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FINAL ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNTY COURT

Delay Caused by Investigation into the Remonstrance Which Had Been Filed—Next Thing in Order Will Be an Election—Court Now Considering County Finances.

The county court has been busy all day in looking over the bills of the county and straightening out the financial questions of the past month. There are a great many little bills to investigate and it will take most of the day tomorrow perhaps, to get through the list.

The petition for the incorporation of Echo was given a final consideration at the meeting yesterday and passed. It was granted practically in the first place, but after the matter had been given a little consideration the counter petition from the remonstrants was received, and the matter was then put over for a time until the remonstrance could be looked into. This was done and it was decided that it bore not enough of weight to hinder the granting of the petition so the order has been made and from this on Echo will be classed among the cities of the state.

It will now be necessary for the citizens to gather together and elect their mayor and other city officers, when they will be in line with the other bustling burghs of the county.

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WALTER PIERCE FOR CONGRESS

Baker City Dispatch Says He is the Choice of Baker County Democrats.

An Associated Press dispatch from Baker City to the Oregonian, says that Walter M. Pierce, of this city, the present hold-over joint senator from Umatilla and Union counties, is the choice of Baker county democrats for the congressional nomination in this district.

Mr. Pierce is an active politician and public-spirited citizen and has been one of the most active members of the upper branch of the legislature since his election two years ago. His Baker county friends are taking an earnest interest in his candidacy for congressional honors and will start a campaign looking to his nomination.

RECKLESS COASTING.

Loaded Bobsled Ran into a Telephone Pole on Main Street.

Will Penland was one of the youthful coasters who met with an accident on the Main street hill day before yesterday. He was engineering a bobsled down the hill when he lost control of it and ran into a telephone pole. There were three boys on the sled at the time, and all escaped without injury except the engineer, who was lacerated against the pole and knocked senseless. He was carried into a nearby house and after a short time came to and is now in good shape with the exception of a bruise or two and a few scratches.

Farm Near Milton Sold.

L. G. Barron and wife have sold to George Coutr for \$5,000, the east half of section 17, in township 5, north of range 35 east, being 320 acres of land a few miles to the southwest of Milton.

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AN ANNUAL REPORT

THE COUNTY CLERK HAS HIS READY TO BE MADE

The County Debt is Being Rapidly and Systematically Reduced and it is Expected That Six Years More Only Will Be Required to Liquidate the Entire Debt—Another Warrant Call About May 1, 1904.

Deputy County Clerk B. B. Hall has prepared the annual report of the clerk's office for presentation to the county court, and from it will be seen that the county is in a good condition financially, and is in fact now in a better condition than it has been for some time.

At the present time the county has a debt of \$83,416.40, which is the smallest amount that the county has owed for years. In about the year 1899 the county went behind about \$40,000 in its finances, but since that time it has been slowly climbing until now it is in a good condition and at the rate which it has been following for the last few years the debt will be wiped out inside of the next six years.

To show the rate at which the county has been paying out it is only necessary to show the balance left in the reports for some years back.

On the first of January, 1901, the debt was \$136,975.81. On the first of the same month in 1902 the debt had decreased to \$119,752.32. One year ago, on January 1, 1903, the debt was \$103,698.54, which shows that it has been decreased in the last year by the present administration by \$36,282.14.

The county treasurer has called the warrants up to July 1, 1902, and will not make another call now until the taxes are paid in the spring. Then it is probable that he will call near the first of May, and if the taxes have been coming in well he will be able to bring the warrants up to within at least 15 months of the time of the call. There are now \$157,923.25 out in warrants against the county.

The tabulated report of the clerk is as follows:

Resources.	
Coyote bounty	\$ 3,570.66
Tax redemptions	4,110.32
Cash in treasury	13,395.74
Tax account	40,534.78
Real estate	25,000.00
Indebtedness	83,416.40
Total	\$175,027.90

Liabilities.	
Tax redemption surplus	\$ 176.15
State school fund	743.97
County school fund	6,430.76
School districts	5,795.19
Cities	3,954.57
Library fund	4.01
Warrants outstanding	157,923.25
Total	\$175,027.90

HARRY REES SOLD OUT.

