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COOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FIX TAX LEVY FOR NEXT YEAR

Make it 17 1-2 Mills, Same as Last Year, to Raise \$338,178.36.

LARGE SUM IS SET ASIDE FOR ROADS

Plan to Expend \$161,853.54 in Addition to Special Levies in Many Districts.

The Coos County Commissioners have fixed the tax levy for the ensuing year at the same rate it was last year, 17 1/2 mills. This will create an income of \$338,178.36, as usual, about one-half of the total income will go for road work, etc. This year, the amount set aside for road improvements, etc., is \$161,853.54.

The commissioners made the following apportionment of funds for the ensuing year and the following tax levies for the purposes specified:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes salary of officers, circuit court expenses, justice and juvenile expenses, stationary, lights, fuel, etc., county infirmary, indigent soldiers, roads, bridges and ferries, interest on outstanding warrants, rebate on taxes, accidental expenses, court house, etc., establishing corners, school tax, 88 per capita, etc.

Total \$338,178.36. It appearing to the court from the assessment roll for the year 1912 as equalized by the county board of equalization and state tax commissioner, that the assessed valuation of all property in this county subject to taxation is \$19,628,514.00, being the net amount which taxes for the year 1912 commencing January 1st of said year are to be levied.

It appearing that it will require a levy of 1.3 mills on each and every dollar of said \$19,628,514 to be collected and paid to the state of Oregon, to the amount of \$24,111.00. This levy is made and intended to be the same as the levy made by the state board of tax commissioners and not an addition thereto.

It appearing to the court that the total for the year 1912 is \$88 per capita for 6247 school children enumerated in Coos county, Oregon, as required by law, amount to \$49,976.00, and the school library fund on same number of children at 10 cents per capita will amount to \$624.70, and require a levy of 2.6 mills on each and every dollar of said \$19,628,514 for school purposes and school library fund for the year.

That the total sum for school library will amount to \$50,600.70 and the county court hereby fixes a tax of 2.6 mills on each and every dollar of said \$19,628,514 for school and school library purposes.

It further appearing that the law requires a levy of \$1,962.85 on indigent soldiers fund, a levy of 10 of one mill is hereby made on all of said taxable property as indigent soldiers' fund. It appearing that it will require a levy of 5.3 mills on each and every dollar of taxable property for county expenses, officers' salaries, court expenses, county infirmary, indigent and insane, lights, janitor, court house and other expenses, and interest on outstanding warrants, a levy of 5.3 mills hereby made on each and every dollar of said \$19,628,514 for the purposes.

THREE VESSELS IN LATE TODAY

Redondo, Alliance and Washington Cross in This Afternoon from South.

The Redondo from San Francisco, Alliance from Eureka and Washington from San Francisco, arrived in about 2 o'clock this afternoon. The bar was very rough early today and for a time it was feared that the vessels which have been lying outside since early yesterday would not be able to get in before tomorrow.

However, about noon the bar calmed down some and the vessels were able to cross in.

The Nann Smith, which has been lying in the lower bay since early yesterday will not be able to get out today, according to reports this afternoon.

COQUILLE TO ORGANIZE PORT

Bandon Men Perfecting Plan for Improving the Lower River for Navigation.

BANDON, Jan. 9.—The prospect for the organization of the Coquille River Port Commission is good and that such a port within a very short time will be a reality is the assurance of G. T. Thredgold of Bandon, who is representing the legal phases of the organization.

The Bandon and Coquille Commercial clubs have appointed a joint committee to formulate plans for initiating the commission and this joint committee is now waiting for the completion of a map now being made outlining the course of the Coquille River and the Coast of Southwest Oregon.

When the map is before the committee immediate action will be taken for the organization of the commission. Petitions are in readiness to be circulated to call upon the representatives in congress to use their influence toward developing Bandon harbor and dredging the river as far as Myrtle Point, which place is at the head of navigation on the Coquille River.

The Bandon Commercial club has instructed its secretary to write the president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce requesting him to interest the San Francisco business men in the project of improving Bandon harbor. The output of the Coquille river mills and the produce of the contiguous country go to San Francisco, and from San Francisco come the supplies for Bandon and for all other towns on the river.

