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To Herald Readers

W. G. Ackerman, of Salem, having purchased the Herald and its business, all advertising accounts from November 1, 1911, will be payable to him, while all advertising accounts prior to that date are payable to the undersigned and all bills contracted prior to November 1, 1911, will be paid by me. All delinquent subscription accounts are due and payable to W. G. Ackerman. Ned C. Kelly, of the Coos Collection Company will receipt for all accounts due me.

W. G. CONNER.

Announcement

Not being able to give the Herald my entire personal supervision on account of interests which demand my attention over in Lane county and which cannot be disposed of to advantage at this time, I have decided to relinquish my management of the Herald and turn the plant and business over to W. G. Ackerman, of Salem, one of the best and squarest newspaper men of the state, who with a good newspaper and a good field will be a welcome and valuable addition to the ranks of Coos county journalism. For the past two years Mr. Ackerman held the position of job printer in the state printing office in the state capitol at Salem, a position which is only held by first-class mechanical men and prior to this time he was engaged in newspaper work in the middle west. The Herald office has been greatly improved in every department in the past two months and is now one of the best equipped printing plants in the county, which Mr. Ackerman will continue to improve, as well as the paper.

The retiring editor feels very grateful for the liberal patronage and support extended to the Herald during his management and for the many kind favors received at the hands of old friends and citizens of the city and valley.

Mr. Ackerman will be joined by his wife and daughter the latter part of this week, when they will establish a permanent home in Coquille. Trusting that Herald patrons and readers will extend to Mr. Ackerman even a more liberal patronage than I received, I remain, as ever, a booster for Coquille and Coos.

W. G. CONNER.

Salutatory

With this issue the Herald bears a new name as its publisher. In keeping with established custom—to appease the expectancy of the Herald's patrons and the public generally—a brief outline of our policy in conducting the same is apropos.

Politically, we concur in the "Oregon system" of government—the initiative, referendum and recall—in short, "a government of the people, by the people and for the people."—in other words, we are independent.

Primarily, our best efforts will ever be foremost in the honorable endeavor to conduct a clean, progressive newspaper, that will redound to the credit of Coquille and this favored section. To this end we ask the co-operation of all good citizens—and, as yet, we have met none other in Coquille.

We are not a stranger in newspaper work, but acquaintance with individuals and conditions in this section is limited—hence we desire friends to counsel and properly harness us to the ear of progress that we may do our share in pulling for a greater Coquille and Coos county.

Realizing that our journalistic pathway will be a "rough and rugged road to travel" at times, it will be materially mitigated with the knowledge that we labor conscientiously and fearlessly, in the work we have espoused, and ask to be rewarded only as our merits justify.

Sincerely,
W. G. ACKERMAN.

THE PORT QUESTION

Since reading the communication of "A Subscriber" pertaining to the above question and published in this issue, the Herald has given some time and thought to the subject and to the investigation of the Port Commission statute, portions of which are quoted in the article referred to.

After such investigation the Herald is satisfied of the correctness of the statement that if the Port becomes incorporated it will be or can be compelled to maintain the river to its mouth in a condition for the best interests of maritime shipping and commerce, and that this will have to be done at the expense of the taxpayers within the boundaries of the proposed Port district.

The Port statute was evidently designed for the purpose of keeping navigable rivers in good condition for navigation, and any attempt, should one be made, to organize a Port for the purpose of taking care of a small portion of a river, disconnected with the sea, which would result in preventing the improvement of the lower part of the stream, is not within the terms of the statute. This is made evident by the fact that the statute would give to this proposed port entire control of the river between its boundary and the sea, and if the port, if organized, accepts the benefits given to it by the act, then it assumes the duties imposed by it, and must perform them; otherwise, designing persons could organize a port on the upper end of a river composed of one voting precinct on either side of it, escape taxation beyond what would be necessary to take care of the river through those two precincts, and have the control of the rest of the river to its mouth, thereby preventing the organization of any other port and preventing any improvement or care of the river between its lower limits and the sea.

The present management of the Herald will be glad to become acquainted with its old and loyal friends, so do not deter visiting the office fearing a call would subtract more from our convenience than add to our profits. A cordial welcome will be extended to both old friends and new.

