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## COUNTY BOARD DOES BIG BUSINESS

### Tax Levy for 1909 Is 15 and 1-2 Mills

#### JURY LIST FOR YEAR NAMED

#### Townsite Plats Approved, Road Supervisors Appointed and School Taxes Levied.

#### JANUARY TERM.

The regular January, 1910, term of court convened at 10 a. m. Wednesday, January 5. Present, H. C. Ellis, judge; James Rice and B. H. Bayley, commissioners; Warren Brown, clerk; and Frank Elkins, sheriff.

Upon reading and filing the petition of J. H. Jackson and 46 other residents of the territory proposed to be incorporated into the city of Madras, and upon reading and filing the affidavit showing due publication of notice of proposed incorporation in the Madras Pioneer; upon reading and filing of affidavit of Robert Rea as to inhabitants within said proposed territory and upon full examination of both oral and documentary evidence, and the court being fully advised in the premises, it is ordered that the prayer of said petition be allowed; that the county court issue due notice of election, voting for or against incorporation, and for the election of a mayor, recorder, treasurer, marshal and a board of six aldermen, said election to be held in Sanford Hall, Madras, Oregon, on Monday, January 31, 1910; notice to be published in the Madras Pioneer, all in accordance with the laws of the state of Oregon, and that full report thereof be made at the next regular term of this court. It is further ordered that at said election John W. Robinson act as chairman of the election board, and that F. T. Brooks and S. E. Gray also act as judges and that R. L. Moorehead and B. C. Dove act as clerks of said election. Clerk to notify election board.

In the matter of the W. G. Waugh et al. road. Viewers not having been able to view out said road, the same is hereby continued until it is made.

Petition for county road by Jerry Achey, et al. Petition, affidavit of posting notice and bond for \$200 with John B. Brown, Jerry Achey and W. R. McFarland as sureties, filed and approved. To be viewed out later.

Petition for county road by J. F. Forrest et al. Petition, affidavit of posting notice and bond for \$100 with S. W. Reynolds and Oscar C. Hyle as sureties filed and approved. To be viewed out later.

Petition for county road by Albert Harper et al. Petition, affidavit of posting notice and bond for \$200, with Albert Harper and William Brown as sureties, filed and approved. To be viewed out later.

Petition for county road by W. R. Davidson et al. Continued to March term for failure to show proper notice given.

Petition for county road by F. T. Redmond et al. Petition, affidavit of posting notice and bond for \$100 with F. T. Redmond, Jos. H. Jackson and H. F. Jones as sureties, filed and approved. To be viewed out later.

Petition for county road by J. E. Myers et al. Petition, affidavit of posting notice and bond of John Ferguson for \$100, filed and approved. To be viewed out later.

In re subdivision of parts of town of Palmain. And now is presented to the court the application of the Madras Townsite Co., owners of the original town of Palmain, asking the approval of subdivisions of certain tracts within said original town of Palmain, the plat showing said proposed subdivisions, the tracing thereof, together with affidavit of surveyor, dedication of streets to the public without reservation, the approval of the county surveyor and county assessor, and it appearing that all the requirements of law have been complied with, it is ordered that said plat of subdivisions be approved and spread of record.

In re plat of townsite by Robert Rea and Don P. Rea. And now is presented to the court the plat of the proposed town of Madras, together with the tracing thereof, affidavit of the surveyor thereof and the dedication by said owners to the public of the streets, without reservation, and the approval of the county surveyor and the county assessor, and it further appearing to the court that all the requirements of law have been complied with, it is hereby ordered by the court that said plat of Madras be approved and spread of record.

Viewers' report on the S. D. Percival et al. road approved. Claim of Andrew Pierson for \$500 disallowed. Road declared a public highway. Clerk instructed to notify petitioner to open same and to request petitioners to work one day each on opening said road.

Viewers' report on the A. H. Rohde et al. road approved. Road declared a public highway. Clerk directed to notify road supervisor to open said road and to request petitioners to work one day each thereon.

