

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

THE ENTERPRISE CORRESPONDENTS SWEEP THE FIELD.

Interesting Lecture at Redland—A Prospering Debating Society—John Scott Hurt—Society Notes.

REDLAND, Nov. 27.—In spite of the rain last Saturday night, a full house greeted J. D. Woods' appearance before the literary society. His able lecture on "The Seven Interests of Man," was intellectual, entertaining and instructive, and was highly appreciated by his hearers, who expressed their approval very heartily. The question to be discussed at the next meeting of the debating club is, "Resolved, That woman is entitled to equal rights with man," with D. C. Richardson and W. M. Stone as leaders. G. C. Campbell, who has led the winning side in the last two debates, is gaining some reputation as a speaker.

John Scott met with quite a serious accident early Monday morning while on his way to catch the early morning train to Portland. When opposite M. Richardson's residence, his horse slipped and fell on him hurting his hip and leg quite seriously. Nothing daunted, he pluckily mounted again and pursued his way. Mr. Scott is studying telegraphy in Portland.

H. Z. Burkhardt and Sidney Smyth were out from town last week, the guest of G. C. Armstrong, with whom they went out gunning.

Mr. Ferguson gave an old fashioned shooting match last Saturday.

Mrs. Knotts, of Mullin, spent Saturday and Sunday with her niece, Mrs. Noyer.

John Gard, of Clarkes was the guest over Sunday, of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Linn.

W. J. Johnson and Tim Linn have been on the sick list, but are now able to be about.

J. Aldridge, of Oregon City, spent Sunday with friends in Redland.

Capt. A. L. James has gone to Portland again for an indefinite stay.

Miss Bertha Boylan has been staying with friends in Viola during the last week or two.

Mr. Eckhoff, who bought a piece of land from A. T. Plowman, has moved in and will begin building soon.

Oak Grove.

OAK GROVE, Nov. 27.—Our teacher, C. E. Barney, attended the Clackamas County Teacher's Association at Oswego the 25th, and reports a good meeting with a very good attendance. He also attended the meeting of the Philanthropic society at Oregon City while absent and says they are progressing nicely.

L. E. Armstrong made a business trip to Portland, Saturday.

Mrs. J. F. Eaton, who has been very low with sickness is able to be around as usual.

Mrs. Morris returned from Oregon City on the 19th.

Miss Nellie Bruner has returned home to stay this winter after a summer's stay in Portland.

Frank C. Kilger has been hopping around like a Chinese rooster with his headcut off since Sunday the 26th, because his wife presented him with a bouncing boy.

Butchering has been the order of the day during the past week and hogs might be seen hanging up most any place.

George Peterson, of Salem Prairie, while on a business trip to Union Mills, visited W. H. White's last week and presented Mrs. White with a box of as fine Italian, Silver and Petite prunes as can be found anywhere. He says the roads are as bad in Marion county as here, except where graveled.

Nearly every body is sick with a cold in this vicinity which makes the school quite small.

One day last week as Otis Morris was coming from Howard's mill the threads were broken off the spindle and one of the wheels came off. He soon had the wheel on and had gone but a short distance when it came off again. This time he fixed the tap so that it held very well, but to be sure he borrowed Mr. Mallet's wagon and reached home in good order.

Last Saturday night the tin can brigade was heard at the residence of Mr. Mayville, the occasion being the marriage, the previous day, at Oregon City, of Miss Nora Mayville and a gentleman of Oregon City.

Our Lacey Letter.

LACEY, Nov. 26.—We are having some rough weather here—rain, high winds, more rain and some snow, times dull and hard, no money.

W. W. Taylor and family after an absence of nearly two years in the state of Washington, have returned to their farm and intend to make this their permanent home, being satisfied to stay in Oregon.

Ed Miller, who was burned out by the forest fire in the fall, has rebuilt a neat new home on his place.

Clarence Sweck has bought the Nawratil farm and has just finished enclosing his barn. He is going to rebuild the fences destroyed by the forest fire with board fences, making quite an improvement on the place.

C. C. Hoops, our justice, has a new house up and near completion. The Judge will put on airs when he gets into his new house.

Jas. Marrs, of Springwater has just completed a neat and comfortable dwelling on his place. Also Wm. J. Lewelling, our enterprising merchant, has put an addition to his store to be used as a residence, also to enlarge his store to meet his increasing trade.

The Cape Horn Telegraph is completed to Springwater. Jno. Dubois will have charge of the office. They are now extending to Highland where we understand they will stop for the winter. With the telegraph we hope in the near future we will have a rail or electric road to Portland or Oregon City.

Keene, N. H. July 24, 1891. NORMAN LICHTY, Esq., Des Moines.

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GRAND JURY REPORT.

Some Interesting Reading Relative to County Affairs.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County.

