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## 56 ROAD SUPERVISORS APPOINTED

### Roadmaster Roots Reappointed

Ten new road supervisors and forty-six old supervisors were appointed for the year 1917 by the County Court on Thursday last.

These appointments were largely in keeping with the wishes of the taxpayers of the various districts and were made with few exceptions on petitions from the taxpayers.

County Roadmaster, Thos. A. Roots was reappointed to serve for the ensuing year, although no announcement has been made of the reappointment of Road Engineer Cobb and it is possible that office will be done away with.

Of the road districts in this part of the county, the following supervisors were reappointed, with a few new appointees:— Districts 4, Albert Kitching, Curinsville; 5, John Meyer, Boring; 9, Fred Lins, George; 10, Chas. Duncan, Garfield; 33, Frank Millard, Springwater; 40, Dan Erdman, Boring; 41, H. H. Udell, Dover; 43, W. H. Douglass, Eagle Creek; 45, L. P. Elliott, Colton; 49, Elmer T. Davis, Garfield; 55, G. Hively, Viola; 58, John C. Miller, Barton.

### Estacada Rancher Dies Suddenly

The sad news reached the News Office yesterday of the death of John A. Reid, one of Estacada's well known ranchers, which occurred at 3 A. M. in the presence of his family at their home in South Estacada, Jan. 24, 1917, at the age of 60 years, 1 month and 8 days, of uramia.

Mr. Reid was born in Canada, December 16, 1856, and has resided on his homestead for the past thirty-six years and had just recently finished his new home a little closer in to town and was preparing to take the rest that is due one who has spent as many years on the farm as he had.

In November 1891, he was married to Nora I. Gibson of Eagle Creek to whom three children were born, Mrs. Susie Wilcox, Theodore and Chester Reid, all of whom were present at his bedside.

The funeral arrangements are in charge of undertaker Chapman, and the services will be held in the Christian Church, Friday at 1 o'clock, January 26th, in charge of Rev. Aue of the Springwater Presbyterian Church, with interment in Lone Oak Cemetery at Estacada.

It is with sadness that the people of this community have to give up the friendship of such a good friend and neighbor, and extend their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved.

## BILL TO CREATE CASCADE COUNTY ENTERED FRIDAY

### Over Hundred Boosters To Appear Before Legislative Committee Tonight

Messrs. Reed, Givens, Bartlett and Standish of the Cascade County Committee returned to Estacada Friday night from Salem, in time to announce at the big Farmers' and Merchants' dinner-meeting, that House Bill—No. 165, for the Creation of Cascade County, had been entered by Representative H. C. Stephens of George, that morning in the legislature.

This bill, which received its first reading Friday, was read for the second time on Monday morning and referred to the Committee on Counties, of which Representative Stephens is chairman.

The open discussion of the bill before the County Committee will take place tonight (Thursday), in Salem, and over one hundred representative farmers, business men and their wives from this part of the county, will appear, to show why Cascade County should be formed. Among the speakers will be a few business men, and the leading representatives from every rural district within the proposed new county boundaries.

The mass of evidence which will be presented tonight before this committee, should prove conclusively to not only the committee but to the representatives and senators, who have been invited to be present, that Cascade County should be formed, for not only the good of this Eastern part of Clackamas County, but for the remaining part of the county as well.

Messrs. Reed, Givens and Standish are now in Salem, having left Monday, where they are giving their entire attention to the thousand and one preliminaries to the big meeting before the committee tonight.

Messrs. Wells, Jorg, Adix and Reid were appointed a committee to arrange for the transportation of the hundred or more in the local delegation who went to Salem and this committee has worked steadily all week, arranging automobiles and accommodations for the men and women who will plead for the Cascade County cause.

The strongest argument which will be advanced tonight before

the County Committee, will be the presentation of the Cascade County petitions, containing the signatures of over 1,000 voters and taxpayers, out of the total number of 1171 within the proposed new county.

Such opposition as Oregon City will put up against this monster petition will be small, as few names are on remonstrance petitions from within the boundaries of the new county and many of these have since signed an anti-remonstrance petition. Oregon City is attempting to present a petition of a few hundred names, representing largely people residing on the outside of the boundary lines, which petition should carry little weight with the committee.

Today, the cause of Cascade County is well known throughout the state, with especial interest having developed in Salem and among the legislators, and as the people of this community are opposed by Oregon City and its commercial organization, the sympathies are most generally with the Cascade County cause.

On Thursday evening of last week in Salem, Cascade County scored a big winning, by allowing Oregon City the privilege of presenting their arguments against Cascade County, before the bill was entered, as Oregon City and its delegation had come to Salem in special cars to argue against the Oswego Annexation Bill and supposedly against the Cascade County Bill, but learned after arrival that the Cascade County bill had not been entered on Tuesday as they supposed.

By waving the right to appear before the Senate Committee on Counties later, they were allowed to present their arguments that night, but owing to the Oswego discussion occupying most of the evening, Cascade County received but little comment and cannot be argued again before this Senate Committee later, although the opposition is appearing before the House Committee tonight.

The only sane argument advanced by Oregon City, and Oregon City represents the opposi-

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## STATE AND FEDERAL AID ASSURED

### \$16,000.00 Clackamas Taxpayers Share on New Era Road

The following report from Salem, under date of January 15th, assures Clackamas County of its share of state aid in the building of the Canemah-New Era road and apparently insures government aid also.

The State Highway commission today definitely provided for \$15,000 as the state's share for the New Era road. Clackamas county is to put up approximately \$16,000 and the federal government \$30,000. The money was allotted last year, but pending agreement as to rights of way, maintenance and other conditions was withheld by commission and loaned on other projects. The commission's action today means the final approval of project and assurance that the road work will go ahead.

While many taxpayers of the eastern part of the county are not in favor of seeing a share of their taxes expended in the improvement of a highway, which few of them will ever travel, many are pleased to learn that state and federal aid has been obtained.

### House Burns But Owner Works For Cascade County

As a further example of the way the Cascade County movement is receiving almost unanimous support and to the exclusion of other important matters, the case of Matt Park of Elwood is the best example.

On Tuesday, the 9th, while the Park family were attending the funeral of the late Jesse Cox, the family home was completely destroyed by fire.

Notwithstanding this severe loss, Mr. Park was in Estacada a day or two later, not mentioning the fact that his home was gone, but asking for a Cascade County petition, on which he wished to obtain the signatures of a few of his neighbors, who had been overlooked by other petition solicitors.

This is merely one of a number of similar sacrifices that have been made by the hundreds of Cascade County boosters, with many of the farmers neglecting their farm work to make horseback trips into out-of-the-way corners of the proposed county for more petition signers.