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Come to Malta to Celebrate Independence Day July Fifth

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CULBERTSON AND MALTA WILL VOTE ON INCORPORATION ON TUESDAY, JULY 20TH—SEVERAL CONTRACTS FOR STEEL BRIDGES LET—NEW ROADS OPENED

At 10 o'clock a. m. June 7th, 1909, Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, met pursuant to law, W. McBride, A. Davidson, J. T. Farris and the Clerk present.

Minutes of meeting held March 19, and April 15, 1909, read and approved.

Board proceeded to examine General Fund Bills and Claims No. 1 to 53 inclusive as shown on Clerk and Recorder's Record of Claims allowed. See pages 8 and 9.

Report of M. P. Chester, Justice of the Peace Hinsdale township for quarter ending May 31, 1909, examined and approved.

Report of H. W. Brockway Justice of the Peace, Malta township for quarter ending May 31st, 1909, examined and approved.

Report of L. P. Evans, Justice of the Peace Glasgow township, for quarter ending May 31st, 1909, examined and approved.

Report of H. B. Hill, Justice of the Peace, Springdale township, for quarter ending May 31, 1909, examined and approved.

Report of W. Mathews, Justice of the Peace, Culbertson township, for quarter ending May 31, 1909, examined and approved.

Petition for incorporation of town of Culbertson was turned over to County Attorney for his advice.

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. June 7th, 1909, Board resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

County Attorney returned the papers of Incorporation presented by the citizens of the towns of Culbertson and Malta and stated that in his opinion contain all the information and otherwise conform to the requirements of the law, and on motion petition was granted, H. D. Edmonds appointed to take the census of the town of Culbertson, and Harry Cosner appointed to take the census of the town of Malta, as required by law.

Board then proceeded to audit General Fund Bills and Claims No. 54 to 71 inclusive as shown on Clerk and Recorder's Register of Claims allowed; page 9, were acted on as noted therein.

Report of Nicholas Bruegger, Justice of the Peace, Springdale township for quarter ending May 31, 1909, examined and approved.

At 4 o'clock p. m. on motion Board adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. June 8, 1909.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

Wm. McBride, Chairman.

At 10 o'clock a. m. June 8th, 1909, Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

Minutes of meeting held June 7th, 1909, were read and approved.

On motion of W. McBride and second of J. T. Farris, Hon. A. Davidson is hereby appointed a member of Dry Farming Congress.

Board proceeded to audit General Fund Bills Nos. 71 to 104 inclusive as shown on Clerk and Recorder's Register of Claims allowed on pages 9 and 10 and same were acted on as shown therein.

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. June 8th, Board resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

Board resumed checking General Fund Bills, and bills numbered 104 to 251 as shown on pages 10 to 13 inclusive of Clerk and Recorder's Register of Claims allowed as noted therein.

Bond of First National Bank of Glasgow for custody of County Funds was examined and approved.

Report of W. E. Rhodes, Justice of the Peace, Glasgow Twp. for quarter ending May 31st, 1909, was examined and approved.

At 4 o'clock p. m. on motion Board adjourned until 10 o'clock p. m. June 9th, 1909.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

Wm. McBride, Chairman.

At 1:30 p. m. June 9th, 1909, Board resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

Minutes of meeting held June 8, 1909, were read and approved.

Board proceeded to check bills as shown on Clerk and Recorder's Register of Claims allowed, 15 and 16, numbered 261 to 349, inclusive and same were acted on as noted below.

At 10 o'clock noon, on motion Board adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

At 1:30 p. m. June 9, 1909, Board resumed; all members and the Clerk present.

At 2 o'clock p. m. bids for bridge work as per advertisement were opened as shown below.

1. Jay L. Lytle—\$705.50 and \$681.50—No check enclosed.

2. Bid of C. G. Sheely Contracting Co. for six bridges as per advertisement and plans and specifications submitted.....\$16,500.00

3. Bid of Midland Bridge Co.—Six bridges complete.....\$16,987.00

4. Bid of O. E. Peppard—Six bridges complete.....\$15,500.00

5. Bid of A. Y. Bayne & Co.—Six bridges complete.....\$15,728.00

Steel with Steel Joists.....\$12,965.00

Combination Steel.....\$14,533.00

6. Hennipin Bridge Company and Central States Bridge Co.—Six bridges complete.....\$12,526.00

After carefully examining all bids submitted and comparing plans, on motion the contract for the Hinsdale bridge at \$6,318.00 was awarded to Central States Bridge Co., and the contract for Beaver Creek, Duck Creek, Boyd Crossing, Little

Muddy and Plentywood Bridges was awarded to Hennipin Bridge Co. at \$7,682.00.

