

BEATIE AND BLAIR ANSWER RECALL CHARGES

We are charged with extravagance. Five specific instances of extravagance are cited in the Recall petition. We shall answer the general charge of extravagance first, and then take up the five instances in their order.

Sometime ago, the citizens of the County will remember, a mass meeting was called in Oregon City to take up charges of extravagance against the County Court. This meeting appointed a committee, consisting of R. Schuebel, M. J. Brown and S. L. Casto, to make an investigation of the County records. Shortly afterwards another committee was appointed by a body of citizens in Oregon City to act with the above named committee: O. D. Eby and John Loder were named on this latter committee.

These committees after an examination of the records made separate reports. The R. Schuebel-M. J. Brown-S. L. Casto Committee claimed in their report that certain acts of the County Court showed extravagance; the O. D. Eby-John Loder Committee found the Court was not extravagant. These two reports have been published and their contents are known to the voters of the County. No member of the first named committee has had experience in examining records and the discrepancies in their report are excusable; the members of the other committee, Mr. O. D. Eby and John Loder, have worked on the county records for years, are thoroughly familiar with them, and are competent and capable to investigate, and report on the matters under consideration. Mr. O. D. Eby, it will be remembered, was a deputy County Clerk for years under E. H. Cooper.

The R. Schuebel-M. J. Brown-S. L. Casto report compares the 1910 and 1912 tax rolls and intimates that the county is "\$163,000 short." We give the figures for the years 1910 and 1912:

TAX ROLL.

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. Rows include Year 1912 (\$658,760.39), Year 1910 (499,176.25), Special School Tax 1912 (\$106,331.53), Special Road Tax 1912 (64,702.85), City Tax 1912 (33,244.99).

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. Rows include Total Special Tax 1912 (\$204,279.37), Total Tax Roll 1912 (\$658,760.39), Tax Special and City Tax (204,279.37), Special School Tax 1910 (\$84,797.67), Special Road Tax 1910 (27,089.91), Special City Tax 1910 (23,715.80).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Tax Roll of 1912 available outside of Special and City Taxes (454,481.02), Tax Roll of 1910 available outside of Special and City Tax (363,572.87), School Tax (90,908.15).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include State Tax of Clackamas County was higher in 1912 than in 1910 (\$57,107.59), The School Tax in 1912 was (\$89,881.23), The School Tax in 1910 was (64,664.15).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include The increase of State Tax in 1912 over 1910 was (\$57,107.59), The increase of School Tax in 1912 over 1910 was (25,217.08), Total increase of State and School Tax in 1912 over 1910 (\$82,324.67).

The County Clerk's balance sheet, taken from the report of County Clerk Greenman on the 31st day of March, 1910, shows that the County was in debt \$41,590.45.

The County Clerk's balance sheet, taken from the report of County Clerk Mulvey made on the 31st day of March, 1912, shows a cash balance of \$57,846.37.

I, J. A. Tufts, being first duly sworn say on oath, that I am the duly elected, qualified and acting Treasurer for Clackamas County, Oregon, and that on the 4th day of April, 1913, I called in all outstanding road warrants against Clackamas County, and paid the same out of the money appropriated for that purpose, and from no other fund, and that I paid cash and cancelled all road warrants for three days, and the County was out of debt, and on the first day of June, 1913, there was \$50,000.00 in the general fund to defray the expenses of running the county for the ensuing year.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of July, 1913. (SEAL) WM. M. STONE, Notary Public for Oregon. We paid a debt of (\$41,590.45) and we have a cash balance of (57,846.37).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Total gain in 1912 over 1910 (\$99,536.82), Additional State and School Tax (82,324.67), R. Schuebel, M. J. Brown, S. L. Casto report to their mass meeting showed amount short of (\$163,000.00) and which amount is thus accounted for and a balance shown of (\$18,861.49).

In addition to the items of expense above noted, we have had to pay about \$400.00 per annum for School Supervisors. This year there will be added about \$700.00 for Widows' pensions; and the expenses of two Special elections which will cost approximately \$900.00.

The County Court is not responsible for these items of expense. They are created by the Legislature or the people and the Court must, under the law pay these various items.

