

INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE

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**GOVERNMENT
TO PROSECUTE**

Portland—J. B. Stoddard and Seymour H. Bell, prominent Portland timber operators, together with the Hewitt Lumber Company, of Tacoma, were charged in the United States court with conspiracy, and proceedings were begun for the recovery of 17 Baker county timber claims, alleged to be only a portion of the fruits of the operation of their plans.

Criminal prosecution of the persons charged with defrauding the government of its lands were barred by the statute of limitation, which is three years for criminal matters.

Federal Officer Implicated.

It is said in carrying out the plot to obtain lands valued at that time at more than \$20,000, Charles H. Chance, a United States commissioner, was taken into the scheme and that he accepted checks in payment of land office fees from persons who had no accounts in local banks. Some of the confessions obtained by the special agents of the land office state that the checks were never returned to them, but that they received their patents in due time.

Rains Stop Work

The rains of the past week have

put a stop to the work of ditching for the sewerage of the city. The deep ditches along Main street are filled with water and much of the work will have to be done over owing to accidents that have occurred in various places. A gang of workmen are doing advance work on Fifth street to connect the main sewerage with the high school building. The work on Main street will be delayed for some time and it is thought that it will prove a problem to the men who have the work in hand to deal with it until some way is devised to drain the cuts.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1910, the board of equalization will meet at the county court house at the city of Dallas, in the county of Polk, state of Oregon, to examine and correct the assessment rolls, to correct all errors in valuations, descriptions or quantities of land, lots, or other property or incorrectly assessed as to description or quantity or when assessed in the name of a person or persons not the owner thereof or assessed under or beyond the actual cash value thereof and to assess all lands, lots and other property appearing to have been omitted or that was not assessed.

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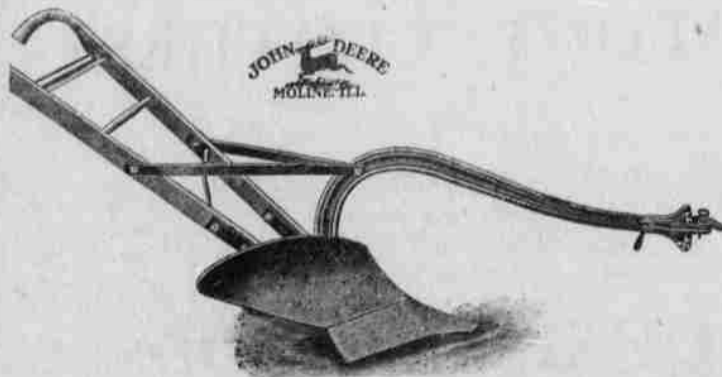
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the oath of the applicant or his attorney, and be filed with the board during the first week it is by law required to be in session, and any petition or application not so made, verified, and filed shall not be considered or acted upon by the board.

C. S. GRAVES,
Assessor of Polk county.

17-20

ERNEST J. SIAS



Who will lecture at the Star Theater Monday night.

Fall Wheat to Be Tried.

Klamath Falls.—That the farmers of the Upper Klamath country have come to the conclusion that they must resort to some other method to make a success of wheat raising, other than sowing in the spring, is shown by the fact that a dozen of the largest farmers are banding together and sending away for fall sown wheat with which to make a test the coming season. They intend to sow several acres of fall wheat and give it a thorough test.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Henry Flickinger, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Monday, the 7th day of November, 1910, at 10 a. m. thereof, at the court room of said county court, in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by

said court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.

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HIRAM FLICKINGER

Administrator of the estate of Henry Flickinger, deceased.
B. F. SWOPE, Attorney.

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Attended Henkle Reunion

Mrs. W. H. Walker and C. W. Henkle of this city attended the Henkle

reunion at Philomath last week. These reunions are annual events and are generally attended by relatives. At this last event there were present in participation one hundred and nine. The reunion was held at the old homestead of Ichabod Henkle.

Read "The Spirit of Idaho" by Arthur W. North, and "Greater Than Gold" (The harnessing of western rivers), by Clayton M. Jones. In October Sunset Magazine, now on sale on all news stands, 15 cents. 18-20



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