Viewers' report on the W. A. Belcher et al. road approved and road declared a public highway. Clerk to notify road supervisor to open said road and to request petitioners to work one day each on opening said road.

Pursuant to law and upon report of county school superintendent showing failure of the respective school districts to levy any special tax or to levy a sufficient tax, it is ordered by the county court that the following levy of special school tax for the following school districts respectively

## NO DODGING SIX MONTHS SCHOOL

### Each District Must Hold That Much Each Year

#### SCHOOL POPULATION IS LESS

#### New District, No. 74, at Buck Creek, Formed by the Boundary Board.

The Crook County Boundary Board has formed a new school district out of part of Buck Creek district. The new district will be known as district No. 74. A change has also been made in the boundaries of districts 62 and 70, by throwing all territory in 62 south of Crooked river into 70.

The Crook County High School Board has decided to apply the \$100 used for the annual catalogue to getting out a high school paper instead. It is thought more good can be accomplished by the change.

DIST.	MILLS	DIST.	MILLS
No. 3	5	No. 51	3
" 5	2	" 53	1
" 6	1	" 55	5
" 7	3	" 56	1
" 17	5	" 58	1
" 18	3	" 59	5
" 20	4	" 60	5
" 24	2	" 61	5
" 26	3	" 70	5
" 35	3	" 87	5
" 40	2	" 84	1
" 48	3		

The tax required for state purposes for the year 1910 being \$17,454.34, the following levy is hereby made:

General county and state	9 mills
General school	3 mills
Road fund, exclusive of Prineville	2.2 mills
High school, exclusive of Dist. 12	1 1/2 mills
Literary fund	1.25 mill
Total	16 1/2 mills

Upon the appearance before this court of the guarantors for the payment of the subscriptions heretofore made towards the erection of the new court house at Prineville, Oregon, and upon their request for additional time in which to collect said subscriptions, and the court being fully advised in the premises, it is ordered that said guarantors' request be granted and that they be given until 2 o'clock p. m., March 3, 1910, to collect said subscriptions and to either pay the same so collected into open court or to exhibit to and file with this court the receipt of the county treasurer of Crook county, showing the payment thereof to said county treasurer for the credit of the general county fund.

In re accounting of emergency road fund by H. C. Ellis. And now is presented the accounting to January 1, 1910, of the emergency road funds heretofore placed in the hands of H. C. Ellis, and upon examining the same, it is ordered by Commissioners Bayley and Rice that the same be approved as correct and ordered filed, together with the vouchers accompanying the same.

In the matter of the boundary of Beaver Creek Road District No. 23. Upon petition for change in said district it is ordered that the boundaries be established as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of township 17 south, range 23 east, W. M., thence north 15 miles to the county line; thence north 14 miles; thence west 15 miles; thence north 6 miles; thence west 6 miles; thence south 6 miles; thence east 3 miles and thence south 14 miles to the place of beginning.

In re amendment of Summit Road Dist. No. 16. Upon petition it is ordered that the boundaries of Summit Road Dist. No. 16 be amended to read as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of section 19, township 15 south, range 30 east, W. M.; thence north 10 miles; thence east 2 miles; thence north 3 miles; thence east 16 miles; thence south 3 miles; thence east 6 miles; thence south 6 miles; thence west 15 miles; thence north 6 miles; thence west 15 miles to place of beginning.

The court selected the following names of 20 taxpayers from the taxroll of 1909 to serve as jurors for the current year:

D. P. Adams	Prineville
D. F. Armstrong	Madras
W. F. Arnold	Sisters
W. D. Barnes	Laidlaw
F. B. Bayn	Prineville
T. G. Becker	Laidlaw
J. W. Berry	Sisters
S. S. Black	Ashwood
Charles Boyd	Bend
Ed. Brosther	Bend
W. B. Brown	Cross Keys
W. Butler	Laidlaw
E. A. Busch	Powell Butte
Charles Carson	Bend
W. B. Chapman	Redmond
W. B. Childers	Madras
H. C. Cook	Rosland
F. Corwin	Madras
J. R. Couch	Laidlaw
W. H. Courtney	Laidlaw
W. B. Davison	Redmond
G. V. Dillon	Madras
C. W. Ehret	Redmond
C. F. Foote	Madras
J. E. Fuller	Prineville
G. G. Gerkin	Laidlaw
Philip Graham	Hay Creek
J. F. Harris	Prineville
M. M. Harvey	Madras
Paul Held	Camp Creek
C. B. Henry	Paulina
George Hobbs	Prineville

