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AUTO TO CARRY THE MAIL

A LINE TO ONTARIO SUGGESTED BY AN ENTHUSIAST.

Percy Megargel Sends Back a Report of Progress Westward--Experience of Autoing in Cowland.

Percy McGargel, the driver of the Reo Mountaineer auto in its cross continent run, wrote to Eastern papers from Drewsey. He says in part:

Anyone traveling over this section in an automobile cannot but be struck with the excellent opportunity for some automobile enthusiast to bid in the stage line running from Ontario to Burns. The United States offers this mail route to the lowest bidder, with certain stipulations, every four years. It will be awarded again this fall. Every 15 or 16 miles along the route are stage stations, where the horses are changed, and the mail is carried through from Burns every 24 hours. Burns is situated 150 miles from Ontario, the nearest railroad point. Enough money can be secured for carrying the mail to pay expenses of running the automobile line, and carrying passengers would all be bonus.

Gasoline can be had from every little store along the route, as I found out from my last trip, although, to take no chances, I started out from Ontario with 25 gallons. At Vale, Westfall and Drewsey gasoline can be secured, although the farther west we travel the more gasoline costs, as the freighters charge in the neighborhood of 2 cents a pound for everything brought into Burns. Despite the fact that this point is situated over 150 miles from a railroad and the highest prices are charged for everything, it has a population of nearly 2000 and is one of the most prosperous little towns in the state.

What it will be when a railroad comes through, as it must within a few years, is hard to predict.

Cattle in large herds are passing us daily, bound from the interior of the state to Ontario for shipment to the Chicago and Omaha slaughter-houses. These herds of half-wild, prairie fattened cattle, attended by a foreman and a score of cowboys, furnish a most interesting spectacle to the easterner, while the puffing automobile furnishes just as interesting a one to the Oregon cowpuncher. The trails are far too narrow to permit of driving these great masses of cattle, so the critters swarm out over the mountains on either side. Sometimes large detachments will stampede upon sighting the automobile and it is then that we see some dashing horsemanship—riding that would make a fortune for any circus or wild west show that could reproduce it in its grandeur.

On these cattle drives to town, the cowboy attires himself in his best and decorates his horse accordingly. Men whose occupation of punching cattle brings them only $30 a month, spends twice and three times that amount for saddles alone. Bridles with silver bits, and spurs, frequently mounted in gold and inlaid with silver, "chaps" of the best Angora goat, and saddle blanket of the best Indian workmanship, go toward making up an outfit that takes near a years hard work among the cattle to pay for.

Owing to the fact that we are obliged to use our low speed so much in the mountain climbing we have been running nights, or until 9 o'clock, ever since entering Oregon. Our fine Dietz searchlight enables us to follow the dangerous mountain trail with perfect safety lighting up the narrow pathway until rocks and alkali pits are as plainly shown as by sunlight. While heavy, the searchlight with its double generator has fully repaid us for carrying, and today if I lightened my car I would hang on to the searchlight until it was necessary to choose between it and the gasoline itself.

Our mobiloil, shipped to different points along the route by the Standard Oil company, has never failed us nor have we experienced the slightest trouble from our engine or transmission, both of which we keep well flooded at all times.

COUNTY COURT DOINGS.

The petition of Jasper Davis and others for a county road granted conditionally. The remonstrance was continued pending an investigation by the board of road viewers whose report will be filed by the next term.

The contract existing between the county and G. W. Clevenger to bury the indigent dead for the sum of $50 each was continued in force for another year.

Clerk ordered to advertise for bids for experting the county books and records for the two years ending July 1, 1906, bids to be opened and considered at the regular January term.

A new voting precinct to be called Cold Springs, was created with the following boundaries: Beginning at the N. E. corner of T. 28 S., R. 36 E, thence due west to the N. E. corner of Sec. 3, T. 28 S., R 34 E, thenc due south to the S. W. corner Sec. 35, T. 29 S., R. 34 E, thence due east to where same intersects the line of Happy Valley precinct as now established, thence following said line in a northeasterly direction to place of beginning. Polling place is fixed at the Jenkins Bros. shearing plant.

Clerk ordered to draw a warrant on the high school fund in favor of Ben Brown for $5.50 in lieu of one that was lost.

Petition of Wm. Russell and others for a county road continued for the term.

