

**BOHEMIA NUGGET.**

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**CORPORATION TAX LAW.**

The following article by W. C. Cowgill is a comprehensive one, and deals directly with the corporation tax law passed by the last legislature. It should have the close attention of every voter in state:

Cottage Grove, Apr. 27. (To the Editor.)—Through the columns of your valuable paper I wish particularly to call the attention of the members of fraternal orders and working men of your city to the effort now being made at the instance of Southern and Eastern Oregon mining and merchantile men to repeal through the referendum of the people, three bad laws passed at the last session of the state legislature. One is the portage railway bill which takes \$165,000 of the people's money for nothing; another, known as the Eddy, or corporation capital stock tax bill, and house bill No. 292 which repeals the present provision of our tax laws giving the poor man exemption from taxation and execution on \$300 of his tools and household goods. These last two bills were passed to cinch certain classes of the public for extra taxes to meet the requirements of the first mentioned bill. Look into this question carefully. See my letter in the Oregonian of the 24th on page 15, which explains the situation more in detail.

I came down on the train the other day with L. B. Reeder, of Pendleton, grand Sachem of Red Men of Oregon, who was speaker of the house of representatives at Salem two years ago. Mr. Reeder told me that he was personally aware of the political jobbery which passed these three bills at the last legislature. He said:

"Politics in Oregon today is simply a scramble for federal office. We would be better off if the legislature met only once every ten years. I am familiar with some of the jobs put up by the legislature which gave us the portage railway and corporation capital stock tax bills, and took from the poor man his right of exemption from taxes and execution on his tools and household goods. It was a political trade, pure and simple, without regard to the interests of the people."

I am a member of the Order of Eagles and have been in several other fraternal orders and make a direct appeal to Eagles, Elks, Redmen, Masons, Knights of Pythias, Workmen, and all other orders to look into these matters more closely. We are acquiring considerable property throughout the state, and it is mostly held under a corporation of the order. From now on we will have to pay these extra taxes. Most of us are working men and have a right to some protection by exemption. Gentlemen, why should we be taxed to death and allow the politicians to throw our money away on portage railways at The Dalles for which there is no more necessity than a fifth wheel to a wagon? The U. S. government at the last session of congress appropriated four million dollars to build a canal between The Dalles and Cellico. Every man who has had anything to do with transportation knows that this is the only true solution of the Columbia river transportation problem. Every engineer who has examined the ground knows that \$165,000 will not build one-third of the proposed road; that it will take one, two or three more sessions of the legislature to provide sufficient funds to complete the road, to say nothing of provisions for its equipment and operation. By the time the road is put into shape to operate, the government canal will have been finished. In the meantime to construct the road would only hamper the operation of the government and cause unnecessary delay in the building of the canal.

If there is no use for the portage road, then there is no necessity of their taxing all incorporated enterprises of the state, and imposing the

hardships on the workmen as it now stands in house bill No. 292. There is no state in the union or a European country that does not give the workmen some protection against taxation and execution. Do not forget that the signing of these petitions makes all three bills inoperative until the people have a chance to vote upon them at the general election in June 1904, or practically speaking we escape two years taxes.

Also remember that the signing of these petitions does not obligate your vote in 1904, but enough signers now will give all plenty of time to consider these laws. Already in Southern Oregon they are assessing the workmen under this new law house bill No. 292. Let us sign these referendum petitions—it can do no more harm—and when we go to the polls in 1904, I think we will all be convinced that our general interest demands the repeal of these bills. It is up to the people to assert their rights.

W. C. COWGILL.  
NOTICE.

Cottage Grove, April 27. (To the Editor.)—At the request of a number of business men and working men of this city, I desire to say that any legal voter in Lane county, or anywhere in the state can sign the referendum petitions now being circulated, but as the county clerk must certify that he believes such signers to be voters it is always best to register before signing, if the signer is not already a registered voter.

The petition for the referendum of the portage railway corporation tax bill and exemption bill can be had of C. J. Howard of this city and some of the leading citizens. All desiring to sign the petition will please do so as quickly as possible.

W. C. COWGILL.  
GREATLY ALARMED.

By a Persistent Cough, but Permanently Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mr. H. P. Burbage, a student at law in Greenville, S. C., had been troubled for four or five years with a continuous cough which he says, "greatly alarmed me, causing me to fear that I was in the first stage of consumption." Mr. Burbage, having seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised, concluded to try it. "I soon felt a remarkable change and after using two bottles of the twenty-five cent size, was permanently cured." Sold by Lyons & Applegate, Druggists, Benson Drug Co., Cottage Grove.

**ITEMS FROM SLK CREEK.**

Messrs. Goodenow and Keopke finished repairs on the crusher engine and returned to their Eugene homes last Saturday.

The grippe has had its grip on almost every inhabitant of this locality, as the reddened eyes, aching bones and "friendly" noses, bore testimony.

Miss Minnie Comer, who has been out of school for the past two weeks expects to return to her work at Dorra next Monday.

Tri-weekly meetings are being held at the Advent church. Rev. Westrup, their minister, is quite a pleasing speaker.

Miss Lillian Goodenow, of Eugene, was the guest of Mrs. Ida Caldwell last week.

