

AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY INTEREST.

(Editorial from Ashland Daily Tidings, Oct. 26, 1920).

The Tidings assumes a strictly non-political attitude. Not an independent one. As a rule the independent newspaper is simply a minority party paper sailing under the guise of independence in order that it may more certainly influence the majority adherents to abandon their party and adhere to the minority. In a republican community the independent newspaper always supports the democratic ticket and in a democratic community independent newspapers usually support the republican ticket. It is a way some newspapers have of camouflaging. But this is an enlightened age and the public is not to be fooled by such fly-netting.

To maintain a non-political attitude simply means that the newspaper takes the same interest in ordinary party and candidate rivalry as it does in rivalry between merchants.

There was a time when the little country newspaper editor did not think he was running a newspaper unless he had a few columns each issue of political preaching, and it was mostly born of rank partisanship and prejudice—full of vituperation and spleen and amounting to nothing. In those days the politician or the banker usually had a mortgage on the newspaper equipment.

Under the laws of Oregon each voter is supplied by the state with a voter's pamphlet, setting forth the claims of all candidates and both sides of every issue. The average voter, after reading them, can form as correct judgment as to how he should vote as the average country newspaper editor.

Therefore, we think, the best attitude for the country newspaper is strictly a business one toward politics and candidates. To hold its advertising columns open to both parties and advocates of all political issues on exactly the same terms—purely legitimate advertising. That is the attitude of The Tidings.

However, that does not mean

that we are asleep to community interest. Frequently issues arise in which the community has a keen self-interest. Often issues are advocated that hold vital importance to the community either for weal or woe. Often candidates dangerous to the welfare of the community run for office, and transversely, often candidates in whose partisanship we have no interest and in whose personal ambitions we have little may prove of exceeding advantage to community interest. The election of such should be advocated by citizens and newspaper alike, solely for community welfare.

It is always wise, when occasion arises that an able citizen whose community interest stands unquestioned, becomes a candidate for an office the proper administration of which reflects for good or ill to the community, that he get the hearty and undivided support of that community without regard to partisanship. Ashland, this year, has such a candidate in the person of E. V. Carter as a candidate for the legislature. In this time of readjustment it is exceedingly important that Ashland be represented in the law making body of the state by a man of unquestioned home loyalty and of high ability. Such an one is Ashland's candidate for legislative honors and Mr. Carter should receive the undivided support of his home town.

The Beaver Realty company has sold the W. Y. Miller property on the corner of Alida and East Main streets to S. P. Jobe, who will take possession of the house and furnishings immediately.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

The following is a schedule of expenditures of Jackson County, Ore., together with a list of the claimants and articles of service for which the claims are made and which were passed upon by the County Court of Jackson County, during the month of September, 1920.

County Court & Commissioner's

G. A. Gardner, Co. Commissioner's salary \$150.00

James Owens, Co. Commissioner's salary & expense 150.50

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Thos. H. Simpson, Co. Commissioner's salary & expense 70.10

Postal Tel. & Cable Co., tel. for judge 1.52

G. A. Gardner, Co. Judge's expense 15.58

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., Co. Judge's telephone bill 13.45

Jacksonville Post Sch. sheriff's expense 9.00

Total \$401.15

Circuit Court.

J. H. Bacher, circuit court witness 6.80

F. M. Calkins, stamped envelopes for circuit judge 11.14

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., circuit judge's telephone bill 3.75

Total \$21.69

Justice Court.

Victor Birdseye, justice court witness 3.50

J. D. Childers, justice court witness 3.50

W. L. Collins, justice court witness 3.50

F. D. Elsmann, justice court witness 2.50

I. T. Gallagher, justice court witness 3.50

W. M. Hatt, justice court witness 3.50

Gustave Poyer, justice court witness 3.50

G. O. Taylor, justice court fees 45.75

D. W. Bagshaw, justice court fees 6.15

Total \$74.40

Sheriff's Office.

C. E. Terrill, sheriff's salary 208.33

J. J. McMahon, deputy sheriff's salary 150.00

Geo. L. Howard, deputy sheriff's salary 126.50

Flora Thompson, deputy sheriff's salary 110.00

Glen Terrill, deputy sheriff's salary 100.00

Delpha Terrill, deputy sheriff's salary 92.00

Hazel Terrill, deputy sheriff's salary 82.50

Bell Fleming, work in sheriff's office 21.00

H. M. C. & Co., supplies for sheriff 35.30

J. J. McMahon, deputy sheriff's expense 16.00

J. J. McMahon, deputy sheriff's traveling expense 34.92

C. L. Morrison, deputy sheriff's traveling expense 9.00

G. M. Roberts, delinquent tax foreclosure 100.00

C. E. Terrill, sheriff's traveling expense 25.50

Glen Terrill, sheriff's supplies 10.97

C. E. Terrill, sheriff's expense 36.84

C. E. Terrill, sheriff's traveling expense 7.81

Jacksonville Post, supplies for sheriff 5.00

Medford Book Store, supplies for sheriff 2.05

Postal Tel. & Cable Co., telegram for sheriff 8.9

S. O. Identification Bureau, sheriff's expense 30.00

C. E. Terrill, sheriff's expense 50.00

Western Union Tel. Co., telegram for sheriff 1.30

Total \$1274.29

Clerk's Office.

