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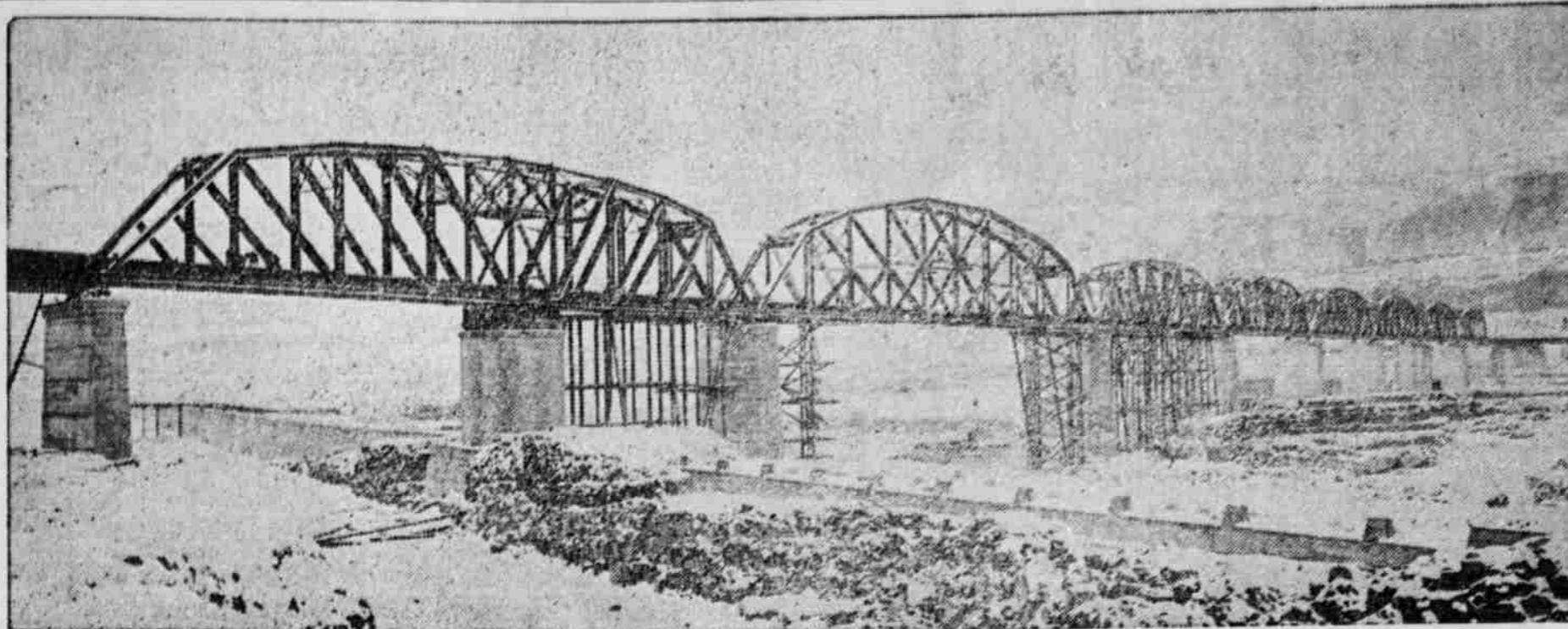
RAILROADING IN THE DESCHUTES CANYON
SLIDES IN THE DESCHUTES CANYON
TRAVELING IS HAZARDOUS
 Train On Oregon Trunk Arrived Madras Last Sunday Morning.
 No Trains On Deschutes Line

While the train was crossing a bridge near North Junction, one of the spans gave way, and the train sagged dangerously. W. B. ... the engineer, pulled the train on over the shaking structure and all but the last car was safely on the south abutment, ... more supports gave way ... the last coach left the rails. ... L. Russell, conductor, hurried the passengers out of the ... It later was re- ... the entire trip from Fallbridge ... made with great difficulty, ... the passengers have drawn ... and voted thanks to ... train crew. Many declare ... it was the cool bravery of ... trainmen that averted serious ... at the bridge. At other ... along the line the track ... "soft" and travel was beset ... danger.

After the passengers, with ... baggage, had been taken ... the train crew decided that ... train would go into the river ... left there, and the cars that ... off the track were slowly ... ed over the ties until off the ... and then the crew placed ... coaches on the track and the ... rney was resumed, though ... y slow—arriving at Madras ... een two and three o'clock ... nday morning.

Monday afternoon another in- ... ce occurred which makes a ... on feel thankful, especially ... on the train. It happened ... after the passenger train on ... Oregon Trunk came across ... the river bridge. The fact ... not known to the passengers ... after the next station was ... ched that two bents of the ... ge were washed out a few ... ents after the train passed. ... has been necessary for the ... road company to make trans- ... of the passengers and bag- ... ge over these places until the ... ges could be repaired. It ... epected that the train will ... through from Fallbridge ... ay.

