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## BETTER ROADS NEEDED.

There has been some criticism by a member of the county court of the editorial in this paper last week deploring that a larger levy was not made for road purposes. He claims it was misleading because while the two levies were correctly stated, the amounts they would raise was not given.

This paper has given right along the figures on the assessment, first the assessor's estimate, then the totals as equalized by the county board, and finally on the first page of the very paper in which the editorial appeared was the total including the additions made by the state tax commission, a grand total of assessed value of \$11,855,540.

This paper published on Dec. 3, 1909, the total assessed valuation for that year. The full summary was republished on Dec. 10, 1910, and it was referred to over and over again by this paper during the past six weeks. Our readers were fully informed on the tax roll totals for both years. The large increase this year had been clearly pointed out.

The levy for 1910 on the 1909 roll was stated to have been 1 1/2 mills. That was correct. The levy for 1911 on the 1910 roll was stated to be 1 mill. That is correct according to the official records. What was misleading about the article?

To make absolutely sure that no one should be misled, the matter is here referred to and the figures grouped: In 1910, the levy was 1 1/2 mills on \$8,676,770 valuation, which would or should bring \$13,016.15. In 1911, the levy is 1 mill on \$11,855,540 valuation, or \$11,855.54 for the road fund, an amount \$1,160.61 less than the previous year.

The member of the court says, however, that some of the general fund will be used for road purposes. That is good. We hope there are many thousands of dollars in that fund that can be used on the roads. It is needed.

The editorial in question did not censure the court for its action, but only expressed a sense of regret that the road levy was cut down. The spirit of economy is nearly always to be commended. It is far better for public officials to err on the side of economy than on the side of waste. The members of the court are all men of good judgment and we have no doubt of their sincerity or singleness of purpose. They know there have been extraordinary expenses during the past two years, and taxes have been high. The desire to cut them down to the lowest possible notch is natural, and the court will have the hearty support of the taxpayers in that desire. However in the matter of roads there is no doubt a larger sum is

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necessary than has been the rule for the last three years. The county has grown in population and products. There is more travel and heavy teaming on all roads except the old stage road from Joseph to Elgin. It is also true the work on many roads has not been enough to keep them up to what they were three years ago. There are main traveled roads out of Enterprise that are in worse condition than they were three years ago. This is no doubt true of other districts.

If the sums appropriated heretofore are not enough to keep the roads up to the old standard, will it not take larger sums to make the roads better?

County Commissioner L. Couch, in a speech to the Farmers Union three weeks ago, as reported in the Wallowa Sun, came out squarely for good roads, and even advocated the immediate beginning of permanent roads. That is a policy favored by his paper and a very large number of people, and we hoped, indeed we understood from talks with the members off and on during the last two years, it was the opinion of the court.

There is no use mixing words. Roads in this county are in poor condition. To make them so that farmers can haul paying loads in paying time to market, enough money must be spent to make them better. It is not enough they be kept up as good as they are now; better roads are imperatively needed.

## HUSTLE AND BOOST.

Never was there a better outlook a Wallowa county. There has been no boom, no inflation of values, yet prices of land have steadily advanced, and those prices are based on the earning capacity of the land in a county where money is worth 10 per cent.

Wonderful and varied are the resources of this big county. The irrigated valleys are an old story yet ever new because of the changes going on in production and management. A few years ago and land under ditch sold for \$50, \$40 and even less per acre. Wheat, barley and hay were the principal crops. The cereals are rapidly becoming secondary on irrigated land, hay, both timothy and alfalfa, is being raised more and more; root crops are being cultivated with great success, and bands of fair cattle and bunches of hogs are appearing on every farm. Result: That land now sells readily at from \$75 to \$100 an acre, and pays from 10 to 20 per cent on that.

Men who are conversant with the conditions here and elsewhere say the cheapest irrigated land in a well settled community of the northwest is still in Wallowa county.

During the past year, one of unusual drouth, well farmed dry land in the hills produced big crops of cereals. Poorly farmed land produced poor crops. Result: The productiveness of the hill land proved beyond all reasonable doubt under the worst of conditions. Land that sold three years ago at \$8 and \$10 an acre cannot be bought today for twice that.

The winter so far has been ideal for the stockmen. The winter ranges are fine—never better—while the feeding conditions in the valley have been excellent. Stockmen have indeed a bright outlook, both as to local conditions and market.

There is more than a possible chance of the railroad being extended from Roundawa to Lewiston. When it is so extended, a wonderful stretch of fruit benches will be brought on the market and all the rich North Country will stir with new life.

A start has been made on the vast timber resources of the county. This coming year will witness even greater developments along that line. A logging road north from Enterprise would accomplish wonders in this respect.

Then there are the latent resources of the mines. Our mountains are full of mineral and it is only a question of time and money when that mineral will be mined in great quantities, enriching everyone, the mine owner, the miner and the man who

produces what the former must have. It does not require an optimist to enthuse over the 1911 prospects for Wallowa county. Get in line and deserve your share of the good things by hustling and boosting day by day.

## DUTY OF THE DAY.

There are two kinds of "hard times." The real, genuine kind, caused by poor crops or prices for products below cost of production. The other is a false "hard times" and is really more of a mental than a money stringency. It is caused in the beginning, principally, by foolish talk by those who ought to know better, and kept up by talk and actions, principally by those who don't know any better, or if they do they talk from interested motives.

