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Assessor Eelus Pollock has just received notice from the secretary of state that his return of the taxable property of Josephine county has been cut down \$94,020. The assessed valuation of taxable property as turned in by the assessor was \$8,771,179, and the amount equalized by the State Tax Commissioners is \$8,677,159. The proportion which the equalized value of taxable property within the county bears to the total amount of taxable property in all counties in the state is .01249.

The equalization affects every county in the state, some being raised and others lowered. Baker county assessment was raised over \$6,000,000, changing the assessed valuation from ten to sixteen millions. Clatsop county was also raised from less than nine millions to over fifteen millions. The Umatilla county assessed valuation was lowered over eight millions. The total taxable property as turned in by the assessors of the counties of the state was \$694,727,631.90, and the assessed valuation as equalized by the State Tax Commission is the same, the valuations being changed in the various counties according to the judgment of the commission.

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Many Years With 53 Sundays.

To the Editor of the Rogue River Courier.

Dear Sir: In last week's Courier there appeared an article copied from an exchange stating that the year 1910 contains 53 Sundays and that this will not occur again for 110 years. I do not wish to dispute the statement, but feel bound to make two important corrections. In the first place, this year does NOT contain 53 Sundays; in the second place, instead of our having to wait 110 years for such an occurrence, it will take place next year and eighteen times more during this century, making twenty-one times in all between 1900 and 2000. This may be easily verified by any one. Following are the years of this century containing an extra Sunday: 1904, 1905, 1911, 1916, 1922, 1928, 1932, 1939, 1944, 1950, 1956, 1960, 1961, 1967, 1972, 1978, 1984, 1988, 1989, 1995. CELIA DOERNER.

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WHY PULLETS ARE NOT NOW LAYING

With eggs tipping the scales at 53 cents and up per dozen, wholesale, the fowl that lays them appears closely related to that bird of the golden egg. A flock of such fowls would make the owner's heart light and his purse heavy in the October and November days.

"That's all very fine," grumbles the farmer, "but when you get down to facts there's nothing doing among the flocks in the October and November days."

Very true. It requires judicious outlay, study and work, seasoned with that "infinite pains" which is the earmark of genius, to produce eggs in quantity during the off season of egg production, and these things the majority of poultry keepers are not going to bestow on so insignificant a creature as a chicken. So there will always be "nothing doing" in the majority of flocks at this season, and incidentally there will always be a golden harvest to be reaped by the small minority of farmers and other poultry keepers who realize that money and effort are not thrown away in the breeding and care of fowls.

"But," says another farmer, "I put a good bit of money in chicks last spring and they have had a whole lot of care, and have got away with a lot of high-priced feed; some of 'em are more than 6 months old, and nary an egg or prospect of one in sight."

We happen to be familiar with this case, and it is typical of many others. Some 200 day-old chicks of uncertain Leghorn stock and of different ages were bought; part were placed with hens, fifty or so to a hen, and part were brooded in boxes. All were kept in an inclosure where there were a number of old fowls. An epidemic of vermin broke out two or three times and was subdued by whitewash and insect powder, but was not eradicated by persistent after treatment. Though the feeding, together with the general care, was not always regular or of the best, it was so much better than had ever before been given on that farm to chickens that naturally much was expected in return.

At present there is quite a bunch of pullets and some cockerels running and roosting all together, though of different ages and sizes, and a few among them are very fair birds; but none of them have had the steady and vigorous growth necessary to the production of the October and November layers. At the best, it will be along in January and February before there will be regular laying for even the most forward of the lot.

The gilt-edged egg is not secured without effort plus a knowledge of the right methods. Had our farmer in the above case put the same amount of money in fewer and better chicks, had he brooded them properly, fed them well and regularly, kept them free from insects, and yarded them according to age and vigor; in short, kept them growing every minute of their chickhood, they would now be returning him a nice profit on his investment and work instead of being a dead expense till the price of eggs begins to drop toward spring.

No weakly or stunted pullets, nor even an organically strong one which has not had regular and systematic feeding and care from the egg up, is going to lay in October and November. If eggs were easy of production during this time it would not be the season of maximum prices. As with everything else in price, to get the best results from poultry we must give it our best efforts.