\$53.81 for roads, ferries and bridges during the year 1913 and will require a levy of 8.2 mills on each and every dollar of taxable property for road, bridges and ferry purposes, to be set apart in the general road fund. A levy of 8.2 mills is hereby made of each and every dollar of taxable property for roads, bridges, and ferry purposes to be set apart as a general road fund.

From all of which it appearing to the court and this court finds that it will require a levy of 17.5 mills on each and every dollar of property subject to taxation upon the tax roll of Coos county, Oregon, for the year 1912, or that may have been omitted from said roll to pay the state tax, state normal school tax and school tax, indigent soldiers funds, road tax and county tax, interest and county expenses of Coos county for the year 1913. In many of the school districts, special tax levies were made to

SNOW BOUND IN WYOMING TRAIN

Dr. McCormac Writes That Coos Bay Delegation Encounters Severe Storm.

That rough bars and storms at sea or on the stage road are not the only troubles of the traveler, has been demonstrated to members of the Coos Bay delegation en route to Washington, D. C., to try and get federal aid for improving the Coos Bay jetty. A card received from Dr. J. T. McCormac this morning stated that they had just been delayed six hours by a snow blockade near Cheyenne, Wyoming. He said that the thermometer registered 20 below zero and that one of the worst blizzards in years was raging in the mountains.

Dr. McCormac following the conference at Washington plans to visit New York city and other eastern points and will return via New Orleans, where he will visit relatives of his and of Mrs. McCormac.

WIRES DOWN AGAIN TODAY

TELEGRAPH SERVICE BETWEEN COOS BAY AND ROSEBURG IS NOT RESTORED YET—UNCERTAIN WHEN IT WILL BE.

The Western Union wire is still out of commission between Coos Bay and Roseburg and just when service will be restored, Manager Schetter is unable to state. He tried to use the long distance telephone wire as an emergency wire today, but found that they were also in trouble.

The storm has caused much damage to the line in the mountains east of here.

Weather conditions today were not favorable to a restoration of service, the wind, rain and snow and colder weather making it bad for the wires.

NORTH BEND CASE. Judge Hamilton Overrules Demurrer By North Bend to Trustee Rust's Suit.

Geo. W. Watkins has just received word of Judge Hamilton's ruling in the case of W. J. Rust, trustee, vs. City of North Bend, is a pending suit to annul the annexation of certain territory to that city.

North Bend demurred to Rust's complaint and claimed, among other things that Rust should have brought Quo Warranto proceedings, instead of pursuing the course he did. In short, the city claimed Rust had mistaken his remedy.

Just now Judge Hamilton overruled this demurrer.

The Wyatt case had nothing to do with it whatever. The Wyatt case was not even under consideration, and there was no ruling in that case whatever.

GOLD BEACH FIRE.

Denise Cunniff's Home Curry County Landmark, Destroyed.

GOLD BEACH, Jan. 9.—The house of Denise Cunniff, just south of town, was burned to the ground, none of the household effects being saved. The loss is estimated at \$2,000, without insurance. The Cunniff house was one of the oldest, if not the oldest, house in Curry county, having been built in 1854 or 1855, when the beach gold mining was at its height.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT

The Redondo will sail from Marshfield for San Francisco, Saturday, Jan. 11 at 12 noon.

The Washington will leave Marshfield for San Francisco Sunday, Jan. 12 at 12 o'clock noon.

On account of weather conditions they put the water wagon on runners. President Howard of the Outer club says quite a bunch are on the toboggan.

If the truth were told, most bachelors feel quite as uneasy this year as they did last. At least Alex Hall

ALLIANCE IN LATE TODAY

Steamer Detained Over a Day by Rough Weather Off Coos Bay.

The Alliance arrived in this afternoon from Eureka after laying outside the bar since early yesterday morning. Captain Lofsted reports that the Humboldt bar was smooth when he left Eureka and that the weather wasn't bad up the coast until he got near Coos Bay. The seas were running mountain high off the bar yesterday and early this morning, but about noon the seas began to break up.

