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VALUATION
\$16,592,774

ONLY 9 DOGS IN THE COUNTY.

The Assessed Valuation of Washington is \$17,756,779—Reduced by the Board.

Following is a summary of the assessment roll of Washington county, as finally equalized by the county board of equalization:

There are in this county 195,006 acres of tillable lands, valued at \$5,272,110.

351,213 acres of non-tillable land, valued at \$6,596,838.

Value of improvements on deeded or patented lands, \$1,236,350.

Value of town and city lots, \$462,050.

Value of improvements on town and city lots, \$492,475.

Value of improvements on lands not deeded or patented, \$6,625.

There are 50 miles of railroad bed, valued at \$562,620.

Railroad rolling stock valued at \$34,000.

132 miles telegraph and telephone lines valued at \$24,775.

Stationary engines and manufacturing machinery valued at \$172,695.

Merchandise and stock in trade \$307,400.

Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc., \$174,010.

ed this amount \$1,164,005, leaving the total valuation at \$16,592,774.

Strange, isn't it that the softest road is hardest on the horse, and that the closer money is the farther away it seems to be.

A farmer in a nearby county, while in a generous frame of mind, gave his daughter a hen and a rooster and bade her run away and be a good girl, promising her that if she would look after them he would feed the increase for four years. The girl, as it were, planted those two chicks and the results, according to her father's report, is astonishing. He says she has \$64 in the bank and has 200 chickens which he had to feed last winter. According to the father's best calculations, his daughter will own the farm at the end of four years and will be charging him rent for living on it.

Two young women of St. Louis recently discovered by accident that it was not necessary to place the lips near the transmitter of a telephone to be heard at the other end of the wire, provided the transmitter were placed firmly against the chest or even other parts of the body. The advantages claimed for the new system are that it is germ proof and nonfatiguing. Prof. Calvin M. Woodward, one of the scientists at Washington University, explained that there was nothing new in the principals, but admitted he had never before thought of its application to the telephone. He said the sound vibration in the lungs is communicated through the chest instead of through the lips, and then carried over the wire in the usual way. The system, he said, is in accordance with the principle of the physician's stethoscope.

Webb & Hoover handles grain as well as all kinds of seeds. When in Hillsboro call and see them.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Items of Interest to Parents and Pupils from the School Room.

The librarian of the school has requested all books of the public school library that are out to be returned by the 20th of December. No books will be sent out until after the holidays as a few corrections are to be made, books arranged in better shape and new books recently acquired numbered and ready for distribution by the first of the year.

The Sixth grade has lost one of its most faithful pupils—Lloyd Brady. While we regret having him leave us yet our best wishes shall follow him wherever he goes and we shall be glad to note his successes in after life.

The warm reception that awaited them at Forest Grove last week Saturday. Many of the boys got cold feet when they saw Gaston and the Grove line up at the field meet. Hope they'll show up better next time.

Miss Weathered, one of the Fifth grade teachers, visited the Portland schools last week Thursday. On Friday Miss Norman, another Fifth grade teacher, took the opportunity of acquiring new ideas and strengthening old ones by the same process of visiting the schools of the metropolis. Miss Ruth Jones, who has been relieved from duty at Reedville on account of diphtheria in the neighborhood, occupied the positions of both teachers during their absence.

Monthly report of School District No. 7, for the month of November, 1907:

No. Pupils enrolled . . . 403
No. Pupils attending . . . 359
No. Tardy . . . 58
No. Absentees . . . 285
No. Parents visiting school - 21

Most every one has heard of

simplified spelling and is ready when the subject comes up to tell you whether he is for or against it. That is to say, people have made up their minds whether it is a good thing or a bad thing. The reasons given by the opponents for their positions on the question often show a lack of knowledge of what is meant by simplified spelling. Some of those who favor it think of the simplification of eight or ten thousand words, or of all the hard words of their vocabulary. They rejoice to think of what an

easy matter it will be to read and write when the reform is put into every day practice.

Some who oppose the simpler or simplest spelling, say that it will force upon the "grown ups" the dreadful task of again learning how to spell. Others fear that it would obscure the derivation of words; but all etymologists deny the statement and repudiate the argument.

The Simplified Spelling Board has its office at 1 Madison Ave., New York. From here are sent out circulars, etc., telling what

December comes and ends the year. And gold is at a premium. Folks will enjoy the Christmas cheer; Buy goods with paper medium. Though failing banks and hold-up men Keep people alert and wary. Yet ye'll be treated well ye ken At Palmateer's Confectionery.

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has been done and outlining work for the future. The idea being to interest people in the subject and to secure signatures to the pledge cards. Those who sign the pledge cards agree to use the simpler spellings as far as practicable.

The Board has secured many thousand signers among whom are some of the greatest educators, authors, editors and publishers of America and England.

In 1883 was heard the first noise about simplified spelling. The first list of simplified words contained about a dozen. At that time the dictionaries were silent on the subject of more than one spelling. Today the best dictionaries, such as the Century, Standard and Webster's, each give a list of about five thousand simplified spellings.

The reformers do not advocate any radical change and very little that is new. "Any proposal to upset suddenly or violently the accepted spelling of any literary language is foredoomed to failure." Simplified spelling does not mean "Josh Billings" spelling. It means in a great many cases to return to the spelling of the old masters such as Shakespeare, Milton, Pope, Tennyson and a host of others. It was the publishers who made these writers spell dropped for dropt, dipped for dipt. At the door of Dr. Johnson is placed such spelling as comptroller for the controller. He kept a Latin p in receipt though he left it out in deceit. He spelt deign one way and disdain another. Thus some of the anomalies and perversities have been forced into our spelling. It will be simplified only as fast as the public will accept it.

The English language is not a dead language. It is alive. During its growth these irregularities have come in, now the tide has changed and we are going back to the more simple spelling, at the same time making a few changes such as leaving off the Indian grunt "ugh" from tho, altho, etc.

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