The pullets for fall and winter laying should not be allowed with the general flock or with fowls of different age. Those to begin laying the last of September should be separated, in bunches of twenty-five or thereabouts, in August and yarded in comfortable quarters. Any change must be made considerable time before the pullets begin to lay; for though they are not greatly affected by such things in the natural laying season, even a change of roosting quarters in the fall and winter will often check laying for weeks. The writer once moved a flock of pullets just starting to lay to a ranch seven miles distant on the 19th of October. They were moved at night and with the greatest care; but, whereas, there were forty eggs laid the day they were moved, there were only a few scattering eggs laid thereafter until along in the month of January. Many people look upon an animal as a sort of automaton without any special nerves or feeling. In reality, the animal economy is much the same whether it belongs to a human, beast, or bird, and a laying hen often has more cause to complain of her

"nerves" than the fine lady. Anything that frightens her or makes her uncomfortable or dissatisfied, checks egg production. Harsh or rough treatment by the caretaker, children and dogs dashing through the yards or chasing the fowls, or the "shooing" and throwing at them allowed to most small children, all reduce the profit from a flock of pullets or hens and tend to scare away that shy production—the nickel egg. —M. R. James, in P. R. Press.

Mules Make Good Farm Teams.

During the past few years mules have come to be in better favor everywhere draft animals are wanted. The demand for them for construction purposes and for city use almost exceeds the supply. Hence the present high prices.

There was a time when in certain sections of the country no animals other than mules were used for farm work. Then came the time when the man with a span was considered out of date. Now the reaction has come.

In a certain region in Ohio from which 5000 to 6000 high-class drafters are shipped each year, hundreds of farmers allow the big 1900-pound horses to fatten in the stables, while the farm work is done by the faithful mule. These farmers say that though a large team of mules costs about \$450, it will outlast a pair of horses costing the same money, outwork them, take one-half the care, about one-half the feed, and are twice as tough.

Such would not make a bad working pair for anyone, and would make the ideal team to be left in charge of the average hired man who is sometimes inclined to cripple up a good team of horses in a short time. —C. A. Waugh, in Farm and Home.

COMMISSIONER CARSON ON FRUIT PROSPECTS

A. H. Carson, commissioner of horticulture, hits the nail squarely on the head in the following communication addressed to the Courier. Many people are of the opinion that freezing weather destroys a class of insects that prey on fruit trees. Mr. Carson sounds a warning that this belief is only a fallacy.

"Editor Courier: The present cold weather is favorable for fruit production next year, keeping the trees dormant."

"After thirty-five years here as a fruit grower, I have always observed that when we have a prolonged cold snap in December and January when it does become warm it remains so during the spring months and killing frosts hardly ever occur during the blooming period."

"There is one warning I am sure I should sound, that is that this cold weather will in no way lessen insect life. When it turns warm the necessity for spraying with the lime and sulphur compound is necessary to control scale and other injurious insects."

"The fruit grower that should omit to spray, believing that the cold weather will kill off the injurious insects that prey upon the fruit will be sadly disappointed. Any entomologist will tell you that insect life can, when in the dormant stage, stand any degree of cold and be ready for activity when it turns warm. A. H. CARSON, "Com. Third Dist."

HILL IS HEADING FOR ROGUE VALLEY

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which Stevens made from Bend to Medford, coupled with the activity of John Roberts Allen in and about Medford, and particularly in the purchase of the Pacific & Eastern railroad, may indicate what is on the cards.

Contracts have been let for the grading of the Deschutes line from the Columbia river south as far as Bend, Oregon. These contracts are held by Porter Brothers and the work is in progress. Beyond Bend the course which will be taken by Hill in entering California has been largely a matter of conjecture, although the impression is gaining strength that some sort of a connection with the Western Pacific is a part of the plan. The later information, however, indicates that a line to the southwest is also in contemplation.

