

All Serene at

The Court House

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had consulted attorneys and that they favor it as their opinion that the law in the statutes means what it says; that the surveyor should have \$5 a day for every day necessary in the performance of his duty and ten cents per mile from the county seat to and from the place of survey. He also stated that he had communicated with other county surveyors in the state and that their custom was to collect for both per diem and mileage.

Regarding the county school superintendent Mr. Ball cites the law which provides "that this official shall not exceed \$200 for traveling expenses. He has, however, expended the sum of \$220 in schedule 7, and \$45.65 in schedule 11. The claim states "for expense" and as all other expense is specified we presume these items are for traveling expense."

Regarding the employment of a truant officer and supervisor Expert Ball says: "V. L. Shawe is acting as truant officer on a salary of \$40 per month and also as supervisor on a salary of \$90 per month. He also acts as clerk for the school superintendent, thus filling three positions in the county."

Superintendent Myers was asked to make a statement in regard to the findings of the expert. It reads as follows:

"The supervisory law cannot be well applied to a pioneer county, where we have so many rural schools which cannot possibly run over six months on account of the lack of funds. With our 93 school districts, the supervisory law empowers the Board of Education to appoint three or four supervisors. These supervisors are to be employed for 10 months at a salary of not less than \$100 nor more than \$120 per month in addition all traveling expenses are to be paid by the county. Let us say that the lowest number, namely 2 supervisors for Crook county should be employed at the minimum salary of \$100 per month, which with the traveling expenses for 10 months, would cost at least \$3000 per year for supervision, aside from the other expenses of the office.

As it now stands Mr. Shawe receives \$40 per month as truant officer and his commission runs for 9 months.

He was employed as deputy for six months at a salary of \$90 per month.

These salaries were fixed by the county court with the idea that as Mr. Shaw was going over the county to perform his truant duties it would be much cheaper in travelling expenses if he should visit schools going to and coming from such cases. In other words, this plan was adopted as an economy measure. Under any construction it is saying many dollars to Crook county as now followed. As for myself I have received only \$200

Poor Blood is Responsible

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for traveling expenses as allowed by law.

I will further state that if it is the wish of the people of the county to incur further expenses by providing for more supervisors, I am willing at all times to hasten that "regime of folly." We have tried to follow the dictates of good common sense in the present plan and feel that we have rendered competent service.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. MYERS.

Expert Ball takes a slap at the High School Agriculturist. He says: "We do not believe your county has reached a stage of advancement when this department should be maintained, and would suggest that you make an investigation in order to ascertain the number of pupils who are taking this course, and whether the number warrants your Honorable Body in continuing this department. We believe the cost per capita is too high to warrant its continuance."

Ye Gods! What is the man thinking about. He has passed judgment on something he acknowledges he knows nothing about. He asks the county court to "ascertain the number of pupils who are taking this course and believes the cost per capita too high." Too high, forsooth. Had this high-brow expert been called here when there were only six high school students enrolled in the lean-to of the old First National Bank building we wonder what he would have advised? He didn't know that there were 38 students enrolled in the agricultural department that he wanted abolished. From our lean-to school of a few years ago we have now a high school that is second to none in the state. The enrollment of students grows from year to year. This year 125 boys and girls are in attendance. Yet this man does not believe our county "has reached a stage of advancement" when a high school agricultural department should be maintained.

The sheriff's office was the next to come in for criticism and we must confess that there was nothing very bad about it considering all the noise that has been made. But judge for yourself:

Expert Ball says in part: "We have investigated this office and expense of conducting it. During the year 1913 a day book purporting to show the proceedings of the office was kept by Deputy D. H. Peoples who, we were informed, had that as his especial duty and for which service he received during the year as compensation \$939.50. His claims all read for services as deputy sheriff. No one could ever tell from the record what service was performed, what process served or what fee was collected. There were approximately 269 cases recorded, out of which 82 were marked "no fee," etc.

"We wish to state to your Honorable Body that the record of the disposition of the fees or mileage in this book was largely completed after we came to Prineville on December 18. The fees or mileage earned were approximately \$544.15, and on or about January 3, 1914, the sheriff paid to the county treasurer \$94.15. The balance of \$450 he claims to have paid to deputies for performing the services for which he is paid \$2,500 per annum to perform in an official capacity and for which your Honorable Body purchased an automobile for \$2,400 and which was operated for the year at a cost to the county of \$1,028.54.

"In addition to the \$540 before referred to, the office has paid out for serving subpoenas \$135.70, and for deputies \$1,730.75. Of this amount the first deputy received \$1,200, making the cost of additional service in the sheriff's office \$1,116.45." Then followed suggestions to the County Court for greater efficiency and economy in the conduct of the office. The matter of delinquent taxes was called to the attention of the court and suggestions made regarding their collection.

