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Assessor Otto Peets has been advised by the state tax commission that the Sherman county rating on public service institutions has been set at 85 per cent of their full appraised value. The highest rating, 87 per cent, was given to Gilliam county. The higher the rating, the more tax money comes into the county from what may be said to be outside sources. The ratings are based upon the relative assessments of cash values with the actual values of the property in the county as a whole. Some local people consider the assessed values of the county are high, but if made at lower rates the outside sources would pay into the county treasury less money and the local people would pay more.

Graduates and former students who return to the University of Oregon campus November 23 and 24 to take part in Homecoming will participate in a celebration that has been strengthened this year by a number of additions and changes. The big event of Homecoming is the annual Oregon-O. A. C. game on Hayward field the afternoon of Saturday, November 24. The program, however, will begin when the freshmen fire their gigantic bonfire at 7 p. m. Friday. The noise parade will get into motion at 7:30. The indoor rally is scheduled for 8:30. A steam calliope will be imported from Portland for the noise parade. The usual number of ear-splitting contrivances will be employed. A fire works display will be a part of this feature of the program.

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Rufus Couple Honored on 25th Wedding Anniversary

With rooms appropriately decorated, many guests were received and entertained at the Rufus home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Payne Saturday afternoon and evening November 10. A large bell was made which was decorated with chrysanthemums from the same plant that furnished their wedding flower of 1898. The guests, many of them bringing presents, had chosen all articles of the same pattern of silverware, many were these beautiful and fitting presents.

As a "take down" for the bride, the only daughter and the youngest of the Payne children, Dorris, 13, marched thru the guest filled parlor of the Payne mansion, wearing the mother's wedding dress of twenty-five years ago. She was noticed at her first entrance into the room, but the gay dress of such an age held all at awe until she was half across the room. Then an applause which was followed by an inspection of the garment by the visiting ladies.

A little love story was written on a chart and hung in view of all with some words omitted which were to be filled in by the contestants. George Wilkerson explained the puzzle. Mrs. Robert Foster won first prize by getting all the names inserted properly. Mrs. L. W. Rakes won the consolation prize by having the poorest paper.

Then a bag was tied to the ceiling which caused much wonderment and amusement. Persons were blindfolded one at a time, and turned around several times facing the bag, armed with a stick and each trying his luck to knock the bag from its moorings. After several had tried, Calver Payne dissected the curious bag. Peanuts and candy which had filled the bag now covered the floor. It did not take the youngsters long to discover the feast.

At 11 o'clock the floor was cleared, the orchestra summoned forth, and

Wheat Growers Want Higher Tariff

President Coolidge was asked to come to the aid of the wheat growers when the delegates from each section of the state assembled at the regular meeting of the Oregon Co-operative Grain Growers, held at Portland Wednesday, of last week, passed resolutions requesting the president and congress to immediately increase the tariff on wheat sufficiently to bring wheat to its pre-war purchasing level, and to set an export corporation which would have authority to purchase and merchandise the export surplus of wheat, and to pro-rate any losses that might accrue due to the difference between the domestic price of wheat and the export price of wheat back over the entire crop thru the avenue of a sales tax which would be collected from the entire crop when it leaves the growers' hands, reports W. S. Powell of Moro who returned from the meeting Thursday.

This plan, in conjunction with co-operative marketing, was presented in detail to President Coolidge last week by General Manager Jewett of the American Wheat Growers Association, and is the one now proposed by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace for the relief of the wheat grower, and has been consistently advocated by the Oregon Co-operative Grain Growers since last December.

dancing was enjoyed by all. At midnight a dainty lunch was served. Among other refreshments was a beautiful bridal cake trimmed with pieces of silver and a miniature bridal couple. The party broke up about 3:30 a. m.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Rosina Payne, mother of Mr. Payne; Mrs. Bertha Altematt, mother of Mrs. Payne; and Mr. Chas. Lullier all from Albany, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Wood from Blodgett; Mrs. P. B. Long, sister of Mrs. Payne, from Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Allen and sons, Homer and Vern; Miss Agnes Nelson, of Beaverton; Miss Ruby LeKander, of Boring; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Altematt and sons of Shaniko; Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Altematt, of The Dalles, brothers of Mrs. Payne. All of the Payne children, except one son, Ronald, were at home to take part in the celebration. Thirty-nine friends in the community attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Payne lived formerly at Albany, Oregon, moving to Shaniko in 1907 and to Rufus in 1914. Mr. Payne is a brother of Judge B. M. Payne of Linn county.

