

EX-JUDGE SPRINGER ISSUES STATEMENT

To the citizens of Crook County: With the close of the present term of court, I shall deliver the keys to my successor, the Hon. N. G. Wallace, a man well qualified for the office, whom also I believe will be acceptable to a majority of the people.

As the Court is composed entirely of new members, I consider it a duty to briefly outline the policies which have prevailed during the past few years. As you will observe from the records the county at the beginning of 1915 was heavily in debt.

The policy has been to gradually reduce the indebtedness, meanwhile to make such substantial repairs on roads and bridges as in the end will prove economical. Also to care for the High School, the Fair, and other county interests in like manner. To accomplish this it was found necessary to build an average of about three steel or concrete bridges, and about 10 miles of road annually. Notwithstanding this heavy outlay for repairs, two county divisions, and a rabbit bounty law, were voted by the people, each adding additional burdens. To carry this additional weight and at the same time reduce the debt would not have been possible under the old system of allowing the delinquent taxes to become outlawed but by inaugurating a reform in the tax collecting methods, a reform which cost the Court many friends and much criticism, we were able notwithstanding the unusual handicaps, to reduce the debt considerably more than one-half.

The policy of the School District Boundary Board has been to apportion the property of the county to the use of the school districts with the sole purpose in view of providing adequate funds to the various districts to maintain the schools. The School Superintendent also has been maintained and encouraged in a vigorous policy of enforcing compulsory attendance.

The policy of the High School Board has been to grant to the principal a free hand and to give such prompt and vigorous support as is necessary to maintain the dignity and efficiency of the school.

Prior to 1913 it was the custom to apportion the county road work to the commissioners, requiring them to assume the duties of road-master, a plan that seemed to possess many advantages, a system under which most of the heavy road work has been done, and I will say I believe very efficiently done.

This system was changed somewhat by entrusting the commissioners with small sums and requiring a bond and filing a report which must be approved by accountant making the annual audit.

During 1917 owing to a change in the law the road work is done altogether by special supervisors appointed by the County Court and the efficiency of the work in some instances is largely a matter of conjecture as there is no legal provision for mileage of members of the Court in examining the work.

The Court was severely criticised for the searching investigations of the various departments of county government, a fact too well known to require proof.

A favorite hobby also was to discover the cost of every grade and bridge which was done by the secretary of the Court, assisted by the treasurer. This fact however requires proof, outside the records, as the papers are not to be found. Along with J. H. Wilson's report of indebtedness at beginning of 1913 it is missing. The facts of the report however can be proven, and also the fact of compilation of road and bridge statistics.

Remembering only the pleasant associations, I wish to express my hope for a happy and prosperous future.

G. SPRINGER,

DEATH OF A. J. WASHBURN

A. J. Washburn died at his home near Paulina, Monday, November 12, of pneumonia. Mr. Washburn was 42 years old and leaves a wife and three children.

Rev. W. L. Van Nuys, of Prineville, conducted the funeral services.

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any officer, deputy, or regular employee should enlist in the army or navy for service, and it now appearing that J. H. Rosenberg, county physician for Crook county, has enlisted, and is now stationed at Fort Douglas, Utah, as First Lieutenant 43rd Regiment, it is hereby ordered that a salary of \$12.50 a month be allowed the said J. H. Rosenberg for a period of six months, beginning August 1, 1917; said amount being one half the sal-

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ary paid to the said J. H. Rosenberg at the time of enlistment. It was further ordered that the County Clerk shall draw warrants on the General Fund for the said amount for six months from August 1, 1917, or until the further order of this Court.

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR ORGANIZATION OF CENTRAL OREGON IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that an election will be had and held on December 17th, 1917, for the purpose of determining whether or not Central Oregon Irrigation District shall be organized under the provisions of Chapter 557 of Laws of Oregon for 1917.

The boundaries of the proposed district, as fixed and defined by Order of the Honorable County Court of Deschutes County, Oregon, made and entered at Bend, Oregon, November 7, 1917, are as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of Township 14 South, Range 12 East, Willamette Meridian; thence southerly to the southeast corner of Township 14 South, Range 12 East; thence westerly to the intersection of the northerly boundary of Township 15 South, Range 12 East, with the thread of the stream commonly known as the Deschutes River; thence southerly, southeasterly, etc., along the thread of the said Deschutes River to its intersection with the south line of Section 14, of Township 15 South, Range 12 East; thence westerly to the southeast corner of Section 13, of Township 15 South, Range 12 East; thence northerly to the northeast corner of Township 15 South, Range 12 East; thence westerly to the southeast corner of Township 15 South, Range 14 East; thence northerly to the one-quarter corner on the west side of Section 30, of Township 15 South, Range 15 East; thence easterly to the one-quarter corner on the east side of Section 29, of said Township and Range; thence northerly to the northeast corner of Section 5, of said Township and Range; thence westerly to the southeast corner of Section 31 of Township 14 South, Range 14 East; thence northerly to the intersection of the easterly boundary of Section 15, of said Township and Range with the thread of the stream commonly known as Crooked River; thence westerly and northwesterly, etc., along the thread of said Crooked River to its intersection with the northerly boundary of Township 14 South, Range 13 East; thence westerly to the point of beginning.

Excepting therefrom the following described lands as follows:

In Township 14 South, Range 13 East, Section 3; Lot 1, S1/2 NE1/4, and NE1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 4; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S1/2 NW1/4, and SE1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 5; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S1/2 NW1/4, and SE1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 6; S1/2 NE1/4, S1/2 NW1/4, and NE1/4 NW1/4 Sec. 7; SW1/4 NW1/4, SW1/4 SE1/4, SW1/4 NW1/4, and NE1/4 NW1/4 Sec. 8; W1/2 SE1/4 Sec. 9; W1/2 SE1/4 Sec. 10; NW1/4 NW1/4, NW1/4 SW1/4, S1/2 S1/4 Sec. 11; SW1/4 SW1/4, S1/2 S1/4, SW1/4 SE1/4, SW1/4 NW1/4, and NE1/4 NW1/4 Sec. 12; S1/2 NW1/4, S1/2 NE1/4, and NE1/4 NW1/4 Sec. 13; W1/2 NW1/4, and SE1/4 SW1/4 Sec. 14; NE1/4 NW1/4, and W1/2 NW1/4 Sec. 15; all of Section 16; and SW1/4 SW1/4 Sec. 17; W1/2 NE1/4, W1/2 SE1/4, and SE1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 18; W1/2 NW1/4, and NW1/4 SE1/4 Sec. 19;