## PRINTER TRIES COW PUNCHING

### Takes a Rest in the Paulina Country

#### FARLY WINTER THIS SEASON

#### If Cold Continues Late Hay Stacks Will Not Hold Out Until Grass Comes.

During the month of December a member of the Journal force had the pleasure of spending several weeks vacation on the cattle ranches of Joseph Lister at Paulina. Dusty type cases and the odor of ink and gasoline had become monotonous and a little rest seemed to offer a solution to the problem. Not so much a "rest" as a change was desired, and the indoor man who thinks he can't get a change in this way, ought to try it awhile.

The time was about the beginning of the long enduring cold spell, and coming on so early in the winter as it did, the cattle had not been gathered in from the ranges as yet, and of course on the cattle ranch this was one of the first things that had to be done. The printer was mounted upon a gentle and wise old cowhorse by the name of "Johnnie" and armed with a rifle rode forth with the "boss" after the thousand cattle on ten thousand hills, and wasted a great deal of ammunition at the coyotes, and learned more about driving cattle from the old horse than he ever knew before.

The land was covered with snow and the thermometer hung around between zero and 20 above for many weeks. After the straying bunches of cattle were located it was not much of a trick to "punch" them home. It's marvelous how little sense a cow brute has. The "boss" says there is nothing that is quite so bereft of intelligence as a poor cow brute. After the cattle are corralled then they must be separated, the poor ones sorted out from among the ones that look strong enough to wrestle with the food problem for themselves for a while longer. One man on a horse watches the gate of the corral and another goes into the bunch and picks out one to put out. Finally the one pursued is driven onto the outskirts of the bunch and headed towards the gap, which it usually fails to see, and it is the duty of the gate tender to let the one wanted out, and to keep all others in. Often there is a psychological moment when the gate keeper can do the trick by moving his horse just so that the cows which the driven one endeavors to hide behind can be turned aside, and the one desired shot through the gap. There are lots of little points like this in handling cattle that either make a help or a detriment of a man tending gate.

One of Mr. Lister's ranches is known as North Fork, the other as Rabbit Valley. The north fork of Crooked river was partially frozen over, and when the task came of making the cattle cross the frozen stream there was something to do. Sharp shod horses can go pretty well on ice but a sleek-hoofed cow brute can't. When a little ice is encountered in the way, the bunch of cattle usually balks. Then there is the resort to clubs and poles after the path has been broken. If the ice is solid sometimes a calf is lassoed and dragged across by the saddle horn. Then it bawls and the mother love in the old cow brings her across in a hurry. The rest of the bunch seeing one cross over know that they can follow and the difficulty is passed.

A portion of Mr. Lister's Rabbit Valley ranch is a most obliging piece of irrigated land. In the winter time it is a shallow lake covering hundreds of acres. In the summer time the water gradually sinks away, the wild hay

## FAKE PHOTOS DECEIVE PEOPLE

### Hillman Promoters Borrow Pictures

#### SHOW VIEWS OF OTHER LANDS

#### Redmond Man Says this Course Will Result in Injury to Central Oregon.

Mr. Kirk Whited, an influential and respected resident of Redmond, in a letter published in the Redmond Hub last week makes a plain statement of fact about the fraudulent advertising matter that is being sent broadcast about the Hillman townsite in this county. While there is not the slightest desire on the part of Crook county people to cast any obstacles in the way of development companies to build new towns or to sell the property, the flagrant manner in which the promoters of the Hillman project are endeavoring to mislead the uninformed public about the present status of the townsite and its vicinity are too strong a violation of "a square deal to every man." People have come to rely strongly upon reproductions of photographs to get an idea of a district. The Hillman people have sidestepped this difficulty in their case and show pictures of old, well developed districts, some of them taken hundreds of miles from Hillman and the Deschutes valley. Mr. Whited's protest follows:

I would call your attention to a matter or condition that bears directly on the prosperity of Central Oregon in general and this community in particular. I refer to the spirit of wild speculation backed by false, fraudulent and deceptive advertising.

