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## Grand Jury Reports 21 True Bills

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for the county of Crook. Report of the grand jury May term, 1913.

To the Hon. W. L. Bradshaw, judge: We, the grand jury empaneled at the May term, 1913, of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for the county of Crook, beg leave to report as follows:

We have been in session during eight working days and have returned 21 true bills and four not true bills.

We have given our most careful attention and consideration to all complaints and matters of every kind and nature that have been brought before us and aside from the bills heretofore reported, we present the following recommendations and conclusions:

We have examined the books and offices of the various county officials and while our time is so limited that we are unable to pass on the correctness of the accounts, we find that as far as we are able to judge, the offices are being systematically conducted and everything appears to be done carefully and with a due regard for the law.

The county property we find to be in good condition and being properly cared for and we take this opportunity of commending the present janitor for his interest in the welfare of the property under his custody, both the courthouse building and the grounds being cared for in a manner that is a credit to the county and meriting our notice and regard.

Due regard for the welfare of the lawn demands that persons, including county officials, use the walks and not trails over the grass and that the janitor place signs in proper places and take steps, which in his opinion will be effective to protect the lawn; furthermore, as there will be three terms of court in Crook county hereafter, we feel that the present salary of the janitor is insufficient for his present and future services and we recommend that his salary be increased to \$90 per month.

As crime in Crook county is apparently increasing, taxing the accommodations of the county jail to its utmost, we recommend that certain improvements to the jail be made, namely:

That toilet and other conveniences be installed in the female ward, including a cell, as since January 1, 1913, there have been four arrests of women necessitating the keeping of one and sometimes two women in jail for an indefinite period.

That a vestibule be built leading from the sheriff's office to the jail entrance, cutting off communication with the outside and giving protection to the jailor and officers and preventing prisoners from getting outside assistance unknown to the sheriff's office; this improvement could be made of strong netting or of sheet iron and in our opinion is an emergency that should at once be attended to.

Two steel cells should be added to the tier already in place in the main jail, which in our opinion can so be done without changing the entrance to the cells now installed and leaving a most modern appearance and better accommodations for prisoners who must be locked up at night. These recommendations we deem pertinent and most respectfully call the attention of the county court earnestly and seriously to them.

We have briefly considered the

feasibility of a timber cruise for the purpose of getting at a just and equitable basis for assessing the timber of the county and we unanimously recommend that the county proceed to have the timber cruised under such conditions that will give the county the best practicable estimates at the best prices.

We have furthermore examined into the action of the county court in purchasing an automobile for official business. Our investigations show that the purchase, will ultimately be a saving financially to the county and from an economical standpoint, we heartily endorse the purchase.

We have also examined the culvert recently replaced by the ditch company at the south end of the steel bridge across the Crooked river near Prineville and condemn it as being a poor piece of work and we hereby call the attention of the county court thereto.

In conclusion we wish to call to the attention of the juvenile court the condition of the family of C. L. Reames and respectfully desire that the closest attention be given to a condition there that is grave and merits the closest scrutiny of those who are experienced in the handling of similar problems.

Having concluded our labors we respectfully ask to be discharged.

J. W. Livingston,  
Foreman

Isaac Martin,  
Jerry Achey,  
J. W. Barry,  
C. R. Henry,  
Fisher C. Logan,  
C. P. Becker.

### Few Suggestions by the Sheriff

To the honorable grand jury of Crook county. Gentlemen:

I wish to offer a few suggestions along the line of improvements that might be made about the courthouse and particularly the county jail.

Owing to the rapid settlement of the county, the jail has in a measure become inadequate to meet the demands made upon it. Crime seems to follow settlement, not as it did in the pioneer days but of a different class. The present class of inmates being largely of the petty and sneak variety, sprinkled with an occasional murder or grand larceny case.

I wish to suggest that when the county is in proper financial condition to meet the expense that a vestibule be built leading from the sheriff's office to the jail entrance, cutting off communication with the outside and giving protection to the officers from outside assistance to prisoners. This could be made of strong netting such as used in asylums or of sheet iron.

