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WHAT WASHINGTON IS DOING.

It will interest people to know that Washington has done exactly what the farmers' tax bill in Oregon proposes in assessing railroad property.

The state tax commission of that state has just fixed a flat rate per mile for each railroad and classified them in five classes, and that finds it.

First class railroads are fixed at $14,520 per mile; second class, $10,500; other railroads are to be assessed at $7520 $4752, $2112 and $1200 per mile, according to class.

ALL POWER TO FIX THESE VALUES IS TAKEN OUT OF THE HANDS OF THE COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Why the people of Oregon should adhere to so inequitable a system as that followed by our county assessors is a mystery.

We are not saying that railroads are not paying on assessments that are fair in proportion to other property in Oregon.

In the state of Washington **SIXTY PER CENT OF THE TRUE MARKET VALUE OF RAILROADS** is taken as basis of assessment of the railroads.

In Oregon the basis is from 25 to 75 per cent, all depending on the caprice, inclination or intelligence of the county assessor.

The tax bill advocated by the Farmers' and Shippers' Congress proposes to take the assessment of railroad property **OUT OF THE HANDS OF THE COUNTY ASSESSORS.**

It vests that duty in a state executive council, just as the states all around Oregon have vested it in a similar board of state officials.

CORPORATIONS NEVER FIGHT OPENLY.

Western Oregon: The fight on the tax bill proposed by the Willamette Valley League has been commenced and will be fiercely waged from now till election day, providing the initiative is ordered. The first opposition comes from Portland **AND IS VEILED. IT INDORSES IN PART, BUT FINDS FAULT BECAUSE THE BILL DOES NOT GO FAR ENOUGH.** Further criticism comes from Eastern Oregon, but all these are relying upon the state tax commission appointed by the last legislature for relief, which they admit is needed. All of which leads to the belief that the measure proposed by the Willamette Valley League **IS THE RIGHT THING.** It is the two-thirds of the loaf and recourse can be had for the remaining third to the legislature, which convenes in January 1907. What is now needed is the 7,500 signatures of electors to the petition before February 6, 1906. Let there be no delay.

God Forbid.

(Corvallis Gazette, Republican.)

The suffering millions of Great Britain are not asking for charity but are begging for work. The situation grows more acute daily. Never before was there so great a proportion of the people unemployed. The condition is, of course, worst in the cities, and particularly in London. Says the Springfield Republican:

But another potent cause of the congestion in London has been the steady influx of poverty stricken people from the farms and provincial towns of England. The rush to the metropolis has gone on for years, and, as all the students of the question realize, it has been one result of the immense decline in English agriculture which has been nearly ruined by competition of food products from the United States and other foreign countries. These laborers, often unskilled, have flooded into the London labor market only to demoralize it with cheapness.

One remedy within reach is emigration to Canada, Australia and South Africa; yet the thousands of the very poor in a great city seem hard to move to a distant country which is more or less of a wilderness.

Why do not our half converted free trade advocates give the real remedy, protection? When England was repealing her corn laws and we were about to adopt the free trade Walker tariff, the Springfield Republican was telling its readers of the misery of free trade and pleading for protection as it continued to plead until the Morrill law displaced the claws of 1846 and 1857. Let it tell the truth now as it did then and acknowledge that free trade in England is a failure, a sad, lamentable failure, as it has been sooner or later wherever it has been tried. England's wealth, her capital, her prestige, warded off the awful blow for nearly half a century, but it has now came in all its fury, and there is only one remedy, a return to protection.

And shall we, in the light of such experience and such conditions, return to free trade? God forbid!

Philippine Coal for the Navy.

The Engineering Magazine prints an interesting summary of the work begun by Mr. Root while secretary of war and since continued under Secretary Taft in the direction of obtaining coal in the Philippine islands for our ships at Manila and on the Asiatic station. Mr. Root some years ago ordered an investigation of the possible sources of insular coal supply, primarily in order to relieve the government from the exorbitant cost of Australian and Japanese coal at Manila. In March, 1902, Lieutenant Markham, of the engineering corps, reported deposits in several places, and recommended that particular attention be paid to those on Batan, a small island in Albay bay, on the coast of Luzon, 150 miles southeast of Manila.

The work done in developing the Batan deposits to date consists in test borings over an area of a square mile, the opening of one mine within a quarter of a mile of the shore, the construction of an incline for transportation purposes, and the erection of a stone pier for army transports and colliers, and of permanent quarters for officers in charge of the coaling station. The coal thus far brought to the surface hardly equals the best Australian coal, but it costs $2 a ton to mine and $1 to load on transports, while the Australian product costs $9 delivered in Manila. The Batan coal has the same fuel value as that brought to Manila from Japan, which can be bought at Nagasaki for $3 to $4 a ton, but is never sold down in Manila at less than $5, and often costs more at that port. Hence the government, which requires nearly 100,000,000 tons annually for its ships in the Orient, will be able to save several hundred thousands by the use of Batan coal.

