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Is in a position to give bargains in Real Estate, in farm and city property, vacant or improved lots, mines (placer or quartz). Timber lands for sale.

Grants Pass is enjoying good times, and times are getting better. Never in the history of Josephine county has there been a better and more profitable opportunity offered to the investor than can be found right here at the present time. While property is cheap is the time to buy. People should wake up and look around and see what is being sold every day around them. Come and see us—we can tell you something.

G (Front) street, Grants Pass, Oregon

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AND SALE STABLES

DEAN & DICKISON, PROPRIETORS.

Office and telephone removed to Golden Gate stable, opposite Hotel Josephine, for July and August while our new stable is being erected.

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RELIABLE GOODS AT
RELIABLE PRICES

A Specialty This Week

FARM-CURED

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THE FINEST EVER
BROUGHT TO
GRANTS PASS

Fresh Fruits of All Kinds

Tomatoes for canning.
Fruit jars, tops and rubbers

New Prices for Undertaking Goods

Beginning August 1st,
prices for Caskets will be as
follows:

All \$25 Caskets reduced to	\$15
All \$30 " " "	\$20
\$35 & \$40 " " "	\$25

Black Cloth Caskets reduced
50 per cent.

Hearst and service in proportion.
These prices are for cash only.

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AT THE
BIG Furniture Store
North 6th St.,
GRANTS PASS, OREGON.

ASSESSMENT ROLL SHOWS LARGE GAIN

Josephine County Valuation Now About
\$4,000,000--Rate to Be Lower
Hereafter.

County Assessor W. H. Fallin has completed the making up of the assessment roll for Josephine county for the year 1905. By the subjoined itemized statement it will be seen that the total valuation of all property for 1905 is \$4,302,880, while for 1904 it was \$2,250,090, a gain of \$2,052,790. While this increase is largely due to the raise in valuations which Assessor Fallin has made, yet a comparison of the roll for this year with that of last year discloses the fact that the wealth of the county has made a most substantial increase, quite as large proportionately as the most prosperous counties of the state.

The totals for the various items on the assessment roll for 1905 and 1904 are as follows:

	1905.	1904.
No. acres of tillable land	19,486	19,006
Value of tillable land	\$470,215	\$219,700
No. acres non-tillable land	342,104	335,890
Value of non-tillable land	\$334,795	\$641,445
Value of improvements on deeded or patented land	119,255	111,465
Value of all lots	369,495	166,145
Value of improvements on town lots	435,235	190,660
Value of improvements on land not deeded	132,455	63,705
Value railroad bed, telephone, telegraph lines, etc.	478,745	197,085
Value of rolling stock	36,920	14,765
Value of steamboats, sailboats, stationary engines and manufacturing machinery	393,165	102,775
Value of merchandise and stock in trade	261,190	119,225
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc.	31,430	30,255
Money	17,290	5,056
Notes and accounts	81,470	45,790
No. shares of stock	3,449	2,886
Value	\$ 4,000	\$ 1,730
Household furniture, watches, jewelry, etc.	44,530	43,145
No. of horses and mules	1,023	1,435
Value	\$ 47,120	\$83,365
No. of cattle	4,445	4,711
Value	\$ 71,650	\$83,255
No. of sheep and goats	1,417	1,812
Value	\$ 3,715	\$ 2,820
No. of swine	943	644
Value	\$ 5,580	\$ 1,375
Gross value of all property	4,294,183	2,084,080
Exemptions	82,425	None
Total value taxable property	\$4,302,880	
Increase on roll of 1904	\$2,052,790	

Monday the Josephine county board of equalization, consisting of County Judge J. O. Booth, Assessor W. H. Fallin and County Clerk F. S. Clieshite, met as provided by law for the adjustment of any inequalities of assessment that may have been made. So thoroughly and so equitably had Assessor Fallin done his work that there is no serious complaint made at all by a single taxpayer on the roll and the roll will stand as he has made it up. It will now be turned over to the county clerk, who will make a summary of it to be filed with the secretary of state at Salem, and he will also make a full copy for the use of the sheriff in collecting taxes. The rate for taxes for state and county purposes will be fixed by the state board and by the county court during the coming January and the roll will be ready for Sheriff Lewis about the mid-

le of February. All taxes on the roll for 1904 that were not paid prior to the first Monday in October of this year are now delinquent and Sheriff Lewis will soon begin to prepare the delinquent roll, and after which it will be advertised and if not paid the property will be sold at public sale by the county to cover the amount of taxes due on it.