In June last Stevens and a party of Hill engineers came south from Bend in an automobile by the way of the Crater Lake national park to the Rogue River valley and to Medford, which is on the line of the Southern Pacific between Ashland and Grants Pass.

For the last fifty miles of this trip the route taken by the Stevens' party was through the country in which the Pacific & Eastern railway had been projected, but never com-

pleted, the road having gone into the hands of a receiver after fourteen miles of grading had been done and before any equipment had been delivered.

About the same time, John Roberts Allen, a New York operator, who is said to have acted before in the capacity of a Hill scout, appeared at Medford, and in July and August negotiated and completed the purchase of the Pacific & Eastern railway.

Following this purchase graders were at once put to work, and it was discovered that the contract had been given to the same Porter Bros. who were doing the work on the Deschutes line.

Allen did not stop with the purchase of the bankrupt road. Before he left for the east he had secured a fifty-year franchise for an interurban trolley line running through the Rogue River valley, and incidentally had picked up an interest in several timber holdings and probable townsite locations.

Among other things, Allen made a careful personal inspection of the country between Medford and Crescent City, Del Norte county, along the line of the old Draper survey.

Together with a man by the name of Towne, he owns the Blue Lodge copper mine, at the point where the old survey crosses the California-Oregon line. He was also in frequent conferences with representatives of the owners of the redwood timber lands in Del Norte county, which would be benefited by a line from Crescent City to a transcontinental connection, and after he left Medford he had a conference with Stevens in Portland, at which, it is presumed, the plans of the building of the line from Bend, the terminus of the Deschutes road, southwest by the Crater Lake park, and crossing the Rogue River valley into the redwood timber of Del Norte county to the coast at Crescent City were discussed.

These facts were learned yesterday from a confidential source. They appear to give a more reliable insight into one aspect of the Hill plans in Northern California than anything which has heretofore come to light.

In the meantime Allen has returned to New York, where he is selling the bonds of the Pacific & Eastern. The road is announced as tapping 8,000,000,000 feet of timber, and opening the pathway to the Crater Lake park.

Contracts have been let for the construction as far as Butte Falls, thirty-one miles from Medford, and the line is surveyed as far as the park. From Butte Falls to Bend the distance is roughly 200 miles, and those who claim to speak advisedly say that this gap will be filled and the Hill line built into the Rogue River country and on to the coast.

The redwood holdings in Del Norte which would be benefited by the construction of a line from Crescent City to the Columbia river are those of the Hobbs, Wall & Company, the Hotchkiss Lumber company and the Del Norte Lumber company.

Obviously the significance of Allen's operations in this territory depends on his relations with Hill, but the interest shown by Stevens is taken as evidence to this point by those who have been following the developments of the last summer.

These people do not believe that Hill intends to continue building down the coast from Crescent City. There are other indications in the activity of the Walker interests, in adding to their holdings in Shasta county, that are interpreted as meaning that Hill will build south through the Klamath Lake country and on through the timber belt where Walker and the Terry company are located.

In this connection it is said that Walker and the Terry company have recently come into a better understanding. The Terry company is operating a broad gauge logging

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road north from Anderson, and Walker has a survey which could be coupled with this road leading through the Pitt River timber.

This is one of the routes which it has been conjectured Hill might take in coming into the central California valley, and the association of Walker with the Minneapolis railway magnate has given color to this assumption.

Tax on Good Looks.

An incident has just come to light which suggests wherein some money could be made by some deserving society or anyone else desiring to take the matter in hand. Last Saturday three of our promising young men, Fred Blackman, Arthur Denison and August Goettsch attended a hard time dance at Glendale. Everyone wearing jewelry or other articles of finery were fined according to the value of the articles worn, also there was a fine payable by those blessed by good looks. These gentlemen, wearing their working clothes were exempt from the first tax, but got caught on the last. Being extremely modest in regard to their personal charms it has been impossible to find out just how large a fine was imposed, or which one was taxed the heaviest, but the fact that three of our townsmen were fined for their manly beauty is in itself sufficient to warrant us in getting up a beauty contest among the young men of our city, for, with all respect to these fortunate three, we believe there are others just as good looking as they.

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