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CITY FATHERS IN REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Donnelly appoints committees.

TREASURER MAKES REPORT

Mass meeting to be held to discuss ways and means to better city water system.

The City Fathers met in regular session on Monday last January 3 1910, Mayor Donnelly presiding also present council men, Hire, Stephenson, Myers, Wood, Portwood and Scott. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The committee on streets to whom was referred the ordinance in regard to licensing drays, asked for more time before making a report.

The Mayor appointed the following committees which were omitted after the last election: Ways and means: Portwood, Stephenson and Wood. Judiciary and elections: Scott, Myers and Stephenson. Licenses: Wood, Hire, and Portwood. Nominations being in order for a City Attorney, Hon. Jay Bowerman was elected to serve without cost to the city. The City Marshal was ordered to see that the doors at the Skating Rink and American Theatre were put in a condition to prevent accident to the public in case of fire. In the matter of reports of city officers. The recorder asked for more time to bring in his report which was granted. The treasurer's report was then read as follows:

Balance on hand	2419.70
July 1 1909	2419.70
Received for water rent	3315.21
Licenses	1317.50
Fines	1134.00
Pasture rent	50.00
Sale of horse	14.00
Rebate on repairs of engine	29.00
Taxes	1499.89
Total	9789.30
Disbursements	
Redeemed warrants	4813.64
Interest on bonds	1536.75
Stamps	14.00
Receipt books	13.70
Cash on hand	3411.21
Total	9789.30
Unredeemed warrants	13,360.23
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July 1 1909	12,079.01
Increased indebtedness for the past 6 months	1,281.22
The usual list of bills were then audited and on resolution by Hire ordered paid:	
Crane Co.	6.00
Arlington Lumber Co	10.40
Michael Foley	3.00
Valvoline Oil Co.	18.90
L. B. Townsend	75.00
W. L. McCaleb	80.00
Condon Electric Co.	279.24
E. A. Wallace	2.50
Home Telephone Co.	3.00
J. W. Hire	4.00
L. B. Townsend	12.50
Recorders salary	10.00
Costs in Recorders Court	9.50
Condon Times	36.00
Freight	4.05
Forward	526.06
Jameison & Marshall	356.03
S. B. Barker Co.	43.30
P. H. Stephenson	30.30
A. Dams	12.50
M. E. Summers	3.25
The Mayor then ordered the recorder to give notice of a mass meeting to be held on Wednesday Jan. 12th. for the purpose of discussing ways and means of putting in a concrete basin and dam at Hay Creek, putting in new pipe down Main St. and taking up an old bond for \$3000 now paying 8 per cent interest. On motion by Scott the meeting adjourned.	

WHY GILLIAM COUNTY NEEDS MORE PEOPLE

The basis of all wealth is land, but this cannot be true unless mankind takes advantage of nature by properly husbanding the soil so that he may acquire that wealth. And we all know that money is the moving factor which turns the wheels of the gigantic industries of our country; and that society is so constituted that we must pay some toll in the nature of taxes to help defray the expenses of the government that guides our financial destiny. These taxes or assessments are paid annually pro rata among the citizens or rather the real and personal property owners of the counties, states or nation as its share of the burden of a lawful society.

The expenses of government amount to ninety million dollars annually it would have to pay by its people directly or indirectly. Therefore, if we have (for illustration) ninety million people and the property owners all have an equal amount of taxable property, they would be compelled to pay a tax of \$1.00 per capita. But now assume, instead, that you have the same conditions but only one million people, your tax would be ninety dollars per head in order to meet the expense of good government.

The same things hold good in the state and county in which you live, as our government is so constituted that we are divided into various districts, and in each locality they carry on their own affairs for the best interests of its people. Gilliam County has its corp of county officers to pay each year for the services they render to the people they represent, and this money must be raised by a levy of tax upon the property owned by its people.

Now then, we will assume, for the sake of argument and illustration, that we have county containing ten thousand acres of land all of which is owned by ten farmers equally; and that the annual county expense is \$10,000 which must be paid by tax payers of this county. Having found the number of acres it contains and the amount of tax that must be raised, we assess the land at \$10.00 per acre and find that it amounts to \$100,000.00. Then we levy a tax of ten mills on every acre of land and we have the \$10,000.00 to meet the expenses of the government in the county. Under this assumed state of facts each farmer would be obliged to pay a tax of \$1,000.00 on the 1,000 acres he owns or \$1.00 per acre. Again we will assume, that instead of ten men and their families residing on these 10,000 acres, we have one family for each 333 1/3 acres or thirty families on 10,000 acres, and that each one of these families erected improvements in the form of good buildings, etc., to the value of \$5,000.00. This would give us twenty times \$5,000.00 or an additional \$100,000.00 to help defray the expenses of our county, and reduce the assessments to one half or five mills to the dollar, making the tax only \$500.00 per capita. These additional people would also have considerable personal property on each place, which would be another factor in causing a reduction of

taxes. In other words, with more people and improvements comes more wealth; and with this follows the lower assessment or levy which we all invite.

