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## K O P

lvy Lodge No. 24, meets every 1st and 3d Thursday night in Bank Hall, Malta. Ed. Pierson, C. C. G. W. Clay, M. P. and K. of R. & S. All members of the order cordially invited.

**MALTA LODGE NO. 57, A F & A M.**  
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Visiting Brethren cordially invited.

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Meets every Wednesday evening. All brethren invited. James Atwood N. G. W. J. Sims, Secretary.

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Meets every 1st and 3d Saturday evening of each month. M. H. Davidson, W. M.; Wm. H. Miller, W. P. Sec'y; Mar. Larson, A. M. Sec'y; W. J. Sec'y; A. Davidson, Treas.  
Visiting brethren cordially invited.

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## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS OF LAST SESSION

### IMPORTANT RESOLUTION PROMULGATED BY BOARD REGARDING BILLS AGAINST COUNTY-SHOEMAKER IS APPOINTED PURCHASING AGENT FOR COUNTY

At 10 o'clock A. M. March 1st 1909. Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, met pursuant to law. Wm. McBride, A. Davidson, James T. Farris, and the Clerk present. Minutes of meeting held December 15th, 1908, and January 4th and 5th, 1909, were read and approved.

Insurance of County Buildings as per policies furnished by F. A. Kerr, all running until January 1912, were examined and found correct, and Clerk ordered to draw warrant for premium as follows:

F. A. Kerr Insurance Premium \$750.00

Board then proceeded to check warrants paid as required by law.

At 12 o'clock noon, on motion Board adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

At 2 o'clock p. m. March 1, 1909, Board resumed all members and the Clerk present.

Matter of having the Clerks of various school districts adopt a uniform form of order for payment of school moneys was discussed, and Clerk instructed to confer with them and put such a system into effect.

Board resumed checking warrants paid.

At 4 o'clock p. m. on motion Board adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. March 2, 1909.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

Wm. McBride, Chairman.

At 9 o'clock a. m. Board of County Commissioners resumed, pursuant to adjournment of 1st. inst. all members and the Clerk present.

Minutes of meeting held March 1st, 1909, were read and approved.

Board proceeded to check warrants.

Board completed checking warrants paid and same were found correct.

Board then proceeded to examine office of County Treasurer and check of cash shows \$68,922.11 cash on hand.

Board then took up auditing of general fund bills and the reports of township officers.

Following Justices of the Peace Reports were examined and approved and bills as shown by page 1 to 3 of Clerk's Register of Claims presented (audited) and warrants ordered drawn for amounts shown allowed on same from numbers 2 to 95:

B. W. Brockway, Justice of Peace, Malta township.

Geo. E. Bolster Justice of Peace, Big Muddy township.

J. T. Farris, Justice of Peace, Hinsdale township.

L. P. Evans, Justice of Peace, Glasgow township.

W. E. Rhodes, Justice of Peace, Glasgow township.

H. F. Hill, Justice of Peace, Springsdale township.

Chas. E. Peterson, Coroner.

At 12 o'clock noon on motion Board adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

At 4 o'clock p. m. on motion Board adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. March 4th, 1909.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

Wm. McBride, Chairman.

At 9 o'clock a. m. March 4, 1909, Board resumed all members and the Clerk present.

On motion the numbers and boundaries of all road districts in Valley County are declared to be as follows:

1. Road District No. 1—Bounded on the west by Chouteau-Valley County line, bounded on the east by Standard parallel, bounded on the south by the range line between ranges 32 and 33 east, bounded on the north as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Twp. 30, N. R. 32 E., thence west to the southwest corner of Sec. 34, Twp. 31, N. R. 31 East, thence north to the northeast corner of section 28, same Twp. and range; thence west to Chouteau-Valley County line.

Road District No. 2—Cottonwood—bounded on the north by the Canadian line, bounded on the west by the Chouteau-Valley Co line, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 32 and 33 east, bounded on the south as follows: Beginning at the SE corner of Twp. 31, N. R. 32 E., thence west to the southwest corner of section 34, Twp. 31, N. R. 31 east, thence north to the southeast corner of section 21, Twp. 31, N. R. 31 E., thence west to Chouteau-Valley Co. line.

