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LOCAL PEOPLE TO ATTEND MEETING

OREGON GOOD ROADS COMMITTEE WILL MEET IN PORTLAND ON DEC. 9, ACCORDING TO LETTERS RECEIVED IN ROSEBURG THIS MORNING.

BETTER HIGHWAYS ARE URGED

Attorney Dexter Rice and R. E. Smith Are Among the Members of the Committee From Douglas County.

Letters have been received here announcing a meeting of the executive committee of the Orgon Good Roads Committee, to be held in Portland on December 9. This meeting will weave the recommendations of the sub-committees with such changes as may be agreed upon into a detailed plan of highway procedure to be submitted to the entire committee, which meets in Portland on December 11. Attorney Dexter Rice and R. E. Smith ,of Roseburg, are among the members of the committee from Douglas County.

While several of the sub-committees have handed in their reports, these cannot be made public until passed upon by the executive board. It is known, however, that the committee on highway tax will recommend sufficient funds to meet the Federal appropriations for highways in the state and that the committee on highway commission and engineer will follow closely the suggestion of the present highway commission, with whom they met a week ago and whose members expressed to the committee a unanimous belief that the state officials did not have time to look after the highway work and that there ought to be an independent highway board and engineer.

Nearly all the members at large who were elected from various parts of the state, have written interesting letters stating their views for the consideration of the executive committee and promising active support. C. E. Spence, master of the Oregon State Grange and vice-president of the Oregon good roads committee, has taken advantage of a trip to Washington to attend the National Grange gathering at that place, to call on the National Highway Department in Oregon's interest and will, no doubt, bring back interesting data for the use of the committee. Mr. Spence is due in Oregon this week.

Dr. L. I. Hughes, who is coming to take charge of the Government highway department for the Northwest; B. J. Finch, engineer in charge until Dr. Hughes' arrival and who, it is understood, will remain here with the department; and State Engineer John H. Lewis have all been asked to address the meeting on December 11 and give the committee the benefit of their experience and advice. This will probably be the first time Dr. Hughes will be heard in the state.

As soon as the committee has formulated a program on which it can agree, it will be taken up with the various members of the coming Legislature, through the state-wide membership of the committee, for consultation and advice.

"The Oregon good roads committee" was organized October 30, on a call made by the State Taxpayers' League to eleven state-wide organizations, every one of which responded, named and sent delegates. Organization was completed and committees named at the first meeting.

Several meetings of the executive committee of seven have since been held and the sub-committees have been constantly at work gathering information and formulating their reports.

REASSESSMENT MADE.

City Recorder Whipple was busy today reassessing the property owners on Spring street. The reapportioning of the assessments was made necessary by a decision of the State Supreme Court in the case of Ida C. Giles vs. the city of Roseburg. In accordance with the decision, which was in favor of the property owners, their assessments will be reduced about 15 per cent and the amount of the reduction will be paid out of the general fund, equal to about $700. The property owners objected to certain interest charges and engineering fees, which the courts saw fit to exclude from the assessments.

OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN.

At the regular meeting of Alpha Lodge, K. of P., held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: I. T. Whitney, C. C.; C. C. Zweigart, V. C.; B. R. Shoemaker, P.; W. H. Bowden, M. W.; E. E. Wimberly, K. R. S.; Roy Durbin, M. F.; W. T. Wright, M. E.; F. F. Patterson, M. A.; C. E. Marks, O. G.; Geo. Jones, I. G.; Free Johnson, T.

MESSENGER IS ROBBED IN BUSINESS SECTION OF SAN FRANCISCO TODAY

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 7.—Two daylight bandits threw red pepper into the eyes of a Wells-Fargo messenger today at the corner of Sixth and Los Angeles streets, and escaped with two bags of gold containing $5000. Many persons witnessed the hold-up.

