

## OREGON AWARDED 102 MEDALS AT ST. LOUIS

Oregon exhibits at the world's fair have received altogether 102 awards, according to the following statement made by General Superintendent Wehrung, of the exhibit:

"In our agricultural department we have been awarded thirty five gold medals, forty-four silver and twenty bronze, and grand prize for grains and grasses, aggregating 102. I have petitioned the superior jury of awards on agriculture for fourteen more medals on articles either overlooked or misjudged; in fact, I know some of them have been entirely overlooked. I have filed with the superior jury of awards on forestry, fish and game a petition for additional awardment of gold medals or a grand prize. We have thus far been awarded in this department gold, silver and bronze medals aggregating twenty-four. I cannot tell you

today how many of each denomination.

"We have received in mines and metals, gold, silver and bronze medals aggregating twelve. I have petitioned in the interest of eight mines which I believe were overlooked. In our educational department we received one gold medal, one silver and one bronze. The method of awardment of prizes by the superior jury of awards on education disappointed us. Instead of awarding prizes to individual schools, the jury arranged our schools in three groups, awarding to each group one prize."

Superintendent Wehrung and W. Wisdom say that they had received a letter from the national commission ordering them to give out no more information for publication until further notice. The detailed statement of the awards is therefore not obtainable.

## SUIT INVOLVES A PRETTY STORY

The Baker City Democrat explains the suit of the Virtue mine versus Ernest Dale Owen, mentioned in yesterday's Miner, by telling the following interesting story:

"For over thirty years, and during the time that the Virtue mine milling was done in a primitive way, tailings from the old mill of the Virtue ran down the gulch, and during the lapse of time these tailings were covered over with earth and sage brush and were lost sight of as far as the Virtue mine managements were concerned.

"After all these years, there remained one man, so it is stated, that knew the value of these tailings and he divulged his secret to Judge Owen, who at once set about to secure the right to work the deposits and extract their values.

"Judge Owen, so it is alleged, entered into a contract with Mr. Romig and proceeded to remove the tailings from the Virtue mine premises to the Cyclone for treatment.

"It developed, so it is authoritatively stated, that the tailings were exceedingly rich. Some of the ore sacks that were being filled and tested going as high as \$20 to the sack. The value of the tailings showed a value of near \$100 to the ton. There was plenty of the deposit, enough for several years working.

"Men and teams were employed sacking and hauling to the Cyclone. A lively industry was inaugurated, and Judge Owen saw visions of wealth ahead of him and chucked to himself over his foresightedness.

"But, it is alleged by Romig, that under his contract Owen only had the privilege of sampling the tailings until such time as he had paid the purchase price of \$1,400. This Owen had not paid, and Romig stepped in to prevent the removal of the tailings. Owen, it is alleged,

only paid down \$100 and that was for the privilege of sampling.

"The controversy has reached the court and the differences between the parties will be settled there." Mount Hood, Mount Adams, and Mount St. Helens, perpetually covered with snow, stand in all their beauty. On the back of the map is an interesting story in detail of the trip from Huntington to Portland and, from Portland to the ocean, not overlooking the beaches and the San Francisco trip by ocean. Acopy of this folder may be secured by sending four cents in stamps to pay postage to A. L. Craig, General Passenger agent for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, Portland, Oregon. By sending the address of some friend in the east, and four cents in postage, the folder will be promptly mailed.

### TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 23, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office,  
La Grande, Oregon, Oct. 22, 1904.  
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 23, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the state of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

REINHOLD SCHEIBER,  
of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1122, for the purchase of the N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section No. 32, in Township No. 10 S, range No. 37 E, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Sumpter, Oregon, on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1905.  
He names as witnesses: Frank E. O'Rourke, of Sumpter, Oregon; Peter J. Soards, of Sumpter, Oregon; Van Rensselaer Mead, of Sumpter, Oregon; Charles H. McColloch, of Sumpter, Oregon.  
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E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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