Road District No. 3—Leedy—Bounded on the north by Twp. line between Twps. 25 and 26 North, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 34 and 35 east bounded on the south by Missouri River; bounded on the west by Chouteau-Valley Co. line.

Road District No. 4—North Saco—Bounded on the north by Canadian line, bounded on the west by range line between range 32 and 33 east, bounded on the south by the G. N. Railway, bounded on the east by range between ranges 34 and 35 E., beginning at the Canadian line, the Milk River, thence west 1 mile, thence south to the G. Northern Railway.

Road Dist. No. 5—South Saco—Bounded on the west by range line between ranges 32 and 33 east, bounded on the south by Twp. line between Twps. 26 and 27 North, bounded on the North by the G. N. Ry., bounded on the east by the range line between ranges 34 and 35 east, as far north as the 7th Standard parallel, thence north to the G. N. Ry. on the section line between ranges 35 and 36, Twp. 29, R. 84 E. extended.

Road Dist. No. 6—South Hinsdale—Bounded on the North by Milk River, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 37 and 38 east, bounded on the south by Missouri River, bounded on the west by the range line between ranges 34 and 35 east and by the section line between sections 23 and 24, Twp. 32 N. R. 34 E. beginning at the Milk River and extending south to the 12th Standard Parallel.

Road Dist. No. 7—North Glasgow—Bounded on the west by the range line between ranges 37 and 38 E., bounded on the south by Milk River, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 40 and 41 E. the Porepik Creek and by range line between ranges 42 and 43 E., bounded on the north by the Canadian line.

Road Dist. No. 8—South Glasgow—Bounded on the west by range line between ranges 37 and 38 E., bounded on the south by the Missouri River, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 40 and 41 E., bounded on the north by Milk River.

Road Dist. No. 9—Culbertson—Bounded on the north by the 7th Standard parallel, bounded on the west by Ft. Peck Indian Reserve, bounded on the south by Missouri River; bounded on the east by section line between sections 4 and 5, Twp. 28 N. R. 57 E. extended south to the Missouri River.

Road Dist. No. 10—Lanark—Bounded on the south by Missouri River; thence beginning at the Missouri River where the section line between sections 20 and 21 Twp. 27 N. R. 57 E. intersects the same; thence north to the 7th Standard parallel; thence north on range line between ranges 56 and 57 East, to the S. W. corner of Sec. 18, Twp. 30, N. R. 57 E.; thence east to the N. E. corner of Sec. 17, Twp. 30 N. R. 57 E.; thence south to the 7th Standard parallel; thence south on the section line between sections 1 and 2, Twp. 28, N. R. 58 E. M. M. extended on the south line to the Missouri River.

Road Dist. No. 11—Mondak—Bounded on the east by Dakota line, bounded on the south by Missouri River, bounded on the west beginning at a point of intersection of section line between sections 35 and 36, Twp. 37 N. R. 68 E. and the Missouri river; thence running north to the northwest corner of sec. 16, Twp. 30, N. R. 58 E. thence east to the Dakota line.

Road Dist. No. 12—Sheep Creek—Bounded on the west by the Big Muddy, bounded on the south by 7th Standard parallel, bounded on the north by a line beginning at the intersection of the south boundary line of Sec. 17, Twp. 30, N. R. 55 E. with the Big Muddy extended east to the range line between ranges 56 and 57 E., bounded on the east by range line between ranges 56 and 57 E., bounded on the south by reservation line between ranges 55 and 56 E.

Road Dist. No. 13—Plentywood—Bounded on the North by Canadian line, bounded on the east by range line, between ranges 55 and 56 E., bounded on the south by reservation line and the 7th standard parallel, bounded on the west by the range line between ranges 53 and 54 E.

Road Dist. No. 14—Daleview—Bounded on the North by Canadian line, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 53 and 54 E., bounded on the south by the Indian Reserve, bounded on the west by the range line between ranges 50 and 51 E.

