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MRS. ROWLEE

IN JAIL

Failing to meet the order of Judge Frazer of the Juvenile court to file a bond of \$600 while awaiting trial on the charge of placing 17-year-old Alice Francis in the North End houses of Dorothy Darlington and Essie Watkins. Mrs. Norma Rowlee has been incarcerated in the county jail, says the Telegram.

Various circumstances indicate that F. C. Rowlee, superintendent of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company, the woman's husband, had his eyes opened by the nature of the testimony and documentary evidence offered in the Juvenile court last Friday, when Judge Frazer sat to determine whether Mrs. Rowlee or Sallie Tomlin was the mother of a 2-year-old boy. Otherwise, according to the deduction of the authorities, he would have raised the amount necessary for her bond.

Until the court hearing Rowlee firmly believed himself the father of the child, even asserting the opinion that his wife was under hypnotic influence when she wrote Alice Francis a letter to the effect that he had "gone broke," and she was "glad of it, and intended to leave him." The evidence proved so conclusively that Sallie Tomlin is the boy's mother that even Mrs. Rowlee's counsel said in his argument he would "not appear before the court and after hearing the evidence for 15 minutes pretend to believe that my client is the mother of this boy."

Mrs. Rowlee was allowed until Saturday afternoon to furnish a bond. She failed to do so, and by order of court was placed in a cell, where she will either be held until the date of her trial, which has not been set, or until the new bond has been furnished.

Before withdrawing from the case, Attorney John F. Logan discovered a loophole which might have permitted Mrs. Rowlee to escape conviction had Mr. Galloway not been vigilant. The old information was filed 17 days before the law under which it was framed went into effect. Attorney King, who assumed charge of the case for Mrs. Rowlee, demurred to complaint on this ground, and was surprised to discover that Mr. Galloway already knew of the defect and had a new complaint ready for filing. If the demurrer had not been entered on this ground, the prosecutor would have substituted another complaint shortly before the date set for trial.

It is said many witnesses have been brought to Portland to show the character of Alice Francis to be bad. The authorities state that this will not affect the matter at all, as the charge of contributory negligence is not contingent on character. If a person is shown to be guilty of contributory negligence, under the law, the fact that others may have previously contributed to the negligence of a girl does not in any degree absolve the person on trial from punishment.

Former County Health Officer Dudley Evans, who is now in Portland, asserts that the story told by Sallie Tomlin is true in every detail. He says the certificate of birth of the boy was not filed for some time "for the sake of the child."

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County Court Proceedings

SEPTEMBER TERM

The petition of Fred Mosler for liquor license was granted for six months from Sept. 5, 1907.

In the matter of the petition of Kirk Whitted for county road, the petition, proof of posting and bond approved. The petition calls for a road fifty feet wide, commencing at the point where the half section passing through the center of section 31 in townships 14 south, range 13 east and section 6, townships 15 south, range 13 east, intersects the public road from Prineville to Sisters. From said point extending south on or near the half section line of section 18, township 15, range 13, thence southwesterly to the waste ditch of lateral B of the D. I. & P. Co.'s ditch, thence southwesterly to along said waste ditch to the west line of section 19, township 15 south, range 13 east, thence south on the township line to the northeast corner of section 36, township 15 south, range 12 east, W. M., said line to be varied to avoid rocky points, and other obstacles. Petition, proof of posting and bond approved. Board of viewers ordered to meet, view out, survey and report thereon.

The petition of W. R. Wilkinson and others to lay out and establish a county road and to vacate as much of the Aldridge road as is embraced in the new proposed road. The petition, proof of posting and bond approved. Board of viewers ordered to meet, view out, survey and report thereon.

In the matter of a petition of B. S. Larken and others for county road. Board of viewers ordered to meet, view out, survey and report thereon.

No action was taken by the court regarding the claim for damages sustained by E. A. Bussett on the Shattuck road.

M. R. Elliott made return of sale of real estate for George B. Taylor estate.

John W. Robinson and Hugh O'Kane made petition for private change in Barnett county road. Board of viewers ordered to meet, view out, survey and report thereon.

W. F. King, treasurer, made return of sale of personal property of Robert Ferry.

The private change in the Frank Forest road by Lucy A. Dobbins was allowed. Petitioner to pay \$9, the cost of viewing said road.

The petition for a county road by W. R. Cook was approved. The road was ordered opened and the clerk ordered to notify the supervisor to work each petitioner one day on said road.

The C. R. Shattuck road was ordered opened and the clerk to furnish supervisor with a list of the petitioners, etc., as required by law.

