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May Term of the Commissioners Court

County commissioners met May 7. Present—G. Springer, county judge, Commissioners Bayley and Brown. Odlin Falls put in a claim for lumber furnished the county. Referred to Commissioner Bayley with instructions that he report as soon as he can ascertain the full amount furnished.

Fred H. Behrens was appointed road supervisor for Centralia district No. 39.

R. E. Osborn was appointed road supervisor for Kutcher district No. 38.

The claim for \$1753.86, presented by the city of Prineville for road taxes collected for the years 1901, 1902 and 1903, was referred to District Attorney Sell.

The claim of W. H. Kieckham for \$25, one-half of the fine imposed on Chas. O'Kelley for tearing down a flag, was referred to the district attorney.

The bonds of the following road supervisors were approved: W. E. Claypool, district 35, \$200; Glenn Hendrickson, district 36, \$500; Perry Monroe, district 10, \$500; Roy Newell, district 8, \$200; J. W. Schmidt, district 16, \$500; S. E. Sears, district 11, \$500.

The report of R. V. Jenkins, supervisor of Haystack district No. 6, covering bills to the amount of \$441.16, was approved.

Upon request of petitioners work on the Aubrey road was ordered discontinued. In consideration of said petitioners building a bridge over the Deschutes at the point of survey, it is ordered that survey of said road be not taxed against them.

Whereas, each road supervisor is entitled to receive his portion of the road fund for immediate and necessary spring work on the road; it is hereby ordered that the county clerk issue warrants against the road fund in favor of each supervisor who has had his bond approved; said warrant to be for at least one-half the amount of money available for each district for road purposes, as apportioned by the county treasurer.

The county clerk is ordered to forward to each road supervisor a receipt book suitable for giving receipts for moneys received by him in the performance of his duty, or to take a receipt for any moneys advanced by him as road supervisor.

It is ordered that each road supervisor carry a suitable receipt book and take a receipt for all moneys advanced by him as such supervisor in payment of labor or material.

Whereas, W. M. Farrell, road supervisor of district No. 30 has reported that the amount of money apportioned to him for spring work has already been consumed in paying for work and material used in his district and that the road still requires work and material to place it in proper condition for travel, it is ordered that the clerk draw a warrant in favor of said W. M. Farrell for full amount of road fund now due said district in the county treasury.

Whereas, Perry Monroe, road supervisor of district No. 19, has reported that the amount of money apportioned to his district for spring work has already been consumed in paying for work and material, and that the road still requires further work, it is ordered that the county clerk draw a warrant in favor of said Perry Monroe for the sum of \$262.85 and for the full amount then remaining in the road fund of said district and due said district for road improvement.

The supervisor of Lyle Gap road district No. 30 is hereby ordered to change the road running by Mrs. Beasley's place as agreed upon by Commissioner Brown.

Report of road supervisor Sears for district No. 11 for month of April for \$165.65, is approved.

The petition of the Forest Service, presented by Homer Ross, for the survey of all that portion of the Prineville-Mitchell road lying in Crook county, is hereby granted and County Surveyor Rice is hereby instructed to make the survey and report the same at the next regular term of this court.

Whereas, it appears that by a certain order of this court of the date of January 2, 1913, the road supervisor of district No. 12 built certain

bridges in said district, viz, two bridges on the Kellum road at the request of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co., of Deschutes, Oregon, and, whereas, it further appears that the said supervisor, R. M. Elder, did build said bridges prior to December 23, 1912, at the cost of \$39.48 for labor and material, and it further appears that said company has not yet paid said bills nor any part thereof as it promised and agreed, it is therefore ordered that said bill of \$39.48 be referred to the district attorney for immediate collection.

The claim of Wallenburg & Farrer of \$123.39 for 7712 feet of lumber for the Springer canyon bridge at \$16 per 1000, was allowed.

The claim of R. M. Elder, supervisor of road district No. 12, for \$120.25, was allowed.

Rebates for wrongful assessments were allowed as follows:

D. E. Hunter, \$15.27.
O. M. Patterson, \$64.80.
J. C. Robinson, \$34.83.
Veda Patterson, \$17.55.
W. R. Cook, \$11.40.
R. S. Price, \$5.18.
S. A. Logan, \$7.25.
Geo. A. Stephens, \$4.38.
Floyd Dent, \$24.48.
Paul Merchling, \$2.90.

Bend Milling Co.'s claim of wrongful assessment continued for further information.

Oregon & Western Colonization Co.'s claim denied.