We are charged again with extravagance in remodeling the Court House. Our opponents speak of "the addition to the Court House." This was part of the work done. In addition the Court House was renovated, altered and partly refurbished. These alterations, changes, furnishings, etc., were all charged to the Court House fund. Bids were asked for an addition to the Court House on plans to be furnished by the bidders. These were submitted

and it was found that none of the plans were satisfactory. After conferring with Mr. W. A. White all bids and plans were rejected. Mr. White was told what we wanted and he, with the assistance of a competent architect from Portland, drew the plans which were accepted by the Court. We then hired a competent man to supervise the work of construction, and under our supervision the work was completed. Everything that went into the building was secured through competitive bids. The sand, gravel, plaster, lumber, cement, and other materials were thus secured at the lowest possible price. We shall now take up the five specific charges of extravagance and answer them in their order:

CHARGE NO. 1.—That the sum of \$350.00 was paid for an examination and report on the condition of the Oregon City Suspension bridge without inviting competition.

This amount was paid for an expert examination of the bridge. At our first meeting in January, 1911, Mr. J. W. Moffatt, President of the Oregon Engineering & Construction Company, appeared before us and called our attention to the dangerous condition of the suspension bridge. He stated that he had made similar report to our predecessors in office and they had promised to take the matter up but for some reason had failed to do so. He said it was imperative and absolutely necessary that immediate repairs be made. We secured the services of an expert who made a thorough examination of the bridge and gave us a detailed report of its condition. This report showed the dangerous condition of the bridge and confirmed Mr. Moffatt's statement. We at once ordered the bridge repaired, and by using the expert's reports we were enabled to remedy the defects and make the bridge safe at a minimum of cost. A sudden collapse of the bridge, with accompanying loss of life, would have brought sorrow and misery to many homes and entailed an enormous expense on the County. These things have been averted. We knew that hundreds of workmen used the bridge daily; that residents of the west side were passing and repassing over the same daily, and we felt it our duty to protect the lives of these people. We believe this money was well spent to the County's profit.

CHARGE NO. 2.—That the bridge across Clear Creek at Stone was destroyed and replaced by a new steel bridge, which was wholly uncalled for, that the old bridge was in good condition when destroyed. All it needed was new piers and a few minor repairs at slight expense.

This bridge was built many years ago. The foundation on one side had been washed out and the bridge had fallen down, breaking, in its fall, the two cop cords. The questions was either a repair of the old structure or a new bridge. The man who had put in the old bridge examined it thoroughly, so also, did Commissioner Blair. Both gentlemen reported that a new bridge would be more economical than a rebuilding of the old bridge. We acted accordingly and put in a new bridge.

CHARGE NO. 3.—That many steel bridges were built without due publicity and without asking for competitive bids.

Section 6368 Lord's Oregon Laws provides two methods, either of which may be followed by the County Court, in building bridges. The first method as defined by said section is as follows:

(1) "Whenever any bridge is to be built by any county in this State the estimated cost of which shall exceed the sum of \$500.00, the County Court shall at once advertise for sealed bids, according to the plans, specifications and strain diagram, etc."

The second method as defined by said section is as follows: (2) "Said County Court in its discretion may employ a suitable and competent superintendent and assistants; procure the material and cause said bridge to be constructed without such advertisement and in which event said superintendent shall inspect all materials, etc."

It will be seen that the Court may either (1) advertise for sealed bids or (2) cause the bridge to be constructed through a superintendent without such advertisement.

The Court has, at times, adopted the second method above set forth; and also, have the County Courts of Yamhill, Marion and other surrounding counties. In so doing we have acted strictly within the law and have followed the provisions of the statute.

This section of the statute, was amended by the last legislature. Henceforth, the County Court can proceed only by advertising for bids.

CHARGE NO. 4.—That a contract was entered into with a Portland timber cruising company to cruise the timber of Clackamas County at the rate of \$51.20 per section, without giving any notice to the public that such contract was to be let.

