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TAXABLE PROPERTY
OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS
On These [Amounts] Districts
Will Base Their Levies
For 1906.

The summary of the taxable prop-
erty of the various school districts of
Josephine county has just been com-
pleted by County Clerk Cheshire for
1905. The valuations show some in-
teresting figures over the assessment
for 1904. In all districts the valuation
was doubled but some show an
interesting increase in new valuation.
District No. 7, embracing the city of
Grants Pass and a small territory ad-
jacent to the city, shows a valuation
this year of \$1,371,225, as against
\$663,165 last year. District 34, known
as Lower Grave, or the Karp district,
has the largest valuation of any of
the outside districts, it being \$167,170.
This valuation is made up chiefly of
non-resident property holders. The
Southern Pacific paying about 75 per
cent of the taxes in this district.
District 46, known as the Elk Creek
district, west of Waldo, has only
about \$5000 resident property hold-
ers, as against a total valuation of
\$26,575. The non-resident property
holders of this district being principally
timber claim holders, of which
there are 30. Waldo district, No. 4,
has about \$40,000 new valuation over
last year. The smallest valuation is
in what is known as the Woodcock
district, No. 37, lying west of Kerby.
The city of Grants Pass has an as-
sessed valuation this year of \$1,258,000.
Kerby district No. 3 and Meisner dis-
trict No. 36, have joined as one
district giving No. 3 a valuation this
year of \$100,705.

Following is a complete list of the
districts together with their valuations.

No. 1—Selma	\$ 64,805
No. 2—Holland	66,010
No. 3—Kerby	100,705
No. 4—Waldo	142,810
No. 5—Wilderville	52,595
No. 6—Upper Deer Creek	86,225
No. 7—Grants Pass	1,371,225
No. 8—Provlott	45,300
No. 9—Missouri Flat	25,000
No. 10—Laurel Grove	33,670
No. 11—Leland	116,750
No. 12—New Hope	26,380
No. 13—E Fork Williams Cr	51,975
No. 14—Murphy	46,175
No. 15—Pleasant	49,840
No. 16—Williams	86,970
No. 17—Robertson	106,645
No. 18—Althouse	42,185
No. 19—Lee District	70,785
No. 20—Dutcher Creek	60,950
No. 21—White	66,745
No. 22—Lucky Queen	122,310
No. 23—Oak Grove	120,140
No. 24—Merlin	122,395
No. 25—Jones Creek	86,745
No. 26—Jewell Dist.	25,595
No. 27—Wolf Creek	86,680
No. 28—Centennial	43,620
No. 29—Winoona	81,155
No. 30—Dimnick Dist.	99,865
No. 31—W Fork William Cr	61,885
No. 32—Jerome Prairie	42,510
No. 33—Floyd	32,470
No. 34—Lower Grave Cr	167,170
No. 35—Pleasant Valley	42,905
No. 36—Now No. 3	27,800
No. 37—Woodcock Dist.	9,725
No. 38—Golden	29,370

**SOUTHERN OREGON
PIONEER DEAD**
J. T. Layton Dies Suddenly At
His Applegate Home—Was
Highly Respected.
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the Applegate, near Applegate post-
office, on Thursday, December 14,
1905, John T. Layton, aged 74
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good health until the first of this
week when he was taken with a se-
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in Grants Pass and complained of not
feeling well. He took additional cold
making the drive in and back of 35
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complications and he passed away at
11:30 a. m. Thursday. The burial
will take place at Jacksonville, where
so many of the pioneers of Southern
Oregon are at rest in the beautiful
cemetery of that old mining town.
The services will be conducted by
the Masonic Lodge of Jacksonville
and the oration will be delivered by
Hon. W. M. Colvig, a life-time friend
of the deceased. If the family can
all get home by Sunday the services
will be held that afternoon, if not
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of Mrs. Layton and Edward, Amy and
Jessie who reside at home, and Lester
Layton, Applegate, Mrs. C. E. Smith
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Bills Allowed by County Court.
J O Booth, stamps and expr. \$ 7 75
J C Irwin & Co., sup. 2 50
Scott Pool, fertilizer for yrd. 18 00
W H Fallin, stamps. 3 00
J E Anderson, brdg work. 2 20
E Erickson, brdg work. 24 00
Webb Roberts, brdg work. 15 00
James Turvey, brdg work. 12 50
Geo Sparlin, brdg work. 12 50
Geo Gebers, hauling timber. 34 00
F Burns, care pauper. 24 00
R L Coe & Co., mdse paupr. 10 20
H C Hobzen, mdse paupr. 2 50
D E Dotson, copy assessmt roll. 80 00
Witnesses, state vs Jennings. 10 00
Kelly Fields, brdg work. 38 50
A U Haines, mdse for jail. 18 75
Mrs Holmes, care paupr. 1 75
Scott Pool, fertilizer for yrd. 18 00
W H Flanagan, instg Jennings
Observer, printing. 18 80
Bashong & Co., sup. 6 00
Jurors County court. 30 00
Witnesses, Circuit court. 2 40
Jurors, instg Jennings. 7 00
W H Colby, guard prisoners. 75 60
W M Cheshire, extra. 20 00
Wilson, Mer Co mdse paupr. 33 50
Henry Miller, brdg work. 7 00
Mrs C M Holmes, brd paupr. 6 25
Geo Cronk, wrk cemetery. 82 00
J R McGilliard, care paupr. 2 00
L J Crow, care paupr. 7 00
Ettie Stephenson, brd road men
W C Hale, securing deed at Crk
W horse grounds. 5 00
Fred Moore, road work. 29 15
Geo Ryley, road work. 90 60
Wm Bigler, road work. 100 68
Wm Sargent, road work. 15 90
Henry Pile, road work. 22 90
D H Wimmer, road work. 106 35
W M Cheshire, extra. 96 35
W A Hogue, road work. 24 00
Frank Harless, road work. 24 00
Travis Hyzer, road work. 45 44
Ebb Hogue, road work. 76 00
Wm Smith, road work. 22 94
C F Lovelace, com and mileage. 61 80