Another improvement badly needed at this time is a woman's ward containing a cell and necessary sanitary fittings located in the northeast corner of the basement. This has become necessary as at this time we have one woman inmate and in the past six weeks there have been four arrests of women and a very unsatisfactory place to keep them, there being no sanitary arrangements nor heating facilities. This place has filled the requirements until the past year but since the coming of the railway conditions have changed and in the future the county will have to prepare to meet this change as the demands will be greater. In the main jail we have a two-cell steel cage. This was installed, I believe, about

twenty or twenty-five years ago. It is good and safe but too small at this time to house all the inmates, as most of the time it is necessary to keep short termers or prisoners held for small offenses in guard room or main outer room on cots as the sleeping quarters of steel cells are over-crowded. Two steel cells could easily be added to the tier already in place, using the same cage entrance and making the jail almost modern in effect. This matter has been considered by the commissioners and when funds are available will no doubt be put through.

Another matter that has caused some comment, both favorable and otherwise, is the county automobile. This was suggested as a means of reducing the immense cost of transportation of county charges, both criminal and others. Also a means of getting quicker action in the way of apprehending criminals, conveying the county commissioners on their inspection tours of the roads and bridges whether under construction or proposed, and with the idea that at least one-half of the cost could be cut off. Last year the county paid considerable money for transportation at the rate of 25 to 30 cents per mile. This was not unreasonable when it is remembered that the owners of stage or livery cars not only have a good sized piece of money tied up but are entitled to a living and interest on their investment. Up to the present date the county car has made 2375 miles, at an estimated cost of 10 cents per mile, this includes oil, gas and estimated deterioration. It must be remembered that as time passes there will be some increase in maintenance as some repairs will naturally become necessary, but at the same time it was a saving to have a county motor car. The miles already traveled were in the prosecution of criminal work almost entirely, trips being made as far as Westfall in Malheur county, Lake and Harney, north into Wasco and Sherman. The entire county was in harmony as to the purchase of the car until after delivery was made when "I" Springer got cold feet and the burden of blame was cast on the shoulders of Commissioners Bayley and Brown, who arose to the emergency and called a special session of the county court and an order was made for payment of it.

I wish to say in conclusion that the county officials and particularly the sheriff's office have reason to feel grateful to the commissioners above mentioned for the help tendered during the rush of tax collecting and the epidemic of horse rustling and other afflictions when we were about swamped, as these gentlemen gave orders that results were wanted and that any necessary expense would be met and to go ahead.

Respectfully submitted,  
FRANK ELKINS,  
Sheriff.

### Wanted.

Fishermen to call at Kamstra's store for that particular Red, Line, Leader or Hook. Largest selection. 5-15

### Wanted.

Plain sewing by Mrs. Eva Guthernuth. Rooms at Mrs. Champ Smith's. 4-10-6tp. 5-15-2t

### Wanted to Exchange.

House and lot in Eugene for small acreage adjoining Prineville. Inquire of Mrs. Eva Guthernuth, at the Champ Smith residence. 5-15-2t

### Duroc Jersey Pigs

Fifty head, thoroughbreds, either sex, at my ranch at Powell Butte. Address G. L. Brazee, Redmond, Oregon. 4-10-6tp.

### Moved

Riggs' Shoe Shop is now located in the City Meat Market Building. Removed from the old Bank building. 4-10-1mp P. G. Riggs.

Fine line new Shirts and Shirts-waists for Women at Elkins' Store.

## Prof. Shaw Here Next Wednesday

Next Wednesday, May 21, Professor Thomas Shaw will speak in Prineville to all those interested in the greater development of agriculture in this section. The professor is a high authority in the field of agriculture and is fully acquainted with the capacity and needs of this country. He will treat such practical subjects as increased production, better farm methods, cultivation and introduction of new crops, the raising of stock, etc.