What advantage would it be to the cities that depend on such communities? The increase of families would compel every merchant to hire additional help to wait on the new trade which comes out of the legitimate channels of a larger population. Instead of selling \$100.00 worth of provisions to keep life and soul together, the merchants would be compelled to supply \$300.00 worth of goods to the people living in the same territory.

It cannot be denied, as experience has proven, that the more thickly populated farming communities enjoy the greatest prosperity, and have the most ready money at all times of the year. This is brought on directly by farming under the diversified method. These people pay their bills monthly, thereby putting the merchant in a position to purchase goods from the largest manufacturing concerns at the lowest prices and take their discount; they are no longer bowing to the will of the wholesalers that have lent them a line of credit. And last, not least, give the farmers the benefit in prices between the cash and credit system. There is less failure and more contentment under such conditions, for the reason that the purchaser and seller can gauge their wants and meet the conditions that confront them, with prudent and businesslike caution.

It is a well known fact that in many districts of Minnesota and the Dakotas the people have passed through the same stage of development and are now singing words of praise for the new conditions. Under the old system they were battling with the creditors and hunger, but with the advent of modern methods they are blessed with larger houses, spacious barns and other slightly improvements of the kind that has made the New Englander proud of his eastern farm. No longer are they and their children denied the necessary food to live; no longer are they obliged to get down on their knees and beg the merchant to extend them a line of credit; no longer are their homes being sold to satisfy a mortgage which sweeps away the savings of a life time earned by the sweat of the brow and the calloused hands of the hard working ranchers, but to the contrary they are now the possessors of check books of some bank upon which they write orders to the local bankers to pay their money out to those whom they owe. Under this system the farmers have come to their own, and it cannot be said with good grace that they have gotten more than is justly due them, as we know that no other class of people are more deserving of the good fortunes of success than the husbandmen of the soil. From early morning until late at night they toil for success which does not come to them under the one crop and large farm system. We want smaller farms and not larger ones—the kind that requires more intensive

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CITY AND COUNTY TAX LOWER

Decides county court this week.

CO. TAX 6 1-2 MILLS LOWER

Less than one-half of county tax last year—City tax 2 mills lower.

The County Court which has been in session this week levied the following tax for Gilliam County: State, County and School tax, 5 1/2 mills; School district No. 25, 6 mills; City of Condon, 10 mills, making a total of twenty-one and one-half mills for the taxpayers of Condon. The Arlington city tax was fixed at 6 mills.

The total tax of Condon is two mills lower this year than last, last year's tax amounted to 23 1/2 mills including \$20,000 for the building of the Gilliam County High School, which is now completed. The total county tax is 6 1/2 mills less this year than last, amounting to less than half.

Steve Thomas who has been employed by E. C. Rogers in his hotel at Shaniko, came in last night on the Inland Limited.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pauling returned from a trip to Portland Tuesday evening.

Claud Andrews was visiting his family the first of the week and left Wednesday to take a steady run on a freight train out of The Dalles. He is conductor and draws between \$110 and \$135 per month.

Mrs. J. R. Wells and mother-in-law, Mrs. Nendel of Clem, left on Wednesday morning for Portland to assist in caring for Mrs. Jack Wells who is seriously ill.

The Catholic Altar Society will hold a food sale tomorrow afternoon in Mrs. Summers' millinery parlors.

At the Congregational church next Sunday Rev. Mr. Curran will have charge of the pulpit services and preach both morning and evening. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

Jas. Cameron, one of Gilliam County's prominent sheepmen, returned Wednesday from a two week's visit in Portland.

Grant and Walter Wade were business here during the week.

Mrs. A. V. Halstead, who has been spending the past few months in Portland, returned home last evening.

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WINS THE DIAMOND!

No one having guessed the exact number, the nearest to it wins. Mrs. W. W. Reynolds and Mrs. Geo. Osburn both of Gwendolen, having guessed the same number 7050, which is the nearest to the right number are declared winners, and are asked to come to the store together and draw for the diamond ring.

NOTICE.

To my optical patients, who have been so kind as to wait for me until the holidays were over, I would say that I am now ready to take care of them in the most satisfactory manner. I have unpacked my electric Optoloscope and Retinoscope, and to those who wish that kind of examination we will gladly give it or both for that matter, and we guarantee you satisfaction in all cases.

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- Foley's Honey & Tar
- Hoarhound Tar and Wild Cherry Compound
- Coltsfoot Expectorant
- German Syrup
- Kilmer's Cough Cure.

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