

# Annual Winter Clearance Sale!!

## Will Begin Friday, December 29th, 1911



Every article of winter goods thrown out at big reduction in price. This is an opportunity to secure the best of goods at the lowest prices. This sale is made with the intention of removing from our shelves as quickly as possible every vestige of winter stock. The year is about to pass away forever and we take this last opportunity to offer from our stock, several hundreds of rare bargains while as yet we are untouched by winter.

### All Suits, Coats, Winter Underwear, Lined Gloves, Blankets, Etc.; Heaters, Ranges, Game Traps, Etc. on Sale



Begin your purchases with the beginning of this sale, Friday, Dec. 29th. Remember with every \$11.00 purchase you can get a Highest Grade Triple Plate Silver Teaspoon Absolutely Free. If you do not already know, ask us about the Silverware we give away.

**SALE TERMS:**—Cash or 30 days on approved credit.

# Collins W. Elkins, Prineville, Oregon

### New City Council In Harness

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building of bridge over the Ochoco was referred to the street and public improvement committee.

The mayor's annual address on matters pertaining to the city's welfare is packed full of facts. The work accomplished in 1911 and problems that must be met in the near future are set forth. It is well worth careful study. Mayor Edwards said:

To the Common Council of the City of Prineville, Oregon, Gentlemen:

With the meeting of tonight the work of the Common Council of the City of Prineville for the year 1911 comes to a close. Although during the year a few incidents have arisen to ruffle the tranquility of our meetings, yet with those exceptions our association together has been characterized by a strong spirit of harmony and an intense purpose to render the best service possible for the good of Prineville.

In looking over the work that you have accomplished this year the result is really surprising, when we consider the limited means at your disposal and the fact that most of you were apprentices in the work. It will not be amiss here to present a brief synopsis of that which has been done.

Of the permanent improvements the following are the most important:

Street Improvements—  
Third street graded and gravelled at a cost of \$1216.75  
East First street, graded, costing approximately 150.00  
Fourth street, graded at a cost of 51.75  
Fifth street, graded at a cost of 48.49  
West B street graded at a cost of 60.00  
East F street, between First and Third streets, graded at a cost of 60.00  
Second street, west of Crooked River bridge, gravelled at a cost of 177.75  
The streets in Noble's addition were graded at a cost of 350.00  
Sloughs in north end of B and C streets filled at a cost of 326.00  
Permanent block corners have been established in all that part of Prineville known as the First Addition at a cost of \$104.00. This work was necessary, because of the irregularity of the present lot lines, and also owing to the fact that the grading of East First and East Third streets

were contemplated and permanent street lines must be established before the work could be begun.

The city ordinances have been revised and typewritten into a new ordinance book at a cost of \$74.50. So many of the ordinances in the old book had been repealed or amended that it was extremely difficult to select the live from the dead ordinances.

A street sprinkler was purchased for \$340.00, and used during the summer months on our principal streets much to the comfort of our merchants and their customers.

The material for and the work has begun on the erection of a wagon bridge across the Ochoco on East E street. This bridge is one of the urgent needs of the citizens living in the northeast part of town. It will be particularly appreciated by the school children as the bridge will save them nearly a mile walk every day in going to and from school.

The city's department of justice has been managed with great efficiency by Recorder Bresse and it is believed that peace and good order has been enforced as well, if not better than, during any similar period in the history of our city.

The principal expenditures on the part of the city for the year just closed are as follows:

Grading squares on First street \$50.00  
Grading squares on Fourth 38.00  
Fifth and B streets 10.50  
Grading and graveling squares on Third street 357.92  
Filling slough in north end of B and C streets 350.00  
Grading west end of Second st. 177.75  
Purchase of street sprinkler 340.00  
Water meter and hydrants for sprinkler and installing same 61.10  
Water used for street sprinkler 175.85  
Ordinance book, revising ordinances, etc 74.50  
Initiative election in May 62.00  
Lumber purchased for street work 1413.92  
Ochoco bridge materials 224.10  
Interest paid on water bonds 900.00  
Work constructing 37 cross walks 133.20  
Work constructing 25 drain boxes 93.60  
Police department 2164.75  
Treasurer's salary 310.60  
Recorder's fees 301.75  
Maintenance of Malling water system 235.64  
Crook County Journal printing 226.40  
Prineville Review printing 6.25  
City engineer 307.50  
Prineville Light & Water Co., lights and hydrant rental 407.18  
Hall rent 100.00

City attorney's fees 153.50  
Stationery 24.45  
Feeding prisoners 49.60  
Judges and clerks of election, Dec 18.00  
Miscellaneous 614.10  
Aside from taxes the city has received for the year the following amounts:

Liquor licenses \$4000.00  
" " transfers 150.00  
Cigarette license 100.00  
Show licenses 195.00  
Fines 706.00  
Water rent, Malling water sys. 124.00  
Dog tax 96.00

The cash on hand January 1st, 1912, is \$4816.18, which amount, together with the probable tax income for the year of \$2647.00, amounting in all to \$7463.18, will probably be the limit of the expenditures for the coming year.

The problem of most vital interest to be solved by the council in the year 1912, will be the disposal of the Malling water system. The ditches and flumes of this system have reached a stage when they will have to be rebuilt or the city's water right surrendered. The receipts from this system for the year 1911 were only \$124, while the expense of maintenance was \$205.64, which leaves the balance on the wrong side of the ledger. It is my belief that for irrigation purposes only this system will never be a paying investment on the part of the city. Whether this water will be of sufficient value to the city for sewer flushing purposes in the future to warrant the expenditure of the large sum of money required to rebuild it is difficult to decide and is a subject which the council and the citizens of Prineville should give deep study in the immediate future.

