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☞ The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City People your Patronage.

THE new county of Wheeler is made of parts of Grant, and Gilliam with the temporary county seat located at Fossil.

ANOTHER instance can be cited why the people should elect United States senators. The Utah legislature has adjourned with no election.

THAT business in the east is growing is assured by the fact that wages in all lines are going up. Wages to the iron worker advanced nine per cent last week.

THE Cuban assembly show how little appreciation they have by impeaching Gomez after he has spent the best years of his life in liberating the island.

VOLUNTEER troops will remain at Manila until they can be replaced by regulars and on the reorganization companies may be taken bodily into the army. In no case will they be held longer than six months on reorganization.

GRADUALLY Great Britain and Russia are tastening their grip on China. By mutual concessions they aid each other until China hardly dares to make a move without consulting them. The other powers see the result and are trying to get in when the break-up comes, as surely it will.

THE sheriff and recorder both said they would pay their own deputy hire but both have changed their minds and asked the commissioners for an order that the county pay the deputy. In the case of the sheriff who was elected on the fusion ticket the request was granted but in the case of a republican recorder it was laid over. Why this discrimination in favor of the demo-pop is what the republicans would like to know.

As to what basis there is for Judge Ryan's claim to appoint the county superintendendent we have no information. We have not investigated the matter but will venture the opinion that he has no right whatever. His desire to have a finger in all matters is getting away with his judgement.

Since the above was written an opinion has been received from the attorney general of which the following is an extract:

"A separate court, consisting of three commissioners, having been established in the counties of Multnomah and Clackamas, and said court being authorized and empowered, by the act creating it 'To exercise all the power and authority pertaining to the transaction of county business now and heretofore vested in the county court,' and whose duties, jurisdiction and powers 'shall be such as are defined in section 896 (870) Hill's Ann. Laws of Oregon, and such as have heretofore been exercisee by the county court in transacting county business. I am of the opinion that this court, and not the county judge, in his capacity as a county court, has the power and authority under the statutes, as heretofore construed, to appoint a suitable person to fill any vacancy in the office of school superintendent."

We are told that Prof. Zinser will make no contest after getting this opinion of the attorney general.

THE COUNTY PRINTING.

The good results of having the printing for the county done in a manner so that the county will not be held up is now apparent. This is the point contended for in passing the law and the result has been accomplished and the law has persuaded the Courier-Herald that it charged the county something like $600 too much for the tax list last summer and twenty-five per cent too much on other matters. In other words that paper is no longer in a position to cinch the county. When the above result is accomplished the taxpayer is not especially interested in the details of how the work is done or who does it.

Some of the republicans may be a little curious to know why it is that witha republican court and now a republican board, that a republican paper can get no favors and that a populist can. In the first place, at the new rates nothing can be made if the contract is fullfilled as it should be, but if the tax list is to be padded and inferior supplies furnished the county, then something can be made and as everything the demo-pop asked for was granted him we suppose everything furnished will be accepted.

The publisher of this paper maintans that as he runs the only republican paper that supported the ticket last June and the whole of the ticket, he was entitled to the county printing so long as he did it for a fair price, such a price as other persons pay for similar work. But as he offered to do it for less than the business men of this city pay for similar work there was all the more reason why he should have been given the work. But he was not given the work, and it was never intended that he should have it.

We wish to congratulate Commissioner Marks on the fact that while he is the minority as far as politics is concerned he is the whole court when he wants to get results. The county court asked for bids but before they did it they gave orders for everything expected for the next six months and Mr. Cheney himself says that there are blanks in some lines now on hand that will last for three years. This was done because they were afraid the printing would get away from them.

When the new board came in the Enterprise stated to the republican members that this paper should have the printing and was given to understand that if the Enterprise would do the work for a reasonable figure it would be given the work. A figure was named that was not objected to by the commissioners and this paper further stated that if the figures named were not satisfactory, we should like to go over the different lines of printing with the republican members of the board and further adjust the price. We expected a hearing at least and for that reason put in no bid. The next thing we knew the bids were opened. Morton never intended to give us a show and Scott was afraid to. We then made an offer to the board to do the printing for five per cent less than the lowest bid which offer is now on file with the clerk.

With Cross as chief spokesman for the demo-pop paper and Ryan as his chief prompter the board refused to consider the offer to do the printing for five per cent less than the bids they did not ask for, and legally had nothing to do with, as they were called for by that body after it ceased to exist.

The bids called for the county printing but for no length of time. Marks thought that the contract should be made for as long a time as the present board existed and the republicans granted it. Marks also thought that the contract should include blank books and supplies although the "bids" called for printing and the republicans granted it. The only wonder is that they did not include cord wood for the court house and crushed rock for the roads. It is now said that the board of prisoners will be included at the next term.