O. M. Patterson's claim continued for further information; facts not sufficiently set forth.

It appearing that H. F. Jones was assessed \$3000 on Hotel Redmond for 1912, and for the years 1910-11 the same property was assessed for \$1000; and it further appearing that the property had not been improved since 1910 only in the sum of \$180, and it being known to this court that said property has not increased materially in value within the last year, it is hereby ordered that said H. F. Jones be granted a reduction in the assessment of Hotel Redmond in the sum of \$5000, and that his taxes be rebated accordingly.

R. W. Breesee was assessed on property that he did not possess to the amount of \$8000. It is ordered that he be given credit by the sheriff with the tax on said \$8000 worth of property when proper affidavit of the same shall have been made and filed.

The petition for the D. H. Yoeman road has been referred to the district attorney for his approval.

On recommendation of School Supt. Myers, G. Holt and L. B. Larson were ordered changed from school district No. 60 to district No. 47.

Whereas, it appears that the scalp bounty fund has been overdrawn in the sum of \$3500, it is hereby ordered that the county clerk draw a warrant in favor of that fund in the sum of \$3500.

It appearing that the Coast Bridge Co. has completed the Springer canyon bridge according to its agreement, it is hereby ordered that \$2150, the price of the bridge, be paid from the road fund, and that a warrant in the sum of \$1541.70 be drawn by the county clerk on the general fund in favor of the Coast Bridge Co.

In the matter of the carload of culvert material furnished by Beal & Co. about April 5, 1912, for \$4411.35 to be paid for one year after date; said material being satisfactory in every respect, it is ordered that a warrant be drawn on the road fund in favor of said company for \$2073, and the balance, 2338.35, be paid from the general fund.

It is ordered that a voting precinct be formed to conform to the boundaries of the Centello road district and a second voting precinct to conform to the boundaries of the Alfalfa road district.

It is ordered that when the deed of the land occupied by the new Townier road is made to the county and the road put in good condition for travel, the same shall be declared a county road.

A. O. Walker is hereby appointed road supervisor of Alfalfa road district No. 40.

The claim of the city of Madras for expenses in the care of the Webber children, delinquent, was continued.

The claim of L. H. Irving for \$6, legal services rendered the Webber children, was allowed.

On complaint of Homer Ross et al, that there is an open ditch in front of Mrs. L. R. Lawson's residence, also an open ditch about 100 feet east of Mill creek bridge on the property of Wm. Smith; also an open ditch about 100 feet east of Marks creek on the property of D. A. Sears; Road Supervisor Buchanan is hereby instructed to notify the owners to put in suitable culverts and prepare the crossings in first-class condition; graveling same properly under the direction of said road supervisor. The work to be done within 15 days after notice has been given to the owners of said ditches, and if not so done the said road supervisor is hereby ordered to place the same and charge the cost to said owners.

O. G. Collier is hereby appointed justice of the peace for Haystack precinct.

Bill of W. P. Vandeventer for searching for the bodies of two children at Bend was allowed; said bill not to exceed \$100.

Petition of G. W. Wells et al to change the width of county road denied.

Petition of Ralph R. Young for reduction of assessment not allowed.

The following road petitioners were read for the first time: E. A. Knox et al, H. J. Harris et al, W. M. Ogg et al, D. C. Bryan et al, Geo. Slayton et al, L. B. Larsen et al, O. S. Martin et al, H. A. Johnson et al, A. R. Daniels et al.

W. W. Brown et al road; continued because of defective notice.

Viewers' report read first time on R. P. Wright et al road.

Petition for improvement of Becker road continued for want of funds.

Petition of Homer Ross for survey of the Prineville-Mitchell road was granted.

The following road petitioners were referred to the district attorney: E. W. Pershall, Martin Solfranko, F. L. Hicks, W. A. Pullen, George F. Easton, H. C. Methe, L. A. Hunt, G. L. Brazee, Geo. Klesler, A. W. Willard, D. H. Yeomans, Dan Cuttaw.

The following road petitions were read a second time and roads ordered opened: E. A. Knott et al, R. P. Wright, H. J. Harris, W. M. Ogg, D. G. Bryan, Geo. Slayton, Lars B. Larson, O. S. Martin, H. A. Johnson, A. R. Daniels.

Viewers' report on S. E. West road accepted; road disallowed.

R. A. Merchant road matter continued for consideration of damage claims.

Viewers' report read for first time on F. S. Hoffman road.

The county surveyors and viewers were ordered to view, survey and layout the C. J. Mock et al road.

The Davenport Stanley Ranch Co. was erroneously assessed in two school districts for \$51.47. It is ordered that a rebate be made for said sum.

Petition presented by the Hampton Valley Improvement Association requesting extra covering on the new bridges between sections 15 and 16, township 22 south, range 21 east. Ordered that the road supervisor of that district look after same.

The request of A. E. Bates for a plain slab to mark the grave of a county pauper was continued.

License was granted to the Interior Warehouse Co.

