

## HOT AFTER THE STOCK THIEVES

### GRAND JURY RETURNS TRUE BILLS

McPhersons Are Indicted for Horse Stealing—Deputy Sheriff Suing Bailfour—Case Against Bend Brick & Lumber Co. Disposed of.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

PRINEVILLE, May 7.—True bills have already been returned by the grand jury against John and Judd McPherson and Mace Newsham for stealing a mare belonging to George Millican, Judd McPherson and Newsham are at large. The jury also brought in true bills against Alonzo Weaver and George Messinger for larceny of the dwelling of Edward Hanson, a homesteader southeast of Bend, on February 13. Messinger is also indicted alone for the theft of a cow, V. M. and W. L. Robinson, Willis Thorp and Holman Calhoun were indicted for stealing a gelding on August 14, 1912, belonging to J. W. Brady. The Robinsons are under \$2000 bail each. A true bill was returned against Charles Beasley of Redmond, who is charged with assault with a deadly weapon, a pitchfork.

The case of Hahn vs. Halfour, an action brought to collect fees as deputy sheriff, is being heard by the jury today. Halfour alleges that the fees are properly payable by the county court, and not by himself.

The civil case of C. S. Hamilton vs. Bend Brick & Lumber Co. was heard yesterday. V. A. Forbes representing the plaintiff and C. S. Benson the defendant. Hamilton asked damages for the loss of a finger while moving some machinery for the defendant company. The jury brought in a verdict last night at 11 o'clock, allowing no damages.

A new complaint filed in the injunction case brought by Redmond parties against the payment of certain county warrants reveals the fact that J. H. Haner is behind the move. The district attorney has filed a demurrer in the case which is being heard this afternoon.

The personnel of the grand jury, elected Monday, is as follows: C. P. Becker, Laidlaw; J. W. Berry, Sisters; Jerry Achley, Lamonte; C. R. Henry, Paulina; J. W. Livingston, Prineville; Isaac Martin, Opal City; Fisher C. Loggs, Held.

Money evening the grand jury reported true bills against Frank Coffman and M. A. Robinson, the former for cashing a spurious check for \$7.50. Not true bills were found for Nick Hann, charged with malicious destruction of property at Metolite, and N. K. Nissen for breaking the quarantine law at Madras, Tuesday morning Judge Bradshaw released both Robinson and Coffman on parole, after they had pleaded guilty. The penitentiary term for their offenses is from one to five years.

PROF. SHAW COMING. The Great Northern Railway's agricultural expert, Prof. Thos. Shaw, is coming to Central Oregon to deliver several addresses and will speak in Bend on May 22, in the old Commercial Club room. The lecture will be free and the public is invited and urged to attend, especially the farmers in this territory.

### STATEMENT WAS CORRECT

Investigation Shows Names of School Election Voters Not on Tax Roll.

Last week a story appeared in The Bulletin reporting the statements of Mrs. E. M. Thompson that M. G. Coe, Blanche Rice and E. T. Hoeh were not qualified voters in a recent school election. L. D. Wiest and others have commented considerably on this, charging that the statement was untrue and unjustified, and The Bulletin was requested to print a denial. Careful investigation of the facts apparently justifies the original statements, however.

E. T. Hoeh's name may have appeared on the tax roll last year; in this matter the letter from the sheriff's office, quoted by Mrs. Thompson, was incorrect. However, according to a statement made Saturday by Hoeh's brother, George, E. T. Hoeh is now occupying and proving up on a homestead in the Hampton country.

Mrs. Rice does hold a tax receipt from the sheriff, for lots in Wiestoria. However, investigation in Prineville shows that Mrs. Rice's name did not appear on the tax roll; it was entered there this year by the sheriff's office, apparently by request of Mrs. Rice at the time of paying taxes. According to County Attorney Wirtz and other attorneys, this clearly disqualifies her from voting on school matters, as the law specifically states that the name must appear on the tax roll itself and not be entered there later. Mrs. Rice clearly was a property owner, and her technical disqualification was caused simply by the failure of the previous assessor to enter her name.

### SURVEY WORK IS STARTED

Reclamation Engineers Begin Preliminaries on Deschutes Project.

Preliminary work on the cooperative state and federal survey of the Deschutes river, for which \$50,000 was appropriated by the Oregon Legislature and \$50,000 by the federal government, has been started. Engineer John T. Whistler of the U. S. Reclamation Service was here last week for a few days, returning Sunday to Portland where he has headquarters.

Assistant Engineer Thomas Hawthorne is here now and has begun reconnaissance work at the Benham Falls reservoir site. At the Hotel Bend Monday evening he said that a crew of men will arrive in a few days and go into camp at the falls. The work will probably require 18 months for completion. The Reclamation Service is in charge, but the state will have supervision also. Mr. Whistler, who did the engineering work in connection with the building of the power dam here, will be up again from Portland in a short time.