At 4 o'clock p. m. on motion Board adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. June 10, 1909.

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk.

Wm. McBride, Chairman.

At 10 o'clock a. m. June 10th, 1909, Board of County Commissioners of Valley County, Montana, resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

Minutes of meeting held June 9th, 1909, were read and approved.

Bills numbered 350 to 386 were examined and acted on as noted on page 16 of Clerk and Recorder's Register of Claims allowed.

WHEREAS, on the 7th day of June, 1909, there was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of this county a petition duly signed and in the form required by law, which petition prayed the Board of County Commissioners to order a census taken of the inhabitants of the territory described in the said petition and in the map attached to said petition and to take such other steps necessary in order to incorporate said territory as a town under the name of the town of Culbertson and whereas, the Board of County Commissioners, after considering said petition and finding the same to be in legal form and signed by more than fifty qualified electors residing within the boundaries of said territory proposed to be incorporated, did on the 7th day of June 1909, appoint H. D. Edmonds of Culbertson, Montana, to take a census of the inhabitants of said territory described in said petition and, whereas, the said H. D. Edmonds of Culbertson, Montana, did on the 8th, 9th and 10th days of June, 1909, take such census and thereafter filed the same with the Board of County Commissioners together with his affidavit showing that the same was properly and legally taken and, whereas, it appears from said census that there are more than three hundred inhabitants in the territory described in said petition, it is therefore ordered that an election by all the qualified electors residing in the territory described in said petition be, and the same hereby is, called for the purpose of voting on the question of the incorporation of the territory so described, said election to be held at Stevens' Hall in Block 20, Culbertson, Valley County, Montana, within the territory described in said petition, said election to be held on the 20th day of July 1909.

At said election the following named persons are hereby appointed to act as judges of election, namely:

Louis Johnson, G. W. Tanner, I. L. Brooks, Thos. Courchene, F. S. Reed and the following named persons are hereby appointed to act as clerks of said election, namely, Frank D. McCormick, H. D. Edmonds.

It is hereby further ordered that notice of said election be given by publication thereof in "The Republican", a newspaper published within the limits of the territory described in said petition, which notice shall be published for at least thirty days immediately prior to the date of said election.

The territory described in said petition and to vote upon the incorporation of which said election is ordered to be held, is described as follows:

That part of sections twenty-nine and thirty-two in township twenty-eight North range fifty-six East M. M. which is bounded by a line commencing at a point at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of said section twenty-nine, thence running due south on the section line a distance of 3400 feet to a point on the section line between sections 32 and 31 in said township 4 feet due south of the south boundary line of the right of way of the Great Northern Railway Company, thence running in an easterly direction parallel with and distant 4 feet from the south boundary line of said right of way to a point 4 feet due south of the point where said south boundary line of said right of way intersects with the section line between said section 29 and section 28 of said township, thence due north along said section line between said sections 29 and 28 to the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section 29, thence due west about 80 rods to the northwest corner of the southeast quarter of said section 29, thence due west about 80 rods to the northwest corner of the southeast quarter of said section 29, thence due south to the north boundary line of Nugent's first addition to the town of Culbertson, according to the official plat thereof filed for record and recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of said Valley County, thence due west along said north boundary line of said Nugent's first addition to the town of Culbertson, about 80 rods to the northwest corner of said Nugent's first addition, thence due north to the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of said section 29, thence due west to point of beginning.

