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**SHERMAN DEMURS.**

**He Hands the County Court and Bonanza a Warm One.**

Editor Republican:—Taking it for granted that you believe in fair play, I venture to beg the use of some of your space in the hope of getting your readers right respecting the petition which I had the honor to present to the County Commissioners last week, as they are liable to be misled by your article of a recent date. Let me say, at first, the petition was signed by every tax payer to whom it was presented—all but four in the present that I know of having been seen. It is, therefore, fair to say it represents the views of every citizen and tax payer. It asked for the rock-surfacing of the road across Pine Flat and the Low Hill—a mile and a half altogether—and not the whole road between Olona and Dairy, as you put it. It represented that this road is the shortest and best road through the county to the east—used alike by the public and the stages, which is marred only by the bad places on Pine Flat and Low Hill. The freighters from Lakeview, Bly, Paisley and Yainax take this route by preference, because it is far shorter, and, in the main, better than any other. In asking for this improvement, therefore, the people of Dairy precinct are in direct line with the best good of the greatest number who wish to go east or west through the eastern part of the county. Every person who wished to travel from Klamath Falls to Yainax, Bly, Paisley or Lakeview would naturally go by this route, especially if that improvement were made. It is, therefore, only fair to say that this is not merely a local affair, brought up because of local jealousy or rivalry, but for the common good as well as for the best interests of this precinct. In fact, the whole county is interested in securing the shortest and best roads throughout its borders, and that their money shall not be diverted or frittered away upon side lines, even if such a course might possibly advance the interests of certain esteemed gentlemen, who are, possibly, a little more interested in the enhancement of the market value of corner lots than they are in the general welfare of the public. I admit that I was indignant and "hot under the collar" when I heard, from one of the County Commissioners, that an "agreement" had been made by the board with certain esteemed gentlemen living at an ambitious village, some miles from the main road to Lakeview, and an appropriation had been made to improve the roads leading to their "city." "In the interest of harmony." And didn't I have good cause to be hot? True, I have no personal interest at stake. The value of my little home and homestead would not be affected in any event; and I am too old to engage in speculation for the sake, even, of a fortune. But where the public interest is about to be sacrificed it affects me perhaps more deeply than it would a mere money-grabber. And I wrote a letter to Albert Walker, urging him to do what he could to "stop the deal," in which I used some terms that I now regret—impugning the motives of members of the board and denouncing the "unholy agreement." Then I prepared the petition, which was the most popular thing I ever struck. Everybody wanted to sign it, even some men from Bly.

So much for that. Now as to the cost of the improvement. Judge Griffith said it would cost \$15,000 to build the 1½ miles of rock-covered road, as asked for. I beg to differ with him, much as I have been led to respect his judgment in general. I do not believe it will cost more than one-third of that sum, and, if it does, it will be money well spent,

because (1) The roadway need not be built more than one-half as wide as the Altamont roadway, which cost \$10,000 a mile; (2) the rock on that road had to be hauled by wagon from one to three miles, while on this road the rock is close at hand; (3) it must have cost some \$2000 to make the Altamont grade before a rock was placed upon it, while in this case the grading is almost complete as it now is; (4) the county has lately secured new and expensive road-building machinery—which Dairy precinct will have to help pay for—by which such work can be done better and cheaper than before, thereby lessening the cost of such work; and (5) labor and teams can be secured 20 per cent cheaper than they could when the road to Altamont was built, and, besides, the experience obtained in building the Altamont road ought to be worth quite a neat sum. Thus, it is seen, that the position taken by the board, as quoted in your article, that the improvement asked for would "take the entire road fund" is not supported by the facts. The statement was published some months ago in the Klamath Falls newspapers, as coming from Judge Griffith, that this county would spend \$25,000 this summer in the effort to make good roads to Lakeview. The macadamizing of the Low Hill and Pine Flat would be of more service in that line than any other improvement the county could make, at similar expense. Why not act in good faith in this matter? To quote further: "The board will carry out their original plans, which is to improve both roads as much as the money at their disposal will permit." It is hoped that this will be done, but why appropriate \$500 for the roundabout road and not a cent for the direct road that all freighters have been using, are using and will continue to use, let the board do what it will? The phrase "both roads" is good, whether invented by village lot-boomers or the brilliant imagination of the gifted Judge Griffith. It is to laugh.