The following old warrants were cancelled: S. M. Scott, \$6; Wallace Williams, \$1.20; Grace Smith, \$1.20; C. W. Whitcomb, \$15; W. A. Winofsky, \$1.50; Chas. D. Wise, \$1.

Petition of Deschutes Mutual Tel. Co. for inquiry into condition of the telephone lines. It is hereby declared to be the policy of this court to deal fairly with all lines operating on the public roads in this county and to enforce the law impartially as far as our duty lies regarding all lines relative to infringement upon the rights of the traveling public or of other telephone lines.

A warrant for \$25 was ordered drawn on the high school fund in favor of J. E. Myers to meet the cost of necessary expressage for high school for months of May and June, 1913.

A warrant for \$50 was ordered drawn on the general fund in favor of G. Springer, county judge, to meet the transportation charges of delinquent children to various state institutions.

Whereas, certain grades built by this county do not entirely conform to the original surveys, and upon

Will Pay all Registered Co. Warrants

Crook county is out of debt so far as registered warrants are concerned. County Treasurer Jordan issues a call today for all registered general fund warrants, all scalp bounty warrants and all high school warrants. So much has been said regarding the county's finances that it will be gratifying to taxpayers to learn the true state of affairs.

Fourth of July Executive Committee

Ralph Jordan, John Combs, C. W. Elkins, Dr. Rosenberg and Dr. Davis were appointed an executive committee at the Fourth of July meeting Tuesday to arrange for a big celebration. This committee is now at work drawing up a general plan for the big event. Sub-committees will have charge of details. These will be announced later.

Crook County School Apportionment

County School Superintendent Myers has made the following apportionment of school money:

1. Prineville	\$ 1,908 90
2. Lower Rye Grass	206 06
3. Mill Creek	219 63
4. Howard	144 97
5. Upper McKay	185 70
6. Lower McKay	199 27
7. Powell Butte	212 57
8. Sisters	226 42
9. Haystack	414 67
10. Grizzly	253 57
11. Bend	363 95
12. Mountain View	3,284 85
13. New Culver	199 27
14. Grade	523 26
15. Mud Springs	99 25
16. Fair View	397 88
17. Crooked River	104 25
18. Ashwood	172 12
19. Shotgun	323 22
20. Breese	97 47
21. Madras	117 83
22. Meadow	913 33
23. Maury	117 83
24. Post	144 97
25. Red Rock	158 55
26. Beaver	138 55
27. Diamond Peak	187 49
28. Camp Creek	196 04
29. Deschutes	165 24
30. Gray Butte	173 91
31. Buck Creek	280 72
32. Lava	126 40
33. Sheep Rock	77 65
34. Cross Keys	158 55
35. Hay Creek	178 91
36. Bear Creek	253 57
37. Upper Rye Grass	106 04
38. Suplie	290 35
39. Alkali Flat	199 27
40. Trail Crossing	280 35
41. La Pine	446 82
42. Lamona	185 34
43. Cloverdale	280 35
44. Upper Mill Creek	97 47
45. Ochoco	219 63
46. Vanora	138 20
47. Cline Falls	307 85
48. Bonny View	280 72
49. Laidlaw	104 25
50. Shepard	206 06
51. Paulina Valley	217 85
52. Blizzards Ridge	368 95
53. Paulina	139 97
54. Opal Springs	151 76
55. Redmond	287 50
56. Vibbert	77 77
57. Plain View	1,683 48
58. Opal City	178 91
59. Lone Pine	190 27
60. Pleasant Ridge	280 72
61. North Butte	151 76
62. Round Butte	151 76
63. Lyle Gap	373 73
64. Willow Creek	206 06
65. Terrebonne	280 72
66. Guerin	333 58
67. Butte Valley	151 76
68. Richardson	192 49
69. Riverdale	178 91
70. North Lone Pine	131 40
71. Tetherow Butte	230 99
72. Rolyat	117 83
73. Hampton	119 61
74. Metolius	153 55
75. Dry Creek	144 97
76. Jordan	333 58
77. Lower Bridge	294 29
78. Fergusson	117 83
79. Lower Bridge	280 72
80. Fergusson	189 24
81. Fergusson	146 76
82. Fergusson	54 29
83. Fergusson	54 29
84. Fergusson	257 63
85. Fergusson	1,804 66
86. Fergusson	223,630 69

Timber Claim for Sale
Timber claim, 10 miles from Prineville for sale cheap for cash. Apply to S. A. Rose, Prineville, Ore. 5-29 1m pd

For Sale
2½ lots one block from public school; corner property; good improvements. Address R. V. Constable, Prineville, Oregon. 5-29

The Railroad Surveys About Completed

F. M. von Planta, engineer in charge of the Prineville-Metolius road, says that the high line survey has been tied into Prineville and that the Crooked river survey will be completed by tomorrow. The tie work will be finished by June 5. "All data and office work, together with final estimates on both surveys," Mr. von Planta says, "will be completed by June 15th. Mr.

