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IMPROVE CENTRAL OREGON HIGHWAY, OBJECT

Harney and Deschutes Counties Join Forces; Permanent Survey; Repair Temporary.

Representatives of the Bend commercial club and the Deschutes county court, who were accompanied by C. W. Wanzer, an engineer representing the state highway commission, met with a delegation of Harney county good roads club and members of the Harney county court at Brookings on last Sunday for the purpose of discussing the improvement of the Central Oregon highway between Bend and Burns. The meeting proved quite successful in that the delegations settled upon a plan of action that should bring results.

Engineer Wanzer took a keen interest in the conference and while he gave out the fact that he was sure the state highway commission was favorable to giving the Central Oregon highway any assistance within its power, yet it would not put out any money on anything but a permanent road.

It was decided that the two counties would jointly ask the state highway commission to make a definite and permanent survey of the route from a point just this side of the Harney county line to Brookings on a proposed route to the north of Glass Buttes, thus eliminating a bad stretch of several miles that is almost entirely in Lake county. Mr. Wanzer was consulted on the matter and expressed the belief that the commission would look kindly upon such a proposition if the counties would show a disposition to do some permanent work on the route.

It was the sense of the meeting that no attempt would be made at this time to have the entire route constructed up to highway requirements but that a reasonable grade be constructed to care for the traffic that will use it for the next few years. Of course this arrangement would necessitate the maintenance be cared for entirely by the counties as the state highway commission would not be expected to take care of the upkeep of such a road.

The new route would place the highway almost entirely in Harney and Deschutes counties, eliminating all but about four miles in Lake.

The Bend delegation showed keen interest in the proposed road and expressed a willingness to cooperate in every way possible. It is the intention of the respective county courts to repair the present route for temporary use and the travel may be assured of the route being in better shape within a short time and this will be continued until the new permanent route is surveyed and put in shape for travel.

The Burns delegation included President Archie McGowan and Secretary Robt. Bennett of the Harney County Road Club, also J. W. Biggs, Wm. Farre and Julian Byrd of the executive committee. Others included G. C. Blake of the Forest service and R. E. Cole, County Judge Johnson, Commissioner Buchanan and Road Master Frazier made up the delegation from Harney county. Bend was represented by H. H. DeArmond, Walter Coombs and R. B. Davis of the commercial club and County Commissioner J. S. Innis of Deschutes county, together with District Engineer C. W. Wanzer of the state highway commission.

Mrs. Meeks prepared a fine chicken dinner for the visitors and this added to the satisfaction of the occasion in addition to the fact that the delegation seemed in entire accord as to what was to be done.

There is every reason to believe that the Central Oregon highway will receive some needed improvements as a result of this meeting.

Later—Since the above was in type Archie McGowan has returned from a visit to Bend where he attended a meeting of the Bend commercial club and heard the report of H. H. DeArmond, chairman of the delegation that attended the conference at Brookings last Sunday. So favorably was this report received that Mr. DeArmond was given authority to prosecute the work further. The commercial club appropriated \$50 at once toward the temporary repair of

the Glass Buttes section of the road and the county court then made an appropriation of \$100 for the same cause and at once took the matter up with Lake county to secure additional money.

Mr. McGowan found the Deschutes county court fully in accord with the plans outlined at the conference on Sunday and steps are being taken looking to carrying out the plans.

MASONIC ORDER CONDUCTS FUNERAL SERVICE

Burns Lodge No. 95, A. F. & A. M., conducted the funeral service for the late Geo. W. Hayes from the lodge rooms on last Sunday afternoon, burial being made in the Masonic cemetery.

The Masons met the remains at the train on Saturday evening and brought the casket to the lodge rooms where it was kept until after the service. Accompanying the remains up from Vale were his wife, her sister, Mrs. M. R. Biggs, and M. B. Hayes, his brother.

The following from the Vale Enterprise gives some history of Mr. Hayes and also shows how he stood as a man and neighbor in Vale:

Mr. Hayes was barely 66 years old, having celebrated his birthday anniversary on March 2nd just shortly before his death. He was born in 1859 in Marion county, Iowa, and when a boy of four was brought by his parents to Oregon, the family locating in the Willamette valley in Lane county. The settlement in which the elder Mr. and Mrs. Hayes lived no sooner had a handful of children of school age than their pioneer fathers built a crude log school house, and it was under this roof that young Hayes hued out what education he could until his thirteenth year.