Sheriff Elkins upon oath says that the explanatory remarks in the above mentioned report on the sheriff's office are almost entirely with-

out foundation and are generally incorrect, misstated and slanderous as to the automobile account; will state upon oath that the statement by him is absolutely incorrect as to being chargeable to the sheriff's office. First, it was not bought for the exclusive use of the sheriff, being used one-third of the entire mileage made in 1913 either for the county court, some other officer, or for a charitable purpose. That the maintenance of the car should have been correctly stated as charged to a general county maintenance fund or else apportioned among the different cases or officers who were benefited by its use.

"Referring to Deputy Peoples, have to say that his statement throughout that there is a malicious, libelous statement and without foundation.

"That his general statements concerning the conduct of the sheriff's office is untrue and apparently for a malicious purpose."

The watermaster was touched up for extravagance by Expert Ball, to which Geo. H. Brewster hotly replies upon oath. Among other things Brewster swears that the expert's report is unjust and false in every particular as regards statements of fact, figures and citations of law; that his recommendations are worthless and impracticable and above all illegal."

To the Public.

As the head of the tax collecting department of the sheriff's office, will state that I have handled all the collections; made all the deposits in the banks and issued all the checks against the deposits where tax account is carried, and as a guarantee that all entries and statements are correct, I am bonded in the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co. of Baltimore, Md., for the sum of \$5000. The application for such bond was endorsed by four bankers who have personally known me for from five to twenty years. I also wish to state that all records are open for inspection at all times and to anyone.

W. E. VAN ALLEN,
Chief Deputy Sheriff.

Culver Resolutions.

We, the citizens and taxpayers of Culver and vicinity, in mass meeting assembled, hereby resolve that the county court be asked to stand as a unit and insist on a thorough investigation of the delinquent tax rolls of Crook county, Oregon, and it is the sentiment of the citizens and taxpayers of this vicinity that the sheriff be caused to surrender the tax rolls to the special auditor at once, and that the court take such further actions as is necessary to cause a thorough investigation.

O. C. YOUNG,
R. V. JENKINS,
Geo. H. OSBORN,
Committee.

Resolutions of Opal City Grange

The following resolutions were adopted at a regular meeting of the Opal City Grange No. 495:

Be it resolved that we, the members of the Opal City Grange No. 495, endorse the actions of Judge Springer in an endeavor to bring about an investigation of the office of sheriff, and be it further resolved, that we ask the co operation of the county commissioners with Judge Springer for the purpose of bringing about a thorough investigation of the matter.

(Signed) J. A. TOLBERT,
JOHNIE HENDERMAN,
S. P. BURGESS,
Committee.

Bids Wanted for County Health Officer.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the March term of the county court for the appointment of a County Health Officer to serve for two years from the first day of July, 1914. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

WARREN BROWN,
County Clerk.

Board and Lodging

Good board, with or without lodging, at reasonable rates. Inquire of Mrs. E. A. Roberts, one block west of Commercial Club building. 115-1m

Notice

The law firm of Myers & Wallace heretofore existing having been dissolved, I desire to say to my clients that I will be in Prineville personally, to take care of all my old business and any new business that may come to me for the March term of court. Anyone desiring to reach me prior to that time may address me at 312 Abington bldg., Portland, Oregon, or telephone Marshall 2758, Portland. 2-5-1p W. P. MYERS.

Members Commercial Club Visit C. C. H. S.

A large delegation of the members of the Prineville Commercial Club visited the Crook County High School Wednesday afternoon to inspect the work of that institution. Every visitor was pleased with the high grade of work being done and all were surprised at the excellent progress being made in the new and up-to-date courses that have been recently introduced into our high school. The delegation found 125 young men and women of the county earnestly striving to fit themselves to become useful men and women. The present high school course is flexible enough to permit the young people of Crook county to choose the work for which they are best fitted.

Films at Lyric Saturday

"The Grecian Vase." A poor sculptor enraptured by the beauty of a woman on a Grecian vase, dreams that she lends him to a land of beauty where nymphs and satyrs dance to the intoxicating pipes of Pan. His dream o'er, he learns that his masterpiece has undreamed of value. A film of art and beauty.

"A Day With a Hindoo Family." (Manners and Customs.)

"The Road to Morez, France." (Scenic.)

"The Valley of the Bourne." (Scenic.)

"Black and White." (Farce Comedy.)

"Objections Overruled." (Farce Comedy.)

Operated on for Appendicitis

Monday afternoon, (March 9,) James Rice, manager of the Baldwin Sheep Company, was brought into Madras by Dr. Haile, suffering from a severe attack of appendicitis, and was taken on the night train to The Dalles hospital where an operation was performed on him by Doctors Reuter and Haile and from the last reports Mr. Rice is getting along as well as could be expected after the trip and operation.

