

TILLABLE LAND MAIN ASSET ON STATE TAX ROLL

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP)—The summary of the assessment roll of Oregon counties and the summary of the assessment roll of the public utility companies of the state was made public today by the state tax commission.

The total assessment roll, as made public some time ago, is \$1,124,988,691.82.

The summary for the county valuations shows the following totals going into the grand total of \$944,789,511.47 for local valuations: Tillable lands \$249,022,968.47; timber lands, \$58,456,169; non-tillable lands, \$79,142,172; improvements on deeded or patented lands, \$45,045,468; town and city lots, \$213,613,681; improvements on town and city lots, \$172,509,431; improvements on lands deeded or patented, \$1,757,864; railroads under construction, logging roads and rollingstock, \$2,231,985; machinery, boats, etc., \$21,027,521; merchandise and stock in trade, \$46,716,879; farm implements and vehicles, \$5,689,371; money, notes and accounts, \$13,179,458; shares of stock, \$8286; hotel and office furniture, \$5,642,610; horses and mules, \$1,128,185; cattle, \$1,284,461; sheep and goats, \$16,491,341; swine, \$491,291; dogs, \$105,099; bees, \$37,247; miscellaneous, \$552,622.

The summary of apportioned or taxable value of utility valuations, making the grand total of \$180,159,280.25 follows: Steam railroad companies, union station and depot companies, \$102,629,657; electric and street railway companies, \$1,687,712.80; car companies, \$1,963,956.47; electric companies, \$6,694,381.55; water and gas companies, \$9,653,679.75; joint utilities (electric, water, gas) \$38,296,577.65; express companies, \$199,544.67; telegraph companies, \$1,812,093.06; telephone companies, \$16,156,799.75.

GOLD HILL HIGHWAY SECTION IS SLIPPERY

GOLD HILL, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—The recent rains in this vicinity have made the highways slightly dangerous near here, since the grading of the shoulders of the highway, and throwing the soft sediment into the pavement, it has become slick and a number of cars have found themselves off the pavement and into the ditch. One of the stages slipped off the highway about five miles north of Gold Hill near the Alaska Auto camp.

JACKSONVILLE WOMAN RECOVERING HEALTH

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—Mrs. Chester Moore, who underwent an operation in Portland several weeks ago, is improving and is now able to be in a wheel chair part of the time. She hopes to be at her home here in Jacksonville after a few more weeks.

JACKSONVILLE LADIES TO GIVE YULE PARTY

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—The Ladies association of the community are to be hostesses to the Missionary society of a Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 19th, in the afternoon at the Presbyterian church parlors. The ladies are asked to bring a ten cent gift, also one for their small children if they are accompanied by them. The entertainment and refreshments are to be furnished by the society. All ladies who are interested in the church work are invited.

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TRIBUNE THANKED BY GRANGE VOTE AT SAMS VALLEY

SAMS VALLEY, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Among the business of the Saturday meeting of the Sams Valley Grange was the initiating of four new members into the order, the report of the road committee as progressing, the report of the committee on heating auditorium as satisfactorily completed and the extending of a vote of thanks to the Mail Tribune on that paper's editorial of December 4, referring to the farm cooperative bill.

Among other features of the meeting were interesting reports from Master Straus and John Anderson of Central Point on their recent attendance at the National Grange meeting, and a speaker which noted \$2.40 to the H. E. C., besides producing a lot of fun, and the delicious lunch with homemade hot tamales made and served by Mrs. George McDonough the H. E. C. chairman.

GOLD HILL WILL PLAY EAGLE POINT TONIGHT

GOLD HILL, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—The Gold Hill high school basketball team, both boys and girls, met the Jacksonville team on the Gold Hill gymnasium floor on Friday evening, December 6. The girls' game played first resulted in a victory for Jacksonville by a large score. Gold Hill boys won by a score of 16 to 24.