The public schools of Toledo have been closed on account of small pox. The Oregon state board of health appears to have good reasons for giving the recent warning, and no community should fail to take precautionary measures against this dreaded malady.

The policy of the Herald is not to invest money for gew-gaws to entice subscribers, but to furnish its patrons with reliable information and interesting happenings of local and neighboring events, and thereby increase its circulation.

Darkness and gloom were dispelled from our midst by the resumption of the electric lights Tuesday evening, and scowls and growls were succeeded by cheerful countenances.

New type and paper for commercial and general job printing has been ordered by the Herald, with a view of securing our share of this work through the medium of satisfaction to our patrons.

Gypsy Smith is holding one of the largest religious revivals ever held on the Pacific coast at the tabernacle erected for him in Portland.

Reporter Traylor has furnished the Herald with several items of local and personal interest for this issue, for which we are thankful.

The Herald has been wearing old clothes for some time past but we are soon in hopes to give the deserving one a "new dress."

Sheriff W. W. Gage and J. T. Nosler left Tuesday for Salem to bring back Frank Garrison to be tried again for murder. The Supreme Court handed down the order some time ago reversing the decision. He will be tried in the December term of court.

On account of a crowded docket at Roseburg, District Attorney G. M. Brown has sent for L. A. Liljeqvist to assist in handling cases. A letter from him received here, says that there are six inches of snow in the canon the other side of Remote and a heavy covering on Camas mountain.

THE PROPOSED PORT OF COQUILLE RIVER

Views of A Subscriber on Important Subject

There seems to be much misunderstanding as to the effect of the proposed Port of Coquille River, should the same become incorporated by a majority vote at the election to be held on December 19th, 1911. Nearly every newspaper published in Coos county has commented on this proposition, giving their individual views in relation thereto.

The Coquille Valley Sentinel of November 3rd, among other things has this to say upon the subject.

"In the event of their being allowed to form this commission they could improve the few miles of river embraced within the commission's boundary and leave the rest of the watershed to be taxed for the remaining twenty-nine or thirty miles. More than three quarters of the watershed of the Coquille River is embraced within the commission boundaries. This would leave but a comparatively small portion of the district to be taxed for the remaining portion of the river.

The move is considered a masterly one to avoid paying taxes for the improvement of the river. A half mill levy upon the property proposed within the port commission would be ample to keep the six miles of river controlled by the port commission while the levy on the remaining portion, which is considerably less than one quarter of the watershed, would be prohibitive."

When the Sentinel published the above it had not had time to examine the Statute governing the proposed Port, its powers and liabilities, if incorporated. Under the Statute referred to the proposed Port will have the entire control of the entire river from its upper boundary to its mouth in Bandon, and will be required, among other things, to keep all of the River to its mouth free from obstructions by snagging and dredging so as to keep it in such condition as is requisite and necessary for the best interests of maritime shipping and the commercial interests of said Port and the waters over which it has control, and all the expense of doing this must be paid by a tax on the real and personal property situated within the smaller proposed Port District as bounded and described in the petition for such Port. So, the Sentinel is in error when it says "The move is a masterly one to avoid paying taxes for the improvement of the river." If the move were intended for that purpose the movers made a serious mistake, for instead of avoiding the payment of taxes, they have, if this port is incorporated, placed the taxable property within its described boundaries, and the owners thereof, in a position that it and they will have to pay a tax sufficient to improve the whole river and maintain it in a condition for the best interests of maritime shipping and commercial interests.

The paragraph of the section of the Port Statute pertaining to the powers and duties of the proposed Port, if established, is as follows:

"4. And to the full extent which the State of Oregon might itself exercise and control or to which it can grant to corporations organized under the provisions of this act the right to exercise the same, corporations organized under the provisions of this act shall be and are hereby granted full control of all bays, rivers, and harbors within their limits, and between their limits and the sea, with full power and authority to, from time to time, make, establish, change or abolish wharf lines in such harbors or rivers, and to make, establish, change, modify or abolish such rules and regulations for the use or navigation in such harbors and rivers, or the placing of obstructions therein or the removal of obstructions therefrom, as it may deem convenient, requisite or necessary or in the best interests of the maritime shipping and commercial interests of the said Port, and the said rules and regulations so made by it to be enforced by such fines, penalties and punishments as it in the exercise of sound discretion may deem necessary; and the fines or penalties so imposed or levied shall be recovered in the name of said corporation in any court of this State having jurisdiction of actions for the recovery of fines and penalties imposed by State laws, and shall inure and belong to said corporation, and all punishments so imposed shall be enforced in the name of said corporation in any of the courts of this State having jurisdiction of crimes and misdemeanors under said laws."