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone for sheriff 17.35

Chauncey Florey, county clerk's salary 166.66

Dellia Stevens, deputy clerk's salary 110.00

Ruberta Pearce, deputy clerk's salary 90.00

Helen Clark, deputy clerk's salary 78.00

Grace McDonald, deputy clerk's salary 75.00

Edna Barr, work in clerk's office 70.00

Mattie Stevens, work in clerk's office 70.00

Mildred M. Neil, deputy clerk salary for 2 days @ \$125.00 8.20

Chauncey Florey, revenue stamps for deed 2.00

Chauncey Florey, express advanced 73

Chauncey Florey, stamps for clerk 25.00

H. M. C. & Co., supplies for clerk 17.00

Ashland Tidings, supplies for clerk 33.75

Glass & Prudhomme, supplies for clerk 8.17

Jacksonville Post, supplies for clerk 30.60

Lewis Ulrich, stamped envelopes for clerk 161.52

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone for Co. clerk 8.80

Total \$955.43

Treasurer's Office.

Myrtle W. Blakeley, Co. treasurer's salary 100.00

Dorothy Bedwell, work for treasurer 40.00

Myrtle W. Blakeley, treasurer's expense 5.89

Postal Tel. & Cable Co., tel. for treasurer 9.0

E. M. Wilson, services 10.00

Total \$165.89

Care of Poor at Poor Farm.

Nancy Arrasmith, regular indigent 10.00

Reuben Avery, regular indigent 10.00

J. R. Anderson, regular indigent 10.00

Mrs. G. R. Brobeck, regular indigent 8.00

A. D. Beardsley, regular indigent 10.00

Rebecca & J. M. Olin, regular indigent 10.00

Mrs. Kate Copple, regular indigent 8.00

Dave Daniels, regular indigent 8.00

J. H. Pattie, regular indigent 8.00

Andrew M. Ford, regular indigent 8.00

Mrs. Gunn, regular indigent 12.00

Mrs. Hudson, regular indigent 8.00

Mrs. Hatch, regular indigent 10.00

J. W. Ingram, regular indigent 8.00

Albert Johnson, regular indigent 8.00

Viola Jones, regular indigent 10.00

Mrs. Martha Jones, regular indigent 10.00

Mrs. & Mrs. J. A. Kane, regular indigent 20.00

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kelso, regular indigent 8.00

H. C. Knapp, regular indigent 8.00

Lena Lee, regular indigent 8.00

Amie Morris, regular indigent 17.50

Carrie E. Miller, regular indigent 10.00

Mrs. J. A. Myers, regular indigent 8.00

Mrs. L. A. Montgomery, regular indigent 10.00

Margaret Noble, regular indigent 10.00

Doc Parsons, regular indigent 5.00

Nancy Slemore, regular indigent 10.00

T. D. Stafford, regular indigent 7.00

W. H. Smith, regular indigent 15.00

Mrs. L. Schefflin, regular indigent 6.00

Elias Slover, regular indigent 10.00

Amie Wilson, regular indigent 8.00

Annie Watkins, regular indigent 8.00

Z. Wolgamott, regular indigent 15.00

O. C. Purkeypile, ticket for indigent 8.46

to Jackson County. 165.00

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., treasurer's telephone bill 4.05

Total \$216.84

School Supt's Office.

G. W. Ager, Sch. Supt's salary for Aug. 25.00

Susanne Homes, Sch. Supt's salary 150.00

Jacksonville Post Sch. Supt's supplies 2.75

Medford Book Store, Sch. Supt's supplies 128.75

Medford Printing Co., Sch. Supt's supplies 71.25

Mrs. Eugene Thompson, work in Sch. Supt's office 42.00

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone for Sch. Supt 4.05

Total \$423.80

Fruit Inspector's Office.

E. R. Oatman, fruit inspector's salary 157.50

H. T. Pankay, fruit inspector's salary 98.00

Total \$255.50

Assessor's Office.

J. B. Coleman, assessor's salary 125.00

James M. Croninmiller, deputy assessor's salary 110.00

Linn Hanson, deputy assessor's salary 90.00

Elva Coleman, work for assessor 78.00

Grave V. Pearce, work for assessor 94.00

F. E. Blackburn, work for assessor 60.00

Ray Coleman, work for assessor 32.00

J. B. Coleman, assessor's salary 2.00

J. B. Coleman, traveling expense, assessor 23.75

Amy C. Dow, work in assessor's office 68.00

H. M. C. & Co., assessor's supplies 9.25

Medford Book Store, assessor's supplies 45

Home Tel. & Tel. Co., assessor's telephone bill 3.00

Total \$695.45

Tax Refund.

Margaret Butterfield, tax refund 29.52

Widow's Pensions.

Mrs. J. B. Avery, widow's pension 30.00

Goldie Boyer, widow's pension 20.00

Minnie Boardman, widow's pension 10.00

Effie Marie Baer, widow's pension 25.00

Rebecca A. Clarey, widow's pension 15.00

Anna Laura Corum, widow's pension 138.95

Frederick J. Pick, jail expense 17.50

A. Hartman, jail matron 10.90

Mrs. Jane Johnston, laundry for jail 18.65

Jno. N. Williams, Co., supplies for jail 5.75

Cal. Ore. Power Co., jail expense 1.10

E. S. Wilson, jail expense 2.00

Total \$260.78

Juvenile Court.

C. E. Terrill, juvenile expense 40.40

C. E. Terrill, juvenile expense 10.80

Total \$51.20

Advertising & Co. Printing.

Ashland Tidings, county printing 95.45

Jacksonville Post, county printing 3.00

Total \$98.45

Indigent Soldiers.

D. W. Luke, indigent soldier expense 60.00

Roads & Highways.

John Blaes, ferryman's salary 35.00

Cal. Ore. Power Co., lights for P. & E. crossing 50

Total \$35.50

County Nurse.

Marie E. Fuldine, Co. nurse's salary 125.00

Electric Shop, Co. nurse's