

ROADS OF CLATSOP REVIEWED

REPORTS OF COUNTY ROAD MASTER JOHN FRYE FOR DECEMBER LAST AND IN FULL FOR THE YEAR 1906.

The following full and interesting report of County Road Master John Frye for the year 1906, dealing with actual road conditions throughout the county, was read in the commissioners' court yesterday. It is worth the perusal of every citizen since it contains information not generally current hereabout:

"Astoria, Ore., Dec. 31, 1906.
"To the Honorable County Court, Clatsop County, Oregon.

"Gentlemen—I beg to submit my report as road master for the year 1906, and at this time I think a review of the work done for the year would be in order and assist in preparing estimates for the coming year.

1st. The road work done by the county within the city limits during the year consists of building the piece of road to connect 15th and 16th streets in Shively's Astoria, at a cost of \$275; building and rocking the connection on Polk or 5th street to the Young's Bay bridge, at a cost of \$994; improvement of the Smith's Point road, \$677; and the road built to the Tongue Point Mill Company at a cost of \$1,954; I also find by referring to the county clerk's books that there has been expended on county roads outside of the city limits the sum of \$12,161.67. And on bridges, \$6,926.32; all of the above is in addition to the special levies made in the various districts of the county.

"A review of the roads in the county should be classed as improved, which means graded and rocked or planked; partially improved means graded, but not covered. Of the improved roads there are at this time 55 miles and of the partially improved roads there are 69 miles; total mileage of roads laid out in county under new law which requires proper grades, estimates, etc., is approximately 280 miles.

"Roads to which the county is, at present, paying special attention are as follows: Road No. 77, from Olney to Jewell; Jewell to Vesper; Jewell to Elsie; Elsie to Junction; Seaside to Elk Creek; Seaside to Push; Astoria to Warrenton and Flavel; and to connection with road down Clatsop Plains and Seaside; Astoria to John Day; Tucker Creek to Olney, via Young's River Falls; Lewis & Clark road; road between Stevens and Knappa; road from Aldrich Point to Blind Slough through Settlement; also a road to the county line on the south to connect with Tillamook county. The fact that the court has taken quite an interest in a good road with Tillamook county, has lead to an examination of several routes and there seems to be no other way but that eventually two roads will have to be, or ought to be, built; that is, one by the coast route and one through the interior. The old Buchanan trail is being opened at an expense of \$200, which will afford an outlet for cattle and for people on horse back, but the mail route is by the ocean beach and on which this county has spent some money this year. By the ocean route the beach can be used from Elk creek to Arch Cape, a distance of nine miles and this leaves but about one and one-half miles to be built to the county's south line. As stated in my former report road building in Clatsop county is expensive and the extraordinary rise in the price of lumber has brought us down to the fact that rock is the only material to be used in covering roads hereafter. In fact, a one track road can be cleared, graded and rocked for \$2,500 per mile; the same work with planks for covering would cost about \$3,500 per mile, at the present price of lumber, and to do the same work and cover with puncheon, would cost \$1,500 per mile; but this is only when timber can be had handily and at a reasonable price.

"The next and really most serious question is bridges, when we consider that there are 240 bridges over 20 feet long in the county, and of these nine are draw bridges, the tax payers can see very readily that this entails quite an annual expense. Young's Bay bridge alone is 3,326 feet in length and most of these have to be built of lumber, with a constant expense of re-covering, repairing and keeping. In estimating for the coming year, on bridges alone, the re-decking of the Young's Bay bridge will cost about \$4,000; rebuilding of the Little Walruski draw bridge will cost \$350; the bridge across the North Fork of the

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The court has had their attention called to the advisability of the county re-decking the Young Bay bridge with hemlock, and if the court should be able to secure hemlock timber handy, at any reasonable rate of stumpage, I would recommend that the court use this mill to cut same, and would also recommend that the planks be cut and laid diagonally on the bridge; a decking of hemlock will certainly last as long as the present caps and stringers.

"Respectfully submitted,
"JOHN FRYE,
"County Road Master."

His December report reads as follows:
"Astoria, Ore., Dec. 31, 1906.

"Honorable County Court, Clatsop County, Oregon.

"Gentlemen—I submit my report for the month of December, 1906:
"I visited Road District No. 11, where arrangements were made for planking 800 feet of the County Road from the R. R. depot to the public landing, the mill company there furnishing the lumber at \$10 per M.

"I visited the Nehalem Districts Nos. 12, 13 and 15, examining roads and bridges.

"I find that J. R. Wherry has completed his contract of grading on Road No. 99 according to contract. Mr. Wherry has also completed the bridge on same road. Mr. Wherry in build-

ing his road on Elsie road No. 99 has gone off the survey a short distance in one place. I would recommend that the court notify Mr. Wherry to settle with the property owner or grade the road on survey as per contract.

"The road to the Tongue Point mill slid during the late heavy rains and men are now at work sluicing the dirt out, as I found it impossible and too expensive to use teams.

"Upon examination of the Lewis & Clark road No. 92, I find that the covering on the dike is worn out and I would recommend the same be rocked as soon as possible.

"I find that the late heavy rains and storms have done but little damage to either bridges or roads, in fact much less than I anticipated.

"J. C. Ducan has about completed his contract of clearing on road No. 77.

"I am informed that the Arch Cape trail work has been completed, but I have not had time to examine same; parties are at work on the Buchanan trail. I have made mention of the road matters in general throughout the county in my annual report.

"I have received from W. L. Deeds, for scrap lumber, \$42.85, and received from sundry persons, through James Jamieson, supervisor road district No. 15, \$95.90, making a total of \$138.75, and have deposited same with the county treasurer, and have hereto attached receipts for same. Yours respectfully,
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