The members of the county board are welcome to punish me all they like for my indignant protest, but when, by so doing, they lose sight of the public interest and do a public wrong, I submit that it is quite another matter, and a more serious one—for them. There are many other considerations I might submit, but I leave them for the future, if necessary, and subscribe myself,  
C. W. SHERMAN, Sr.  
Dairy, Oregon, May 19, 1909.

**NEWS FROM YONNA.**

Henry Meyer was in Dairy Saturday.  
Chas. Carlson and M. P. Nelson went to the Falls Monday. Mr. Nelson will remain at the Falls, where he will do some carpenter work.  
A birthday dinner which was a very pleasant affair was given in honor of Messrs. Geo. Ritter, Manuel Vierra, W. H. Bliss and E. Egert, whose birthdays all come in May, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Vierra of Yonna last Sunday. For several years they have celebrated their birthdays together, each taking turn in giving the dinner. Those present this year were: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Vierra, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bliss and daughter, Nellie; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Egert and daughter, Louise; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Randles, A. Weidman, Mrs. Sey Pool, Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Beck and family, John and Carl Ritter. Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Bennett of Klamath Falls were also members of the birthday club, and regret very much that they could not be present this year.  
Miss Nellie Bliss from Hildebrand

walked to the Shook ranch Saturday, where her mother is working. She returned Sunday, accompanied by her mother, who came to attend the party at Manuel Vierra's.  
Godfrey Beck and W. H. Bliss went to Bonanza on Tuesday.  
John and Carl Ritter were riding for horses Saturday.  
J. G. Wight returned from the Falls Monday evening.  
Louise and Beulah Flackus visited at the Fitch ranch Sunday.  
Jerry Pearson and Joe Welch, who are working on the road near Yainax, stayed all night at Geo. Ritter's place Monday.  
Silas Clarke, James Logue, Ludwig Sterzl, Orin McCumber, Ernest Nail, Pat Colahan and Emil Flackus were Dairy visitors Saturday.  
G. G. Anderson and E. Arant of Dairy were hauling wood last week.  
Orin McCumber was riding for horses Saturday.  
The rattlesnakes are beginning to come out, as John and Carl Ritter killed one Saturday.  
Eddie Sedge, who underwent an operation for appendicitis while in California, is reported as getting along nicely.  
Sey and Dock Pool and Ed. Wiggins were at Trout Creek last week.  
A dreadful wind storm prevailed in Yonna last Saturday.  
Bert Childers, who has been in Yonna looking after his interests, returned Saturday to the Falls.  
Clas. Drew was riding on the Reservation the past week.  
Geo. Ritter went to the Falls on Monday.  
Mrs. Godfrey Beck is visiting at the home of Mrs. L. A. Sterzl this week.  
Mrs. Rita Randles went to Bonanza Tuesday.  
John Anderson went to the Shook ranch Sunday to get a horse.  
Mr. Vierra is having bad luck with his crops this year again. He is sowing the Fisher field over on account of the wind blowing it out.  
John Ritter is hauling the next year's supply of wood to the Hildebrand school; J. Harris is piling it up.  
A fine lot of thoroughbred Hereford bulls were taken from the Sacramento Valley to the ZX ranch near Silver Lake this week.  
Chas. Hughes and wife stayed at Mr. Vierra's one night this week. They were on their way to Ashland, where the latter will remain. When the former returns he will bring a load of grain for some men at Bly.  
Mr. and Mrs. Adams and Mr. Phillips were guests at the Fitch home Sunday.  
Sam Randles is through putting in the crops on the Childers' place.  
Mrs. L. M. Fitch was in Dairy on Wednesday.  
Carl Adams and his father were in Dairy Monday.  
Dock Pool and Jess Drew were riding for horses at the Reservation on Sunday.  
Ernest Nail, Albert Beck and Wilho Jonas were in Dairy Sunday.  
Wm. Flackus and Godfrey Beck traded horses this week.  
C. C. Pearson and son, Jerry; W. L. Simpson and Jos. Welch came down from the camp, where they had been working on the road, Saturday night. After having a great deal of blacksmith work done, such as horses shod and drills sharpened, they returned to the mountains.  
Adam Weidman went to the Falls Monday to get a load of lumber with which he will build a granary on his place.  
Ivan Welch was in Dairy Saturday evening.  
D. Y. Gray was at Joe Welch's place Sunday to have some blacksmithing done.  
Mr. McCunne, the horse buyer, went to the Reservation Sunday.  
Mrs. August Flackus was visiting her son, Wm. Flackus, Sunday.  
Homer Hutchinson from Klamath Falls stopped at Manuel Vierra's place Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCumber and family went to Trout Creek Sunday.  
Thomas Stanley was looking after his cattle in the Reservation last week.  
Geo. Grizzle and Geo. Smyth were hauling freight to Lakeview last week.  
C. W. Sherman came back from the Falls one day last week.  
Mr. Griffith was at Manuel Vierra's place one day last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCumber were in Dairy Sunday.  
Bessie Randles, Waive Drow and