The paragraphs of the Section of the Port Statute pertaining to the powers of taxation of the Port Com-

mission, if incorporated, are as follows:

"8. For the purpose of carrying into effect all or any of the powers hereby granted such corporation shall have the power to borrow money and to sell and dispose of bonds, which bonds shall, however, never exceed in the aggregate 10 per cent of the assessed valuation for state and county purposes of all property within the limits of said corporation, which is by law assessable for state and county purposes. Such bonds shall be issued from time to time as the board of commissioners of said corporation may determine and shall be of such denominations and shall run for such term of years and bear such rate of interest as such board of commissioners shall determine; provided, however, that such bonds shall not bear interest exceeding in any event the rate of 6 per cent per annum, and they shall be executed on behalf of the said corporation, by its president and secretary, and shall be so conditioned as that said corporation shall therein and thereby undertake, promise and agree in consideration of the premises, and be held to pay at a place therein named to the bearer thereof, the sum named therein in gold coin of the United States with interest thereon in like gold coin as the rate per annum named therein payable half yearly on the first day of January and July in each year in accordance with the tenor and terms of interest coupons thereto attached."

"9. Such corporation shall have power and there is hereby granted to it the power to assess, levy and collect taxes upon all property, real and personal, situated within its boundaries, and which is by law taxable for state and county purposes, and each year not to exceed one per cent, the proceeds of which shall be by it applied in carrying out the objects and purposes hereinbefore provided; and such corporation shall also have the power each year to assess, levy and collect a special tax upon all such property, real and personal, in an amount sufficient to pay the yearly interest on bonds theretofore issued by such corporation and then outstanding, together with any portion of the principal of such bonds maturing within each year. Such regular annual and special tax provided for hereby shall be levied in each year in time so as to be extended upon the county tax rolls with the state and county tax for the annual collection of taxes in the spring next following, but in no event later than the 31st day of December in each year. The special tax hereby authorized shall be applied only in payment of interest and principal of bonds issued by such corporation, but such corporation shall have power to apply any funds derived from the regular annual tax towards the payment of such principal or interest upon such bonds. All taxes levied by such corporation shall become payable

at the same time and to the same officers as regular county taxes are payable and shall be by the county officers, collecting the same, paid to the treasurer of the said corporation for its use. All taxes levied by corporations incorporated under the authority of this act granted shall be levied on the basis of the assessment made by the county in which such corporation is situated for the purpose of the levy of taxes for county or state purposes, with the exception that the levy of such corporation shall be on the property situated within its boundaries only; and for the purpose of the levy of taxes by said corporation the assessment made by such county on the property situate within the boundaries of the said corporation shall be taken to be and shall be the assessment of the said corporation. All regular, annual and special taxes levied by such corporations in the manner hereinbefore provided shall by the proper county officers be extended upon the county tax rolls of such county with the state and county tax for the annual collection of taxes in the spring next following, and shall be entered on the tax rolls and collected as one tax of and for the said corporation of a per cent or rate in the aggregate equaling the aggregate of the general and special tax so levied by said corporation during such year under the authority herein granted. Property shall be subject to sale for the non-payment of taxes levied by the said corporation in like manner and with like effect as in the case of county and state taxes.

A. SUBSCRIBER.

DARING RESCUE OF DOOMED VESSEL

Astoria, Oregon, Nov. 14.—One of the most daring rescues ever effected on the Pacific coast was that of the Tatoosh in snatching the steam schooner Washington—mention of which is made on previous page—from destruction at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Hundreds of spectators were gathered on the beach momentarily expecting the schooner to go to pieces, when the Tatoosh, at great risk, pulled her into the Columbia river and into the Colliender dock in this city. Passengers were provided with rooms and meals and transportation to Portland, but all baggage was lost, suitcases and their contents ruined, so that all the passengers have left is what is on their backs.

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