The taxpayers of Josephine county will be interested in the following from the Ashland Tidings of Monday, in regard to the valuations of property in Jackson county: "The Jackson county board of equalization consisting of County Judge G. W. Dunn, County Clerk John S. Orth and County Assessor Peter Applegate, convened this morn-

ing, to examine the assessment roll and hear any objections of taxpayers thereto. "The roll as presented to the board shows a total assessed valuation of approximately \$13,000,000 in the county, an increase of three fold over last year, when the total valuations returned by Assessor Jones was four and a half millions of dollars. Assessor Applegate has deviated from the practices of previous assessors and doubted and troubled previous assessment values generally. The total assessment levied against the railroad company upon its lands, roadbed, rolling stock, etc., aggregates \$3,500,000. The roadbed is assessed at \$30,000 per mile. "Little objection to the assessments as made are anticipated. At noon today not a single formal objection had been entered."

THE COLUMBIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Proceedings of the Fortieth Session, Held in Grants Pass Last Week.

The fortieth session of the Columbia Annual Conference, M. E. church, South, met in this city Thursday, Sept. 28, Bishop H. C. Morrison, of New Orleans, La., presiding. All of the pastors, except two, and all of the lay delegates were present, and also quite a number of visitors from various sections of the district. The sessions of the conference were very largely attended by the local membership not only of the South Methodist church but by members of other communions as well. There seems never to have been a more harmonious and hopeful church gathering in our city. Every preacher and every layman seemed to be well pleased with himself and with everybody else and especially with Grants Pass and her generous hospitality. Rev. G. H. Gibbs, of Milton, Ore., financial agent of Columbia college, by address and sermon stirred the conference into greater enthusiasm and larger hope for the success of the most excellent school which he represents. Rev. Wiley Phillips, of Los Angeles, Cal., editor of the California Voice, addressed the conference on Saturday evening on the "Twin Evils, the Saloon and the Brothel and What is Being Done to Get Rid of Them." He is a forceful, clear speaker whose word pictures are painted with the skill of a powerful artist. Rev. W. E. Vaughn, editor of the Pacific Methodist Advocate, looked in on the conference on Friday evening and remained over Sunday. His address on "Missions" Sunday evening bore the marks of the profound student speaking from deep conviction.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY POSTOFFICE DIRECTORY

Routes for Which Mail Contracts
Are Wanted by Postoffice
Department.

The postoffice department is advertising for bids for carrying the mail on the star, steamboat and wagon routes in the western and southern territories. These contracts are to run from July 1, 1906, to June 30, 1910, a period of four years. Bids will be received by the second assistant postmaster general until 4:30 p. m. of December, 1905. Information as to the contracts to be let can be had of the second assistant postmaster general, at Washington, D. C., or of C. E. Harmon, postmaster at Grants Pass, regarding the routes in Josephine county. The following are the routes in Josephine county, together with the service required and the pay under the present contract:

73,255 From Grants Pass, by Wilderville, Wonder, Selma, Kerby, Waldo, Ore., and Monumental, to Crescent City, Cal., 96.50 miles and back, seven times a week.
April 16 to November 15.
Leave Grants Pass daily at 7 a m;
Arrive at Crescent City in 24 hours;
Leave Crescent City daily at 5 p m;
Arrive at Grants Pass in 24 hours.
November 16 to April 15.
Leave Grants Pass daily at 7:00 a m;
Arrive at Waldo in 10 hours;
Leave Waldo daily at 6 a m;
Arrive at Crescent City in 14 hours;
Leave Crescent City daily at 6 a m;
Arrive at Waldo in 14 hours;
Leave Waldo daily at 7 a m;
Arrive at Grants Pass in 10 hours.
Bond required with bid, \$16,000.
Present contract pay, \$6800 per year.
73,256 From Deering to Waldo, 8 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Deering Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Waldo by 9 a m;
Leave Waldo Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 10 a m;
Arrive at Deering by 12 m.
Bond required with bid, \$500. Present contract pay, \$200.
73,257 From Takilma to Waldo, 3 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Takilma daily, except Sunday, at 4 p m;
Arrive at Waldo by 4:45 p m;
Leave Waldo daily, except Sunday, on receipt of mail from Grants Pass, but not later than 7 p m;
Arrive at Takilma in 45 minutes.
Bond required with bid, \$500. Present contract pay, \$225.
73,258 From Kerby, by Althouse and Holland, to Brownstown, 14.14 miles and back, six times a week between Kerby and Holland (10.14 miles), and three times a week the residue.
Leave Kerby Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:45 a m;
Arrive at Holland by 10:45 a m;
Leave Holland Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:45 a m;
Arrive at Kerby by 2:45 p m;
Leave Kerby Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7:45 a m;
Arrive at Brownstown by 12 m;
Leave Brownstown Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1 p m;
Arrive at Kerby by 5:15 p m.
Bond required with bid, \$1400. Present contract pay, \$421.62.
73,259 From Dryden to Selma, 5.50 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Dryden Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 11 a m;
Arrive at Selma by 1 p m;
Leave Selma Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday on receipt of mail from Grants Pass, but not later than 3 p m;
Arrive at Dryden in 2 hours.
Bond required with bid, \$500. Present contract pay, \$130.40
73,260 From William by Provolt and Murphy, to Grants Pass, 20.37 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Williams daily, except Sunday, at 7 a m;
Arrive at Grants Pass by 1 p m;
Leave Grants Pass daily, except Sunday, at 1:30 p m;
Arrive at Williams by 7:30 p m.
Bond required with bid, \$2000. Present contract pay, \$420.
73,261 From Merlin to Galice, 14 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Merlin daily, except Sunday, at 7 a m;
Arrive at Galice by 12 m;
Leave Galice daily, except Sunday, at 1 p m;
Arrive at Merlin by 6 p m.
Bond required with bid, \$1500. Present contract pay, \$350.
73,262 From Wolf Creek by Golden, to Greenback, 7.14 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Wolf Creek daily, except Sunday, on receipt of mail from trains due at 6:25 a m and 8:32 a m, but not later than 10 a m;
Arrive at Greenback in 2 hours;
Leave Greenback daily, except Sunday, at 12:30 p m;
Arrive at Wolf Creek by 3:30 p m.
Bond required with bid \$1000. Present contract pay, \$430.70
73,263 From Leland, by Gravel, to Placer, 9.50 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Leland daily, except Sunday, on receipt of mail from trains due at 6:07 a m and 8:33 a m, but not later than 10:30 a m;
Arrive at Placer in 3 hours.
Leave Placer daily, except Sunday, at 3 p m;
Arrive at Leland by 6 p m.
Bond required with bid, \$1200. Present contract pay, \$245.46.

FALL WEATHER HAS ARRIVED

And with it comes suggestions regarding your Winter necessities. We are well prepared to cater to your wants. This immense store is full of the necessary comforts of life—all the new and latest and more coming every day; the PRICES GENUINE PURSE TICKLERS.

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BLANKETS, Comforts and Spreads, 90c to \$7.50.
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FURNITURE—New Dressers, new shapes, new prices.
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NEW LINOLEUMS, best makes, 60 to 85c yard.
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KIND WORDS SAID OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Oregonian Gives Complimentary
Writeup of Josephine County
to Advertise Its Resources.