This contract was let to M. G. Nease. Mr. Nease had had much experience in cruising timber and we felt that a cruise which would stand the test of the courts could be had by employing an experienced man to do the work. Mr. M. G. Nease was recommended to us by the Hon. Thomas A. McBride, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon. While this distinguished jurist was sitting as our Circuit Court, Mr. Nease's cruise of the timber in Columbia County was challenged by four large timber companies in as many suits. In each case, the Nease cruise was sustained and the timber syndicates defeated. Such a cruise we felt Clackamas County was entitled to. At the time we entered into the contract with Mr. Nease, we secured his services for \$c per acre; since said time he is charging more for his work. Clatsop County was compelled to pay Mr. Nease 12c per acre for the same services.

The following table will show the value of the cruise to the County. The lands described are owned by the Weyerhaeuser Land Company. Values before the Nease Cruise and after the Nease Cruise are shown:

Table with 4 columns: Old Value, Cruise, New Value, and Acres. Rows include 569 acres in Sec. 4, T. 6 S. R. 3 E. (\$5000.00 Old Value, 11,625 ft. Cruise, \$6,380.00 New Value), 640 acres in Sec. 10, T. 6 S. R. 3 E. (2000.00 Old Value, 13,845 ft. Cruise, 7,170.00 New Value), 480 acres in Sec. 12, T. 6 S. R. 3 E. (5000.00 Old Value, 59,660 ft. Cruise, 28,039.00 New Value), 160 acres in Sec. 14, T. 6 S. R. 3 E. (1600.00 Old Value, 14,985 ft. Cruise, 6,460.00 New Value), 285 acres in Sec. 10, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (2000.00 Old Value, 4,500 ft. Cruise, 2,375.00 New Value), 640 acres in Sec. 12, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (4000.00 Old Value, 49,100 ft. Cruise, 29,360.00 New Value), 640 acres in Sec. 14, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (4000.00 Old Value, 79,100 ft. Cruise, 36,720.00 New Value), 260 acres in Sec. 20, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (3000.00 Old Value, 66,134 ft. Cruise, 33,285.00 New Value), 640 acres in Sec. 24, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (6000.00 Old Value, 72,120 ft. Cruise, 36,325.00 New Value), 320 acres in Sec. 26, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (3000.00 Old Value, 6,710 ft. Cruise, 3,575.00 New Value), 320 acres in Sec. 28, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (3000.00 Old Value, 11,423 ft. Cruise, 5,845.00 New Value), 195 acres in Sec. 30, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (1500.00 Old Value, 10,219 ft. Cruise, 5,275.00 New Value), 320 acres in Sec. 32, T. 5 S. R. 4 E. (2000.00 Old Value, 13,315 ft. Cruise, 7,155.00 New Value), 730 acres in Sec. 6, T. 6 S. R. 4 E. (8800.00 Old Value, 26,200 ft. Cruise, 13,515.00 New Value), 600 acres in Sec. 8, T. 6 S. R. 4 E. (2000.00 Old Value, 1,820 ft. Cruise, 1,500.00 New Value), 640 acres in Sec. 18, T. 6 S. R. 4 E. (6000.00 Old Value, 37,850 ft. Cruise, 18,295.00 New Value).

The old values above set forth are the values placed on the timber land above described by the Weyerhaeuser Land Company from their own cruise. This cruise was furnished to the assessor and assessments have been made, taxes levied and paid, for many years past on that basis. The county will thus gain each year on the basis of a 16 mill levy the sum of \$2486.64. The land above described comprises but one-third of the holdings of this company in this county, so that the county will gain per year from this one company alone three times this amount or \$7459.92. Several timber companies own more timber in this county than does the Weyerhaeuser Company; there are also many companies holding smaller amounts. It is safe to say that the increased taxes obtained from the timber companies alone in a single year will pay the entire cost of the cruise.

We could undoubtedly have got a cruise for nothing. The timber companies would have gladly furnished a cruise without cost to the county. Such a cruise has been assessed on for years and it has cost the county about \$40,000 a year in taxes.

CHARGE NO. 5.—That said R. B. Beatie (N. Blair), as chairman of the County Court has not complied with Section 6278 Lord's Oregon Laws.