Mrs. Ida Schreves of Gowdyville, is visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott.

While returning from school yesterday evening little Iva McCoy was thrown from her pony and quite badly shaken up.

Ruby Slagle is out of school on account of illness.

**CURES WHEN DOCTORS FAIL.**  
Mrs. Frank Chisason, Patterson, La., writes June 8th, 1901: "I had malarial fever in very bad form, was under treatment by doctors, but as soon as I stopped taking their medicine the fever would return. I used a sample bottle of Herbine, found it helped me. Then bought two bottles, which completely cured me. I feel grateful to you for furnishing such a splendid medicine, and can honestly recommend it to those suffering from malaria, as it will surely cure them." Herbine, 50c bottle at New Era Drug Store.

**LORANE ITEMS.**

The foundation of the new creamery is now completed and work upon the building has commenced. The site selected is just south of Mr. Lee's residence.

Mrs. Standish was in from the ranch Wednesday visiting friends.

G. E. Strayer, district deputy M. W. A. was busy driving about our section last week and Clerk Inman is authority that there has been new timber hewed for Lorane camp.

The telephone line of Cottage Grove is rapidly approaching completion.

Ernest C. Lockwood and wife were visitors to the Grove last Monday.

Mr. Inman, father to Lorane's enterprising merchant, is somewhat improved, his sight having been restored.

Mr. Moore was patron of the new saw mill this week.

Miss Flossie Lockwood was up from Douglas county, where she is teaching to visit over Sunday with friends and relatives.

L. P. Inman was busy in the Grove Thursday.

**THE O. & S. E. RAILROAD**

How the Work is Progressing—  
Eighty Men Now Employed, and  
Next Week the Company Will Probably Want Seventy-Five More.

**A NEW ENGINE**

The O. & S. E. Railway Co. is pushing its construction work with all possible speed. The gravel plow and steam shovel is working splendidly, and the road is being rapidly ballasted. The construction work on the out end of the line is also in rapid progress, the only trouble thus far experienced being in the matter of securing sufficient help. However, at this writing some 80 men are employed, and next week it is said the

company will want at least seventy-five more.  
The new wagon road up champion creek is being built with all possible speed, while the mines are now presenting a lively appearance. John H. Pearson, superintendent of the O. & S. E. R'y., who is now in the district, in conversation over the phone with a Nugget man Thursday, stated that every thing is going on in a most satisfactory manner at the Champion, Helena and Music mines, the property of the Oregon Securities Co., and from all parts of the district he hears most flattering reports.  
The O. & S. E. has been for some time negotiating for another locomotive with which to carry on their construction work, and to facilitate matters in the matter of handling the Bohemia traffic, and the logging haul for the Long & Bingham mill in this city. Owing to the fact that there is hardly an idle locomotive in the country, the company's efforts along this line have been fruitless until the present. On next Saturday a new machine will be at hand, which will be immediately put into service.



Game Warden J. W. Baker

J. W. Baker was born in Hopkins county, Kentucky, January 10, 1846. He crossed the plains with his father, C. B. Baker, in 1853, who settled 16 miles south of Olympia, Wash., where he resided until 1866, when he removed to Yamhill county, Oregon. J. W. Baker was married to Lucretia Martin in Yamhill county in 1868. Mr. Baker removed from Yamhill county with his family to Cottage Grove, Lane county, Oregon, in 1894, and still makes this his permanent residence. Mr. Baker served as journal clerk in the Oregon legislature two terms, 1876 and 1878. He was also deputy sheriff of Yamhill county during the term 1875-76. He is a life long democrat and an ardent admirer of Governor Chamberlain, who appointed him State Game Warden April 23, 1903. It is understood that Mr. Baker will make Cottage Grove his official headquarters.

**CHURCH NOTES**

M. E. CHURCH.  
The Rev. Gardner of Saginaw, will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday.  
Rev. G. H. Feeser, J. I. Jones and Miss Gertie Lewis went to Corvallis this week to attend the Epworth League convention held there.

Best Cabinet Photos \$1.25 per doz for a short time only at Shansfelt's Gallery opposite Masonic hall west side.

**SCHOOL REPORT.**

Following is the report of School District No. 61, Blackbutte, Ore., for the month ending April 24. Number days taught, 20; number pupils registered, 19; number cases tardiness, 1.  
Those who were neither absent or tardy are Delpha and Hester Bemis, Arthur and Orpie Combs and Hazel Phillips. Visitors are cordially invited to come and note our progress.  
Eva L. Todd, Teacher.

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C. J. MILLER.

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These are the most elegant lines that have ever been shown in Cottage Grove

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**Special Prices on Clothing**

See Our Bargains in Shoes—a few to close.....75c, 1 00, 1 10  
The Best Ladies' Shoes in the World



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The frequent sale of small instruments of late is a surprise for this time of the year. Price and quality is what counts when selling goods, and you can always get the best goods for the least money at T. K. Richardson's.

We have on hand a few second hand pianos, which we are going to close out at a sacrifice, to make room for our next carload. We have only four pianos of our last carload left. The Needham sells itself at sight and sound. Needham pianos, the best and only the best. T. K. Richardson.

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