The Deschutes railroad have ... been trying to operate trains ... this end. They have been ... rking a large force of men in ... Deschutes canyon since the ... commenced falling and it ... epected that they will resume ... vice over their road by the ... ter part of the week. They ... ve been running a rotary snow ... w in the lower canyon in ... ces where the snow was very ... and the earth slides were



"CEILO," THE OREGON TRUNK RAILWAY'S NEW BRIDGE ACROSS THE COLUMBIA RIVER
 Two Years in Building; Used for First Time January 5th, 1912; Has 29 Piers, Three Abutments and a Total Length of 4197.17 Feet

IMPORTANT TERM OF COUNTY COURT

Tax Levy Made For 1912—Call For Convention to Meet at Prineville to Consider Bond Issue

The regular term of the Commissioner's Court convened at Prineville Wednesday, January 3, 1912. Present, H. C. Ellis, judge, presiding; R. H. Bayley and James Rice, commissioners; Warren Brown, clerk; T. N. Balfour, sheriff.

Now is presented to the court the petition of Jacob Hoffman et al for a county road and it is ordered that the county clerk forward all papers relative to said road to Fred Wilson, district attorney, for his reconsideration.

Northwest Townsite company's first addition to Madras. Upon the application of the Northwest Townsite company for the approval of the plat and tracing thereof of the Northwest Townsite company's first addition to Madras, said Northwest Townsite company being the owner thereof, and it satisfactorily appearing to the court that said plat and tracing thereof together with the dedication of the streets and alleys as shown thereon to the public, have been filed with the county clerk, that the same have been duly approved by the county surveyor and the county assessor and that all requirements of law have been complied with; said plat and tracing thereof is hereby approved by the court and ordered spread of record.

Bridge across Deschutes river. Now is presented to the court the petition of the United States by Claude C. Covey, asking permission to erect a steel wagon bridge across the Deschutes river in the southwest quarter of sec. 20, tp. 10 s, range 13 e of Willamette meridian, said bridge to be located at or near the site of the present ferry crossing said river on the wagon road leading from Warm Spring, Oregon, to Mecca, Oregon, said

not too bad. It is claimed that this road has not fared as badly as the Oregon Trunk, owing to their not having so many bridges to contend with.

Owing to the Oregon Trunk trains being operated over the Deschutes road from South Junction to Metolius, the mail for Vanora and Mecca has been transported from Madras to these towns on a hand car for the past few days. The reason that the trains had to be routed this way being on account of the washout of the bridge across Trout creek on the Oregon Trunk line.

bridge to be constructed without expense to Crook county, it is therefore ordered that permission be given in accordance with the prayer of said petition.

Report of county clerk on scalp bounty. Now is presented to the court the report of county clerk showing the payment of bounty on 463 coyote scalps and 103 bobcat front feet, amounting in all to \$900.50; said scalps and front feet were then reduced to ashes in accordance with the code.

Accounting of emergency road fund. Now on this day is presented to the court the accounting of H. C. Ellis for the emergency road fund since the date of the last report, to-wit, January 1, 1911, to January 1, 1912. Said report showing receipts as per account approved by this court on January 1, 1911, of a balance of \$305.54, and itemized disbursements thereof, together with vouchers showing payments of the respective amounts to January 1, 1912, of \$156.50, leaving a balance in said emergency fund on January 1, 1912, of \$149.04, which said account was examined and approved in writing by Commissioners Bailey and Rice on January 3, 1912, and ordered filed in the public records of this court.

Petition for county road by Albert Moore et al. Upon due consideration it is ordered that the county clerk forward all papers to District Attorney Wilson for his opinion as to their validity.

Petition for county road by R. A. Merchant et al. This matter coming on regularly to be heard

this 4th day of January, 1912, the same having been continued from the November, 1911, term of this court. It is ordered by the court that the board of county road viewers be and they are hereby instructed to proceed to lay out said road, and it is ordered that the viewers be and are hereby ordered to meet on the 19th day of February, 1912, of within five days thereafter, to survey, view and lay out said road.

Petition for franchise for Cove Power Co. It appearing to the court that the Cove Power Co. is preparing to furnish power for all purposes to Metolius, Prineville, Redmond, Madras and to all other persons and places requiring same and that it is necessary for said company to have a franchise, easement and right of way for the erection and maintenance of the necessary poles and wires along either outer line of county roads from the Cove Power Co.'s plant situated upon sec. 11, tp. 12 south, range 12 east, W. M., to Metolius, from Metolius to Prineville; from Metolius to Redmond, from Redmond to Prineville, with authority to cross county roads when necessary. It is ordered that a franchise and easement be granted.