Section 6278 is as follows: "All county roads shall be under the supervision of the county court of the county wherein the said road is located; and no county road shall be hereafter established, nor shall any such road be altered or vacated in any county in the state, except by the authority of the county court of the proper county; and each county court within this state shall have the authority, and it shall be its duty, to supervise, control, and direct the working, laying out, opening and keeping in repair of all county roads within its county, and to prescribe the methods and manner of working the same; to supervise the construction and repair, of all bridges on the county roads, and to remove any supervisors for incompetency or disobedience to the orders of said court. The powers herein given may be exercised directly by the court, or through some one of its members designated for that purpose."

We have certainly supervised the repair of county bridges on our county roads and have never failed to remove incompetent supervisors. Some of the leaders among the Recallers are ex-road supervisors, discharged by us for incompetency. But our opponents cite this section more particularly to criticize us about the repair of our county roads. We have 3,300 miles of county roads in this county; in addition we have hundreds of county-bridges. We must keep up this great road mileage and all county bridges on the funds available, about \$200,000 per annum. Within our funds, we have endeavored to make permanent roads. This costs lots of money and we can proceed no faster than the funds at our disposal will permit. The Road Master of Multnomah County reported to the Commissioners Association at the last meeting in Portland, that they had built 165 miles of macadam road at a cost of \$5000 per mile. Were we to rebuild our road mileage, the cost would be 3300x\$5000 or \$16,500,000.00. Certainly we were not justified in fastening on the county this enormous debt.

CONCLUSION. Many charges have been made against us by innuendo. Statements absolutely false and malicious have been hurled forth by the steaming champions of the Recall. More such statements will be coined and placed in cir-

ulation. The county records are public documents open to the inspection of every citizen. The county court's proceedings are published monthly so every one may know what we are doing. We urge all citizens to satisfy themselves first hand from the records. Signatures may have been obtained on the recall petition through fraud and misrepresentation; the petitions may not be legally drawn; the Recall Act may not be self-executing, but we shall throw no straw in the way of an election. We welcome the test.

All we ask is a fair and impartial expression of our citizenry at the polls. R. B. BEATIE, N. BLAIR.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

ESTACADA BRIDGE AGAIN

Editor, The Enterprise: I see a notice in The Courier stating that the Estacada bridge across the Clackamas river is all right, and that The Enterprise sometime ago published an article about it which The Courier says is untrue. I want to say, in favor of The Enterprise, that its statements were true. Mr. Hayden, Mr. Hayner and I tightened up the bolts and rods in the bridge, and found one bolt only part way through the chord. I took out the rod and put in a new one instead. I also found some truss braces short. I had to put wedges in to tighten them.

I know what good framing on bridge work is, and I count this framing a poor job. I do not blame the county officers for the poor work done on the bridge, as their business is to attend to county affairs as best they can.

I. N. PARK, Springwater, Oregon.

More on That "Promise"

MOLALLA, Ore., Aug. 11th.—(Editor, The Enterprise)—In The Courier of last week it is stated that if the county court wins in the recall fight, Molalla precinct is to "come in for

favors, a new bridge across the Molalla near Schaefer's mill, at a cost of ten thousand dollars," insinuating that this bridge has been promised as a bribe to this district to support the present court.

The people who have been most active in urging the necessity of the bridge resent this. The facts are that a bridge at this point had been urged long before the present court were elected.

The whole community both of the Colton and Molalla sections have urged the building of this bridge. Citizens have subscribed over a thousand dollars to gravel and open roads to the bridge if built. The court has made no promises on condition of support or in any way has used this as a leverage to get support.

Anyone wishing any further information in regard to this matter, I would gladly refer them to L. W. Robbins, J. H. Vernon or Albert Eagle, each of whom have been very active in urging the immediate need of this bridge. There is no evidence that if the bridge is built it will cost ten thousand dollars.

Fraternally yours, W. W. Everhart.

Anything which benefits mankind is a treasure to you and me. What a wonderful blessing to all is Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tonic. Jones Drug Co.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The First National Bank of Oregon City

at Oregon City, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, August 9th, 1913.