Mr. Rice had been complaining for several days and did not think that the pain in his side amounted to much, but Saturday evening the pains that are due with this trouble came on and his condition was quite serious.

T. V. Standifer accompanied Mr. Rice to the hospital and will spend a few days in Portland before returning to Haycreek.—Pioneer.

H. A. Kelley Out for County Surveyor

H. A. Kelley, city engineer, is the first local candidate to announce himself for office this year. Mr. Kelley asks for the nomination of county surveyor at the hands of the republican party at the primary election to be held May 15.

Mr. Kelley has the best of credentials. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and also of the State University of Iowa. He has had 15 years' experience in his line of business.

For County Surveyor.

I hereby declare my intention to be a candidate for the nomination to the office of County Surveyor by the Republican Party at the Primary Election to be held May 15th, 1914. pd. adv. H. A. KELLEY.

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A. D. PRATT, - Prineville, Ore.

LOCAL MENTION

Fred Powell of Paulina is in Prineville this week.

Regular services at the Methodist church Sunday.

Sam B. Ellis and bride returned Saturday evening from their bridal trip East.

There will be services at the Lower McKay schoolhouse next Sunday afternoon at 3.

W. H. Eldridge of Roberts passed through Prineville the last of the week on his way home from Seattle.

Carey W. Foster took a load of fine porkers over to Redmond Monday to be shipped to the Portland market.

John Morris, who underwent an operation in Portland last fall, is home again. He is improving slowly.

Mrs. S. P. Glenn, formerly of Prineville, was married to John Rona of Oak Grove, Oregon, a few weeks ago.

R. L. Ireland and Miss Alice Porter were married at the home of the bride's parents Monday. Rev. McAllister officiated.

Mrs. R. W. Breese will entertain the Presbyterian Aid Society at the home of Mrs. Henry Gray, Thursday, February 26th, at 2:30 p. m.

S. Price, of Price Bros., Paulina, passed through Prineville Friday on his way home from Portland where he purchased his spring stock of goods.

All the regular services at the Union church next Sunday. The orchestra will be there at 7:30 p. m. Also a special musical number by Mrs. Calbreath. Subject for the evening sermon, "Everybody's Doing It." All are welcome.—Geo. H. Ramsey.

Word was received Tuesday that Mrs. W. A. Booth of Prineville had died at Oakland, Calif., where she was taking treatment for cancer. It was reported that she would be buried today or tomorrow at Eugene. No further details of her death have been received up to this time.

Sunday is Patriotic Day at the Presbyterian church. Bible school 10 a. m., worship 11 a. m., C. E. 6:30 p. m., worship 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon, "An Overflow of Divine Grace." You are invited to attend.—M. A. Prater, minister.

There was a large attendance at the Parent-Teachers' Meeting last Friday and all enjoyed the interesting program that had been prepared. The songs by the first and third grades were especially good. Much interest was manifested in Prof. Lewark's talk on plans for a physical contest meet to be held in May. A committee consisting of Mesdames Charlton, Rice and Bell were appointed to confer with the teachers and help arrange for this meet.

LOCAL MENTION

Born—Feb. 16, to the wife of Thos. F. Jones, a girl.

County Judge Springer left today for Wasco on business. He will be away eight or ten days.

The ladies of the Annex who were interested in the fancy work department and the civic improvement work held an interesting meeting in their parlors last Tuesday afternoon. Several phases of the civic improvement work were discussed and plans were formulated for helping to clean up and beautify the town. This department will hold regular meetings on the 3rd Tuesday afternoon of each month. The fancy work department elected the following officers: Mrs. Haner, president; Mrs. Oscar Hyde, vice-president; Miss Baldwin, secretary-treasurer. This department will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Basket Ball

Saturday Evening

The Redmond High School basketball team will play the Crook County High boys at Prineville Commercial Club Hall, Saturday evening. The game will be called at 8 o'clock. Be on hand to see the fun.

What it Cost to

Build Oregon Trunk

It cost approximately \$16,000,000 to build the Oregon Trunk Railway from the middle of the Columbia river to Bend.

The Celilo bridge from the middle of the river to connection with the North Bank Road on the Washington side, cost more than \$1,000,000 more.

These facts, which always were matters of common knowledge, were made items of record by Clyde B. Atchison, a member of the State Railroad Commission, acting for the Commission, in an effort to secure a correct valuation of the property.

The Commission is securing a valuation of all railroads in Oregon.—Oregonian.

Married

At the home of J. H. Gray, Wednesday evening, February 18, C. E. McCue and Mrs. Martha A. Parrish of Haycreek. Only a few friends were present. Geo. H. Ramsey was the officiating minister.

For Sale

Buff Orpington, the kind that lay in winter. Took first prize at the State Fair two years and first at Prineville, 1912. Eggs for setting of 15. \$2. Also a few roosters. Mrs. Jim Montgomery, Crooked River. 2-19-1m

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