Finally, I wish to thank you for your kind co-operation throughout the past year and for the friendship which you have shown me.

CHAS. S. EDWARDS, Mayor.

**New Council.**

The new council convened in special session immediately after the adjournment of the old.

Present—Mayor Edwards, Councilmen Ward, Winnick, Cooper, Gray, Shipp, Marshal Coon and Recorder Bowman.

The following committees were appointed:

Health and Police—Ward, Shipp and Gray.  
Streets and Public Improvements—Noble, Ward and Gray.  
Finance—Winnick, Shipp and Cooper.  
Judiciary—Cooper, Noble and Win-

nick.  
Fire and Water—Gray, Noble and Cooper.  
License—Shipp, Ward and Winnick.  
The bond of Marshal Coon was read and approved.  
T. E. J. Duffy was appointed city attorney.  
Floyd Rowell was appointed night watchman.  
On motion council adjourned.

**Regular Session.**

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening.

Present—Mayor Edwards, Councilmen Shipp, Cooper, Gray, Ward and Winnick.

Mr. Fagan addressed the council in reference to buying a new safe. He represented the Hall Safe Co. The mayor appointed Councilmen Ward and Winnick a committee to confer with Mr. Fagan in regard to a safe suitable for the city's needs.

The bond of C. E. Smith, as city treasurer, was read and approved.

The bond of A. R. Bowman, as city recorder, was read and approved.

The report of G. E. Smith, showing that he had collected \$132.05 water rents was read and approved.

The following bills were allowed:

G. E. Smith, act'g marshal \$64.39  
Approved with deduction of \$8.05 for amt of water.

R. W. Bresse, fees 9.50  
Jordan & Co., mdse 4.75

The menace to public health by cesspools filling up and overflowing came in for a long discussion. The matter will be looked after by the city marshal. And there are other matters that will take up the spare time of the marshal. He must inspect flues and see that they conform to the city ordinance. He must get after the dogs and collect the tax. He must see that all alleys are kept clear of obstructions. He must inspect sidewalks and see that they are kept in repair. If the city's custodian of the peace should find time hanging heavily on his hands he is to get after the stray chickens found running on the streets. The hens must be kept up hereafter unless the owners thereof wants the marshal to live on a chicken diet.

The question of enforcing the sidewalk ordinance caused nearly as long a discussion as the manifold duties of the marshal. It was the sentiment of the council that when new walks were ordered put in they must be put in. The marshal was instructed to enforce the ordinance but not to cause any unnecessary hardships in building until the frost

came out of the ground.

The recorder was instructed to get a loose leaf billing system for keeping the city's accounts. Bills hereafter will be made out on the same stock and be of uniform size. They will be indexed for future reference.

The marshal agreed to sweep the crosswalks on Main street if property owners would sweep the sidewalks. It would be a great convenience to pedestrians if this were done during the winter months.

Council adjourned.

**Crook County Needs More Homeseekers**

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thickly settled sections of the East, the portion of country from which Crook county is drawing the greater part of its new settlers.

THE POOR MAN'S COUNTRY.

These are a few of the most salient reasons why Crook county offers an ideal field for both the man with and the man without capital. Either, possessed of the ordinary amount of push, will win. The game is not a losing one for either participant. Nearly every wealthy man in the country today, and the number is not small, made his "stake" in Crook county, beginning at a time when his surroundings were of the crudest kind, conditions of life fraught with hardship and privation and the country itself more isolated and primitive a thousand times than it is today, yet Crook county is still spoken of as an undeveloped portion of the state and the opportunities for accumulating a goodly portion of the world's happiness, prosperity and wealth exist today in this district as they did when the first white settlers founded their homes. The only difference is that they are more easily grasped.

Wealth there has been a plenty taken from the soil and the various business projects, but only during the past few years have its remarkable opportunities been more fully realized and advantage taken of the ideal conditions for investment and home building.

Poor men, years ago, came and stayed, and made the best of adverse circumstances. Today a vast majority of these are past the dependent stage and are helping others who came as they did, impoverished of everything but energy and will power, the two cardinal characteristics which have built up this great inland empire to its present standing.

The following is a brief summary of 1911 assessment roll for Crook county:

Acres of cultivated land, 148,705, valued at \$1,004,965.  
Acres of uncultivated land (timber and grazing) 1,613,929, valued at \$5,122,654.  
Improvements on deeded land, \$393,282.  
Improvements on land not deeded, \$79,638.  
Horses and mules, 11,244, valued at \$358,932.  
Cattle, 22,780, valued at \$322,208.  
Sheep, 95,320, valued at \$156,570.  
Swine, 1,601, valued at \$6,201.  
Deeded timber land, 543,000 acres.  
Timber land in forest reserve, 1,500,000 acres.

**Prineville-Metolius Railroad Sure Thing**

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be built and to this end urges the people who will be benefited to put their shoulders to the wheel and push the project along to a successful conclusion. Mr. Kyle will arrive in Metolius next week to personally investigate conditions.

At the regular meeting of the commercial club tonight Heckman and Osborn will be present and discuss with the business men the plan of the Rice company for the construction of the Metolius-Prineville line, and suggest a way in which the club may assist in the undertaking.—Central Oregonian.

**Home-Made Candies.**

Don't forget we will dip chocolates in our window Saturday, from 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m. We will also have a candy sale on Molasses Chew, made out of good old New Orleans Molasses, special 25c per pound. Sale every Saturday. Something different.

LOSO'S CANDY KITCHEN.