The private change in the Long-hollow road was not allowed, and the petitioner and bondsmen were taxed with the cost of viewing, amounting to \$28.

The municipality of Bend made a demand upon the county court for one-half of the road tax collected in that town for the years 1904, 1905 and 1906, the same to be used upon the roads in that place. Referred to the district attorney for his opinion.

The affidavit of wrongful assessment made by C. A. Chapman for the sum of \$30 was allowed. Clerk ordered to credit sheriff on roll of 1906 with said \$30.

In the matter of the application of A. W. Pope for county aid. Said Pope declared a public charge and such aid will be rendered as may be deemed necessary.

The request to make old circuit and county court cases into judgment rolls by May Belle Reed was acted upon favorably. The sum of \$50 was allowed Miss Reed to make up all circuit and county court cases into judgment rolls during the terms of office of J. J. Smith, providing that said work shall be completed by March 1, 1908.

The report of the road master was examined and it was ordered to be amended so as to show the amount of money expended in each road district, the name thereof, and the roads in district worked. A warrant was ordered drawn in favor of road master for \$2500 on road fund, said amount to be accounted for at the November, 1907, term of court.

The report of Max Crandall, expert accountant, who has been examining the county books, was approved. It is as follows:

EXPERT'S REPORT

To the Honorable County Court, Crook County, Oregon. Gentlemen—In accordance with the provisions of contract I have examined the accounts of the sheriff, county clerk and county treasurer from July 5, 1904, the date that the examination of Mr. J. L. Dunlap's report ends; up to and including Dec. 31, 1906, and have filed detail statement of each office with the clerk of this court.

From these statements you will find there is a balance due from C. Sam Smith, sheriff, for the sum of \$348.01. This includes a balance due

of \$28.88 from the settlement on the report of Mr. Dunlap's report. The amount of his report was \$412.00, amount found in error by the county court \$41.62, leaving as a settlement \$350.38. On this amount there was paid to county treasurer May 29, 1905, \$122.19 and on June 27, 1905 the amount of \$159.81, total \$322.10. For the particular items that were omitted in settlement with county treasurer will be found in report on his account.

The special funds of school districts and cities collected for have not been credited in all cases correctly, especially on the tax rolls of 1903 and 1904 some cases there are amounts due the county and in other accounts due the districts. And for some time previous to July 1, 1906, the amount of interest collected on delinquent taxes has not been proportioned to the different funds as by law required.

The amount in error in settlement of Frank Elkins with county treasurer has been paid to county treasurer as will be seen by the report on his account.

There is due from J. J. Smith's account the sum of \$263.65 as seen by the report on his account but does not include the sum of \$63.00 the difference in amount paid county treasurer and the account and the settlement by the court on J. L. Dunlap's report. The amount due on Mr. Dunlap's report was \$422.32. The court found this to be in error for \$25.85 leaving a balance of \$186.47. There was paid June 6, 1905 to county treasurer the sum of \$123.47 leaving \$64.00 unaccounted for. Can find no record why this amount was remitted and unless some such proof is given there would be \$64.00 due; unless it is found that the amount of \$36.50 found on fee book for July 25, 1905, for 8 contracts received from D. I. & P. Co. should prove to have been ordered not recorded, when there would be a credit of this amount. These contracts were never recorded and the impression is that the fees were never paid by the company. I have taken the matter up with Mr. O'Connor, cashier, but have not at this date his answer. Also on page 347 of the fee book there is an item of \$3.40 for abstract. As this seems to have been paid voluntarily I have not given any credit on the statement of Mr. Smith's account.

There seems to be many instruments filed for record and fee paid that I do not find, have been recorded, but do not find where they have been ordered returned before recording.

The judgment rolls on court cases have not been made up for three or four years, prior to July 1, 1906, and should be attended to as soon as possible.

The amount due from Warren Brown, county clerk, the sum of \$67.25, has been paid the county treasurer.

There is due O. C. Gray, treasurer, the sum of \$1.53 as per statement of his account.

In the accounts paid to W. F. King, county treasurer, by Mr. Gray the following were in error: Institute fund should be \$7.20 instead of \$6.70 and the escheat fund should be \$27.55 instead of \$18.05; high school fund should be \$1766.00 instead of \$1766.59; common school fund should be \$5767.49 instead of \$4667.69; road fund should be \$1078.68 instead of \$1068.68 and general county fund should be \$15385.63 instead of \$15187.37. An order authorizing the county treasurer to transfer accounts to balance with these amounts would be the simpler way to straighten the matter.