BROWNSBORO

BROWNSBORO, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Rachel Cotman, who has been staying at the Stanley home for some time, returned to her home in Klamath Falls for a short time, to care for her daughter, Mrs. Jack Matney, who is quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wyant and children and Mrs. Settles were dinner guests at the Earl Tucker home Sunday evening.

GOLD HILL

GOLD HILL, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—The Nugget service station under the management of Mr. Drolette, has installed a new all-electric operated visible pump for the dispensing of gasoline. This is a new improvement and the only all-electric pump in this city.

RIVIERA

RIVIERA, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Huston Gaddy and daughter Helen of Denver, Ark. were visiting a few days with her sister, Mrs. Clay Biles. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wahl have returned to their home at Riviera, after a few weeks' visit in Medford.

TALENT WOMEN MAKE CLOTHING FOR NEEDY

TALENT, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—The Thrift club met at the home of Mrs. Powers Wednesday afternoon to make ready a large amount of clothing for unfortunate persons in the community. Those assisting were Mesdames Charles Holdridge, Bates, Nye, Hayman, Bertha Hayman, F. Holdridge, Elinor Powers and C. E. Bates. Mrs. Powers and daughter, Elinor, served dinner at 12:30.

Byrd Expedition Heading for Pole By Dog Team, Tractor and Plane



LITTLE AMERICA—Most recent picture of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition encampment on the South Polar Ice Barrier, showing piles of food, gasoline cans, wall insulation and prestone being arranged in readiness for the southern trek.

PROGRESSING with speed the Byrd expedition in the past, members of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition have emerged from their winter quarters, like bears leaving their hibernation, and are trekking rapidly toward the mountains lying between Little America and the Pole. Behind them are the dark winter days, when temperatures of from forty to seventy below zero ruled constant and when confinement within the buildings or tunnels of the encampment was the immutable rule.

Supplies for the seven caches, to be laid down between Little America and the mountain ranges to be spanned by plane, are being transported by dog team, tractor and Suwomobile. While Spring is on the way, and temperatures during the day may go as high as freezing or slightly above, a distinct chill sets in at night despite the sun. When sleeping, dogs and men bury themselves in the snow. They are so clothed, moreover, that no change, however sudden, can catch them unawares.

The big problem has been the

gas engines, which ran the generators for radio and light during the winter. A sudden blizzard permits of no time to attend the motors as all hands must look out for themselves. Anticipating just such contingencies, therefore, Commander Byrd, before setting out for Antarctica, placed the problem of antifreeze protection in the hands of American laboratories. Extensive experiments developed a liquid, prestone, which, Commander Byrd was assured, when equally mixed with water, would prevent formation of solid ice in its motor engine down to fifty-eight degrees below zero. It was this which was used in the partially exposed generator engines throughout the winter, and which now protects the transport.

No Colder Than Northern U. S. Seventy below zero, which is the lowest temperature encountered by the Byrd Expedition, exceeds by but three degrees the record cold in the United States established at Copper River, Montana, within recent years. The readings of from fifteen to forty below which prevailed at Little America during the winter just ended are not materially more severe than the January and February temperatures of northern Maine, Adirondack, New York; northern Michigan and the

Canadian Frontier States almost to the Pacific Coast.

During these months, in fact fifty and sixty below are not uncommon thermometer points in western North Dakota and eastern Montana. Such periods, however, are seldom sustained for more than ten days or two weeks at the most. In Antarctica, on the other hand, fifteen below zero has meant comparative warmth, being occasioned by north-easterly winds.

The southward trek gives members of the expedition their first opportunity in months to get out in the open. During the winter they were required to remain indoors or within the communication tunnels. For their quarters were maintained at about sixty-five degrees above zero—approximately the same as the average American home in winter. To step out-of-doors, therefore, to a temperature of forty below, would involve a change of about one hundred degrees, sufficient to occasion a distinct shock.

A beacon light was kept burning at the top of the radio tower at all times. For, in the sudden and severe storms to which Antarctica is subject, it is sometimes impossible for a man to see more than three feet. Instances have been known where members of exploring parties have frozen to death within tiny distances of shelter without being able to find it.

JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—Fenton Frank and Andy Smith left Sunday for Oakland, Cal. George Wendt is running the moving picture house during their absence. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaw of Kings highway, formerly of Jacksonville, plan to leave the first of the week for a trip to Oakland, Cal.

Mrs. Fleta Chapman of Gold Hill visited relatives here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fick are making improvements in their home, repainting and varnishing floors and doing inside painting.

Mrs. Cecil Wahl is ill with an attack of influenza and tonsillitis.

Mrs. Charis Lindsay of Dead Indian district is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bartley.

J. A. Orchard is quite ill at his home on South Third street. Dr. Chauncy was called, Wednesday morning. His son, J. O. Orchard, of Yakima, Wash., arrived Monday.

J. E. Moore and mother, from California, have rented the house of Mrs. Van Winkle on Oregon street. Mr. Moore is an ex-service man.

Miss Jeannette Simons is making an extended visit with her mother at Eugene.

Frank Woolen arrived last week from California to assist E. S. Severance at the service station.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McKee and daughter, and Mrs. W. A. Childers were in town from their ranches on Big Applegate Wednesday.

Miss Olive Jenkins of College Place, Wash., and Mrs. Carnahan of Roseburg visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jenkins, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Yancy and daughter, Bernice, of Doris, Cal., were visitors at the A. G. Lawis home Saturday.

H. E. Rogers and family of Roseburg have rented the house belonging to Mrs. Cora White on South Fourth street. Mr. Rogers is employed at the Squaw Creek mine.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coppel of Big Applegate were calling Wednesday on Mrs. Arthur Lewis, who is ill at her home here. They were en route to Medford to visit Mr. Coppel's mother, who is also very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Huff returned home Tuesday from Kerby, where they visited Mrs. Huff's parents.

John Renault is starting a new second hand store, the "Jacksonville Exchange," in the Orth building.

Mrs. Ella Meade of Grants Pass visited at the Ray Stevenson home this week.

Little Freddie Keen, who had an operation his eye this week by Dr. Emmens in Medford is improving.

Miss Alice Hoels, local postmistress, is kept very busy these days as the Christmas mail is beginning to come in.

Charles Lyons of Ashland was a visitor at the home of his son, Leonard, Lyons, Wednesday.

Mrs. R. R. Johnson of Portland spent the week end at the home of her brother, E. S. Severance.

Mrs. Chet Leonard of Medford and mother, Mrs. George Baldwin, of Holland, Ore. were Tuesday visitors at the Ray Stevenson home.

PROSPECT

PROSPECT, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Dally of Idaho are visiting the Nye and Phillips families. They are cousins of Nelson Nye and Mrs. Phillips, and are quite impressed with the advancement of this section of the country since they last visited it several years ago.

Charles Boyden of Medford was a business visitor at Prospect Sunday.

Alfred Culy, an employee of Copeco, and former resident of Prospect, is visiting at the home of Tracy Boothby.

Our school clerk, W. H. Merriman, and the chairman of the board, W. E. Mooney, were in Medford Wednesday, investigating electric pumps. The district expects to purchase one soon.

George Hotmes is hauling the last lumber of the summers cut from the Picket sawmill.

The state highway crew is engaged in felling dead timber and burning logs along the sides of the highway near Prospect. The result of this work will add much to the attractiveness of our scenic drive.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goode of Medford, Cal., visited at the home of their son, A. F. Goode, on Thursday of last week until Sunday.

The Prospect high school will present two plays Saturday night, December 14, entitled "Marrying Off Father" and "A Fat Chance to Get Thin." This will be followed by a social dance.

Mrs. Pearson and Mrs. Mooney spent Saturday in Medford attending to business matters and Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Arant, who are spending the week end visiting friends in Medford and Ashland, have not yet returned.

A. H. Geyer and Oscar Waddell are trapping on Miller's Flat of the Little Applegate district.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sautler are spending the week visiting points of interest along the California coast.