The Alliance will sail at 11 o'clock tomorrow for Portland.

Among those arriving from Eureka on her were the following:

J. V. Hawkins, Louis Esple, S. Frank, Miss M. Jones, Emory Goole, Jas. Tracey, A. Pierce, W. Harris, G. H. Grant.

CHOOSE ROAD SUPERVISORS

Coos County Commissioners Make Appointments for Ensuing Year.

COQUILLE, Jan. 9.—The Coos County Commissioners at their regular session here appointed the following road supervisors for the ensuing year:

- District 1, W. F. Bowron, Templeton. No. 2, C. E. Hanson, Marshfield. No. 3, C. A. Perkins, North Bend. No. 4, John T. Olson, North Bend. No. 5, F. P. Norton, Marshfield. No. 6, W. H. Stull, Allegany. No. 7, S. D. Cutlip, Marshfield. No. 8, Peter Menegat, Lakeside. No. 9, Z. T. Siglin, Marshfield. No. 10, J. D. Clinkinbeard, Sumner. No. 11, Homer Holverstott, Fairview. No. 12, E. N. Harry, Sitkum. No. 13, John Fabry, Myrtle Point. No. 14, E. W. Fahy, Bullards. No. 15, John Yoakam, Coquille. No. 16, Charles Strang, Coquille. No. 17, Laney Parrish, Myrtle Point. No. 18, E. E. Weekly, Bridge. No. 19, L. Counts, Bandon. No. 20, Frank Van Laven, Parkersburg. No. 21, G. W. Stewart, Riverton. No. 22, M. T. Clinton, Arago. No. 23, T. Moon, Myrtle Point. No. 24, Robert H. Hunt, Bandon. No. 25, Alex Snyder, Norway. No. 26, Clint Carman, Myrtle Point. No. 27, J. W. Clinton, Norway. No. 28, J. M. Wagner, Myrtle Point. No. 29, C. C. Johnson, Cooston. No. 30, Sam Stout, McKinley. No. 32, Henry Hervey, Lee.

TO TAX BACHELORS.

Representative Nolte to Introduce Bill in Oregon Legislature.

SALEM, Jan. 9.—If Cupid has heard the news, that little mischief is doubtless dancing with delight, or perchance, preparing a cluster of laurels, to crown his new-found friend, Representative John H. Nolte.

For Nolte has let it be known that he is making ready to introduce a bill in the legislature to place a tax on bachelors. Good intentions and promises won't do. The only escape for the unmarried man is to show that he once had a wife, and is still contributing to her support, to the support of her children.

Assessed as a bachelor, one who is repentant, and is willing to take chances in matrimony, may propose and marry before tax-paying time, and upon presenting a marriage certificate his bachelor tax for that year will be remitted.

STRANGER PULLS GUN ON MRS. BLANCHFIELD IN HOME LAST NIGHT

STEVENS TRIAL ON JAN. 23RD

Coquille Young Man to Be Tried for Non-Support of His Wife.

COQUILLE, Ore., Jan. 9.—One of the criminal prosecutions for non-support of a wife in Coos County will come up before Judge Hall here January 23. A young man named Stevens is the offender. He was arrested here yesterday and the date for his hearing was then set.

Judge Hall also ordered Wm. Barrett of North Bend sent to the State hospital at Salem. Barrett is a half breed Indian and for some time has been at the county infirmary. He is suffering from epilepsy.

EAGLES ENJOY FINE SESSION

Annual Installation of Officers of Marshfield Aerie Made Occasion of Celebration.

The Marshfield Aerie of Eagles last evening enjoyed one of the most elaborate banquets and finest socials that a Coos Bay fraternal organization has ever held. Over 125 members and their friends were present.

The occasion marked the annual installation of officers of the organization. J. W. Davis, past worthy president was the installing officer and inducted the following into office for the ensuing year:

- Past Worthy President—M. J. Ostrow. Worthy President—C. C. Going. Worthy Vice President—G. W. Dungan. Chaplain—Paul Betty. Secretary—J. B. Sneddon. Treasurer—Aug. Frizeen. Inside Guard—A. Larson. Outside Guard—W. W. Revis. Trustees—D. J. Rees, Del Rhodes and E. Don McCrary.