COMMITTEE NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Representative Hastings, of Nebraska, presented a resolution in the House to appropriate $100,000 to investigate Presidential and Congressional election expenses. The House named Representatives Rucker of Missouri, Garrett of Tennessee, and McKinley of Illinois to arrange for President Wilson's second inauguration.

PRIZE COW BOUGHT.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 7.—G. M. Welsh, of Washington, won first prize in the Percheron stallion class at the Portland stock show. James Edson, of Carleton, Oregon, won the second prize. E. F. Anderson, of Albany, purchased the Golden Duchess cow from Frank Brown, of Carleton, for $320.

CIRCUIT COURT IS IN SESSION

THE CASE OF DAVID KIRKLAND VS. MRS. ROSA HASSAN WAS CALLED THIS MORNING—MANY WITNESSES WERE EXAMINED DURING THE DAY.

MANY CASES ARE SCHEDULED

Judge Hamilton is Presiding, And It Is Not Believed Final Adjournment Will Be Taken Before Next Week.

The Circuit Court convened here his morning in an adjourned session, with Judge J. W. Hamilton presiding. There are quite a number of equity cases to be tried during the erm and final adjournment will probably not be taken before some time next week.

The first case called today was that of David Kirkland vs. Mrs. Rosa Hassan. This action was brought by the plaintiff to foreclose a mechanic's lien filed against the latter's dwelling following its completion last December. The lien was in the sum of $150. Foreclosure of the lien was opposed by the defendant on the ground that the workmanship was faulty, and that the owner of the dwelling was damaged to the extent of $150. In substantiation of the defense offered by the defendant several witnesses testified this afternoon that the dwelling was defective and was not of first-class construction as provided in the contract executed by persons involved in the suit at the time the structure was built.

Mr. Kirkland was represented by Attorney B. L. Eddy, while Attorneys Rice & Orcutt appeared for the defendant. Because of the many witnesses examined, it is not believed the case will be completed before late this afternoon or early tomorrow. The evidence will probably be taken under advisement by Judge Hamilton, and a decision in the case will not be forthcoming for several days.

PLEADED GUILTY TODAY.

E. G. Lloyd and Gordon Gage this afternoon pleaded guilty to charges of petty larceny in the justice court and were fined $50 each. They were originally arrested on felony charges, but the crime was reduced by permission of the district attorney.

JUDGMENT AND DEFAULT.

In the Circuit Court here this afternoon, Judge Hamilton allowed a judgment for the plaintiff in the case of Mary Dueber vs. Willis V. Young, and the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company, a corporation. The judgment was in the sum of $1,240.62.

HOUSE WAS DESTROYED.

ECHO, Or., Dec. 6.—The dwelling house on E. E. Elder's dairy farm, one mile south of Echo, was destroyed last night by fire.

Elmer Thompson and family, who conducted the dairy business, escaped in their night clothes through the bedroom window. They lost their household goods and everything except a few clothes they caught up in their flight. The building was partially covered by insurance.

ROUMANIANS ARE MAD WITH FRIGHT

THE ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ORDERED ALL CIVILIANS TO ABANDON THEIR HOMES BEFORE THE SWIFT GERMAN ADVANCE.

ANARCHY AND CHAOS REIGN

The Village Streets Are Littered With Household Goods, Papers and Window Curtains—Houses Plundered.

(By Carl Ackerman).

GENERAL FALKENHAYNE'S HEADQUARTERS, Dec. 7.—(By wireless).—Roumania is mad with terror. Dead and dying are found in every hundred yards. Anarchy and chaos reign. The inhabitants are in misery. The Roumanian government has ordered all civilians to abandon their homes before the swift German advance, and refugees crowd the roads. The wildest anarchy prevails. The village streets are littered with household goods, papers, window curtains, dead horses and dogs. The Gypsies smashed windows, plundered houses and looted everything. The refugees are stealing cattle wherever found. Deprivation and long marches on the muddy roads has caused many children to die. Rioters fired numerous buildings and burned furniture by the roadside. Starving dogs devour half dead horses while crows pick out their eyes.