From an old copy of the Oriano, one of the predecessors of the Malheur Enterprise, is obtained a commentary on his life at the time of his finishing his school work and studying law which will be of more than ordinary interest to his friends in the county. "At 18 he began," says the Oriano, "the battle for bread and a legal education. During the winter he taught school, and followed the carpenter's trade during the summer months, and both to the end that he might eventually become a lawyer. At 26 Blackstone was his Bible and May 9, 1891, he became wizard enough at spun-glass technicalities to be admitted to the bar at Pendleton, Oregon. Previous thereto he read law under C. A. Sweek and Thornton Williams, both of Harney, skilled veteran attorneys.

"From '63 to '74 a point near Eugene was his boyhood home. Thence to '88 he lived in Summer Lake, from where he moved to Harney, then Grant county, then in '93 to Burns where he lived until removing to Vale in the first part of the 1900's. Arrived in Vale, he found that the town's chief possessions were a name, a court house, and a little bunch of people determined upon building a town. He hung out his shingle, took off his coat and went to work for George W. Hayes and Vale and vicinity."

Mr. Hayes was admitted to practice in the United States district court and in the United States circuit court of Oregon on August 7th 1909. From 1898 to 1902 he was register of the U. S. Land Office at Burns, for three years was mayor of Harney City, the former county seat of Harney and then the largest town there. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Elks, and the Masons.

George W. Hayes was prominent in civic and fraternal affairs, his four-year chairmanship of the Republican Central Committee for Malheur county ending only last summer. In addition to his fraternal offices, he was city attorney for Vale at the time of his death.

He was a loyal man to his friends and everyone regrets his going. The sympathy of the people of Vale goes out to his survivors, who, besides his wife, include a sister, Mrs. Cassie Hill of Burns, two brothers, Ted and Bailey Hayes, also of Burns, and two sons in California who could not be located in time to tell them of their father's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Luper and their son were in from their ranch home on Thursday attending to some business matters and calling upon friends.

SUPREME COURT SUSTAINS TAX VALIDATION

Harney County's 1924 Roll Is Pronounced Okay by Both Circuit and Higher Court.

It took less than 30 days to initiate and carry to completion through the circuit court and a decision of the supreme court of this state, the case instituted by District Attorney Cozad to validate the 1924 tax roll of Harney county. On February 24 the case was filed and on the 21th of March he received a telegram from the supreme court that the decision of the circuit court had been confirmed, thus validating the roll and allowing the tax collector to proceed to collect taxes.

This is a record case so far as this section is concerned, as it generally takes much longer to get decisions. However, the character of this case and the importance of getting the decision before time to begin collecting the taxes gave it precedence.

START BURNING BRICK ABOUT MAY 1

C. E. Silbaugh, the contractor, announces that he will have his men in the field and start to manufacture and burn brick about the first of May. He finds that good brick may be made from the clay in this vicinity and as he is figuring on some big brick buildings in Burns during this season he will get the material ready and also have brick for any who desire them.

Mr. Silbaugh is erecting the buildings for the Union Pacific Railroad at the terminal grounds in Burns and also at Lawen and finds quite a demand for brick at the present, therefore he is having a car load shipped in from the Boise plant pending the completion of the local product.

PIONEER WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Nancy J. Roper died at her home at Harney yesterday afternoon after an illness of several days with influenza. Mrs. Roper was in frail health for some time and could not withstand any additional tax upon her strength. She was a sister to the late Walter Cross who died two weeks ago.

The remains were brought to this city and the funeral will be held some time tomorrow, the hour not having been set at the time this is written. An obituary notice will appear in our next issue.

ADJOURNED TERM CIRCUIT COURT TO CONVE

Long Docket of Cases for Spring Term; Grand Jury Sits on Next Monday Morning.

The usual adjourned term of circuit court which precedes the regular term will convene next Monday when Judge Biggs will be present to hear any motions or arguments in connection with cases, also to give his attention to the grand jury which will also be in session.

The cases on the docket for the regular April term are:

Law Docket

Harry Carey, vs. John H. Tipton. Harrison Hoskins, vs. Chas. Prah. Stewart Wholesale Co., vs. Universal Garage Co. Harney County, Oregon, vs. Bertha Denman, et vir. Gordon McWilliams, et al. vs. James Paul, et al. W. E. Green, et al vs. L. E. McDaniels. Federal Reserve Bank, vs. Velfa Byerley. Chas. W. Fitzgerald, vs. J. A. Krumholz. Lee Arnett, vs. J. E. Vickers. Clara A. Marsden, vs. W. W. Drinkwater. B. B. Clark, vs. W. N. Monroe, et als.

A. K. Richardson, vs. R. M. Lowe. M. B. Hayes, et als, vs. J. L. Sitz. William Klinsick, vs. Alvin Miller. H. V. Schmalz, vs. Maxene Kern, et als. B. F. Smith, vs. Andres Urquira. Nate Franklin, vs. C. C. Hankins. I. Weinstein, vs. Maggie Bower. C. J. Smith, vs. A. B. Cooley, et als.