A. G. Howard Has Bought His Cigar Business on Court Street.

Harry Rees, who for the past year has had one of the leading cigar stores of the city, has sold his place to A. G. Howard, of Walla Walla, who will take charge at once and conduct the business.

Mr. Howard has for the past year been one of the express messengers of the O. R. & N. who have made the run between Spokane and Portland. A coincident in the trade is the fact that Mr. Howard is the man who took the position left vacant by Mr. Rees when he left the messenger service a year ago to go into business in this city.

Mr. Rees and Mr. Howard were busy until 3 o'clock this morning in making an inventory of the stock, and have the work practically done. Mr. Howard will leave this evening for Walla Walla and when he returns will at once assume entire control of the business.

Mr. Rees has not as yet decided what he will do, but it is probable that he will decide to remain in the city.

UNION'S MONSTER HOGS.

Two "Shoats" Weighing 870 and 780 Pounds Brought to La Grande.

Hon. J. W. McAllister and J. W. Spencer brought their large hogs to town yesterday and had them weighed on Brock & Thomas' scales to decide who was the champion hog-raiser in Union county, says the La Grande Observer.

Spencer's hog outweighed McAllister's by 90 pounds, his hog weighing 870 pounds and McAllister's 780 pounds.

McAllister said Spencer's hog was the largest one he ever saw and it kept increasing in size as the scales went down.

Mr. McAllister still claims, however to own the largest hog in the county, as he promptly purchased the champion from Mr. Spencer, paying 4 1/2 cents per pound.

At this price Mr. McAllister paid \$39.15 for the privilege of owning the largest hog in Union county.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

Alleged That Stock Trespassed and Destroyed Property.

David Ferris has filed suit in the circuit court against William Caldwell, asking that the court award the plaintiff \$350 damages, together with his costs and disbursements, for the alleged action of the defendant in turning 400 head of cattle in on his pasture against his will.

The plaintiff alleges that the cattle destroyed all of his feed, trampled on the stubble and ate up and damaged the straw. He asks for costs and disbursements besides the amount of

the damages asked for. Carter & Raley and Will Meterson are the attorneys for the plaintiff.

WHEAT PROSPECTS GOOD.

Snow That is Now Lying on the Ground Just What is Needed for Large Crops.

The prospects for a bumper crop of wheat in Umatilla county next year are now excellent. The growing crops were in excellent condition before this snow came to cover them over and soak slowly into the ground. Farmers from every portion of the county are elated over the prospects, saying almost unanimously that the promise for a large crop next year is better than for 10 years.

While the dry weather in the spring season has much to do with the final yield of wheat the crop is actually made during the winter months, by the slow saturation of the ground with water from the snowfall. If the grain gets the benefit of the warm rains early in the fall, as this year, and following that a good soaking from snow, it starts off early in the spring, and gets beyond the reach of the drought before the real dry weather sets in.

SOUTH METHODIST MEETINGS.

Revival at the Church is Proving to Be Highly Interesting and Beneficial.

The protracted meetings now in progress at the Methodist Church, South, are proving to be highly interesting and the results are very satisfactory.

Afternoon meetings will be held at 2:30 hereafter, beside the regular evening meetings. Rev. Compton, of La Grande, is still in the city assisting Rev. Howard, and if the meetings continue longer than this week, Rev. Skeels, a very prominent minister of Cheban, Wash., is expected to come to take part in the revival.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

J. A. Smith Given 24 Hours to Procure Witnesses.

J. A. Smith, who was arrested a night or two ago, charged with having stolen an overcoat from the St. George restaurant, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Thomas Fitz Gerald this afternoon, and pleaded not guilty. He claims that he bought the coat of a man whom he met, and that he was not aware that it was stolen property until he was arrested.

He asked that he be given time in which to procure witnesses, and the court allowed his request, setting 10 o'clock tomorrow morning as the time for the trial.

KILLED WHILE COASTING.

Coffax Schoolboy Dashes into a Wagon With His Sled.

Coffax, Wash., Jan. 8.—Lawrence Duchemin, aged 12, was fatally hurt in a coasting accident this afternoon. His brother, Ralph, aged 10 years, had a hip fractured and two ribs broken, and two other boys were more or less hurt.