Table with 2 columns: Resources and Amount. Rows include Loans and Discounts (\$96,854.55), Overdrafts, secured and unsecured (1,182.45), U. S. Bonds to secure circulation (12,500.00), Other bonds to secure Postal Savings (32,500.00), Bonds Securities, etc. (63,169.37), Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures (15,000.00), Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) (2,076.33), Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks (6,487.67), Due from approved Reserve Agents (99,711.71), Checks and other Cash Items (668.19), Notes of other National Banks (2,750.00), Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents (593.07), Specie (\$41,673.20), Legal-tender notes (1,049.00), Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation) (625.00).

Table with 2 columns: Liabilities and Amount. Rows include Capital stock paid in (\$50,000.00), Surplus Fund (4,846.38), Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid (3,770.53), National Bank notes outstanding (380.00), Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers (32.41), Individual deposits subject to check (286,054.84), Demand certificates of deposit (12,267.84), Postal Savings deposits (19,779.54).

Total \$377,131.54

I, F. J. Meyer, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. J. MEYER, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of August, 1913. (SEAL) J. F. CLARK, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: D. C. LATOURETTE, C. D. LATOURETTE, M. D. LATOURETTE, Directors.

I. C. S. An Ethical Power

Now, gentlemen, just for a moment, I would speak to you, not as an educationalist, but as a preacher of manhood and a lover of his kind. The question of the use of alcohol by the student when studying has carried me back to the thought, "The International Correspondence Schools are not simply educational, they are ethical; they not only make foremen and craftsmen and draftsmen, but they make MEN—in capital letters. For you can never awaken, any one to his commercial possibilities without stirring up all other possibilities—social, patriotic, philanthropic, intellectual, moral. The moment you succeed breaking up one area of inertia you set vibration in motion through every part of the being and all kinds of dormant and stagnant powers are set into healthy motion. When a man's mind gets engorged with the laws and forces of the universe, the saloon, the vulgar and degrading law, the curb-stone loafing, and the hours of inane and ribald waste all seem to be unworthy of him and his self-respect clothes him in a protective armor which helps to keep his entire manhood inviolate. A great American preacher used to speak much about "the explosive power of a new affection," and, having as your life work, the duty of both law and affection—the "love of the best, by supplying and developing this "new affection"—the love of the best, which the unworthy and base will be expelled, perhaps unconsciously but surely, from many and many a man. Success to you in your work!

The Trained Man Never Worries

When the chiefs put their heads together to hire or "fire,"—the trained man doesn't worry. He knows that there is always a place for him. You can look your job and every man in the face if you possess the training so much in demand everywhere today. The International Correspondence Schools will go to you in your spare time, wherever you live, and will train you to become an expert in your chosen line of work. Such a training will forever take you off the "anxious" seat. It costs you nothing to find how the I. C. S. can help you. Mark the coupon opposite the occupation for which you have a natural liking, mail the coupon today, and the I. C. S. will send you facts showing how you can earn more money in the occupation of your own choice.

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Explain without further obligations on my part, how I can qualify for the position before which I mark X.

Table with 2 columns: Occupation and Description. Rows include Salesmanship, Building Contractor, Architect, Civil Engineer, Mine Superintendent, Stationary Engineer, Plumbing and Steam Fitting, Gas Engines, Civil Service, Bookkeeping, Stenography and Typewriting, Window Trimming, Show Card Writing, Letter and Sign Painting, Advertising, Commercial Illustrating, Industrial Designing, Commercial Law, Automobile Running, English Branches, Country Farming, Teacher, Agriculture, Chemist.

Name, Present Occupation, Street and No., City, State

SCHUEBEL TELLS STAND ON RECALL

DECLARES JUDGE BEATIE IS STATING REAL TRUTHS IN HIS VARIOUS TALKS

IS NO ENEMY OF COUNTY COURT

Recent Investigation of Charges Made by Committee of Three Shows Many Allegations Not Borne Out

Robert Schuebel, who throughout the recall fight directed against the county court has been identified with those who have been backing the attack upon County Judge R. B. Beatie and County Commissioner Blair Tuesday evening issued the following statement: "On Friday August 1, The Enterprise contained an article in regard to myself and some action that Beaver Creek local, Farmers' Society of Equity, had taken against my methods of doing business. The article was published without having facts and I am sorry that the papers seem to get away from the truth so much. I tried to get a copy of the resolutions passed at the Beaver Creek local meeting, but they refused to give it out for publication. Perhaps they are ashamed to do so. I know they ought to have been ashamed to pass and put on such flimsy foundation as they had.