German Soldiers Praised.

BERLIN, via Sayville, Dec. 7.—It was officially announced that the Germans captured Campina and Sinaca, beyond Bucharest. The defeated enemy is retreating on the whole front. The Ninth German Army reported they took 9200 prisoners. The statement praised the bravery of the Austrian, Hungarian, German and Turkish troops sweeping Roumania.

Russians "Also Reire."

PETROGRAD, Dec.—The war office declared that the Russians covered the Roumanian left flank during the Bucharest retreat. The Russians also retired. The evacuation occurred Wednesday noon.

Roumanians Save Army.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—It was authoritatively stated that the Roumanians evacuated Bucharest in good order, and saved their army. The rear guard fought strenuously to cover the retreat.

TURNKEY REAPPOINTED.

SALEM, Dec. 7.—Warden Murphy his appointed Al Southwick as turnkey, succeeding Sam Burkhart. Minto discharged Southwick recently. Friends believe his reinstatement is a complete vindication.

CARS BLEW AWAY.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 6.—While awnings flapped and rattled, threatening to demolish windows in the high wind of late yesterday the gale played its biggest prank on the Sumpter Valley tracks when it blew two boxcars from the passenger depot, down the track a block to the end of the warehouse spur, where the cars derailed.

The damage was repaired today. The cars had been left brakes off and the violence of the wind had not been realized.

DIRECTORY PUBLISHED.

An official directory of superintendents, supervisors, principals, high school teachers and standard high schools of the state has just been issued by J. A. Churchill, Superintendent of Public Instruction. The directory shows that there are 19 school districts of the first class having an enumeration of more than 1,000 children. It contains the names and addresses of the school clerks and of all teachers in schools employing more than one teacher. In addition, the number of pupils and teachers in each school, together with the salaries, tax levies and similar data is given. There are 173 high schools which meet the requirement of standardization by the state board of education.

BOOZE WAS DESTROYED.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 6.—Approximately 35 gallons of whiskey, which was conveyed into Albany in the gasoline tank of an automobile, was poured into the sewer here today by Sheriff Bodine.

A. J. Bennett and Jack Wells, said to be from Seattle, who brought the liquor here, pleaded guilty before Justice Swan to maintaining a nuisance under the terms of the state prohibition law and besides confiscating the liquor, the court fined each man $50 and costs. They were arrested after they had turned the liquor over to a local man, as they claimed, for the purpose of holding it pending the disposition of a case against them in the city court here.

LOCAL BOY SEVERELY HURT WHEN FOOT IS CAUGHT IN MOTORCYCLE

Ilo Stephens, son of R. L. Stephens, a local school director, was quite severely injured this morning when his heel became caught in the spokes of a motorcycle on which he was riding towards the city from West Roseburg. He was sitting on the mudguard behind Harley Watson, who was driving, and the spokes of the rear wheel ground into the flesh of the right heel, the machine going a distance of over 30 feet before it was stopped.

Immediately after the accident, Dr. A. F. Sether, of the firm of Seely, Sether & Stewart, was called and attention was given to the injury. It was said no bones were broken, although the flesh was torn to a considerable depth and it will be some time before the young man will again have the use of the foot. The spokes and frame about the rear of the machine were rendered bloody and blood was seen along the east end of the Oak street bridge, where the accident occurred.

The boys were trying out a machine belonging to R. H. Grinsted with a view of making a recommendation to a probable purchaser. When the heel became caught, Watson stopped the machine as soon as possible, but the spokes had ground into Stephens' shoe and entered the flesh. Fortunately a wreck was averted or the injuries would have been more serious.