Mr. W. F. King's account is correct from July 5, 1906, to Dec. 31, 1906.

Of the further accounts reported due by Mr. Dunlap the amount due from J. N. Poindexter of \$24.90 the court finding this amount in error of \$13.99, leaving amount due of \$10.91, said amount was paid Sept. 19, 1905. The amount \$15.75 from W. Congleton was paid county treasurer June 2, 1905. The amount \$253.65 from Arthur Hodges was found to be in error by the court and nothing due, and the amount \$34.11 from J. H. Gray, I do not find paid to treasurer as yet.

According to the county clerk's records there was outstanding warrants on general fund Jan. 1, 1907, \$1975.04 and allowing for \$490.00 of cancelled warrants in county treasurer's hands and January's issue was \$2110.50 and amount of general fund in hands of county treasurer was \$10073.75 and error in balance turned over by retiring treasurer as mentioned before of \$198.19 making a total of cash on hand of \$10271.94 or a surplus on general fund of \$6187.40. This does not take in consideration the value of delinquent taxes as they are so uncertain as to not be of much value in estimating on a warrant indebtedness.

The system that has been handed down from previous county clerks in regards to keeping the accounts of the county are of no value under present circumstances being merely an account of the county treasurer and of warrants issued. The county clerk's record should properly show

PRINEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Our public schools will open September 16th with every promise that the attendance will be larger than ever. People from all parts of Crook county, and from places that are not in this county, are looking for houses to rent that their children may take advantage of our excellent school system.

The Crook County High School, under the leadership of Prof. Hockenberry, is specially prepared to give you a practical course of training in the shortest possible time. The physical and chemical laboratories are ready for the students, a business course is part of the curriculum and if the patrons of the high school demand it an agricultural course will be given at the high school. Prof. Hockenberry wishes to get the views of the people of the county on this matter. The course would not be a substitute for the work at Corvallis but would be an excellent thing for the boy of the farm that did not intend to go to a higher institution of learning. Write Mr. Hockenberry, the principal, and he will be very glad to take the matter up with you.

Our graded schools too, are equal to the best. The school board of Prineville is alive to the interests entrusted to its care. It realizes that the demands of the day are for a more thorough and practical training in the common English branches. J. F. Blanchard is the new principal. He comes highly recommended as a capable and experienced teacher and with the aid of his assistant teachers will keep Prineville in the forefront of the schools of the state. Under Prof. Blanchard will be Misses Edna Morse, Cora Ferguson, Anna Swinney of Woodville, Or., Aimee B. Cleveland of Wilbank, So. Dak., Emma Anderson, Bay Center, Wash.

the standing of each general and special fund and of the sheriff's as well. Respectfully submitted, MAX CRANDALL, Prineville, Ore. Sept. 3, 1907.

In the matter of bills against J. T. Dudley, deceased. Clerk ordered to notify claimants filing bills against the county for treatment and care of J. T. Dudley, deceased, an ex-soldier, to present such bills in the first instance to the administrator of said estate, and any balance due from the estate after paying the funeral and other expenses incurred during last illness, will be filed for action by the court after said estate has been finally settled.

A liquor license was granted to Carmichael & Green of Ashland for six months.

The clerk was ordered to notify the sheriff that hereafter any prisoners committed to the county jail, and such prisoners are allowed to work for parties and receive wages therefor, that the county will not pay for the board of such prisoners during such time so employed, and that all prisoners should be confined in the jail or corridor thereof at all times when without guard.

The petition of J. N. Masten and others for county road was approved and board of viewers ordered to meet, view out, survey and report thereon.

The request for school supplies by the county school superintendent was granted. The sum not to exceed \$10.

The clerk was ordered to notify the county treasurer to transfer the escheat fund to the general fund account.

It was ordered that the bid of Max Crandall to audit and expert the books of county officers for the term ending July, 1908, be accepted.

In the matter of the Kotzmar et al road. At this time petitioners move to vacate order heretofore made disallowing said road, and petitioners file bond agreeing to build said road without expense to county within 90 days. It is therefore ordered by the court that upon petitioners' building said road that the court will thereupon declare said road a public highway.

Regarding the Ochoco and Silver Lake road. It was ordered that the road master proceed and cause said road to be opened as per agreement, provided balance of property owners sign said agreement by October 1, 1907, otherwise to cause said road to be opened on original survey without delay.

Hub Kindar was appointed constable for district No. 1. (Continued next week.)

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