It is to be known that there are other large deposits of coal in the islands, though none of them has been found so near the coast as that on Batan island. Whether Philippine coal will ever become a factor in the world's coal supply is still somewhat questionable, but the army engineers are confident that it will.—Tacoma Ledger.

A Famous Remedy for Sick Headache.

The cause of this complaint is not in the head at all; it comes from the stomach. A stomach that has become clogged by overeating, drinking or abuse in any manner, will warn you by bringing on sick headache. Cure the pain and distress in the stomach and the headache will stop of itself. All bilious attacks, dyspepsia, belching, bad taste in the mouth, muddy complexion and yellow eyes are cured by this remedy. It is called Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills—one for a dose, and is sold by druggists all over the U. S. for 25c per box.

Eastern Oregon League.

Eastern Oregon should have a branch of the Oregon Development League.

There are subject which require the services of such an organization in this portion of the state, and which are not such as would properly come under the jurisdiction of the state league.

Why not call a meeting of the representatives of the commercial clubs of La Grande, Union, Elgin, Baker City, Huntington, Ontario, Burns, Wallowa county, and other places interested to meet in Pendleton in February for the purpose of organizing an Eastern Oregon branch of the league?

The Willamette Valley League has accomplished much. It has secured outside capital for Willamette valley industries. It has secured lower rates on its products. It has secured better train service, more publicity and better markets, and it is a live, energetic body, with a purpose and an aim and is one of the busiest, most faithful commercial organizations in the West.

There is room, material, necessity—for such an organization in Eastern Oregon. Will the people get together? Will they co-operate in their own interests?—East Oregonian.

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SOUND ON NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Dr. Withycombe Gives a Direct and Satisfactory Reply to a Very Direct Question.

In a recent issue of the Oregonian, one Mr. Martin asked the various gubernatorial candidates some very pertinent questions, one of which concerned the normal schools. To the question, Dr. Withycombe gives a very short, but unmistakable reply, and no doubt its blustness and evident intention to avoid anything that appears like evasion or quibbling, will make him many friends among the voters.

Following is the doctor's expression on the matter addressed to the editor of the Oregonian:

Replying to the question propounded by Mr. Martin in your issue of today, I beg to assure him I have no hesitancy in expressing my convictions on any public question.

The normal school is unquestionably a factor in the civilization of our state, and strengthens our forces for the development of her natural resources. I favor not the consolidation of all the normal schools of Oregon but for efficiency and economy of administration, strongly favor one central board of control.

As to the following: "If you are elected governor and the legislature should find called upon—in order to elect a page or a senator—to combine a big appropriation for normal schools with the necessary appropriation for the state government, with a false statement of an alleged emergency, would you veto the bill?" Yes.

JAMES WITHYCOMBE.

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T. J. Chambers, editor Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes December 25, 1905:

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"No, Mr. Dudeleigh," replied Miss Caustique, "unless it is being bored to death by a calf."

And when she illustrated the remark with a large open-faced yawn, young Dudeleigh proceeded to get a move on himself.—Chicago News.

Not to Be Disturbed.

"Soda crackers? Yes'm," said the country storekeeper. "I get 'em. I'll—er—send 'em up to you."

"Well," replied Mrs. Medlicks, "I did 'low to take 'em with me."

"Yes'm, but, yo' see, Bill Brosser, he's a-lyin' on top o' the bar'l jes' now, and he ain't in the best o' humor today."—Philadelphia Press.

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The Irrigon Irrigator of Eastern Oregon Gives Reasons

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For U. S. Senator,
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of Umatilla.

For Congress—First District,
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For Congress—Second District,
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So long as there was a glimmer of hope that Mr. Smith could be induced to become a candidate for governor we stood by him; but he absolutely refuses to allow his name to be announced before the primaries. On the other hand, he will, we feel sure, allow us to nominate and elect him to congress.

Taking Mr. Smith out of the field, it left Mr. Geer, Mr. Johns, and Dr. Withycombe candidates, and they are all able men. Mr. Johns is from Eastern Oregon, and under ordinary conditions we would have espoused his cause. But we cannot hope to secure everything for our portion of the state, and believing that Hon. Stephen A. Lowell should go to the senate we selected Dr. Withycombe as the stronger and better of the two remaining men. And do not understand that we in any way belittle Mr. Geer, or his candidacy. But we want a man who can beat our present governor, and we do not think Mr. Geer can come anywhere near beating him.

As to congressman from the first district, there seems to be but one man in the running, and as he is a hustler and a worker we are for him against the field. We of course mean Walter L. Tooze, of Woodburn.

For United States senator, we are for that peerless leader, Hon. Stephen A. Lowell, one of Oregon's ablest men. If we can elect Judge Lowell to the senate and keep him there for five or six terms, Oregon will eventually stand in that great body as a power. Mr. Fulton is a young man, comparatively speaking. We should keep him where he is and send Judge Lowell to assist him, and in a few years Oregon will come into her own in the way of influence in Washington.

For congress from this district, we opine that a word from Mr. Smith will practically remove all other candidates from the field and give him a walk-over. And surely we could send no man to the lower house who could serve as well as Hon. E. L. Smith of Hood River.

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