FORMER ROSEBURG LADY SUES DALLES RESIDENT FOR HEAVY DAMAGES

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 6.—A suit for $5000 damages against Stuart M. Hulin, formerly local agent for an automobile concern in this city, was filed at the courthouse Monday by Mrs. Minnie A. Winniford, of Halsey, Ore. The case is the result of an accident last June, a few miles west of The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Winniford were touring Oregon when their automobile broke down and Mr. Hulin was employed to bring the party to town. The automobile struck a chuck-hole and Mrs. Winniford was thrown from the car. She sustained a broken rib and other injuries. She contended that Mr. Hulin was driving in excess of 25 miles an hour and was negligent and careless at the time of the accident. Mrs. Winniford claims $5,000 for impaired health and expenses due to the injuries she received.

(Mrs. Winniford is a former resident of Roseburg and is well known here.)

KUNSTATSKY ROBBED LAST NIGHT; BURGLARS ENTER BY FRONT DOOR

Persons having a key to the front door of the establishment some time last night entered the shoe shop conducted by Joseph Kunstatsky, on North Jackson street, and took practically everything of much value to be found, including a bicycle, shotgun, violin, three sides of leather and $45 in cash. Their loss practically deprives their owner of all the articles he highly values.

Upon discovery of the robbery this morning the cobbler notified Marshal Williams, and this afternoon it is believed the officer, with Sheriff Quine, has obtained some important clues. Kunstatsky believes that the burglars had a key and were familiar with the premises, this affording the officers a basis for their investigations. Sheriff Quine left town this afternoon on a trail that he believes will lead to the burglar's identity.

This morning Marshal Williams went to the home of Mrs. Kunstatsky, in North Roseburg, who is suing her husband for a divorce, but none of the stolen goods were found.

Nyssa will have a flouring mill in the near future.

WIFE GETS FORTUNE.

A message from Santa Rosa, Cal., says Jack London's will was filed for probate, bequeathing nearly all the estate to his widow, Charmion K. London. While no definite indication of the value of the estate is contined in the will, it was stated following London's death that his income from royalties and moving picture rights was $75,000 a year. The Glen Ellen ranch property is valued at more than $50,000. While provision is made for his two daughters, Joan and Bess, no reference to their mother, his first wife, is contined in the document.

GERMANY'S REPLY WAS MADE PUBLIC

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT CLAIMS THE ARABIA WAS A TROOP TRANSPORT AND NOT AN ORDINARY LINER—EXPLANATION CONSIDERED WEAK.

MAY DISPROVE GERMAN CLAIM

State Department Officials Refused to Comment on the Reply—Commons Met in Session for Two Minutes Today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The State Department has made public Germany's answer to American inquiries regarding the steamer Arabia sinking. It was contended that the vessel was a troop transport. Germany agreed to promptly draw appropriate consequences "if the United States proved the ship was an ordinary passenger liner."

The United Press learned from official sources that the Government regards the explanation as being weak. Nevertheless, it has no facts to disprove Germany's claim. It is said the situation is "not essentially delicate." The officials refused to indicate whether a break in diplomatic relations would result if Germany's case proved too weak.

MAY PURCHASE WHEAT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 7—Private dealers' advices indicated that the British government will soon send a fleet of merchantmen to Portland to carry away all available northwestern wheat. British agents have been empowered to draw on the Bank of England for all sales. They seem to be waiting for lower grain prices.

TOO MANY LABORERS.

SALEM, Dec. 7.—Labor Commissioner Hoff declared that exaggerated accounts of the Portland shipbuilding industry has attracted many workers and glutted the labor market. The situation is serious. Many of the men are unskilled and are unable to fill ship yard jobs.

WILL ISSUE BONDS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The United Press learned that the Federal Farm Loan banks will declare a $100,000,000 bond issue probably in February. It will issue bonds in $25 to $100 demoninations. They will bear four and five per cent interest.

SPECIAL TAXES LEVIED.

The members of the county court spent most of this afternoon considering the reports of special road taxes levied in 21 of the 65 districts of Douglas County. Under the laws governing the levying of special road taxes it is necessary for the district attorney and county court to approve them before they can be extended on the rolls.

WAS WELL ATTENDED.