Whereas, it appears that the scalp bounty fund is now overdrawn to the extent of \$650, it is ordered that the county clerk draw a warrant on the general fund payable to the scalp bounty fund for the sum of \$650.

Petition for county road by Roy L. Kidder et al. Now is

COAL!



—Minor in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

L. H. POWELL DROWNED IN DESCHUTES RIVER

Was Crossing River On Footbridge and Probably Lost Balance—Foul Play? Leaves Wife and Family

At this writing nothing further has been learned of the finding of the remains of L. H. Powell, whom it is supposed fell off the foot-bridge across the Deschutes river west from Culver.

The Deschutes Valley Tribune says that Powell, who was a contractor on the road work of the Deschutes grade, left his camp on the east side of the river and went across to the camp occupied by a party of Greeks, and from the information gathered he remained there during the afternoon and started to return about 5 o'clock, which was the last that could be learned of his actions.

His presence was not missed until the next day when he did not return to his camp and an investigation was started and his cap was found under the bridge and about two feet above the water, which seems to be a peculiar thing for a cap that he wore down over his ears, however, it is naturally supposed that he lost his balance while crossing the bridge, which sways a great deal while a person is walking across it, or else he met with foul play.

Mr. Powell had been in Culver for a number of months, and had been in the carpenter and contracting business. About a month since he took a contract on the grade work at the Deschutes. He has a wife and family at Baker City.

presented to the court the petition of Walter Ruble et al, for county road, accompanied by a bond of \$100 with T. W. Taylor as surety, and it appearing by the opinion of the district attorney that all papers are regular and in accordance with the statute, it is ordered that the board of road viewers meet at the beginning of said proposed road on the 21st day of February, 1912, view, review and survey said proposed road and report thereon at the next term of this court.

In the matter of the regular statement of former Supervisor S. Nace, clerk is directed to notify said supervisor to make a regular report upon the blank forms for that purpose and clerk is requested to forward same.

Tax levy for 1912. For the purpose of defraying the expenses of the county and to meet the payment of the state tax, which amounts to \$39,599.75, the following levy was made for the year 1912:

State	4 1/2 mills
County	7 95-100
Cruising timber	1 1/2
General school	3 1/2
Road fund (exclusive of Prineville and Bend)	1
High School fund (exclusive of District 12)	1 1/2
Library fund	1-20
Total	20 mills

Petition for bonding county for

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RESTAURANT HELD UP AT METOLIUS

Much Excitement Tuesday Evening

ROBBER FRIGHTENED AWAY

W. J. Gordon Accidentally Shot in Leg With His Own Gun During the Fracas

Tuesday night about 12 o'clock an attempt was made to hold up the restaurant of Perry Wible at Metolius. It seems that the would be holdup man was just in the act of entering the front of the building, having his face covered with a mask and carrying a sawed off shot gun, when he was met by a person coming out, and in failing to get inside before being discovered, abandoned the attempt and started to run.

In the excitement following the attempted holdup W. J. Gordon, an employe, had the misfortune to receive a pistol shot in the front part of the leg, the shot entering and splintering the bone. He was removed next morning to the hospital at The Dalles for medical treatment.

Up to this time no trace of the hold-up man has been found, however, it is thought that he is not far out of the country, and many think he is a resident of Metolius.

FARMERS' UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

13 Delegates Present—Next Regular Meeting Will Be Saturday, February 10th, 1912

Pursuant to a call issued by the secretary of the County Farmers' Union for a meeting to be held in Madras, Saturday, the 13th, a meeting was held in the usual meeting place and about 13 delegates from different parts of the county were present.

The principal object of the meeting was the election of officers for the coming year. This matter was taken up and George White was elected president; H. J. Branstetter, vice president, and John Coulter, secretary and treasurer.

Owing to the small attendance of delegates, the regular business affairs were not taken up very extensively. The next regular meeting will be held Saturday, February 10, at which time the installation of the new officers will take place and will be a regular business meeting.

Coleman McPherson

Coleman McPherson, another of the oldest pioneers and settlers in Crook county, passed over the Great Divide, Saturday, January 13th, in Portland. The direct cause of his death was a cancer, with which he had been afflicted for the past two years.

Mr. McPherson was a native of California, and spent a part of his life in that state, coming to Oregon about 1875, establishing his residence first on Willow creek and a year or so later moved to his ranch on lower Haycreek, where he had made his home for over thirty years, and during this time has acquired a large tract of land, and has been engaged in the stock business.

He was about 70 years of age at the time of his death. Besides a wife he leaves six children, four boys and two girls, all of whom reside in Eastern and Central Oregon.

The remains were brought to Haycreek where interment was made.

J. W. Kirkwood, a deputy sheriff from Big Timber, Mont., arrived in Madras Sunday evening, coming after a prisoner that has been held here under bonds for several days past.