Road Dist. No. 15—Nashua—Bounded on the west by the range line between ranges 40 and 41 E., bounded on the east by the Ft. Peck Indian Reservation, bounded on the south by the Missouri River, bounded on the north by the Ft. Peck Indian Reserve.

Road Dist. No. 16—Scobey—Bounded on the north by Canadian line, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 50 and 51 E., bounded on the south by the Ft. Peck Indian Reserve, bounded on the west by range line between ranges 45 and 46 E.

Road Dist. No. 17—Rock Creek East Dist.—Bounded on the east by range line between ranges 57 and 58 E., bounded on the south by Milk River, bounded on the west by Rock Creek, bounded on the north by 8th Standard parallel.

Road Dist. No. 18—Rock Creek West Dist.—Bounded on the east by Rock Creek, bounded on the south by Milk River, bounded on the west by range line between ranges 34 and 35 E., bounded on the north by the 8th standard parallel.

Road Dist. No. 19—Barr—Bounded on the north by the Canadian line, bounded on the east by range line between ranges 37 and 38 E., bounded on the south by the 8th standard parallel, bounded on the west by range line between ranges 34 and 35 E.

Road District No. 20—Medicine Lake—Bounded on the north by Twp. line between twps. 31 and 32 N. beginning at the Dakota line and extending west to the range line between ranges 55 and 56 E., thence north on said range line to the Big Muddy Creek, thence on the west by the said Big Muddy Creek, south to the south line of Sec. 17, Twp. 30, N. R. 55 E., thence east to the Dakota line, thence north to the point of beginning.

Road Dist. No. 21—Dagmar—Bounded on the north by the Canadian line, bounded on the east by Dakota line, bounded on the south by the 8th standard parallel, bounded on the west by range line between ranges 55 and 56 E.

Road Dist. No. 22—Beaver Creek—Bounded on the north by the 7th standard parallel, beginning at the Chouteau-Valley County line and extending east to range line between ranges 32 and 33 E., thence south on said range line to the Twp. line between Twps. 26 and 27 N., thence east on said range line to range between ranges 34 and 35 E., thence south on said range line to Twp. line between ranges 25 and 26 north, thence west on said Twp. line, to the Chouteau county line, thence north to point of beginning.

On motion the quarterly apportionment of money was set aside for the various road districts as follows:

No. 1	\$150 00
" 2	100 00
" 3	100 00
" 4	100 00
" 5	100 00
" 6	100 00
" 7	125 00
" 8	125 00
" 9	125 00
" 10	125 00
" 11	150 00
" 12	125 00
" 13	100 00
" 14	100 00
" 15	100 00
" 16	100 00
" 17	150 00
" 18	50 00
" 19	50 00
" 20	100 00
" 21	100 00
" 22	100 00

**RESOLUTION**  
Resolved, Whereas, There are many bills or statements representing accounts or claims for money due for services rendered, supplies, etc. furnished for Valley County, Montana, submitted and filed, which said bills are incomplete, in their itemized make up and accuracy, which necessitates laborious work, and extra time expended by the Board of Commissioners of said County, in auditing said bills or statements, consuming unnecessary time of said Board of County Commissioners at extra expense of the tax payers of said county, then be it—

Resolved, that from and after this date, March 4th, 1909, all claims for accounts due from said Valley County, Montana, to any and all persons, companies or corporations, shall and the same must be fully itemized, giving date for each item and state the exact meaning and purpose of each bill or claim, and that the Clerk and Recorder is hereby instructed to refuse to receive and file any bills, claims or accounts against said Valley County, Montana, not in conformity to this resolution.

Resolved, that this Board will not receive for consideration any bills or claims not conforming to the requirements of the above resolution, and that the County Clerk and Recorder shall give due and proper notice of these resolutions by publication in the proceedings of this Board in the County Newspaper.

Board then proceeded checking general fund warrants and claims numbered 147 to 129, as shown by Clerk's register Page 4, were audited and acted on as noted.

