this is a proportional increase?"

"The rolls show that the total assessment for merchandise and stock in trade is \$14,000,000. I am positive that I can take 20 firms in Portland whose aggregate of actual stock will equal that amount."

Jay Sedgwick, tax agent of the Northern Pacific, addressed the board on behalf of that road and showed how he considered the road's assessment excessive. The rate of \$17,000 per mile for track and right of way, he said, he considered too high.

Unemployed Make a Protest.

London, Nov. 20.—Another remarkable demonstration of unemployed and poor, showing dissatisfaction with the government towards relief, was made today. Thousands of men marched through the streets to Hyde Park, where they held a meeting. Violent speeches and resolutions were presented declaring an "unending war on the capitalistic system."

Grand Jury Could Not Find Evidence of Criminal Intentions.

Moscow, Idaho, Nov. 20.—Since the removal of J. B. West from his position as register of the Lewiston land office it has been learned that the grand jury, which met here recently and returned eight indictments in the timber fraud investigations, was at one time seriously considering making an investigation of the Lewiston land office, some of the jurymen being of the opinion that evidence which went before the jury during the investigation showed criminal negligence in the office, but when the jury learned that the department of the interior already had taken up the matter it was decided to leave the land office for the department to deal with. It is also understood that the jury later came to the opinion that whatever negligence here was in the land office was not of a criminal nature.

ENGLISHMEN AT ODESSA SCARED

Demand a Guard of Soldiers and Will Assemble at Consulate When Assailed.

A MUTINOUS SPIRIT IS APPARENT AMONG TROOPS.

A Peasants' Union Has Been Organized, Which Will Co-operate With the Workmen of the Cities and Operatives of the Mining and Manufacturing Districts—End of the Strike is Sought, the Workmen All Over St. Petersburg Returning to Work—The American Cruiser Has Left Cherbourg for St. Petersburg to Protect American Citizens.

Odessa, Nov. 20.—Following a recurrence of rioting the British residents met today and arranged to assemble at the consulate at the first sign of trouble, and demand a guard of soldiers. The situation is disquieting.

The so-called loyalist element threatens trouble, and a mutinous spirit is apparent among the troops.

Peasants Will Co-operate.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 20.—The peasants union today decided to co-operate with the workmen striving for reforms.

Workmen everywhere are returning to their positions this morning.

Will Call Off Strike.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 20.—The workmen's council at 3 o'clock yesterday decided to call off the industrial strike today at noon, claiming that a great victory had been achieved and that the lives of 1500 Cronstadt mutineers have been saved.

A manifesto has been issued by the workmen's council declaring that the government was compelled to yield to the workmen's demands with regard to Cronstadt mutineers. It invites the working classes of all Russia to sustain the protest of the St. Petersburg proletariat against martial law, capital punishment and uprisings of the "Black Hundred." It says:

"The council of workmen calls on sensible workmen to spread the revolutionary propaganda in the ranks of the army and navy and to take up military organization with the working masses in order to, when armed, organized and combined, offer battle to the effete and tottering government."

Delegates present from the peasants union of Kharkoff declared that the authorities had complied with the demand for the removal of the Cossacks in five districts in their hands and that they were ready to join the workmen when a universal pan-Russian political strike was declared. The delegates said the peasants had bonded themselves during the strike to drink no vodka, to work for no landowners and to visit no cities and sell no produce except to strikers, and that they also had pledged themselves to avoid violence to property or persons.

Minneapolis Leaves Cherbourg.

Cherbourg, Nov. 20.—The cruiser Minneapolis sailed for Kronstadt this morning.

WILL NOT INDICT.

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HAS MURDER BEEN DONE AT UMATILLA?

Has there been a murder committed near Umatilla and the body of the victim thrown into the Columbia? There is some evidence that such has occurred, and yesterday efforts were made to find the body in the river, but without avail.

On Saturday afternoon a pool of blood was found beside the river bank near Umatilla, and also there was evidence that something had been dragged into the river at that spot. In an attempt to fathom the mystery a party under Constable Davis of Umatilla, undertook to drag the river bank yesterday. As a result they discovered an Indian blanket tied to a rock which had been thrown into the river. However no body was found. Last evening Sheriff Taylor received a note from Constable Davis stating what he had done, and also saying that the search would be continued today. From the evidence at hand the constable says he has no doubt but that an Indian was murdered near the spot and his dead body thrown into the river. However, while the sheriff has given orders for a search to be made, he does not take the story entirely at its face value, and thinks that it may possibly be a hoax, or else something else than a body may have been thrown into the river.