## ROAD PETITIONS ARE PRESENTED

### BEND FOLKS ASK FOR BETTER HIGHWAYS

La Pine and Redmond People Also Interested in Improvements—Transfer of Cruising Fund Will Be Enjoined, It is Said.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

PRINEVILLE, May 7.—A petition bearing the signatures of 60 persons was presented to the County Court today asking that R. M. Elder be given funds sufficient to put in good shape and keep in passable condition the roads in his district around Bend. A delegation came over from Bend to urge favorable action by the county officials.

A petition was also presented signed by 25 La Pine people who ask that the seven-days-a-week mail road and the Central Oregon canal bridge between Bend and La Pine be kept in passable condition.

Although a special order was made at the last term of county court transferring some \$12,000 from the timber cruising fund to the general fund, the county treasurer has taken no action to make the transfer. It is understood that the use of this money in the general fund will be enjoined, on the ground that it was raised on the 1911 valuation and if so transferred it would be a special advantage to persons who had acquired property since the 1911 levy was made. It is declared that it should be repaid to the taxpayers from whom it was collected, inasmuch as the purpose for which it was collected has been apparently entirely abandoned.

Judge Springer states that he has instructed a special accountant to prepare for publication a statement of the county's finances that will be intelligible to the taxpayers.

For the information of persons holding county warrants, it may be of interest to them to learn that warrants can be used in paying taxes only to the extent of 17 mills, the balance being required to be in cash.

A delegation is expected this afternoon from Redmond to present a petition to the County Court asking action on a bond issue, as provided by legislative act, for road building in the county.

### BEND FOLKS AT PRINEVILLE

PRINEVILLE, May 7.—Among those over from Bend this week are the following:

Prince Staats, V. A. Forbes, C. S. Benson, Ross Farnham, L. D. Wiest, J. H. Stanley, O. W. B. Riley, George Hoover, Hugh O'Kane, John Kotzman, W. E. Scott, H. B. Ford, A. H. Horn, W. M. Douglas, W. A. Brinson, F. E. Martin, A. L. French, M. L. Merritt, R. M. Smith, George Gertson.

## STREET WORK IS GIVEN TO ADAMS

### SPRINKLING JOB IS DIVIDED

The Matter of Wall Street Extension is Again Broached—Difficulty in Getting Sewer Right of Way is Encountered.

Bids for the street improvement work advertised by the city council were opened at a meeting last week, and the work given to James T. Adams, the lowest bidder. Adams bid \$5,498.23, about \$500 less than his nearest competitor.

Adams' bid included all the work advertised, with cost of moving and replacing sidewalks and cross walks. Murphy & Peterson bid \$2.25 for rock work and 25 cents for dirt, which, including the cost of handling walks, brought the figure up to \$6,112.69. The bid of James Serevalle for rock was \$2.35 and for dirt forty cents, making a total of \$6,424.10. The estimate was \$4,940. Upon the filing of Adams' 50 per cent construction bond the work will be commenced. It involves the grading and improvement of much of the northern portion of the business district.

Bids for the street sprinkling were opened and developed a tie, Wenandy and Aune both having offered to do the work for 55 cents. The council called the two principals together to draw straws, as required by law, but this Wenandy refused to do, and after considerable talk nothing was done. Later, a compromise agreement to all concerned was arranged, and the work for the season divided between the two bidders; Aune has it in May, Wenandy in June, etc.

By unanimous vote the city attorney was instructed to commence condemnation proceedings against A. B. Bain, owner of a tract of land title to which must be secured for the opening of Wall Street northward. This matter has been hanging fire for more than a year.

After considerable discussion it was decided to tender Mrs. Ada R. Johnston \$250 for a deed to land necessary to get the main sewer across her property southeast of town to the disposal plant, and that if she did not care to accept the offer to commence condemnation proceedings for the property. Engineer Koon was called upon, and stated that to bury the pipe, as Mrs. Johnston insisted should be done, would cost the city an extra \$1000; for about 600 feet the 20-inch pipe is half above the surface of a field, and when covered would, with the dirt, form a small ridge perhaps two feet high. Mrs. Johnston refused the offer and proceedings have been inaugurated.

Saloon licenses for the balance of the year were granted to Wilkey, Smith, McGrath, Elkins, Drasich and Eyre. The resignation of John

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## SCHOOL BOND ELECTION WILL BE HELD SATURDAY

Business Men Interviewed on This Question and Most of Them Are Against Bonding District Now.

In order to learn how the business men of Bend look upon the proposed issue of bonds for the construction of a high school building, The Bulletin interviewed a number who made the following statements:

H. W. Skuse—"A building costing from \$15,000 to \$20,000 is enough for the present."

W. C. McCulston—"The proposed indebtedness is too much for the taxpayers at present."

H. B. Ford—"A fine school house is a good advertisement for a town. On that account I will vote for the bonds, although I disapprove of the site."

Clarence L. Mannheim—"The proposed amount is too high for a building to meet the present needs of the town."

A. L. French—"The amount is too large and the proposed site is a bad one. I would vote funds for the community building proposed but only if a more central location were chosen."