We wish to congratulate Bro. Marks on running the county board and getting what he wants. The next time we want anything from the board we shall endeavor to get his help as we will then stand some show.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Friday March 10.

Aguinaldo is believed to have gotten help from Europe.

Utah legislature adjourns without electing a senator.

America is taking the stand of strict neutrality in the Chinese troubles.

Gen. Lawton has reached Manila and will have charge in the field of the American troops.

The Great Northern railroad announces a rate of $25 from St. Paul to the coast to aid settlers in coming out.

Arrangements are being made for the taking of the twelfth census by Director Merriman.

Food is scarce at Dawson again. Demands for help are of daily occurrence.

The torpedo boat Fox started for San Francisco today.

Saturday March 11.

Rich discoveries of gold are made in Eastern Washington.

Porto Ricans are discontented and troops are needed to keep the natives quiet.

A cut by all the roads is made in the rates to the coast.

Rev. D. C. Garrett, of Portland, has been called to St. Lukes church San Francisco.

Capt. Spencer, of Portland, will put a steamer on lake Atlin, Alaska.

Sunday March 12.

The Americans are taking the aggressive at Manila. Seven companies of the Second Oregon join Wheaton's brigade.

The Cuban assembly impeaches and dismisses Gomez in disgrace.

Russia and England by mutual concession came to an understanding on the chinese loan troubles concerning projected railways.

The British are defeated by the Americans in the cable chess game.

England will send another force against the Khalifa in the Soudan. He is not considered formidable.

Monday March 13.

The Allan liner Castilian is ashore on the Nova Scotia coast in a fog.

An attache of the French navy has come to Washington to observe our naval methods. He says that we astonished Europe with our navy in the recent war.

Many of the soldiers at Manila are willing to settle in that country on their discharge.

Buffalo Hump Idaho is proving a very rich country in gold.

Tuesday March 14.

Sampson asks that his name be dropped so that others may get the recognition deserved.

Deleware fails to elect a senator.

Herbert Putman has been appointed librarian of congress.

The people of Cuba stand by Gomez.

The Italian minister is recalled from China for not getting the coaling station.

Wittenberg is elected school director in Portland.

Wednesday March 15.

Italy is supported by England and Japan in her demands on China for a coaling station and concession from China.

Gomez recognizes the United States as the only authority in Cuba.

The board appointed to look after the educational matters of Cuba makes its report.

Rebels are plotting to overthrow the government in Costa Rica.

Contracts have been made for sending regulars to the Philippines.

Evidence has been brought out that Egan bought the enbalmed beef for the army.

Thursday March 16.

Choate makes a good impression in England.

Gamez will pay the Cuban army off and disband it ignoring the assembly.

Bicycle makers combine.

The population of Dawson is waning. Rick ore is discovered in the North pole mine Baker City.

New lot of wrappers trimmed in velvet, lace and braid. All prices. At the Racket Store.

COUNTY COURT.

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larger circulation than any other two papers in the county combined.

Also a bid by M. E. Bain, of the Press, for printing tax list for 15 cents per line and a discount of 15 per cent on supplies and stationery.

And the bid of the Courier-Herald being the lowest and best bid, it is ordered by the board that the contract for said printing be let to A. W. Cheney, of the Courier-Herald, for his bid and that the board contract with him according to said bid for said printing until the first Monday in July, 1900.

Said contract was then signed by A. W. Cheney and by the board of commissioners for Clackamas county and placed on file in the clerk's office.

In the matter of the subscription list of donations in district No. 16, on C. H. Foster road—Now comes C. H. Fosper before the board and presented a subscription list of donation work of himself and 46 others promising to perform the number of days' labor set opposite their names on said petition and requesting the board to assist them by doing the same amount of work. And the board being fully satisfied, it is ordered that the list be accepted and petitioners to do said work under supervision of C. H. Foster, also to work out the original petitioners on said road out of county road fund.

In the matter of the subscription list of donation work in road district No. 39—This matter coming on regularly to be heard and the board being satisfied, it is ordered that said petition be accepted, the county agreeing to build culvert and corduroy said hill

In the matter of subscription list of donation work in district No. 13, on Viola hill—Now comes W. N. Mattoon before the board and presents the petition of himself and 35 others offering 35 days' work without team and 23 days' work in opening and repairing said hill above Viola if the county will furnish funds to complete the same; and the court being fully satisfied, it is ordered that if Supervisor Mattoon finds said road survey to be correct and legal, he be authorized to open and repair said road.