Judge Parker Has Busy Court Term

The November term of the circuit court held in this city during the week was the longest in recent years. Three jury cases occupied the attention of the court, one application for naturalization, and numerous questions of law pertaining to cases yet to be heard, were disposed of during the term.

In the case of the State vs. Lawrence Jones, an appeal from the justice court at Wasco, based on violation of the liquor laws. Jones was found guilty by the jury after deliberation in the jury room from 11 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. Tuesday. Several ballots were taken before a verdict was reached; the first vote was 6 to 6; this changed gradually until next to the last vote stood 11 to 1. The trial jury were C. F. Guyton, Gus Engstrom, George Ellard, Karl Eaton, E. M. Helyer, H. H. Christensen, A. A. Dunlap, James Kenny, L. V. Moore, Q. E. Gwynne, O. N. Fraley, and C. L. Fridley.

The second trial by jury was a question of ownership of land at Miller station near the mouth of the DesChutes river, the O-W-R-R. Co. claiming title from J. J. Miller through government land grant dating back to early railroad days. The land in litigation is said to include Miller's orchard and residence property. The jury hearing the case are W. S. Deaton, J. G. Medler, C. F. Guyton, George Ellard, G. E. Meloy, John Mathieson, James Kenny, R. C. Byers, G. W. Drinkard, Charles Bullard, Q. E. Gwynne, C. L. Fridley. The case was given to the jury Friday morning.

The third jury trial is a transfer to this county from Wasco county and involves condemnation proceedings involving Rowena heights, adjoining the Columbia highway. Wasco county seeks to secure the property for the purpose of converting it into a public park.

The applicant for naturalization was John Royce, resident of the Michigan district in this county. The examination was conducted by a federal examiner and was said to be the most satisfactory during the term of Judge Parker on the bench. After the usual examination conducted in all such cases, each attorney present at court was called upon by Judge Parker to address the large audience present. Numerous instructive features pertaining to the history of our country was touched upon by the speakers. This last was in compliance with a request made to Judge Parker by the officers of the Dorcas study club, a large number of the ladies of the club being present for the purpose of ascertaining just what procedure was necessary whereby an alien could become an American citizen.

Tires Brought Change.

We learn as the years pass. Air has always been free, but we couldn't appreciate it until tires were invented.—Roosevelt World News.

Elliot Golden Wedding Attended by Many Relatives

On Sunday November 18th, 1923 the sons, daughters, and relatives of Emma and Joshua Elliott joined in giving them a dinner served in the L. O. O. F. hall at Moro, Oregon, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The room and tables were cleverly decorated with gold and white crepe paper and chrysanthemums. Covers were laid for 45 people at one long table and at a smaller table 10 children were placed. The center of the large table was adorned by a mammoth wedding cake.

Emma Thompson and Joshua Elliott were united in marriage in Tama county, Iowa, on November 19th, 1873. To this union was born seven children, three boys and four girls, six of whom are now living. Guy the eldest, died in infancy. Those living are Mrs. Geo. Meloy, Corvallis, Oregon; J. O. Elliott and Mrs. M. A. Bull of Moro, Oregon; M. H. Elliott of Newport, Washington; Mrs. E. S. Everett of Grasse Valley, Oregon and Mrs. Chas. Adlard of Moro, Oregon. They have ten grand children and three great grand children.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott came to Oregon in 1875 settling near Corvallis. In 1885 they moved from Corvallis, crossing the mountains with wagon and teams, settling near Monkland, in what was then Wasco county, Oregon. They proved up on their homestead, on which they are still living. Their son J. O. now operates the farm.