Report of C. E. Peterson as Coroner for quarter ending Feb. 28, 1909, examined and approved.

At 12 o'clock noon on motion Board adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

At 1 o'clock p. m. March 4, 1909, board resumed, all members and the clerk present.

Pursuant to notice, bids for county printing were opened as follows:

1. Bid—Glasgow Publishing Co. (No c'k enclosed)
2. Bid—Valley County News
3. Bid—Malta Enterprise Pub. Co.
4. Bid—Culbertson Republican

Bid for \$88,000 4 per cent bonds were opened as follows:

1. McCoy & Co., Chicago, Ill. (No c'k enclosed)
2. C. H. Coffin
3. Seasingwood & Mayer, Cincinnati, (No c'k enclosed)
4. John Nuveen & Co., Chicago, Ill.
5. N. W. Halsey & Co. " " bid on 4 1/2 per cent bonds
6. Harris Trust Co. " " bid on 4 1/2 per cent bonds
7. Wooden McNear & Moore " " bid on 4 1/2 per cent bonds
8. James H. Casey & Co., Denver, 4 per cent bond \$6925.00 Cony.

On motion all bids except the one submitted by John Nuveen & Co., of Chicago, Ill., as shown on No. 4 be rejected, and the bid of said John Nuveen & Co. be referred to the county attorney for advice—carried.

On motion the bid of the Glasgow Pub. Co. not considered because same did not conform to call, in that no certified check was enclosed as required by call.

After considering bids submitted and comparing figures on motion of A. Davidson and second of J. T. Farris, the contract for printing was awarded to The Malta Enterprise Pub. Co. for the ensuing year.

On motion of J. T. Farris and second of A. Davidson, bid of John Nuveen & Co., of Chicago, Ill., of \$88,000.00 4 per cent refunding bonds of Valley County, Montana, bonds to be dated April 1, 1909 and due April 1st, 1929, in denominations of \$1000.00 each—principal and interest payable at the office of Kountze Bros., Bankers P. O. 1807, New York, N. Y. if satisfactory to bidder.

On motion of J. T. Farris Bill No. 160 of March series in favor of James McManus was turned over to treasurer with instructions to pay amount

## THE ST. MARY--MILK RIVER TREATY IS REALLY SETTLED

### ABOUT THE LAST ACT OF THE SIXTIETH CONGRESS WAS TO RATIFY THE TREATY, RECENTLY MADE BY A JOINT COMMISSION--NELSON AND LEWIS SEE BALLINGER

Just a few hours before the close of the 60th Congress when the galleries were being filled for the inaugural ceremonies the Senate went into executive session and within twenty minutes the treaty with Great Britain was ratified, thus settling the long standing controversy over the use of the waters of the Milk and St. Mary's Rivers. The text of the treaty on that subject is as follows:

"The High Contracting Parties agree that the St. Mary's and Milk Rivers and their tributaries (in the State of Montana and the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan) are to be treated as one stream for the purposes of irrigation and power, and the waters thereof shall be apportioned equally between the two countries, but in making such equal apportionment more than half may be taken from one river and less than half from the other by either country so as to afford a more beneficial use to each. It is further agreed that in the division of such waters during the irrigation season, between the first of April and 31st of October, inclusive annually, the United States is entitled to a prior appropriation of 500 cubic feet per second of the waters of the Milk River, or so much of such amount as constitutes three fourths of its natural flow, and that Canada is entitled to a prior appropriation of 500 cubic per second of the flow of the St. Marys River, or so much of such amount as constitutes three fourths of its natural flow.

The International Joint Commission referred to is to consist of six Commissioners, three on the Part of each Government.

