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COLUMBIA COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

This paper is published a portion of the report of the experts employed by the District Attorney and the Grand Jury to investigate the books and accounts of ex-sheriff Thompson. In addition to the checks issued by Mr. Thompson for the turnovers of taxes to the assessor and for the necessary expenses of the office, will be found a large number of checks given to private individuals which the experts say do not pertain to tax affairs. The Grand Jury worked on this case for several weeks, adjourning from time to time in order to get more information and finally, after having before them the report of the experts employed by them of all the transactions of the sheriff, voted unanimously not to return an indictment against the ex-officer. The books show that the bonding company who was relied on by Mr. Thompson's bond has repaid to the state the \$2350 of the escheat fund and the sum of \$424.30 to the county to square the tax fund. The experts report shows that there is still a shortage of \$442 in the fund from the redemption of delinquent tax certificates and a demand has been made on the bonding company for this amount, which will without doubt be paid to the county. The fire transaction as it now stands shows that Mr. Thompson, through his bondsmen has made good all shortages or discrepancies, and the bonding company refused to make a commitment against him, the grand jury refused to return an indictment against him, and it appearing that no one is hurt except Mr. Thompson himself, this will perhaps be the last of the reading of the report of the experts published in this issue will be interesting.

Mr. Thompson has many friends in the county who will be pleased with the outcome, and there are many more people who feel that he should be prosecuted criminally. The facts were all before the Grand Jury. They made a thorough investigation. The Grand Jury is composed of citizens from all portions of the county. The bondsmen promptly made payment to the county and the state for all shortages. Mr. Thompson has resigned. No indictment was returned. So far as the county is concerned the incident is closed, but so far as public opinion and sentiment is concerned

the time is somewhat in the distance when the criticism and censure will cease.

We hear complaints continually coming from our business men concerning the mail service between St. Helens and Portland. Since the new schedule of the Railroad Company went into effect more than a month ago, there is no mail out of St. Helens for Portland until 11 o'clock a. m. The train leaving here at 8 o'clock not carrying the mail, or at least no mail is made up from St. Helens office, so that mail matter from St. Helens to Portland does not reach that city until some time after noon and then by the time it is delivered there is no chance to get a reply back until 10 o'clock the next day. It would seem that better service should be provided. Especially in view of the fact that there is a train leaving St. Helens at 8 o'clock in the morning there should by all means be some provision for getting a St. Helens sack on that train. By so doing it would enable our business men to get replies from their letters the same day they were written. Otherwise rush orders and communications must be phoned in to Portland when there is actually no necessity for such an expense. The idea of having a train pass through here without taking on mail is absurd. We have a righteous kick coming and unless some changes are made along this line these kicks will become more and more vigorous and will no doubt be felt by the postal authorities in the near future.

In all portions of St. Helens, with the exception of a few blocks along the business portions, there is a growth of wild grass which is drying up very fast. With the drying up process comes on the danger of a serious fire. Should a fire be started in the dried grass it would be next to impossible to save the buildings and other property in the path of the fire, which would depend entirely on the way the wind was blowing. There is imminent danger of fires from these causes. There is need for immediate action on the part of the authorities to avert such danger. Better get busy before any damage is done. Prevention is better than cure.

There are a number of "has beens" in business in St. Helens who imagine they are yet young enough and spry enough to play the great game of Base Ball. Already steps are being taken to organize these youngsters into a winning team and challenges will soon be issued to the business men of our neighboring cities for the championship of Oregon and Washington. If the business men of Rainier, Clatskanie, Kalama, Kelso, Ridgefield, Woodland or any other neighboring city think they can play ball if they will address a letter to the Mist we will arrange for some interesting fun.

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EXPERTS REPORT

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Jan. 7, 1914	C. C. Nepple	20.00
Jan. 10, 1914	C. C. Nepple	10.00
Jan. 16, 1914	J. Goldie	25.00
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Jan. 21, 1914	J. Goldie	20.00
Jan. 29, 1914	C. C. Nepple	20.00
Feb. 9, 1914	C. C. Nepple	20.00
Feb. 10, 1914	J. Goldie	15.00
Feb. 16, 1914	C. C. Nepple	20.00
Feb. 18, 1914	C. C. Nepple	20.00
Feb. 20, 1914	J. Goldie	25.00
Feb. 21, 1914	C. C. Nepple	25.00
Feb. 24, 1914	J. Goldie	25.00
Feb. 27, 1914	C. C. Nepple	25.00
Feb. 28, 1914	J. Goldie	15.00
Mar. 2, 1914	J. Goldie	2.50
Mar. 7, 1914	C. C. Nepple	15.00
Mar. 13, 1914	J. Goldie	20.00
Mar. 16, 1914	J. Goldie	15.00
Mar. 20, 1914	J. Goldie	20.00
Mar. 31, 1914	The Olympian Company	55.00
Mar. 31, 1914	J. Goldie	15.00
Apr. 4, 1914	The Olympian Company	20.00
	H. Barrett	20.00

Feb. 7-14	7000	Expense's	35.50	J. L. Zipperer	Feb. 11-14
Feb. 7-14	7006	Expense	4.59	J. L. Zipperer	Feb. 11-14
Feb. 28-14	7079	Feb. Salary	116.66	J. L. Zipperer	Mar. 2-14
Mar. 21-14	7255	Mar. Salary	116.66	J. L. Zipperer	Apr. 1-14

3,069.45
 None of the proceeds of the above warrants were deposited in the Columbia County Bank to the credit of A. E. Thompson, Sheriff.

YANKTON NEWS

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Duke Bonney on Thursday evening, July the 2nd, when their daughter, Miss Edna Bonney was united in marriage to Claude Flynn.

The living room was artistically decorated in roses and ferns. The bride wore a shimmering gown of white silk, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses. A reception followed the ceremony and afterwards refreshments were served.

Besides the invited guests a large crowd of the neighbors came in a body to wish them good luck.

John Karth, H. Pomper and two of their friends left last week for Canada where they expect to take a homestead. Their many friends were sorry to see them go.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Moore left Yankton to reside in Idaho.

The new owners of the farm of William Karth are now in possession and are two bachelors from California.

The farm is one of the neatest, prettiest and modern farms in Yankton and is in a high state of cultivation.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Scott, a son.

Fred Briggs had his dairy herd Tubercular tested and all were found in a healthy condition.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Hyde on July 1st, a daughter.

Miss Cassie Wilverding a niece of the Karth Brothers was married in Portland on June 30th in the Sacred Heart Church, to Andrew Kraft of Portland.

Married, Miss Ada Johnson and Clarence Weaver, both of Yankton.

Rudolph Karth went to Portland on business.

Little Edith Thomas, age five

years, was badly burnt about the eyes and face on July the 4th by the explosion of a fire cracker.

Charles Brown and family are visiting relatives near Portland.

Mrs. Joseph Sobisky spent a few weeks visiting relatives near Portland.

Born, to Mrs. Hugh Leiffan, as on Mr. Lieforman was killed in the Masten Logging camp in the early spring.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of Jacob Nussbaumer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above entitled court executrix of the estate of Jacob Nussbaumer, Deceased, and that letters testamentary have been issued to her and she has duly qualified thereunder, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same duly verified to me at Goble, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

EMMA NUSSBAUMER, Executrix
 First publication July 10, 1914.
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