"I have done nothing to be ashamed of, and all my actions in my dealings with Beaver Creek local are open to inspection. I will not go into details now, but may do so later. In the article it was made out that I was one of the leaders in the recall movement, for which statement there is no foundation. I never had anything whatever to do with it. When called on to act as one of the committee to investigate the county court matter I took up that work and did the best I could to get the truth. I still stand by that report; but I promised Judge Beatie that at any time that any truth would show up, to explain any of the statements made in the mass-meeting committee report, I would give it out for publication.

"And so at the Mulino meeting Judge Beatie and Mr. Simmons made some statements that I thought it was my duty to investigate, and having done so I find that in the matter of the court house bill, in regard to the bill which reads 'lime, plaster, cement and freight \$404' that Mr. Simmons has a book account and the original bill that gives in detail the items and price of same, and shows the price of cement to be \$2.60 at Oregon City, as Mr. Beatie had claimed. Therefore it is but right to give the public the facts.

"Further, I went over the County Treasurer's statement of the state tax for 1910 and 1912, also the school fund figures as given out by Judge Beatie at the Mulino meeting, and I find that he is giving the facts in the case. I have not had time to go into the details of everything in some other statement of Judge Beatie's, but as far as I went he is giving out the facts.

"Mr. Simmons says it was his, or his stenographer's fault, that the bill in the courthouse does not give a detailed statement."

BROWN ONLY OFF A MERE \$9,000

County Assessor J. E. Jack, whose duty it is to extend the tax roll of Clackamas county, says that the old saying "that figures won't lie" but that "liars will figure" is proved absolutely true in the last issue of The Courier, when in an article published on the front page of that paper, Editor Brown attempts to show how much money Clackamas county has lost in the past county court in not collecting taxes on sheep grazing in this county.

The following figures were given by The Courier and noted as being official, but in inquiry at the county clerk's office, where these reports are filed, failed to show any report ever having been made in regard to sheep grazing within the county. Assuming, however, that Brown's figures may be correct as to the number of sheep and valuation, The Courier's table reads:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. Rows include Year No. Sheep Val. '18 mills 4 Mos. 1909-10 22189 \$47,798 \$7988 \$2662, 1910-11 20805 \$43,010 \$748.98 \$249.66, 1911-12 22201 \$44,402 \$7992 \$2664, 1912-13 22431 \$44,862 \$8075 \$2691.

Lost in taxation, \$10,599.

Commenting on this Assessor Jack says: "You will note that his levy was 18 mills, and that four months were allowed for grazing in Clackamas county. In extending the tax at the above levy he has undoubtedly made another 'typographical error' as he calls it, for he says that Clackamas county has lost in taxation \$10,599. Now, just to show Editor Brown and the Courier that he was off his base about \$9,000, I resubmit his own figures, with the correct extensions thereon."

Following are the correct figures, based on The Courier's statistics: Year No. Sheep Val. 18 mills 4 Mos 1909-10 22189 \$47,798 \$7988 \$2662, 1910-11 20805 \$43,010 \$748.98 \$249.66, 1911-12 22201 \$44,402 \$7992 \$2664, 1912-13 22431 \$44,862 \$8074 \$2691.6

Total tax due Clackamas Co. \$1,051.49 This shows but \$1,051.49 due the county which is considerably different from \$10,000 odd.

Incidentally it is not the fault of the county court that this tax has been "lost." The statutes governing such taxes provide that a stock inspector shall report upon such matters and that when (as in Clackamas county) there is no stock inspector, the reports in regard to grazing shall be made to the county clerk. Mr. Mulvey says no reports have been given him.

No report has ever been filed with the county court; by any official to show that any sheep have been grazed upon land in Clackamas county.

IT CAN BE RELIED UPON The American Drug and Press Association authorizes its members to guarantee absolutely Meritol Hair Tonic. It has no equal. It is a wonderful remedy. A trial will convince you. Jones Drug Co.