S. C. Bartrum, who returned here recently from Portland, reports a fine time at the annual meeting of the Oregon Sportsmen's League. He says the meeting was well attended and many matters of importance to the anglers and hunters of the state were brought up and considered. Mr. Bartrum was elected secretary and treasurer of the organization.

OLD JOURNAL FOUND.

While passing through some old papers today, Robert Kidd, of the firm of Mrs. A. C. Kidd & Son, found an ancient journal used by the father of T. R. Sheridan at the time he was engaged in the hardware business here in the year 1858. He conducted his store on the lot now occupied by William Powell's second hand store. Among the names in the journal are many of the old time residents of Roseburg and Douglas County. In those days nails sold for 12½ cents a pound, while flour was $2 a sack. Draying charges averaged two cents a pound. Among the charges was one against the Masonic lodge, which was probably established here before that year. Because of the age of the book, Mr. Kidd says it is treasured very highly and will be kept by him as long as he continues to live in Roseburg.

BIG JUDGMENT ENTERED.

A judgment was allowed the plaintiff this afternoon by Judge Hamilton in the case of George Weber vs. Mrs. Grace Wing Baker. The judgment was in the sum of $10,816.60. The court also allowed attorney fees in the sum of $600, together with the costs and disbursements incurred in prosecuting the action.

AMERICAN KILLED BY BANDITS IN MEXICO; WAS A MINE FOREMAN

EL PASO, Dec. 7.—Two miners reported that the Villistas tortured and hanged Howard Grey, an employe of the Alvarado Mining Company, upon entering Parral a month ago. A native foreman of the Alvarado mines telegraphed at that time, "Everything is safe except Grey; he is dead." It is believed the report is authentic. Mr. Grey was acting foreman of an American owned mine.

COMMONS IN SESSION.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Commons met today for two minutes and adjourned until Tuesday without making an announcement concerning Lloyd George's new ministry. The Evening News charged that a powerful German propaganda is operating against Lloyd George. Lloyd George conferred with Bonar Law, Carson and Henderson. The official press bureau announced that the labor party has agreed to participate in Lloyd George's new government. The Central News said Lloyd George has offered the labor party two cabinet places, one member of the war council and three undersecretaryships.

MODERN METHODS ARE NECESSARY

PRESENT ROAD SUPERVISOR SYSTEM IS FAILURE, ACCORDING TO COUNTY COMMISSIONER R. F. NICHOLS—ROAD BUILDERS ARE NEEDED.

WOULD CREATE FOUR DISTRICTS

Mr. Nichols Says the Road Improvement Work Should Be Placed in the Hands of Four Experienced Men.

That the present road supervisor system is very unsatisfactory and should be supplanted by a more modern and inexpensive method of improving the highways of Douglas County, was the statement made here today by County Commissioner R. F. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols has made a careful study of the road situation since he became a member of the county court and he says he is convinced that the present road supervisor system is a failure and should be abolished for all time. In lieu of the present method of improving and maintaining the roads, Mr. Nichols would divide the county into four districts of almost equal size and mileage. He would then prevail upon the county court to appoint four road builders of experience in order that one of their number might serve in each district. The working crews would then be organized and placed on the roads under bosses employed by the supervisors.

Following completion of the preliminary details, the county court would refer all proposed new roads and improvements to the county engineer to be elected by the people and maintain an office in the courthouse. This official would prepare the plans and specifications for the proposed improvement, which would be submitted to the county court. If the improvement was declared to be satisfactory and necessary, the engineer would then proceed and survey the route of the proposed road and place the grade stakes. Then would follow actual construction work by the road crew of the district where the improvement was to be made. All new roads and improvements would be brought about under the direct supervision of the man in charge of the district, and would be held strictly accountable to the members of the county court. While Mr. Nichols' plan has never been tried out in Oregon, he believes it would prove successful and would save thousands of dollars for the county annually. Under the present road supervisor system, Mr. Nichols says there are 65 supervisors. Although many of them are considered good road builders, their ideas are different and because of this fact the highways of the county are not uniform.