In the matter of purchasing handcuffs for sheriff—Now comes Sheriff J. J. Cooke before the board and represents to the board that he needs a pair of handcuffs and that C. H. Isom had a $6 pair he would sell for $5; and the board being fully advised, it is ordered that said J. J. Cooke purchase said handcuffs and the clerk is hereby authorized to issue a warrant in favor of C. H. Isom for said amount.

C. H. Isom $5.00

In the matter of the resolution of sympathy upon the death of Superintendent Strange—

IN MEMORIAM.

Whereas, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to permit the cold hand of death to take from us an esteemed and beloved fellow officer, County Superintendent H. S. Strange; and,

Whereas, He was a faithful, attendant and competent official as long as his strength permitted; while stricken with a fatal disease, he was persistent in his efforts for the benefit and education of mankind; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the county officers of the county of Clacksmas, state of Oregon, herewith express our love and appreciation of his noble example of unselfish devotion and service to education.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his beloved helpmeet and companion.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Clackamas county, a copy be sent to the bereaved family and a copy furnished the local papers for publication.

ELMER DIXON,
JOHN J. COOKE,
THOS. F. RYAN,
Committee.

In the matter of the appointment of a county school superintendent to fill the vacancy caused by the death of H. S. Strange—This matter coming on now to be heard and the board being fully advised, it is ordered that N. W. Rowland be appointed to fill said vacancy.

In the matter of piling cord wood on the public roads, it is ordered by the board that the clerk be instructed to notify the supervisors in whose districts cord wood is being piled on the public highways to order the same removed and to see that no more cord wood is piled on said highways in the future.

In the matter of the application of Mrs. Patty for aid for Mrs. Oglesby, an indigent person, it is ordered that the board give an order for $5 for such aid.

In the matter of the application of Mrs. Walker and family for aid—Now comes Mrs. Walker before the board and represents that her husband is absent and sick and she is unable to provide for the wants of herself and small children; and the board being satisfied, it is ordered that Mrs. Walker be granted aid in the sum of $5

In the matter of the proposed Oregon City and New Era road, starting from the upper end of Main street in Oregon City—Now comes E. E. Clearman and A. Miln, a committee representing Oregon City, showing the board that there had been a survey of said proposed road made from its beginning point to the city limits and requesting the board to complete said survey from the city limits to the top of Lawton hill; and the board being fully advised, it is ordered that D. W. Kinnaird be instructed to make said survey, profile and estimate of cost of said proposed road from city limits to top of Lawton hill at not to exceed a six per cent grade, cost of said work not to exceed ($50) fifty dollars.

In the matter of the application of W. A. Geer for remission of taxes—This matter having been submitted and considered and an order of the board having been made on Wednesday, the 8th day of February, 1899, that the petitioner pay on said taxes the sum of forty dollars and no more and that the remainder thereof should be remitted and all tax sales of said land, to-wit: all of section 36, township 3 south, of range 8 east Willamette meridian, in Clackamas county, Oregon, should be set aside and vond; and the said W. A. Geer having paid the said $40 as required by the order of the board on said 8th day of February, 1899, it is ordered by the board that all claims for taxes against said land now assessed or payable are hereby remitted.

An order was made granting the petition of the following communication:

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY.
March 9, 1899.

To the Honorable, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Clackamas, State of Oregon:

Gentlemen—In accordance with a promise I made to the people of Clackamas county preceding the last county election to the effect that if elected I would pay my chief deputy out of my own salary, I would respectfully state that I have complied with said promise up to the first day of February, A. D. 1899.

That at the regular session of the last legislative assembly of the state of Oregon sundry laws were passed that materially added to the duties and responsibilities of the sheriff's office without making additional compensation therefor—in fact, lessening the powers of the office and taking away a part of the compensation that attached to the office when my promise to the people was made.

1st. The control of the county printing, which has always been under the charge of the sheriff, was taken away by a special legislative act referring alone to this county.

2nd. The boarding of county prisoners, which has also been in charge of the sheriff, was taken away by legislative enactment.

3rd. The bill providing for mileage in civil cases has added additional complications and burdens to the sheriff's office.

These additional burdens have been added to my office since making the promise above stated without my procurement or consent, and I feel that I am not warranted in justice to myself and the efficiency of the office in paying the salary of my chief deputy as agreed.

I would therefore ask your honorable board to confirm the appointment of Mr. J. E. Jack as my chief deputy and that he be allowed the sum of $60 per month as salary from and after the first day of March, A. D. 1899.

J. J. COOKE,
Sheriff of Clackamas County.

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