Mr. Elliott was 70 years old the 15th of November and Mrs. Elliott was 69 the 25th of last March. They are a hale and hearty couple and still enjoying life.

The relatives and guests present were J. O. Elliott and wife and son Eugene; M. A. Bull and wife and son Hollis; Mrs. E. S. Everett, son Rolla and daughter Emma Jean; George Meloy Sr.; Charles Adlard and wife; George Meloy Jr., son George 3rd, and daughter Marjorie; A. C. Thompson and wife; N. W. Thompson and wife; A. Nish and wife; Charles Bullard and wife; S. A. Hall and wife and daughter Hope; Miss Florence Brown; Percy Thompson; Dewey Thompson and wife and sons Teddy and Elden; J. R. Hinkle and wife, son Ralph and daughters Hester and Olita; Dayton Henrichs and wife, son Lloyd and daughters Maxine and Vera Jean; Keith Arbuthnot; Mr. Hall Sr.; T. C. Reese and wife and daughter Mary; J. F. Belshie and wife; P. C. Axtell and wife; Neil McDonald and wife; A. M. Wright and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott were the recipients of many nice presents. Before departing to their many homes the guests sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold," "Old Gray Bonnet" and "God be with You till we Meet Again."

All join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Elliott many more long and happy years together.

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Paragraphs of State News

The Albany Kiwanis club has been organized with more than 50 charter members.

During the month of October the Portland police department made a total of 1896 arrests.

The County Judges' and Commissioners' association of Oregon will hold its annual session in Salem January 4, 5, and 6.

Band's school census, as yet incomplete, will show the city to have a population of 9000. City Superintendent Agor declared.

W. G. Flett, well known pioneer of eastern Oregon, died at his home on Rock creek, 18 miles from Condon, at the age of 81 years.

For the first time in more than a year there is a large surplus in Salem, according to officials of the federal employment office.

After serving through 40 months of the world war with the Canadian corps and coming through safely, James McDonald, 27, met his death by drowning in a pond at Camp 14, near Bata-eada.

The Southern Pacific company, according to a report filed with the public service commission, now has a surplus of 23 open cars. The shortage of closed cars has been reduced to 273.

The state tax commission has completed the county tax ratios for the year 1923. These ratios represent the per cent of taxable to full cash value of property generally in each county as determined by the state tax commission.

The Western Pine Manufacturing association, with headquarters in Portland, has appealed to the Oregon public service commission for assistance toward obtaining an export rate of 12 1/2 cents affecting the Spokane and Baker territories.

Articles of incorporation were filed with the state corporation department by the Portland Pulp and Paper company, a new concern, which announced that it will build a large plant on the peninsula in North Portland on the Columbia river. The company is capitalized at \$1,500,000.

About two billion feet of virgin timber, largely pine but with a sprinkling of fir, in the Oregon National forests, south of Friend in the southern part of Wasco county, will be placed on the market by the government forestry service as soon as a complete survey has been made.

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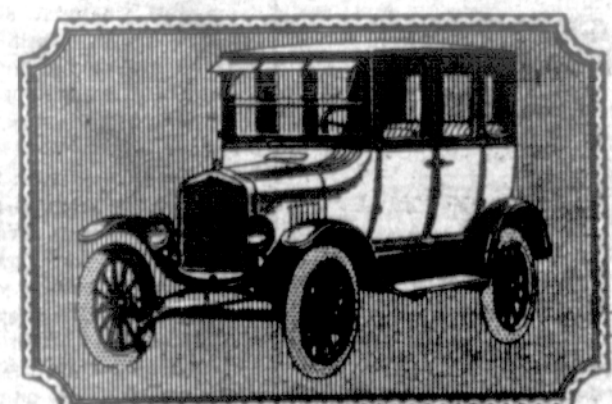
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