$1,500 appropriated out of the road fund for use of constructing roads in District No. 2, and $500 for the same purpose in District No One.

Claim of Malheur county for the expense of the State vs. James Colwell trial was again continued.

Dr. R D. Burrow employed as county physician at a salary of $40 per month.

Court took a recess until Dec. 4.

C. E. Kenyon in Another Bank.

Seymour H. Bell, of Sumpter, Chas. E. Kenyon, of the First National bank of Ontario and James A. Lackey, mayor of Ontario, have organized a new bank at New Plymouth, Ida., on the new railroad, which is being built out from Ontario by the Wheeler crowd. Mr Bell and his attorney, Chas. H. Chance left last night for Idaho to install the new bank.—Baker City Democrat.

Ho there!—If you want to sell your property why don't you list it with Smith & Lewis? They will see ten buyers to your one. They will find you a buyer for your ranch or city property, your horses, cattle or sheep. Call and get acquainted with them—the latch string always hangs out. Main St Burns, Oregon.

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Son Lost Mother.

"Consumption runs in our family, and through it I lost my Mother," writes E B Reid, of Harmony, Me. "For the past five years, however, on the slightest sign of a Cough or Cold, I have taken Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, which has saved me from serious lung trouble." His mother's death was a sad loss for Mr Reid, but he learned that lung trouble must not be neglected, and how to cure it. Quickest relief and cure for coughs and colds Price 50c and $1 00; guaranteed at city drug store. Trial bottle free.

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SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

Of the County Clerk of Harney County, State of Oregon, showing the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said County and State, for what purpose allowed, the amount of warrants drawn and the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid, from the 1st day of April, 1905, to the 30th day of September, 1905, both days included:

ON WHAT ACCOUNT ALLOWED.	AMOUNT OF WARRANT DRAWN.
Road and bridge account,	$ 813 66
Pauper ac. hospital, salary physician, drugs, etc,	710 10
Circuit court account,	783 40
Justice court account	324 15
Current expenses	374 90
Court house, repairs, fuel, lights, etc	329 07
Clerk and deputy	1,700 00
Sheriff and Deputy	1,700 00
Jail	17 75
Schoool Superintendent	273 60
County court	753 40
Road Supervisor's	785 80
Coroner's	32 50
Treasurer's	350 00
Stock Inspector	204 16
Assessor and deputy	985 00
Assessment and taxation	9 45
Taxes refunded	19 56
Lewis and Clark Fair	1,035 00
High school	539 98
Total amount of claims allowed and warrants drawn,	$11,741 57
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid warrants on all funds on September 30, 1905, principal	$ 3,502 12

STATE OF OREGON, County of Harney } ss

I, Sam Mothershead, County Clerk of the above County and State, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said County for the six months ending on the 30th day of Sept., 1905, (see note) on what account the same was allowed, the amount of warrants drawn, and the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid as the same appears upon the records of my office and in my official custody.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 9th day of October 1905.

SAM MOTHERSHEAD,
County Clerk.

Note—The above report includes the warrants drawn at the special term Oct. 7, 1905, for salaries prior to Sept. 30.

SEMMI-ANNUAL SUMMARY STATEMENT.

Of the financial condition of the County of Harney, in the state of Oregon, at the close of business on the 30th day of September, 1905:

LIABILITIES.

To warrants drawn on county Treasurer outstanding and unpaid:	
General county fund,	$ 3,406 37
Road fund,	10 25
Building fund	80 00
High School Fund	5 50
Total liabilities,	$ 3,502 12

RESOURCES.

By funds in hands of County Treasurer applicable to the payment:	
General fund warrants,	$ 7,614 46
Road Warrants	3,907 37
Building warrants	582 66
High school warrants	682 80
Total resourses	$12,787 29
Excess of Resources	$ 9,285 17

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Of the amount of money received for taxes; and from other sources, and the payment of the same to the County Treasurer, by the Sheriff of Harney County, Oregon, for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1905.