As an example see the circular advertising the so-called town of Hillman. Of the twenty-eight views in that circular, only two are true pictures of any scene within twenty miles of that townsite; and but few of them are actual scenes in the State of Oregon. Page 3 shows a town with large buildings, when in fact there is but one building, a shack 10 x 12 feet on the townsite.

There is no railroad grade with ties laid through a grain field within one hundred miles of Hillman. "View along Hill grade in the Deschutes Valley" through fir timber, was evidently taken along the Milwaukee R. R. and Yakima River in Washington. "Irrigation canal near Hillman" seems to be a view of the residence of A. M. Drake and the Deschutes River near Bend, Oregon; and so on through the whole list of illustrations.

The printed matter is equally false and misleading. Instead of ten county roads that "run through Hillman" there is but one road on the west and another one half-mile north of the townsite.

No considerable area of wheat land lies tributary to that point but lies further north or south.

There is no merchantable timber for manufacture or shipping within twenty miles of Hillman.

The fraudulent character of the advertisements of Hillman and perhaps other places, consists not only of false statements and untrue pictures, but in representing the advantages, resources and conditions of points and regions many miles distant and separated by natural barriers, as tributary to those points, when there is no connection between them.

The genuine resources and opportunities of Central Oregon are varied in nature and great extent, and honest and judicious advertising would benefit all people now residing here, and those looking for locations. There will be towns every few miles along both the coming railroads, and the real advantages of those points should be shown to the public. Due allowance must be made for some exaggerations from enthusiastic workers for the several localities.

The Hillman episode is a small matter compared with the rascally schemes that will be attempted in this region, and the writer hopes that all honorable people in Central Oregon will make a united effort to prevent the wholesale robbery of settlers and investors that will be attempted by means of false and fraudulent advertising.

If we silently permit such frauds to continue it will result in discarding all advertisements of our resources and retard our real development.

KIRK WHITED.

## TO DEVELOP POWER

### MIGHTY DESCHUTES WILL BE HARNESSSED

#### First Steps in Work Now in Progress on the Lower River—Three Plants Could Furnish 140,000 Horse Power.

Test pits are being sunk on the site of what is known as the Moody dam site, two or three miles above the mouth of the Deschutes River. This work is being done by the Eastern Oregon Land Company, the big corporation which has fallen heir to the grant lands of the Dalles Military Wagon Road Company. Litigation will have to decide ultimate title to this power site, as between the Moody and the county interests.

But in the meanwhile the first assuring effort is being made to develop some of the immense power possibilities of the Deschutes. Test pits are being sunk by hand work, a good force of men being employed. At the point where work is in progress the dam will have a length of more than 1000 feet on top, when it raises the waters of the river 140 feet above mean low level. The lake or reservoir created in the canyon by the dam will have a length of about 12 miles, and it is along the edge of this prospective body of water that the rail lines of the Hill and Harriman systems are being constructed.

Balfour, Guthrie & Co. are financial agents of the land company, and Whistler & Stubblefield are the engineers in immediate charge of the preliminary work that is being done. The Deschutes River at this point, given a drop of 140 feet, would become a tremendous power factor. Rough estimates made as to the available electrical energy from such a plant as that mentioned place the total at from 60,000 to 70,000 horsepower. As the dam site is within two miles of the Columbia River, where two great railway systems are operating lines, and is within convenient transmission distance of The Dalles and numerous industrial institutions, and two trunk lines that are intended to tap Central Oregon pass within a few feet of where the generators must be installed, the

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