Prof. Shaw is also anxious to help you with difficulties that arise on the farm, and especially those peculiar to a new country. You have many of them. Tell him about them so that he can point the way out. A better way, perhaps, would be to make out a list of questions and mail them to John R. Stinson, Prineville, and he will send them to Prof. Shaw at once, thus saving a good deal of time.

Remember the time and place—Prineville Commercial Club rooms, May 21, at 2 o'clock p. m. There is no admission fee and everybody is invited to be present.

## Crook County High School Teachers

Prof. J. A. Hibbard has been elected to the principalship of the Crook County High School. He has been superintendent of the Kellogg-Wardner schools for the past three years, and comes highly recommended.

The Wardner News says: "Supt. Hibbard, of the Twin Cities high school, was unanimously elected to the superintendency for the fourth time. The schools of the two towns have made great progress since he took over the work. The credit for the high position the Wardner-Kellogg schools enjoy among the institutions of Idaho is due to his careful management. He had over 700 students and a teaching force of 30 instructors.

Hiram E. Pratt will have charge of the agricultural department of the Crook County High. He is an O. A. C. graduate and was an assistant teacher at the University of Minnesota. He has excellent credentials and will no doubt be able to place this department on a solid foundation.

Miss Conway and Miss Herman and Messrs. Smith and Evans complete the high school faculty.

## At the Christian Church

There were two more baptisms at the Christian church last Sunday morning, which makes thirty-two additions to the church during the revival meetings. A live Bible school of about seventy has been organized and nearly \$1000 has been pledged by the members for a pastor who will be called soon to take up the work.

Evangelist Adams will preach next Sunday, both morning and evening. "Christ, the Rejected Corner Stone," will be the subject of the morning sermon.

Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. Subject of evening sermon, "A Vision of Victory." Don't fail to hear this sermon. We are here to do all the good we can and to preach and teach the doctrines of Christ as given us in His Word and with no malice toward anyone. Neither in print nor publicly have we accused anyone of being dishonest or unfair. We rejoice that in so short a time we have gained so large a place in the hearts of so many of the good people of Prineville, but rejoice more in the goodly number who have been won to Christ.

W. T. ADAMS.

## Circuit Court Has Lots of Work Ahead

The circuit court room is a busy place these days and one might say nights for Judge Bradshaw always holds night sessions. The grand jury got through with its work Tuesday night. It brought in 21 true bills which means that there is plenty of work ahead for District Attorney Bell and assistant Wirtz. So far there have been eight convictions.

The trial of W. L. and V. M. Robertson took up lots of time. They were convicted of horsestealing and will be sentenced tomorrow morning. Coleman Calhoun and Willis Thorp, jointly indicted with them for the same offense are incarcerated in Washington but eventually will be brought here for trial.

George Messinger was convicted of stealing a cow and heifer belonging to Geo. Millican. He has not yet been sentenced.

Alonzo Weaver, who plead guilty of larceny from a dwelling, has not been sentenced.

H. F. Jones was convicted of gambling and was assessed \$150 by the judge.

Dick Garrett, Ray Clark and C. Wright were indicted by the grand jury for killing steers belonging to people living on Trout creek and selling the meat. The case is now on trial.

The next case to be taken up will be the state vs. John and Judd McPherson and Mace Newham, charged with the larceny of a mare and colt belonging to George Millican. Then will follow the case of the state vs. Gaylord McDaniel and Fannie C. Poch, charged with the murder of Herman Poch.

Just what will be done with the indictments against Orville Morris, charged with placing obstructions on a railroad track; state vs. Al Yancey, indicted for assault on Geo. Russell; state vs. Henry Taylor of Culver, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon; the state vs. Frank Riley and Pat McKenna, liquor cases from Metolius; the state vs. A. J. Holton, charged with embezzlement from Jack Curtis; the state vs. Wm. Pausch, charged with pointing a gun at school teacher, yet remain to be seen.

The following civil cases were disposed of:

A C Lucas vs Ralph Patterson et al. Confirmation granted.

Deschutes Banking & Trust Co. Confirmation granted.