The youngsters were coasting down a steep hill and lost control of the sled, which collided with a wagon. Lawrence Duchemin's skull was fractured and there is no hope for his recovery.

Pendleton His Headquarters.

Frank L. Poole, the traveling representative of the John Deere Plow Company, left this morning for Walla Walla for a brief business visit. Mr. Poole is one of the traveling men of this section who make this city their permanent home, having removed here a short time ago with his bride, formerly Miss Faraquor, of Tacoma. He has been assigned this city as his headquarters and will reside here permanently.

Visiting A. Kunkel.

E. D. Hallgren, of Athena, is in the city for a short visit with A. Kunkel. Mr. Hallgren is in the implement business in Athena, in partnership with Mr. Kunkel, and is here on a business visit as well as socially.

Some people are so tender hearted that they can't bear to see the clock strike the hour.

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HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

IN POUND—THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED

Animals have been taken up by the marshal of the city of Pendleton, to wit:

- One gray gelding, 11 or 12 years old, weight 1200 or 1300 pounds. Brands not visible.
- One brown gelding, 10 or 12 years old, dim brand on left shoulder, scar on right hind foot, weight 1200 or 1300 pounds.
- One gray mare, 11 or 12 years old, red streak on left side, branded over—M on left side; weight 1200 or 1300 pounds.
- One sorrel mare, 11 or 12 years old; no brands visible; weight 1100 or 1200 pounds.
- One brown gelding, 10 or 12 years old; no visible brands; 2 white hind feet, weight 1000 or 1100 pounds, roached mane.
- One gray gelding, 11 or 12 years old; no visible brands, weight 1000 or 1100 pounds, roached mane.
- One gray mare, 12 or 15 years old; dim brand on right side, weight 1200 or 1300 pounds.

If said animals are not claimed by the owner or those entitled to the possession, costs and expenses against them paid, and then taken away within ten days from the date hereof, then at 2 o'clock p. m. of the eighth day of January 1904, the said animal will be sold to the highest bidder, at public auction for cash, at the city pound, on the corner of Cottonwood and Webb streets, in the City of Pendleton, the proceeds of such sale to be applied to the payment of such costs and expenses of making sale.

Dated January 8, 1904.

M. J. CARNEY, City Marshal

COMING EVENTS.

Northwest Fruitgrowers' association, Portland, January 11-12.
National Livestock convention, Portland, January 12, 13, 14 and 15.
Oregon State Horticultural society, Portland, Jan. 12-13.
North Pacific Fair association, Portland, January 15-16.
Walla Walla Poultry show, February 3-7.
Oregon Christian Endeavor convention at Pendleton, February 19-22, 1904.
Whitman-Oregon debate, Eugene, January 15, 1904.

Excursion Tickets to Rabbit Drive.

The O. R. & N. will sell round trip tickets from Pendleton to milepost 197, west of Foster, where the rabbit drive starts, on Sunday, January 10, for \$1. Regular west-bound train No. 1 will stop at this milepost for passengers to get off, and No. 2, east-bound passenger train will stop at same place in evening to pick up passengers returning to this city.

The National Trotting Association has decided to cut out of all official records, time made with wind-shields.

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15c Children's Hose, 3 for	25c	75c Sheets, 81x90
\$1.00 Colored Berge	49c	\$1.25 Corsets
\$1.50 Wrappers	98c	\$1.00 Corsets
\$1.25 Wrappers	79c	50c China Silks, all
\$1.00 Wrappers	59c	Odd Woolen Under
6 Handkerchiefs for	5c	\$1.50 Muslin Skirts
\$1.25 Colored Velvets for	75c	12 1/2c Quiting Flannel
9-4 Bleached Sheeting for	21c	50c Bleached Table
10c Bleached Muslin for	7 1/2c	15c Lawns, all colors
8 Spools Thread for	25c	15c Waisting
50c Velveteens for	5c	18c Waisting
12 1/2c Light Colored Percal.	5c	Ladies' Coats
\$1.25 Kid Gloves for	49c	Children's Coats
\$5.00 and \$6.00 Skirts	\$2.98	Infants' Coats
\$10.00 Tailor Made Suits	\$5.00	

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