Scheel will be here about the middle of the month and will go over both routes. He will then make his final decision as to whether the high line or the river route will be constructed." Mr. von Planta says that every day he goes over the line the country looks better to him. He feels confident that Prineville will see the long looked for railroad before this time next year.

Prof. Thomas Shaw Talks to Farmers

Prof. Thomas Shaw, agricultural expert of the Great Northern Railway, in talking to the farmers of Prineville and vicinity last week, said:

"One of the biggest questions of Central Oregon is that of the proper methods to be used in dry farming. The best results are to be obtained from a rotation of three crops in four years, with the dominant idea at all times of the conservation of moisture. The first year after breaking there should be a summer fallow, getting the moisture well down into the sub-soil. The second year sow wheat or flax. The next year there should be a cultivated crop, such as corn, potatoes or carrots, all of which shade the land and save the moisture. The best kind of corn to raise in Crook county is the N. W. Dent or the Mercer Flint. If grown for fodder a fair yield is two tons of dry fodder or eight tons of green. The fourth year plant wheat and the fifth let the ground lie fallow again. The fall is the proper time to plow for the summer fallow, so as to gather in all the winter moisture. Harrow the fall grain in the spring and use a weeder or a very light harrow when the grain is about an inch high and again when it is four or five inches high.

"Alfalfa is the hay for dry land. Do not experiment with too much land at first, and begin twelve months before so as to prepare the land. In order to prevent alfalfa turning pale, the soil must first be inoculated with the proper bacteria. To do this use plenty of farm manure or if this cannot be obtained take soil from an old alfalfa field and sow about 200 pounds to the acre. Do not plow the second year but disc and harrow. Drill on solid ground with light cultivation, using northern grown seed, five or six pounds to the acre, and planting one and one-half or two and one-half inches deep. The common varieties of alfalfa have proven just as satisfactory as the Turkestan or the Grinn.

"When it comes to pasture, rye makes one of the very best, though many consider it difficult to get it started. Winter rye should be sown in May and grazed down until fall. Sweet clover makes an excellent pasture plant. It is also good for the soil as it contains the same bacteria as alfalfa. Although livestock do not like sweet clover until educated to it, this can easily be done in this country as it has in many others. It does not bloat cattle. Another pasture crop is made by sowing sand vetch in the spring along with the grain, this will give some pasture that same fall and comes on good in the spring. Vetch will reseed itself.

A fair amount of livestock should be kept on every farm in order to get full value back out of the land. This is evidenced by the fact that livestock is always found on the farms on the high-priced land. But one should proceed slowly in introducing cattle on dry farms. The meat combine isn't altogether to blame for the high price of meat. There are too few people raising livestock for the number raising grain. The farms west of the Mississippi contain about three hundred million acres of grain and practically no livestock. It is more advantageous to raise livestock for meat as it takes thirty-two pounds of hay to make a pound of butter and sixteen to make a pound of meat. On the irrigated farms there should be dairying and swine. A cow should net a hundred dollars a year and it should not cost more than three cents a pound to raise pork on alfalfa, including pasture and other feed.

Robert Newbill of Grizzly came nearly losing his life last Friday. He was cleaning a 22-calibre automatic rifle and thought it was not loaded. To further assure himself he snapped the trigger and as there was no explosion he felt certain the gun was empty. He found out differently, however, when he went to hang it up. Someway in trying to make the gun secure on a nail he pressed the trigger again and this time there was an explosion. The bullet struck him fairly over the heart. Had it not been for the fact that he was stooping over when the rifle went off he would never have known what happened to him. When the bullet struck his ribs it was deflected downward and lodged in the abdominal muscles about five inches below the point it entered the flesh.

A Grizzly Man Has Narrow Escape

Dr. Edwards was summoned and he succeeded in extracting the bullet. Mr. Newbill is getting along all right and will soon be none the worse for his experience.

Prineville Schools Second to None

From the records made throughout the state in the last eighth grade examinations it seems that it was either quite difficult or that the pupils were not well prepared for it.

At Corvallis a very large percent of the pupils failed and many were conditioned in one or two subjects. Prineville has reason to be proud of the excellent record made by her public school pupils for not one of the class failed and only two were conditioned in one subject. As a class the general average was excellent and higher than that of any other class of equal size in the county. While these examinations are in some cases more difficult than the regular teacher would give, we believe it an excellent plan for boys and girls to measure up to a good high standard and take these uniform examinations before entering the high schools of the state.