Following the installation, the banquet was served and a social session enjoyed. Lew Keyser's orchestra furnished music with vocal selections from the Golden West Quartette, composed of Jay B. Tower, Chas. Lash, C. S. Dodge and Mr. Baynard.

Following the banquet, President C. C. Going, as toastmaster, called on many for impromptu toasts. He made a short talk on the good of the order, pointing out what the Eagles had done and what they were able to do. He said that he hoped the coming year would see the membership increased to over 500. Among those whom he called on for short talks were Messrs. Holdiman, Ostrow, Guyton, Briggs, Short, Fred Johnson and Rhodes.

DEATH DUE TO CARELESSNESS.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 9.—The coroner's jury which inquired into the death of Otta Wagner, who was killed on the railroad track at Edenbower last Wednesday night, found that he met death through his own carelessness. He spent New Year's day at the home of an acquaintance in Edenbower and during the day drank enough wine that he became badly intoxicated. Against the wishes of his host, he started to Roseburg late in the evening, and was warned to keep off the track. He was found dead later. It is probable that he either went to sleep on the track or fell part way through a trestle and could not extricate himself. He had been tending bar here and is thought to have been a deserter from the German army.

Iver-Johnson Bicycles at the

Woman Badly Frightened by Threats of Stranger in South Marshfield.

FORCED WAY INTO HOME IN DARKNESS Gives Description of Man—Authorities Unable to Locate Suspect.

A stranger, who Marshal Carter is searching for today, last night forced his way into the home of Mrs. Wm. Blanchfield on South Eleventh street, pulled a gun on her and gave her a serious fright. Finally she eluded him and rushed to the home of E. C. Drews, where she summoned help, but meanwhile the stranger had made his way out and escaped in the darkness.

So far Marshal Carter has been unable to find any trace of him although the identity has been practically established. Whether he hiked out of town or to some lonely spot and ended his life with the gun he drew on Mrs. Blanchfield has not been determined. If he is the man that Marshal Carter thinks he is, he came to Marshfield a few weeks ago from Alaska to engage in business. He is about 50 years old. He has been drinking hard and yesterday was seen with a gun.

Prior to causing the disturbance at the Blanchfield home, the stranger caused some trouble at the G. W. Tribbey home on Central avenue. Later in the evening, W. K. Haines saw him proceeding down Tenth street to South Marshfield.

Mrs. Blanchfield's uncle, Peter Blake, an aged man, makes his home with her. Soon after dark last night, a stranger knocked at the door and asked about a room. Mrs. Blanchfield replied that she did not have any room. The stranger persisted and finally forced his way into the house. She became greatly alarmed and noticed that the stranger had been drinking. She threatened to call for help and the stranger pulled a gun out of his pocket and pointing it at her threatened to shoot if she made an outcry. She desisted and finally asked him to shut the door. He replied that she would have to shut it herself.

She saw a chance to escape and took advantage of it. When she reached the door, she quickly jumped out and closed the door behind her and fled to the E. C. Drews home next door.

Mrs. Blanchfield was highly wrought up and suffered a severe shock, medical attendance being necessary during the balance of the night.

A. E. Glossop when he returned home about 9 o'clock had the affair greatly impressed on him. His 14-year-old son had a shot gun in his hands and was ready to shoot if necessary. The Glossops live near the Blanchfield home. Mrs. Glossop had gone over to aid in caring for Mrs. Blanchfield and the boy had prepared for emergencies.

Others living in the neighborhood were highly wrought up over the affair.

PLAN CONTEST IN NORTH BEND

Demorest Silver Medal Contest to Be Conducted Tomorrow Evening.

Tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock will be held a Demorest silver medal contest at the Lutheran church in North Bend, under the direction of Dr. Bird B. Clarke.

The following program will be carried out.

- Music. "Jim's Child," Miss Elna Slander. "Patriotism," Harold Hunt. "Little Blossom," Miss Anna Truman. "A Plea for the Children," Miss Huldur Selander. "A Christmas Story," Miss Ruby Watkins.