Harney County, Oregon, vs. Grace W. Reese. Harney County, vs. W. W. Miller. Harney County, vs. M. J. O'Toole. D. B. Clay, vs. Eddie Springer. D. D. Defenbaugh, vs. J. C. Beatty. General Motors Co., vs. H. R. Riley, et als.

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Equity Cases
Geo. S. Smyth et als, vs. J. B. Balcomb. Albert Gautier, vs. James L. Conley, et al. Ruby R. Smith, vs. A. Venator, et al. William J. Dunn, vs. James Henderson, et ux. Oregon Western Col. Co., vs. Orville T. Stoy, et al. Mrs. R. A. Baird, vs. Emma G. Robinson. Chas. A. Byrd, et al, vs. Pacific Live Stock Co. Viola Groe, Admx., vs. Jens Sand, et al. I. Weinstein, vs. Mullen-Fiser Co. Oregon Western Col. Co., vs. John W. Davies. James Paul, vs. Live Stock State Bank. The First National Bank, vs. Herman Auernhamer. State Land Board, vs. James Retherford. State Land Board, vs. Geo. W. Rayercraft, et ux. Crane State Bank, vs. James E. Rounseville. P. F. Dunn, vs. Myrtle Caldwell. Harry L. Smith Adm., vs. B. B. Clark, et al. State Land Board, vs. Henry Eicher et al. Prestley Smyth, vs. T. H. Seaward. Joe Kado, vs. Alva Springer, et al. State Land Board, vs. George W. Clark. State Land Board, vs. Daniel P. Penick. State Land Board, vs. Clarence Mace. State Land Board, vs. Platt T. Randall. State Land Board, vs. Nat Henney. State Land Board, vs. David Sigfridsen. State Land Board, vs. A. H. Curry, et al. State Land Board, vs. David C. Shaver. State Land Board, vs. Geo. Picklesimer. State Land Board, vs. William Crozier. State Land Board, vs. J. C. Carter, et ux. State Land Board, vs. Gabriel Edwards. State Land Board, vs. Joseph Wilkerson. State Land Board, vs. Pauline Weber. State Land Board, vs. Alfred West. State Land Board, vs. A. J. Cummings. State Land Board, vs. Harry K. Beelar. State Land Board, vs. Geo. H. Williams. Frank D. Warner, vs. Fred H. Goyt.

CONTRACTS LET ON RAILROAD GRADING NORTH

Fred Herrick Co. Preparing For Greater Activities; Buying Additional Equipment.

James Girard, engineer in charge of the Fred Herrick Lumber activities in this city, yesterday morning confirmed the report that the work on the railroad grade between Burns and Bear valley would begin at once. The fact is that several contractors have been engaged in work during the winter, but additional contracts have been let.

Mr. Girard stated positively that Arneson had been given a contract for the heavy cuts and fills on the route on the upper Polson creek section. The Arneson contract is for work joining the end of the present grade on Polson creek and on up toward the summit of the mountain. It includes eight bridges as well as heavy rock and fill work.

Mr. Girard announced to a representative of this paper that Mr. Klobucher, construction engineer on the railroad work, was in Portland where he was purchasing a steam shovel, a compressor and also necessary wheels axles and irons for the construction of dump carts that will be used in the work. The dirt from the cuts may thus be carted to the fills.

When it was suggested that the steam shovel might be used in excavating for the log pond at the mill-site Mr. Girard explained that it was not the intention to do much excavating as it was much more practical and far less expense to build a dike to hold the water from the warm springs for a log pond. He quickly convinced the writer that he knew what he was talking about with a few figures which indicated a difference of perhaps \$70,000 in the cost.

It is also reported that work will likely begin in the near future on the change in the Central Oregon highway, permission for which has been granted by the state highway commission. This change is asked in order to run the highway west of the mill site. The new route will continue the same tangent as at present where the new highway connects with the old Geer lane and continue on toward the foothills and skirt the hills until it again converges with the present route below the warm springs.