To Hon. Thos. A. McBride, Judge of the above-mentioned Court:—We, your undersigned Grand Jury for the November, 1892, term of said Court, make the following as our final report, and respectfully represent that we have carefully investigated all charges of crime that have been presented to us, and have disposed of the same in such manner as we deemed warranted by the evidence.

We visited the various county offices of the county and found the offices well kept, and as far as we could ascertain all of the county officers are properly and efficiently performing their duties. Not being able in the time we were in session to make a personal examination of the books and accounts of said officers and of the expenditures of public money, pursuant to the instructions of the Court we employed L. L. Porter, Esq., and authorized him to make a thorough examination of the books and accounts of the county officers who handle public money, and if necessary to employ a competent person to assist him with the work. His report is hereto attached and is made a part of this report.

We suggest that the sheriff should note on the delinquent lists the payment of delinquent taxes, and that the date of payment of the tax should also be written on the tax roll or delinquent list. By thus keeping a record of the date of the payment of the tax there will be less liability of confusing accounts between different sheriffs. From the expert's report we notice that in some cases where the county has paid costs on delinquent taxes that the sheriff has failed to collect the same. These costs should be collected by the sheriff, and unless for cause remitted by the County Court should be charged to his account.

The expert's report shows that in some cases the clerk has not collected the trial fees. These fees should in all civil cases, unless remitted by the Judge, be demanded by the Clerk before trial. We recommend that in the future he collect these fees in advance; that these fees uncollected be collected by him as soon as possible, and in all cases where by his neglect he has failed to collect that the same be charged to his account by the County Court.

As it is important that the records and papers in the clerk's and recorder's offices be safely kept and preserved, we recommend that those officers prohibit persons from entering the vault where said records are kept unless they are accompanied by the clerk, recorder, or one of their deputies, and that persons making copies of papers or records only use lead pencils.

We visited the county and city jails and found them in good condition.

We recommend that the sheriff have a deputy present in jail with jailor when he feeds the prisoners and closes the cells whenever there are more than two prisoners confined in the jail.

We endorse the recommendation of the expert's report in regard to the manner in which the treasurer's books should be kept. And now, having completed our labors, we ask to be discharged.

J. W. ROOTS,
FRANK JAGGAR,
CLARENCE ENGLE,
J. M. SIKKER,
G. W. KENNEDY,
A. MAUTZ,
LEVI STEHMAN.

Expert's Report.

To the Grand Jury for the November term of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas county:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with your instructions I have examined the records kept by the officials of Clackamas county, so far as said officials handle public money, and herewith submit my findings.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.
Examination extends from July 1, 1892, to November 15, 1893.

Total tax collected for the year 1892, as shown by the roll..... \$127,231 02
Costs collected on delinquent 1892 tax..... 1,085 19
Delinquent taxes collected for years previous to 1892 with costs on the same..... 2,570 56
Taxes collected on sheriff's assessment for 1892..... 1,159 97
Total tax collected..... \$132,155 74

Warrants and cash turned over to the treasurer..... \$131,799 48
Warrants and cash in hands of sheriff..... 257 30

Total tax accounted for..... \$132,056 98
Leaving a discrepancy of..... 99 06
A part of this difference, \$19.04, is accounted for by the fact that the railroad company requires the purchaser to pay the taxes on land bought under contract, but pays the tax if there is danger of its becoming delinquent. Pieces of this railroad land were assessed twice to the same party, or to different parties, and paid on once by the buyer. The railroad company paid the other assessment, and then the double assessment was discovered, and \$19.04 was refunded, as the tax had been paid, although the roll shows the tax paid in both cases.

Then the poll tax is not extended in the total placed against each name on the roll. This omission of the poll tax from the total was not discovered until some little collection had been made, but the roll is marked as if the poll were collected.

In this way we charged the sheriff with poll tax he never collected.

The sheriff estimates the double assessments at \$3,200; that is, that amount of tax is on the roll twice against the same property. This is caused partly by the assessor getting property assessed twice to the same party or to different parties, and partly by the sheriff overlooking a name and putting it on the sheriff's assessment.

I find in some cases of delinquent taxes no costs are collected.

Parties come to the sheriff's office and make affidavit that they are non-residents to take off the poll tax; that they do not own certain real or personal property to lessen their property tax, or they may be assessed on land and on a mortgage on the land and want an exemption from the indebtedness.

In some cases the poll tax was paid to

the road supervisor which tends to confuse the sheriff's accounts.

I think it would be well if the date of paying the tax were put upon the roll. When the tax becomes delinquent the same should be put on the delinquent roll with the costs and the total marked paid there when so paid as well as on the original roll.

I find some errors in extending the roll which the sheriff endeavored to rectify.

From the foregoing it will be seen that to arrive at an exact result is indeed difficult. All costs incurred by the sheriff in collecting taxes are paid by the county and the sheriff reimburses the county when the costs are collected.