April, 1905 to Cash for Taxes of 1904	$10,632 27	
" " " " " Mileage Fees	13 00	
Total for month		$10,645 27
May, 1905, to Cash for Taxes of 1904	$ 369 06	
Total for month		$ 369 06
June, 1905, to Cash for taxes of 1904	$ 123 99	
Total for month		$ 123 99
July, 1905, to Cash for Taxes of 1904,	$ 82 10	
" " " " " Mileage Fees,	27 00	
Total for month		$ 109 10
August, 1905, to Cash for Taxes of 1904,	$ 154 21	
Total for month		$ 154 21
September, 1905 to Cash for Taxes of 1904	$ 3,345 65	
" " " " " Mileage Fees	20 40	
Total for month		$ 3,366 05
Total receipts for six months		$14,767 68
April 1905 by Cash paid Treasurer,	$10,645 27	
May " " " " "	369 06	
June, " " " " "	123 99	
July, " " " " "	109 10	
August," " " " "	154 21	
Sept. " " " " "	3,366 05	
Total paid Treasures for six months		$14,767 68

STATE OF OREGON, County of Harney } ss

I hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct. Dated at Burns, Oregon, September 30th., 1905.

TOM ALLEN
Sheriff Harney County.

By R. T. HUGHET, Deputy.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT

Of the Treasurer of Harney County, Oregon, for the six months ending September 30th, 1905: Showing the balances March 31st, 1905; receipts and disbursements since; the amoun s apportioned to and disbursed from the various funds, and from what source received and for what disbursed, including transfers, and the balances remaining in the Treasury September 30th 1905

The total cash balance in the county treasury March 31st 1905 was	$46,915 07	
To the credit of the several funds as follows:		
County general		$22,838 34
County School		7,645 69
State School		10 06
County High School		4,387 63
Building		$ 635 61
Road		1,285 90
Road DistrictNo. 1		74 36
Road District No. 2		19 05
School Districts		1,078 10
City of Burns		457 17
State Tax Fund		8,200 00
Institute Fund		28 00
Trust Funds		255 16
	$46,915 07	$46,915 07
The total amount received since	$35,959 22	
In cash		$26,396 06
In transfer of funds		9,563 16
	$35,959 22	$35,959 22

(Continued on page two.)

ENGINEERS ARE IN THE FIELD

RAILROAD PEOPLE HEADED TOWARD HARNEY COUNTRY.

Representatives of Eastern Capital Have Been Sizing up Situation-- Here-- Overtures Made to People.

A party of railroad surveyors have left Ontario for the interior and are reported to have secured teams for 100 days This would mean more than three months work and would be ample time to make a thorough investigation of the railroan possibilities so far as the most feasible route is concerned. They are headed for this section with the intention no doubt of meeting a similar party that is headed east from the Cascade Mountains.

The party that left Ontario are supposed to be Oregon Short Line people, although it is claimed by some that they represent an independent concern. This is hardly probable, however. In fact men who should know are of the opinion that it is the Short Line people, but they wish to cover that fact up.

People who are heavily interested in land throughout this section have been approached regarding right of way for a railroad and asked what concessions could or would be made. Of course this does not build a railroad but indicates which way the wind blows.

Whether or not a great transcontinental road is projected through this valley to be built in the near future, it is quite evident that rail road people are looking in to the matter of tapping this rich interior and will not be long about it.

Men have been in this valley the past two weeks quietly reconnoitering and investigating the various resources. These men represent Eastern capitalists who have an eye on us. They admit the only drawback to this section is lack of transportation and considor it the most promising field for railroad building now open in the west. It is not known definitely their object, but from conversation with local people it is certainly a railroad proposition. The great amount of vacant government land is a very attractive feature and the successful raising of crops has shown them a large possible tonnage.

It is also quite evident that they would reccommend a standard gauge road in order to handle the freight and traffic.

With the present activity in this line we hope to see actual construction work begin in the near future. This territory is wanted by more than one road and the one to secure it must not delay any longer. This the railroad people realize and will take advantage of. Even though one line is put through the directness of the route from East to West has appealed so strongly to traffic people that it is possible—in fact quite probable—that more than one line will go through.

Alfalfa at Geer & Cummins.

$25.00 REWARD $25.00.

Notice is hereby given that hunting and shooting upon the enclosed lands of the American Land & Live Stock Co located in townships 39 & 40 S Range 35 E and township 39 S, R 36 E W M, Harney Co Oregon (better known as the Trout Creek and Colony Ranches,) is strictly forbidden. Any person or persons found hunting or trespassing with a gun in their posession on above described property will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. A reward of $25 is hereby offered for evidence that will lead to their arrest and conviction.

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