NEW TODAY.
WANTED—A span of good, gentle
draft horses, bays preferred. Must
weigh 1300 or 1400 pounds each, be
under 6 and 8 years old. W. L. Ire-
land, The Real Estate Man.

**EXECUTORS' NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS.**
Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned have been duly appointed
executors of the estate of Peter Han-
sen, deceased, by order of the County
Court of the State of Oregon for the
County of Josephine. All persons
having claims against said estate are
herby notified and required to pre-
sent the same to George Hansen, or to
Charles Hansen, Kerby, Oregon, at the
office of J. H. Austin in said Ker-
by, County of Josephine, State of
Oregon, accompanied by the proper
vouchers and duly verified as by law
provided within six months from
this date.

CHARLES HANSEN,
GEORGE HANSEN,
Executors of the estate of Peter Han-
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J. H. AUSTIN,
Attorney for Executors.

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The Grants Pass schools will close
next Friday for the Christmas holi-
days. The vacation will be but for 10
days, school beginning on Tuesday,
January 2. It was thought best, by
City Superintendent Turner and
by the board, to have a short vaca-
tion, as a long vacation demoralizes
to a considerable extent the work of
the school, and also makes the school
close that much later in the Spring
when the warm weather, the birds
and the flowers render study impos-
sible to the average boy and girl.

MARRIED.
BENNETT—BLALOCK—At the home
of the bride's parents on Tuesday,
November 20, 1905, W. A. Bennett
and Miss Leona Blalock, Rev. W. C.
Long officiating.

WERTZ—GRIFFIN—At the resi-
dence of M. A. Wertz, in Grants
Pass, on Tuesday, December 12,
1905, James G. Wertz and Miss
Lydia Griffin, Rev. Clark Bower,
officiating.

Miss Griffin is the daughter of Mrs.
W. Griffin, residing on Rogue river
near the mouth of Shum creek, and she
is a bright, winsome young lady, hav-
ing the qualities that will make her a
worthy wife and a practical, sensible
woman. Mr. Wertz is the son of M.
A. Wertz, the sawmill man, and he is
an industrious, upright young man
and both he and his fair young bride
have a large number of friends in
Josephine county who give them their
best wishes for a long and happy mar-
riage. Mr. and Mrs. Wertz will re-
side on the fine farm that he and
his father own on Rogue river at the
mouth of Dutcher creek.

Arbor Day for Grants Pass.
The Municipal League held their
regular meeting Monday evening at
Hall's Chapel. It was well attended
and the proceedings were of much im-
portance in the work for the
material advancement of Grants Pass.
Trees, their planting, care and pro-
tection, was the subject under con-
sideration for this session. The hap-
pazard way of planting trees along
the streets was considered and a
committee, on a motion, was ap-
pointed by President Travis to pre-
sent an ordinance to the city council
for their consideration, that will pro-
vide for distance from the property
line that trees shall be planted along
the sidewalks, and the height to
which they shall be trimmed and such
other regulations as may be required.
This committee is made up of W. H.
Hair, L. B. Hall and Arthur Conk-
lin.

The establishment of an Arbor Day
for Grants Pass and its general obser-
vance by the citizens of this city in
tree planting was considered. The
state Arbor Day for Oregon comes too
late in the spring for Rogue River
Valley and trees planted then usually
die by reason of the leaves being well
started and the dry weather coming
on before the trees can get rooted. It
is proposed to have a day, possibly in
February, declared an Arbor Day for
Grants Pass and a motion was carried
naming President Travis, Prof. Turner,
H. C. Kinney and J. E. Hair, as a
committee to wait on Mayor Good
and request him to set the date for a
Grants Pass Arbor Day.

Real Estate Transfers.
L. B. Jamison to Wm. M. Trimble,
Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in Block 11, H. B.
Miller & Company's Addition.
John H. Williams, et al, to Alfred
Barlitt, Lot 4 in Block 39, Railroad
Addition.