The roll for the year 1892 charges the sheriff with \$162,054.65 as the taxes to be collected for that year.

CLERK'S OFFICE.

Examination extends from July 1, 1892, to November 15, 1893.

Fines collected in circuit court and turned over to the treasurer, of which amount \$91.95 was a note..... \$383 35
Trial fees collected and turned over to the treasurer..... 483 00

The books of the clerk also show that there are \$174 of trial fees uncollected. Part of these will come in as on foreclosures when the sale takes place.

I find from the records kept in the clerk's office that there were up to November 1, 1893, outstanding county warrants to the amount of..... \$130,181 07

The money expended by the county from July 1, 1892, to November 1, 1893, has been expended for the following purposes:

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| Roads and bridges..... | \$39,545 66 |
| Paupers..... | 3,656 40 |
| Stationery..... | 3,028 05 |
| Criminal account circuit court..... | 2,106 53 |
| Criminal account justice court..... | 3,842 70 |
| Court house and jail..... | 1,967 62 |
| County clerk..... | 6,752 56 |
| Sheriff..... | 7,938 95 |
| Bounty on wild animals..... | 701 00 |
| Insane account..... | 229 90 |
| Bailiff account..... | 345 00 |
| School superintendent..... | 1,543 50 |
| Jury account..... | 2,026 80 |
| County judge..... | 1,800 00 |
| County commissioners..... | 443 00 |
| Coroner..... | 691 26 |
| Road supervisor's account..... | 2,572 15 |
| Treasurer..... | 1,200 00 |
| Fuel account..... | 208 02 |
| Assessor..... | 3,119 00 |
| District attorney..... | 725 00 |
| Recorder..... | 4,146 33 |
| Surveyor..... | 229 50 |
| Court Reporter..... | 250 00 |
| Printing..... | 1,701 78 |
| Present ownership books..... | 13,561 69 |
| County map..... | 90 23 |
| Money refunded..... | 249 00 |
| Teachers' examination..... | 408 57 |
| Sewer tax..... | 300 00 |
| Examining sheriff's books..... | 50 00 |
| Grand jury..... | 14 60 |
| Incorrigible youth..... | 300 00 |
| Armory rent..... | 100 00 |
| Indigent soldiers..... | 150 00 |
| Attorney fee..... | 50 88 |
| Street account..... | 11,117 26 |
| Roads from road fund..... | 11,117 26 |

Of the above amount paid to officers there will have to be deducted \$768.80 from the clerk's account; \$332.56 from the sheriff's; \$229 from the school superintendent's; \$131.60 from the coroner's; \$561.96 from the recorder's account, to get what has been received by the present officers, as the above amounts last mentioned were paid to their predecessors in office. As the assessor does not take his office until January 1, his account will be correspondingly reduced.

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Examination extends from July 1, 1892 to November 1, 1893.

INSTITUTE FUND.
On hand and paid in during the above period by the superintendent..... \$425 05
Paid out on school superintendent's warrants..... 317 30
Balance on hand..... \$107 75

SCHOOL FUND.
On hand and paid in during the above period..... \$43,811 86
Paid out on school superintendent's warrants..... 43,565 19
Balance on hand..... \$246 67

INDIGENT SOLDIERS' FUND.
On hand and paid in during the above period..... \$329 50
Paid out on warrants..... 256 00
Balance on hand..... \$73 50

ROAD FUND.
Paid in from road tax..... \$11,577 81
Paid out on road warrants..... 11,117 26
Balance on hand..... \$460 55

GENERAL FUND.
On hand and paid in during the above period..... \$138,096 16
Paid out on warrants, etc..... 130,569 65
Balance on hand..... \$7,486 51

There is held of the amount in the general fund \$4,756.39 pending the settlement with the state the legality of the raise of the property of Clackamas county in 1891 by the board of equalization.

Of the amount paid into the general fund \$4,987.61 was for fines, licenses, etc.; \$8,994.00 for road purposes; Sheriff Ganong paid in \$131,799.48, and Sheriff Samson \$1,503.15. There was \$15,187.50 of canceled warrants turned over by the sheriff during this time and the county redeemed during the same time \$51,503.00 of warrants.

It seems to me that if an account was opened up with each officer, fund and source of income it would help to keep the books in the treasurer's office in better shape. These items have to be ascertained whenever the treasurer makes a report.

The school superintendent has issued 119 certificates and 30 permits, for which was collected \$204. Of this amount \$180 has been paid into the institute fund and \$24 remains in the hands of the superintendent.

The assessor has collected \$321 of poll taxes and has made a return of \$311, which has been deducted from his fees by the county court; the remaining \$10 is yet on hand. Respectfully submitted,
L. L. PORTER.

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