Bertha Beck were absent from the school Monday.  
Mrs. C. C. Pearson and Mrs. D. Y. Gray were in Dairy Friday.  
Harry Randles stopped school Friday and is now building fence on the Childers' place.  
Messrs. Bassett and Hongland of Bonanza were in the Reservation looking for horses Sunday.  
Mr. Phillips of the Falls stayed all night Sunday at Mrs. L. M. Fitch's. Jess Craven also stopped there Sunday on his way to the Falls.  
D. Y. Gray was at John Lind's place Saturday.  
Joe Sterzl was in Dairy Sunday.  
Mrs. W. L. Simpson was visiting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Pearson Sunday.  
W. H. Bliss has bought a good many things from Godfrey Beck, who intends to leave soon.  
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sterzl were visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rusek's Sunday.  
Work is going on at a wholesale rate on the mountain road north of Yonna. The crew is now working a short distance above the Indians' saw mill. They are blasting out a ridge of rock and have just completed putting in a piece of cordroy at the saw mill. They will work as far as the Scyban river.  
Ivan Welch has been breaking a horse for John Anderson this week.  
Wm. Wight was at Manuel Vierra's Sunday.  
The weather looks cloudy and snow fell both on Monday and Tuesday. It is altogether too cold to be very comfortable.  
Godfrey Beck was hauling shakes from Fred Beck's place to Manuel Vierra's Monday.  
Charles Faith of Bonanza expects to leave for the coast in a few weeks.  
Mrs. Pelterstainer, a former resident of Yonna, has returned to the Falls from Chicago.  
Quite a number of Yonna people will leave for points outside next week. Among those going are: Mr. and Mrs. D. Y. Gray, to Jackson county; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Simpson, to Bandon, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Beck, to Williamette valley; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Randles, to Rogue river valley.

**BOYLE ACCUSES WHITLA RELATIVE**  
MERCER (Pa.), May 11.—Within three hours after James H. Boyle and his wife were sentenced yesterday for the kidnapping of Willie Whittle, Boyle gave out a public, signed statement of the kidnapping of Willie Whittle. In it he accuses Harry Forker, brother-in-law of James P. Whittle, father of Willie Whittle, the kidnapped boy, of having framed the entire plot, and tells of a sensational murder which occurred in Youngstown, Ohio, some years ago. The convicted kidnaper alleges in the statement that for years he has been blackmailing Forker in connection with this crime. To Boyle's charges, both Forker and Whittle make emphatic denials.

Dr. A. A. Depuy arrived in the city last evening from Oakland. The Doctor was anxious to see how great has been the development here during the past two years, and was agreeably surprised with the progress made. He is one of the substantial land owners of the county, and is here primarily to look after his interests in the county. He expects to remain for some time.

Superintendent W. F. Arant left last Friday on his way to Crater Lake, where he will investigate the conditions of the buildings which were injured by the heavy snow last winter. There is still several feet of snow at the camp five miles from the lake.

W. T. Elliott has gone to Vincennes, Indiana, on business connected with property he owns there. He expects to be gone about a month.

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**ROOSEVELT KILLS TWO MORE LIONS**  
NAIROBI, British East Africa, May 5.—Theodore Roosevelt went hunting again yesterday, and before the chase was over two more big lions had fallen before his gun. These animals were encountered and killed in the tall grass.  
Roosevelt now has the record for lion killing in the Protectorate. Since Saturday of last week a total of five lions and one lioness have been bagged by him.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office.  
Lakeview, Ore., May 8, 1909.  
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