In order to settle a contention which arose with reference to the Sault St. Marie the resolution adopting the treaty announced an understanding by the United States which in effect was a conditional ratification as to whose waters. It is believed that the British Government will accept the treaty thus ratified but the exchanges have not been made and therefore a little doubt hinges over the subject. It is confidently believed, however, that Great Britain will exchange ratifications on the understanding announced by the United States. This will remove a great obstacle which has always stood in the way of success of the Milk River Irrigation project. The Montana delegation has worked earnestly for many years to bring about this result. \$1,000,000 was set aside some years ago to complete the canal from St. Mary's to Milk River but it could not be used safely on account of the ability of Canada to take the water out of the Milk River after it had been drawn into that stream through the proposed canal. Meanwhile the Sun River and the Yellowstone Valley projects have been pushed along. All projects in the Yellowstone are practically complete and this leaves the whole force to be now concentrated on the Milk River and the completion of the Sun River project.

H. H. Nelson of Vandalia and J. M. Lewis, a banker at Glasgow, have been here conferring with the Reclamation Service and the new Secretary on the building of the Vandalia dam and a canal to divert the waters from the same. Director Newell of the Reclamation Service was unwilling to go ahead until the new Secretary came in. The Montana delegation went with the party to see Mr. Ballinger the first day he appeared at his desk explaining the whole affair to him and were encouraged to believe that he would approve the progressive movement. In short all indications point to an active reclamation campaign in northern Montana henceforth.

The channel of the Milk River in Canada may be used at the convenience of the United States for the conveyance, while passing through Canadian territory, of waters diverted from the St. Mary's River. The provisions of Article II of this treaty shall apply to any injury resulting to property in Canada from the conveyance of such waters through the Milk River.

The measurement and apportionment of the water to be used by each country shall from time to time be made jointly by the properly constituted reclamation officers of the United States and the properly constituted irrigation officers of His Majesty under the direction of the International Joint Commission".

## INTERESTING AND NEWSY ITEMS

E. Suter and L. Garnatz, formerly proprietors of the O. K. restaurant are building shacks on their claims northeast of this city this week.

During the session of the Eleventh legislative assembly the bill to divide Flathead county into two counties—Lincoln and Flathead—was signed by Governor Norris and Lincoln county takes its place in the roster as the 28th county in Montana.

Enormous losses of sheep are reported from Wyoming in the Red desert districts as a result of the deep snow and the inability of the sheep to get food. One flock master, it is said has lost 5,000 and in other bands the losses are 50 per cent of the bands.

The Valley County Holiness Association was formed at Nashua last Saturday by Rev. W. C. Ehlers, Superintendent of the Northwestern Holiness Association. Thos. D. White, of Nashua, was appointed president, and Rev. H. G. Cowan, of Cowan, leader of the work at his place.

The Malta Cornet Band under the leadership of Prof. T. M. Facey, will give a grand concert and dance at Saco on Thursday, March 25th, in Taylor's hall. The band boys will be ably assisted in the concert by Miss Caselberg, Miss Elizabeth Kilduff and Miss Grace Mcgregor. The band has made quite a reputation in the short time it has existed, and will no doubt please the Saco people, who have promised to give them a rousing reception on the night of the concert. Quite a large delegation of Malta citizens will accompany the band.

Mrs. Mary Jones was at Glasgow on a business last Friday.

A fine homestead location near Malta under the ditch—Harry Cosner will tell you all about it.

At the Methodist Church, Friday, March 12, '09, a very quiet, but pretty wedding took place, when the Pastor Homer F. Cox spoke the words that united for life Oscar J. Robb and May Reed of Dodson. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bob. Smith who acted as best man and lady to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Robb will reside at our neighboring town of Wagner. Here's wishing them a long and happy journey through life. This no doubt, will be a surprise to their friends, but so they had planned it to be.—Contributed.

A. C. McClurg and Co., well known publishers, are calling the attention of Montanans to a new work entitled "Montana, the Land of Shining Mountains", written by Katherine B. Judson which will be ready for distribution in April. The publishers state that the book will be a notable addition to the literature of the State, beginning as it does with Montana before it was known to the white men. The book is an elementary history of the state from the exploring trip of Lewis and Clark down to about 1880. The closing chapters in the book are devoted to legends on the various tribes of Montana Indians. There will no doubt be a large demand for this book when it is placed on the market for through a suggestion of Mr. Swetland of Kalspell, it has been adopted for use in the public schools of the State.