Although favoring the elimination of the road supervisor system, Mr. Nichols says he would not approve of a plan to abolish the districts. The districts would remain the same as at present, and special taxes could be voted for the improvement of the roads as in the past. Although there is no probability of adopting Mr. Nichols' plan of road building this winter, he believes the time will soon come when Douglas County will be divided into four districts and the improvement work will be prosecuted under more modern conditions. When that time does arrive, Mr. Nichols believes the county will not only secure better roads, but will receive a dollar's worth of work for every dollar expended.

HENRY BANGERT DIED YESTERDAY

MAN CONVICTED OF ASSAULT IN DOUGLAS COUNTY PASSED AWAY IN THE STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS.

ARRESTED BY SHERIFF QUINE

Henry Bangert Once Attempted to Kill a Guard at the Penitentiary and Was Considered a Dangerous Character.

Henry Bangert, who was convicted here on November 17, 1911, on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon and later sentenced to an indeterminate term in the penitentiary, died in the state hospital for the insane at Salem, last night after a lingering illness. He was 65 years of age.

Mr. Bangert first came into the limelight here on Aug. 1, 1911, when he was arrested by the officers on a a charge of assaulting Eugene Heister near Glendale. He was brought to Roseburg and placed in the county jail, where he remained until Nov. 14, when a formal indictment was returned against him by the grand jury. His trial followed a few days later. On Nov. 17, he was convicted by a jury in the Circuit Court and Judge Coke passed sentence on the prisoner on the day following. A week later Bangert was taken to the penitentiary and surrendered to the officials of that institution.

At the time of the trial the evidence showed that Mr. Bangert and his wife had separated, with the result that the latter leased the ranch to Eugene Heister. When Bargert learned that Mr. Heister was living on the ranch he armed himself with a rifle and went to the premises. Stationing himself near the county road Bangert opened fire and several bullets crashed through the dwelling occupied by Heister. One of the bullets grazed Mr. Heister's forehead, while other bullets were found imbedded in the walls of the room in which the tenent was seated at the time of the shooting. Immediately following the shooting, Mr. Heister came to Roseburg and a formal warrant was issued for Bangert's arrest. He waived preliminary examination and upon being arraigned in the Circuit Court entered a formal plea of not guilty. Attorney J. O. Watson was appointed by Judge Coke to defend the prisoner.

After being in the penitentiary for a few months, Mr. Bangert attacked Chapel Guard Fisher with a knife and inflicted wounds which came near proving fatal. He was then transferred to the insane asylum. He escaped from the latter institution some time later and made his way to Glendale, where he threatened to kill Heister and all other persons who were responsible for his arrest and conviction. Fortunately, the officers received notice of his presence there and he was captured and returned to Salem. When taken by the officers he was armed with a rifle, and freely admitted that his mission here was to kill those who had testified against him at the time of his trial. Following his return to Salem, he was transferred back to the penitentiary, where he was housed for a few months. His physical condition failed rapidly, however, and it was finally decided to again transfer him to the asylum where he might receive medical treatment. He continued to fail until yesterday, when he passed away. The body was interred in the asylum cemetery today, according to word received here this morning.

The asylum officials say Bangert had a mania for killing people and was considered one of the most dangerous inmates of that institution.

COW OCCUPIES BOOTH.

SHERIDAN, Or., Dec. 6.—A deer-eyed Jersey cow, one of a herd being driven through Sheridan streets Monday, suddenly left the ranks and made her entrance into the polls of one of the voting precincts where a city election was being held. She briefly scanned an election notice that she observed on one of the walls and appeared to be perfectly at ease in the environment of the polls. Her owner, A. J. Bewley, a local stockman, declared that, although the animal had been properly registered, he had no faith in the vote of the suffragist, and bossie was summarily ejected from the building, in spite of her apparent interest in affairs municipal.