S C Caldwell vs Ralph and Mary Patterson. Confirmation granted.

Marie L Brooks vs L B Brooks. Order appointing a new referee.

N Hahn vs T N Balfour. Verdict for plaintiff in \$10.75. Judgment on verdict.

Central Oregon Merc Co vs Crook County Investment Co. Default and judgment and order made to sell attached property.

Lena May McPherson vs Logan C McPherson. Off.

Redmond Townsite Co vs Redmond Realty and Investment Co. Judgment on pleadings.

B S Cook & Co vs Redmond Realty & Investment Co. Judgment on pleadings.

J M Conklin vs James McElroy. Default and decree.

Roland Gunther vs Joe J and Martha Klein. Settled and dismissed.

United Warehouse Co vs W F and Mazo Lockwood. Default and judgment and order to sell attached property.

Thos Hamilton vs Bend Brick & Lumber Co. Verdict for defendant. Judgment on verdict.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs W W Carter. Dismissed.

C A Stamp vs H E Robinson. Default and decree.

Walther-Williams Hardware Co vs S C Caldwell et al. Referred to H C Ellis.

Dan Eric vs Elizabeth Reed et al. Default and decree.

Western Loan & Savings Co vs Harry G and Myrtle McKay. Default and decree.

Redmond Feed & Fuel Co vs Milo and Leroy Covert. Continued.

Tum-a-Lum Lumber Co vs G A M Lilly. Dismissed.

Lola Numbers vs W R Numbers. Decree granted.

Geo Earl vs Ida Earl. Dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

Annie Maling vs F T Higgins et al. Default and decree.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs Gertrude Kloeber et al. Default and decree.

R H Brownlow vs Iva M Brownlow. Decree granted.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs Kirk Whited. Referred to Saxton.

T E J Duffy vs A G and O L Ellefson. Default and judgment and order to sell attached property.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs Patrick O'Niell. Default and decree.

D F Stewart et al vs Lizzie Gulliford et al. Default and decree.

Wm D Johnson vs Mollie G Johnson. Decree granted.

L B Baird vs M Lara et al. Settled and dismissed.

Alma D Stewart vs Harold E Stewart. Decree granted.

U C Coe vs Jess J and Jas A Boyd. Default and judgment and order to sell property.

First National Bank of Bend vs J H Bean et al. Referred.

U C Coe, trustee, vs J J Boyd. Default and decree.

S H Davis vs Martha J and L E Hartwig. Default and decree.

Antone Fogle vs S P Quinn and Ira Quinn.

The W F King Co vs Jno Ferguson. Default and decree.

Johanna Simpson vs J E Simpson. Referred to Howard Turner.

C F Perrin vs Rebecca E Perrin. Decree granted.

Walter O'Neil vs F P Hipe. Default and decree.

W H Webb vs J Alton Thompson. Non-suit by plaintiff.

Ed Harbin vs J F Nacker. Default and judgment.

Assignment of B C Dove. Final account filed and approved.

J H Loekard vs James Gott et al. Confirmation granted.

W A Booth vs J A and Jess J Boyd. Confirmation granted.

Madras State Bank vs W F Hammer et al. Confirmation granted.

Olympia Beer Co vs A W Howell. Confirmation granted.

Crook County Bank vs Lone Pine Trading Co. Confirmation granted.

J L Youngs vs J H O'Kelley et al. Confirmation granted.

Adolph Galland vs W S Farris et al. Confirmation granted.

Citizens State Bank of Metolius vs D J and Max Owestrowski. Default and decree.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs D E Hunt. Dismissed.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co vs Alvin Critchfield. Dismissed.

### Man Wanted

Experienced man to make thirty thousand (30,000) shakes. Tools furnished. Address L. Connell, 5-15-2tp Meadows, Ore.

### Incubator for Sale

A good second-hand incubator for sale cheap. Apply to R. V. Constable. 5-15

New Home Sewing Machine for rent. Popular prices. At Kamstra's. 5-15