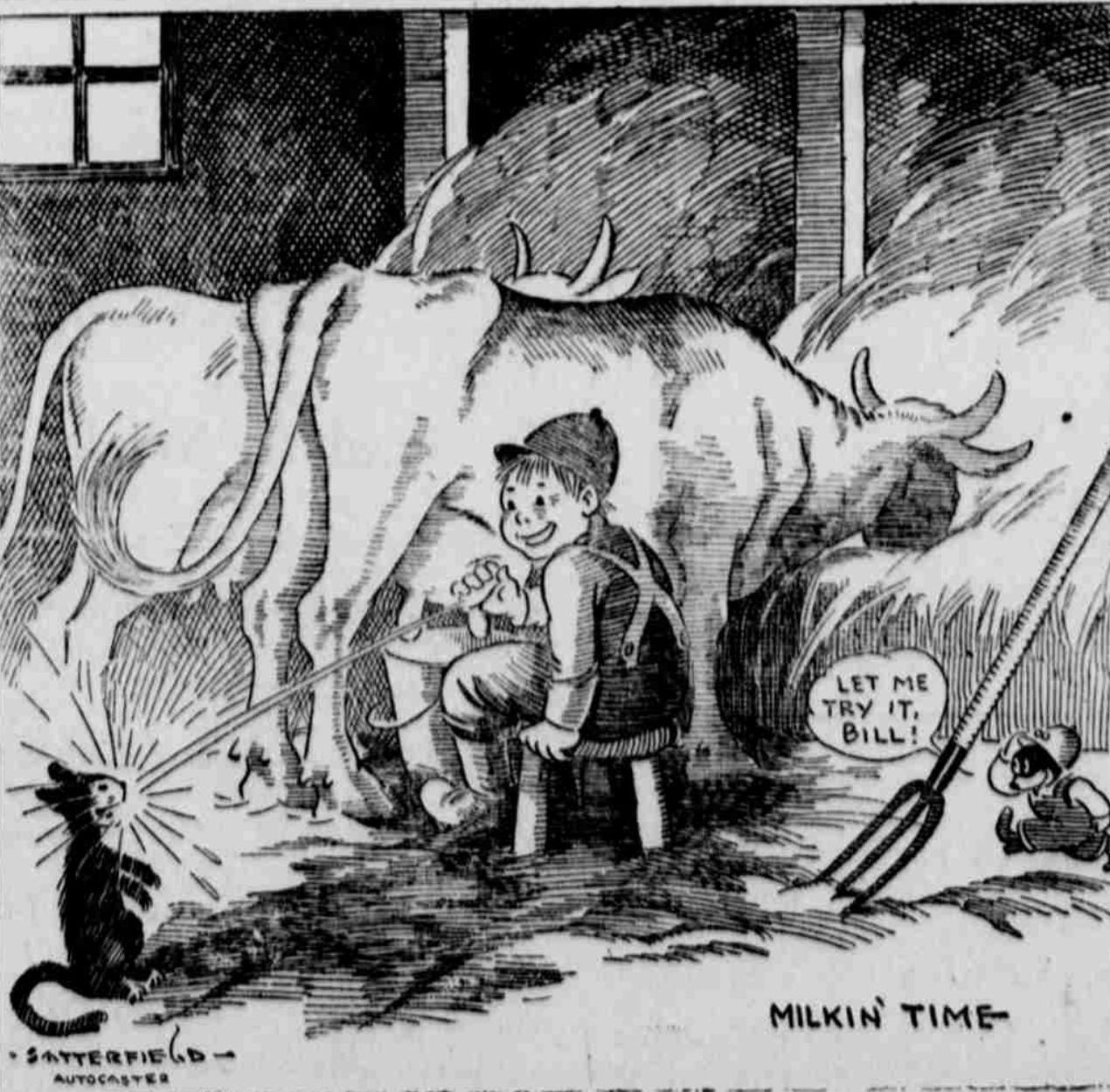
During the week it is stated that several contractors have gone out over the railroad route toward Bear valley and that several stretches of grade have been contracted. James Girard, chief engineer in charge of the Herrick activities having announced to friend that H. A. Arneson had contracted for two miles of heavy construction on the route between Burns and Bear valley. Mr. Arneson was here during the week and has gone out to outside points, presumably to assemble equipment and necessary working force to begin construction work as soon as possible.

Everything points to immediate activity in the railroad building line and things will be humming along in fine shape within the next two weeks.

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WHEN DAD WAS A BOY

BY SATTERFIELD



PLEAD GUILTY TO PROHIBITION VIOLATION

J. H. Tipton and his sister, Mrs. E. J. Brown, entered pleas of guilty in Justice Monroe's court yesterday on charges of violating the prohibition law. They were found with liquor in their possession, also charged with operating a still. They were fined \$150 each.

Prohibition officers Dan Kerfoot and G. W. Pierce have both been in this county this week ready to cooperate with the local officers and the sheriff states they had other suspects lined up but that the bootleggers are so well organized and posted that the officers would have to be sufficient in numbers to make the investigations all at the same time. No other arrests have been made so far this week.

Roy Fugate, associated with Ira N. Gabrielson of the government rodent control department, is in this county investigating conditions and giving the farmers some advice and assistance in the eradication of the ground squirrel pests.