

TAXING OREGON TIMBER

Curry County Paper Complains That No Proper Valuations Are Attached by Assessors.

The Radium, published by that doughty fighter against shams, wrongs and frauds, R. D. Hume, of Wedderburn, has an article calling attention to the way timber lands escape taxation. He should reside in Marion county where timber lands of residents and non-residents are assessed on a stumpage basis and one timber land company handed in a check for over \$4000 the other day. The Radium says:

Why are timber lands assessed per acre? That is the question and now is the logical time for the people to look into this matter.

Mind you, this paper is not accusing any official of being corrupt but simply strikes at the plan or methods in vogue at this time.

Follow this carefully and see if you do not agree with us. Upon what system of valuation have the thousands of acres of timber lands in Curry county been purchased by foreign corporations? You all know that not a solitary timber claim has been purchased only after careful cruising and estimating, and the valuation was governed by results of that cruise. That was, and is the system used by the capitalist in dealing with the owner.

Now, how did the assessor get at his valuation? Did he cruise the land or did he take some man's say as to the selling price? How far from the actual cash value did the assessor come, and how does he know whether the figures he hears about or sees upon the deeds are the actual figures or not?

Who of all people should know the result of careful cruising and estimating of the timber of this county but the county board? Why has not that body made it its own business to send a cruiser and estimator over the timber land of this county and see that the owners pay taxes upon a valuation per thousand feet? A majority of the timber of Curry county is held by foreign speculators. When the time is ripe this timber will be cut and shipped away. The stumps, rocks and mountains will remain. The value will be gone. Whether there will be enough value left to justify the tax owners in paying any tax whatever will be problematical. The chances are the majority of it will be sold for taxes and much of it the county will be compelled to bid in. Then why are these immense values allowed to grow in size now and bear but a small part of the burden while the resident digs to pay a tax much greater? The resident is the one who improves the county. It is he who builds the houses, plants the orchards and develops the country to the point where the railroad builder takes notice. When the railroad comes, the speculator has made his millions, and with no effort. He has not lived in the wilderness. He has not kept his children away from the splendid city educational facilities. He has not swung his axe, felled the trees and grabbed the stumps. He has not made two blades grow where one grew before, but he has reaped a thousand blades where he never did sow. He has enjoyed his luxurious home and comfortable surroundings while the resident plodder has performed the labor which increased the value of the thing in which the capitalist speculated with a few paltry dollars.

It is time for the people to wake up and demand that the timber values of the county shall pay their just share of the tax, and that real property is properly equalized. It is time for the people to see that all property is assessed as the statute says it shall be assessed, and that the expenses of the county that amount to nothing, such as interest items, are kept at the lowest possible sum. This done, the levy will be greatly reduced and the burden equally distributed.

It is high time petty personal interests were dropped and the matter of a good and permanent road from one end of the county to the other taken up in earnest. It is hard to see what claim to reelection an administration has, whose efforts at good road making have been as impotent as the present one in Curry county. There is no deny-

ing the responsibility, for the county judgeship has been in the control of Judge Bailey and the family into which he married, almost since time began to mark its history.

New Corporations.

The Anderson Gold Mining Company; principal office, Newberg, Oregon; capital stock, \$1,000,000; incorporators, R. M. Gilbert, D. M. Smith and L. M. Smith.

North American Land Company; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$50,000; incorporators, M. K. Wigton, E. J. Burrows and Josiah S. Roark.

Lakin Indicator & Advertising Machine Company; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$50,000; incorporators, W. E. Lakin, W. B. Braden and Abner H. Jones.

National Credit Association; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$100; incorporators, C. F. Neth, J. L. Fearey and Floyd Blyeu.

Western Oregon Development Company; principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$50,000; incorporators, M. M. Ford, F. H. Rybke and Wm. R. McGarry.

Neglected Colds Threatens Life.

(From the Chicago Tribune.) "Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring, the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary light colds will become severe if neglected, and a well established ripe cold is to the germs of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child of adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale at Dr. Stone's drug store.

COAST BASKET BALL PLAYER TO DEMUR.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 29.—Charlie Irwin, for several seasons San Francisco's third baseman, has resigned to manage and play third by the Denver Western League club.

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There is a big poultry show on at The Dalles.

Would you give 25 cents to stop your cough? Then get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam and you will have enough for the whole family. It costs 25 cents.

There is a neat little story from a Texas newspaper—compared a public official to a "dead dog," and warned that it must make an apology, promptly did so, but made it to the dog.

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Dated at Roseburg, Oregon, this 31st day of January, 1908.

J. E. SAWYERS, County Treasurer of Douglas County, Oregon. 1-31-1mo

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COMMISSION FOUND NO FLAWS.

Commissioner of the State Board of Health, in his report on the wreck of the 54 pound rail, which was struck is considered on the rail made and is said superior to the heavy ones now manufactured. The report shows no flaw in the rail was upon examination and that appear to have been worn. The rail was manufactured and was used on the main line of the Southern Pacific until it was transferred to the

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REFORM MEETINGS.

League of North Oregon have arranged a meeting at their house for next Saturday, March 7, when a representative of the Portland Single Tax League will be present to advocate proposed constitutional amendment. The farmers' side will be represented by the Silverton Taxpayers' League. They have arranged a big meeting for next April 11, when they will discuss questions in candidates for judges and commissioners.

who have been writing about the town, are being taken up by the police and will be

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