The above sales were made through
the REAL ESTATE AGENCY OF
JOSEPH MOSS.

Peter Hansen's Will Probated.
The will of the late Peter Hansen,
of Kerby was presented Wednesday for
probate in Judge Booth's court.
George and Charles Hansen are named
as executors without bonds. The
total value of the estate is about \$11-
500. The Hansen block on West G
street in Grants Pass, occupied by
Wm. Dean's dry goods store, Coburn &
Hankins saloon, and owned a third
each by the late Peter Hansen and
Charles and George Hansen goes to the
two latter persons. A house and
lot in Grants Pass goes to Mrs. W. A.
Taylor, of Rosburg. To a sister,
Castria Detleifson, of Luerece, Iowa,
is given \$200 in cash and Mrs. Chas.
Hansen, of Kerby gets \$200. The bal-
ance of the estate is divided equally
between his sister above men-
tioned and his nephews and nieces,
who are George Hansen, Grants Pass,
Chas. Hansen, Kerby, Mrs. W. A.
Taylor, Rosburg, Mrs. W. R. Leonard,
Holland, Mrs. Louisa Tate,
Wasco, Ore., Mrs. Mary Anderson,
Ravelotke, B. C., Miss Allie Brown,
Union, Ore., and Mrs. Emma Glenn,
San Francisco, Cal.

To appraise the estate Judge Booth
appointed H. L. Gilkey, Joseph Moss
and George Riddle.

City Treasurer's Notice
There are funds in the city treasury
to redeem all outstanding warrants
protected to May 1st, 1906. Interest
on same will cease after this date.
COL. W. JOHNSON,
City Treasurer.

Dated at Grants Pass, Oregon, De-
cember 15th, 1905.

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Millinery Store!**
New Goods, New Styles,
Large Selection,
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works of art not usually found on sale
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frames of latest design. Selection is
large and complete.

Picture Frames
Large assortment of Picture Mould-
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Frames made to order and promptly.
See the fine display of pictures and
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Shoes.**

You will
WANT SHOES
for Christmas.
I have a Big stock
to select from
in MEN'S SHOES
the M. A. Packard Shoe
stand in the lead for \$3.50
High Cuts for Men
from \$3.50 to \$6.00.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S
S H O E S
in Patent Leather
and Vici Kid
in Heavy and Light Soles.

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Coffee Market**

We open for business Monday, Dec. 11, and
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Our line of Chinaware and Japanese goods are good values for
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We will be pleased to show you our goods and invite com-
parison.

**Look in the Border
for the lines we carry.**

COFFEE, TEA, SPICE, BAKING POWDER, CONDENSED CREAM
LESLEY'S SALT, JAPANESE GOODS, TEA
CHINAWARE, TEA, COFFEE, PRESERVES
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tones up the relaxed, weak-
ened and shaky nerves and
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Santa reigns at our clothing store.
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everything to wear for Boy and Man.
He has made his court here because
he is convinced that our stock affords
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With every suit or overcoat, sold in our boys and children's department
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Give Away

A good knife, Toy or Combination Bank. The suits are for boys 3 to 14 years,
Double or Single breasted coats, straight or knickerbocker pants. The prices
\$1.75 up to \$7.

**Boys are up to All Sorts
of Tricks.**

But there's no trickery in the make-
up of our Boys' Clothing. If your
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Geo. S. Calhoun Company
Outfitters to Boy and Man

Clothes for the Occasion

If you really want something to make
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Schaffner & Marx Clothes. For any
sort of an occasion. Whatever you do,
wherever you go, business, the social
function, Winter sports for any
place where clothes count, we'll show
you the right thing.

When we say Hart, Schaffner &
Marx clothes it amounts to saying that
wherever you wear them nobody you
meet will be better dressed than you
are in style, fit or quality. Hart,
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ance policy from them, and from us.

We issue "Merchandise Orders" for
any amount desired. They will be
honored at any time presented for
whatever class of goods is preferable
to the recipient.

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FOR
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We are showing some of the finest
Neckwear ever brought to Grants Pass.
Silk Handkerchiefs and Silk Mufflers,
all kinds, all prices. Men's and Boys'
Fine Gloves, silk lined and unlined. \$1,
to \$2. Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets
and House Coats in full assortment.
Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 22 inches square, best grade, special price for
the Holidays, 45c or 3 for \$1.25. Umbrellas, Mexican Carved Belts and
Purses. Fancy Cashmere Hose, Fine Dress Shirts, White and Fancy Vests,
Suit Cases, Watch Fobs, Cuff Links, Scarf Pins, etc.

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CAN BE packed or un-
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trays. No tugging and
pulling to get out trays nor
looking around to find a place
on which to set them.
We carry a full line of these
trunks and will be glad to show
them in packing or unpacking; how
it thoroughly ventilated with-
out removing either garments
or trays; and why it will last
you so much longer than an
ordinary trunk. Lifting the
cover brings the trays up and
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entrance to every corner at once.
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stand all the knocks and hard usage
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