The Oregonian of Sunday last gave a fine cut of the Josephine county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair and a complimentary write-up of the county. With the great circulation that the Oregonian has all over the Coast as well as in the Eastern States this mention of our county will be read by thousands of persons and will be a big factor in calling the attention of investors and homeseekers to a section of Oregon that is destined to soon become one of the most productive and wealthy parts of the state.

The following is the Oregonian's article in full:
Content with the fact that the world knows of its wonderful production of fruits, grains and grasses, Josephine county, Oregon, at the Lewis and Clark exposition, has installed in the Agricultural building and in the Mines building, one of the most interesting exhibits of minerals at the fair.

In its booth in the former structure, a tall pyramid of ores, and two immense banks of minerals on either side, together with cases and cabinets of smelted ores, attract and hold the attention of visitors. But few people, except those familiar with mining realize the value of the gold ore displayed in a glass case on one side of the booth.

Gold in nuggets, gold in flakes, placer gold and bar gold, to the inexperienced eye looking like so much brass, is placed in a glass case and is estimated to be worth \$10,000. This small fortune was dug out of mines located near Grants Pass and is but a very small part of the wealth yearly extracted from the earth in that famed district.

Mining is the foremost in the long list of industries in the county. Josephine county is termed the pioneer mining county of Oregon. Gold was first discovered in the county in April of the year 1851. It is stated that at least four-fifths of the area of the county is rich in mineral wealth. Side by side with fields of alfalfa and orchards, vineyards and hopfields, are mines of gold, copper, iron and other minerals.

Placer mines in the county yield from \$20,000 to \$75,000 annually, and because of the fact that the rivers are un navigable, this form of mining is

carried on in the county with no restriction. Ground in the placer channels carries from 8 to 50 cents a yard in free gold, and gravel is frequently found bearing from 80 cents to \$1 a yard.

Josephine county claims to have some of the richest and best producing quartz mines on the Pacific Coast, although this phase of mining is still in its infancy in the county. More than 150 mines are now being operated and developed in the county, and the output runs very near the million mark annually. Last year a boy found a chunk of pure gold valued at \$30,000 in the famous Sucker Creek district, and similar finds are recorded very frequently.

The largest and richest copper vein in Oregon, it is claimed, is located in the famous Waldo district, in the southern part of the county. This belt is 25 miles wide and 50 miles long, and extends far into California. Enormous smelters are already in operation in this county, and more are promised within the next few months.

Some of the finest marble in the United States is found in this county, the most plentiful being the black and gray. Several specimens, beautifully polished, are on exhibition at the exposition.

But not alone in minerals is Josephine rich, but in the kind of gold that grows in trees, is it especially blessed. The timber resources and the lumber industry runs the mining industry a close second in the county. Josephine has 1,185,040 acres, nearly one-half of which is covered with a dense growth of timber.

8 sugar pine, red and white cedar and oak are extremely plentiful, as is laurel wood. More than 9,304,800,000 feet of laurel and oak are now standing in the county.

"The Country That God Remembered" is the grateful cry of the people of the county, and a glimpse of its orchards and fields gives sufficient reason for the glad slogan of its people.

Abcesses.
W. H. Harrison, Cleveland, Miss., writes, Aug. 15, 1902: "I want to say a word of praise for Ballard's Snow Liniment. I stepped on a nail which caused the cords in my leg to contract and an abscess to rise in my knee and the doctor told me that I would have a stiff leg, so one day I went to J. F. Lord's drug store (who is now in Denver, Col.) He recommended a bottle of Snow Liniment; I got a 50c size, and it cured my leg. It is the best liniment in the world."

ABCESSSES, with few exceptions, are indicative of constipation or debility. They may however result from blows or from foreign bodies introduced into the skin or flesh such as splinters, thorns, etc. For sale by Rotermund and Model Drug Store.

ALL DAYS

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RED LETTER DAYS

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