Jack Casey and Leo Hong, two of our high school boys from Casey's camp and McLeod, are spending Monday and Wednesday in one of Mr. Grieve's cabins in order to attend basketball practice on those nights.

ST. HELENS.—(AP) Laura Chipman was given a \$3500 verdict against John Rubens, marshal, and J. S. Culbertson, former deputy marshal, in which she charged false arrest.

HOLD FRUIT UNTIL MATURITY IS PLEASED STATE SHIPPERS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—(AP) Fruit growers, shippers and bankers from the Pacific northwest, attending the agricultural council of the Pacific northwest advisory board, urged state laws prohibiting shipments of fresh fruit until it had reached the proper state of maturity.

Shippers complained that in the past fruit shipments, especially prunes, had left Oregon too green for shipment and that after receiving a few such cases, eastern buyers had become distrustful of further allotments.

PREPARE TO OPERATE MINE NEAR GOLD HILL

GOLD HILL, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Special)—Operations are now in progress at the old Broken pocket mine near Gold Hill. Henry Day is in charge of the operations and a number of men are employed preparatory to opening it up. It was in its day, one of the finest producing mines in southern Oregon but has not been in operation for an extensive period.

Active operation of the mine itself will begin, according to Mr. Day, as soon as possible. Machinery for the mine is now being moved from this city. In the past year a number of old mines have been re-opened and have proven to be paying prospects.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNED AT ANTIOCH

BEAGLE, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—The ladies of the Antioch P.-T. A. met at the home of Mrs. Bedingfield Wednesday afternoon to prepare the Christmas decorations for the schoolhouse. The patrons of the district are all asked to meet at the schoolhouse Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock, December 20, to decorate the school room and put up the tree. The Boy Scouts will have the tree and decorations there ready to be put up.

The Christmas tree and program will be Christmas eve, Tuesday, December 24, at 8 o'clock.

SERVICE STATION IN TALENT IS ROBBED

TALENT, Ore., Dec. 13.—(Spl.)—Yeggs broke the outer lock on the Bates service station Tuesday night, but on finding the door fastened by an additional lock from within they gave up the idea and went on to the Talent service station, where they gained entrance. Several articles of clothing were found hanging about morning. The years were identified by C. P. Talent near Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fenik were Medford visitors Wednesday.

The Beagle friends of Rock and Mrs. Wilson of Table Rock wish to express their sympathy to the Wilson family in their recent sorrow. The Wilson baby was loved by all who knew him.

Mrs. Denzer, who is teaching the Antioch school while our regular teacher is ill, spent Friday evening as a guest at the Harry, Ellis home.

Mrs. E. B. Lucas, on the sick list for the last week, is able to be out again.

Mr. and Miss Swanson were Medford visitors Saturday. Miss Swanson is now filling her Christmas orders for pie-needle baskets.

Herbert Mayfield and Jack Sims left the last of the week for Butte Falls, where they are working with Ralph Russell, cutting wood on a contract taken by Mr. Russell. They expect to spend each week end at home.

The many friends of Howard Rodgers are sorry to hear he had to undergo an operation and wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. Rodgers has had so much sickness the last few years that it is the hope of all that this operation will be a permanent cure.

Robert Bischoff, a new pupil, was enrolled in school last week. Mr. and Mrs. Bischoff and family came into our district last fall and bought the Wilhite ranch.

Delores Bedingfield and Frank Duncan came out from Medford to help Alfred Bedingfield celebrate his sixteenth birthday Saturday.

Mrs. Denzer was on the sick list the first of the week and Monday there was no school. Tuesday Miss Ellison of Medford taught. Mrs. Denzer was back again Wednesday morning.

Ella Smith spent the week end at home, returning to her work next Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bedingfield and Mr. and Mrs. Lucas and small daughter Ina Pearl were Medford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Mayfield delivered a load of turkeys to the Medford market Thursday.

Leo Martin has not been able to go to his work the last week on account of sickness.

One, Two and Three.

ORCHARD, Iowa.—(AP)—Fourteen years ago a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Clark. Ten years ago twins were born, and triplets recently.

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