L. H. Sener—"A \$45,000 building is more than the town needs at the present time."

L. L. Fox—"Bend may need a school house, but the amount is rather high and there are objections to the proposed site."

Floyd Dement—"I am opposed to putting the school building on the Wiestoria site."

R. M. Smith—"The proposed site is too far out. It was only a short time ago that a fight was made to keep this district out of the city limits."

J. N. Hunter—"The proposed site slopes to the center from all sides, and for that reason alone is unsuitable for a school building. If the site itself were desirable, its location is such as to make it a poor choice."

D. E. Hunter—"The members of the school board who made the trip of inspection tell me that what they saw has changed their ideas of what the new building should be. The modern idea, as exemplified in Spokane in particular, is to erect a community building having a gymnasium, auditorium and baths, which can be used not only for school purposes but for various community interests as well. Such building, these members tell me, should be in a central location and can be put up for less than \$45,000. The Wiestoria site is unsuitable for such a community building, not being centrally located, and I am therefore opposed to it."

### Wiest Makes Statement

Explains That He Has Full Power to Offer School Site.

In discussing the ownership of the land in Wiestoria that is being offered for a school site, in reference to statements made by J. P. Keyes of The Bend Company last week, L. D. Wiest said last Saturday:

"I want to confirm what Mr. Keyes said, when he stated that The Bend Company owns half of the site offered. But some people have misunderstood this statement, and seem to believe that it implies that I have no right to offer the tract for sale. I wish you would state in The Bulletin that I have an option from The Bend Company for their portion of the tract, to be used for a school site."

## SIDE LIGHTS ON CIRCUIT COURT

### SOME ODDS AND ENDS AT PRINEVILLE

Men Drawn for Jury Service Have a Worried Look—Judge Springer and Nute Poindexter Have Little Encounter With Fists.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

PRINEVILLE, May 6.—From the non-legal standpoint, Circuit Court week, which commenced here yesterday, has its interests and pleasures. Among the first may be numbered sundry boxing contests, official and otherwise, and a couple of catch-as-catch-can scraps.

The pleasures may be minimized—for even the most enthusiastic cannot maintain that it is specially exciting to hear Judge Bradshaw charge a grand jury.

One of the really interesting sights is that of the grand jury—men whom one encounters here and there about the streets. They look worried. Several hail from Bend. True, no Bend men were drawn for the first jury, but all were obliged to remain here over Tuesday. After questioning, it becomes apparent what is the matter with them; they are confronted with the problem of the high cost of living. In short, the question that is marring their Prineville sojourn is this: How can a grand juror, who gets two dollars a day and ten cents a mile for coming here, make any money when it costs two dollars a day to eat and sleep (plus two more to smoke and drink) and twenty cents a mile for transportation? When last seen none of the five Bend men had been able to solve the riddle. The puzzled ones are A. S. Collins, Anton Aune, P. H. Deneer, E. T. Luthy and J. B. Heyburn.

### Stock Thieves Up

One of the familiar figures about the court house is that of George Millican, the stockman. Mr. Millican is one of the heaviest losers through stock thieves, and is "on the job" in the hope of seeing some of them sent over the road. He intimates that it is his belief that the only really satisfactory way to stop the growing cattle-rustling activity is to decorate some of the big jumpers with the next suspects caught.

John McPherson is in the court room constantly. Together with his brother, John is up on horse stealing charges. The brother, however, is at large; "considerably so," as Attorney Meyers said. He is the man who got away from the sheriff's party a month or so ago. The cost of the McPherson cases, and the Robinson thieving case—on which there was a hung jury—run up in the thousands of dollars. Next week the figures will be dug out and presented for interested taxpayers.

O'Kane Loses Bag. Hugh O'Kane and Jesse Stearns, attorney for the C. O. I. Co., are much

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## We Are Quite in Earnest.

In our recent announcement that each baby born in Bend up to September first will start its journey down this vale of tears with one dollar of our money in the form of a bank account. So far our offer has not met with a gratifying response and we begin to feel that we are not taken seriously.

We are quite in earnest.

This is not a philanthropic scheme—in the long run we expect to make money by it. Please report all new arrivals to us promptly.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

FAITH, Hope and Charity, the Good Book tells us, are the cardinal virtues. For some time past I have done business pretty much on faith, and while I have not lost hope, I fear that my present course may get me on speaking terms with charity.

This, then, is to say that on and after June first this store will be run on A STRICTLY CASH BASIS. All accounts 90 days past due that are not paid by May 10th will be placed in hands of an attorney for collection.

I have lost none of my love for the American people; this is purely a business proposition, absolutely impersonal, actuated by a desire to give my patrons lower prices and to give myself more money in the drawer and less on the books.

"Pay as you go," I believe, is the better way, the safer way, especially in these strenuous times when we treat the dollar lightly and thrift has become a forgotten virtue.

Everybody knows that a certain percentage of charge accounts eventually go to profit and loss. Who pays the margin of loss? The honest man, of course.

Most of my trade will rejoice in this change and be glad to avail themselves of the re-pricing—from TWO TO TEN PER CENT. REDUCTION practically all along the line.

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