There was no crop failure in Wallowa county last season—grain, hay, lambs, pigs, calves, all were produced in good quantity, some more, some less, but on the whole a good crop. Prices were good, not at the top-notch like the year before, but good nevertheless. When you can sell hogs at 8 cents, hay at \$10 and \$12, wheat at 80 cents, range cows at \$45, wool at 15 and 16 cents, you are making a profit. There is no doubt of that. That was done in this county on an average during 1910, therefore there is no cause for genuine hard times.

It is the false stringency that afflicts Wallowa county just now. The stringency is real enough, now that all the foolishness is having its full effect, but its reason is false.

The foolish talk of the past is spilt milk. No use worrying over that. The thing to do is to spill no more milk.

Brace up and stop whining. Put every dollar in circulation that you ought to put there, either by paying your debts or depositing your surplus in a bank, where it will be safe yet active. This so-called "closeness" is entirely local, and the cause of it is local. It was caused by foolish talk but it is dangerous just the same.

The whole thing can be over and forgotten in six weeks if everyone sells what he ought to sell, and pays what he ought to pay.

## LYING ARTICLES ABOUT WALLAWA COUNTY.

Wallowa county is getting some mighty poor advertising these days from the alleged mad coyote scare.

While coyotes in remote parts undoubtedly have rabies or something akin to it, ample precautionary measures have been taken and the brutes will be got rid of, which will be a good thing all around.

The Portland papers, both Oregonian and Journal, are filled with startling "stories," mostly lies, about the "scare." The Journal omitted itself Sunday with a vicious, lying article that had hardly a line of truth in it. For example it said the sheriff was sent out and brought Luther Johnson to town in irons.

City papers get hard up for sensational articles but there is no excuse for such slanderous articles on a county in their own state.

Last summer the Oregonian was full of editorials and cartoons about the d——n fool people trying to make laws. Now it is caricaturing the legislature. Wonder what kind of a law-making body would suit that newspaper?

That Eaton whom Rusk beat so handily for the speakership, is sure the champion sorehead. He'll get a whole lot of things coming to him in the next few weeks.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned S. O. Magee has been appointed administrator of the estate of Daisy A. Magee, deceased, by the County Court of Wallowa county, Oregon, and has qualified as such.

All parties holding claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same with proper vouchers and duly verified to the undersigned administrator at the office of J. A. Burleigh, Enterprise, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated January 19, 1911.

S. O. MAGEE,

Administrator of the Estate of Daisy A. Magee, deceased.  
J. A. BURLEIGH,  
225 Attorney for Administrator.

## ESCAPED WITH HIS LIFE.

"Twenty-one years ago I faced an awful death," writes H. B. Martin, Port Harrelson, S. C. "Doctors said I had consumption and the dreadful cough I had looked like it, sure enough. I tried everything I could hear of for my cough, and was under the treatment of the best doctor in Georgetown, S. C., for a year, but could get no relief. A friend advised me to try Dr. King's New Discovery. I did so, and was completely cured. I feel that I owe my life to this great throat and lung cure." Its positively guaranteed for coughs, colds, and all bronchial affections. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

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A sale of Southern Oregon sugar pine covering 40,000 acres, is reported from Medford to an Eastern syndicate. The purchase price was \$3,500,000.

An oatmeal mill is to be established at Baker.

For either acute or chronic kidney disorders, for annoying and painful urinary irregularities take Foley Kidney Pills. An honest and effective medicine for kidney and bladder disorders. Burroughs & Mayfield.

## INFORMATION CONCERNING 8TH GRADE FINAL EXAMINATIONS.

State of Oregon, Department of Public Instruction, Salem.

For Wallowa County.

1. DATES: Three examinations annually. Each county superintendent to select months for his county.
  - (a) January 19-20, 1911.
  - (b) May 11-12, 1911.
  - (c) June 8-9, 1911.
  - (d) September 7-8, 1911.
2. PROGRAM:
  - (a) Thursdays—Physiology, Writing, History and Civil Government.
  - (b) Fridays—Grammar, Arithmetic, Geography, and Spelling.
3. SOURCES OF QUESTIONS:
  - (a) Arithmetic—Practical Arith-

## To the Citizens of Wallowa County

It is our purpose to handle any business entrusted to us in such a fair and liberal manner as to make the customer's relation with this bank satisfactory and profitable. Aside from our excellent facilities, this bank has the advantage of a large capital and substantial list of stockholders. It is also a State Depository. If you are not a customer we invite you to become one.

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- (b) Civil Government—United States Constitution.
- (c) Geography—State Course of Study; Redway and Hinman's Natural School Geography.
- (d) History—List of Topics from History Outline in State Course of Study and Current Events.
- (e) Grammar—Buchler's Modern English Grammar, no diagramming.
- (f) Physiology—Graded Lessons in Physiology and Hygiene—Krohn.
- (g) Reading—The teacher will send to the County Superintendent

dent the applicant's class standing in reading, which will be taken by such superintendent as the applicant's standing on the subject.

(h) Spelling—Rec'ds Word Lessons.

(1) Writing—Specimens of penmanship as indicated in copied matter and from manuscript in language.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. H. ACKERMAN,  
Supt. Public Instruction.

The first examination for the year will be held January 19-20, 1911.  
17c4 J. C. CONLEY, Supt.