AND, WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of June 1909, there was filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of this county a petition duly signed and in the form required by law, which petition prayed the Board of County Commissioners to order a census taken of the inhabitants of the territory described in the said petition and to take such other steps necessary in order to incorporate said territory as a town under the name of the Town of Malta, and, whereas, the Board of County Commissioners, after considering said petition and finding the same to be in legal form and signed by more than fifty qualified electors residing within the boundaries of said territory proposed to be incorporated, did on the 7th day of

JULY FIFTH AT MALTA

Preparations are practically all completed for holding the Fourth of July celebration in this city on Monday July 5th. The large colored posters, printed by THE ENTERPRISE, have been distributed throughout the country and judging from the many inquiries, Malta will certainly entertain a large crowd on that day.

The following is the program which will be carried out to a minute in every detail, especially the horse racing part of the program. Every race will be called at the time advertised, if the horses and riders entered are not at the starting point on time, their entrance fee will be forfeited. All those desiring to enter horses in the races must book them with some member of the committee in charge of the celebration by noon on Monday July 5th.

Parade: At 10 A. M. sharp a parade will be formed in front of R. V. Tucker's residence on Main Street. Headed by the Famous Malta Cornet Band the line of march will be as follows:

Band; speakers of the day; a float representing the state of Montana and all her counties, by 27 little children; civic and fraternal orders; artistic floats, representing the various business houses; citizens in carriages and on horseback; prize calithumpians and fantastic rag-a-muffins; citizens on foot. The parade will march up Main Street to railroad crossing, thence across track south to Front Street, down Front Street to Cosner Avenue, thence south to the race track where the exercises will be held.

The exercises will consist of singing, speaking and music by the band.

From 12 M. to 2 o'clock P. M., dinner will be served at all the hotels and restaurants.

- 2 00 P. M. 1/2 mile dash, five to enter 3 to start, Purse \$50
- Entrance fee 10 per cent of purse. 2 best out of 3
- 2 15 " 300 yard dash for ponies. Purse \$15.00. First prize \$10. 2nd \$5. Entrance fee 10 per cent of Purse.
- 2 35 " Farmers race—at starters signal horses must be harnessed and hitched to lumber wagon without any assistance and raced 1/2 mile. Purse \$15. First \$10, 2nd \$5.
- 2 55 " Second heat of 1/2 mile dash
- 3 10 " Boy's pony race, free for all boys under 12 years; Purse \$5.
- 3 25 " Cowboy race, 5 to enter 3 to start 1/2 mile dash. Purse \$15. Entrance fee 10 per cent of purse.
- 3 45 " Third heat of 1/2 mile dash.
- 4 00 " Base ball game between Malta and any outside club in the state for a purse of \$25.

The following field sports will be pulled off immediately after the horse races:

- Men's 100 yard dash, free for all, prize \$5.
 - Boys 50 " " under 12 years of age, prize \$3.
 - Girls 50 " " under 12 years of age, prize \$3.
 - Sack race for boys under 12 years of age, prize \$3.
 - Potato race for children under 12 years of age, prize \$3.
 - 3 legged race for boys under 12 years of age, prize \$3.
- The exercises of the afternoon will wind up with a whirl wind bucking broncho contest for which a prize of \$15 will be given. In the evening a grand ball will be given by the Malta Cornet Band.

June, 1909, appoint Harry Cosner of Malta, Montana, to take a census of the inhabitants of said territory described in said petition, and, whereas, the said Harry Cosner of Malta, Montana, took such census, and thereafter filed the same with the Board of County Commissioners, together with his affidavit showing that the same was properly and legally taken, and, whereas, it appears from said census that there are more than three hundred inhabitants in the territory described in said petition, it is therefore ordered that an election by all the qualified electors residing in the territory described in said petition be, and the same hereby is, called for the purpose of voting on the question of the incorporation of the territory so described, said election to be held at the county jail in the townsite of Malta, Montana, within the territory described in said petition, said election to be held on the 20th day of July, 1909.

At said election the following named persons are hereby appointed to act as judges of election, namely: K. M. Trafton, John Survant, P. H. Caselberg, J. F. Kilduff, A. P. Ritchie and the following named persons are hereby appointed to act as Clerks of said election, namely, Wm. McLellan and John A. Tressler.

It is further ordered that notice of said election be given by publication thereof in "The Enterprise", a newspaper published within the limits of the territory described in said petition, which notice shall be published for at least thirty days immediately prior to the day of said election.

The territory described in said petition and to vote upon the incorporation of which said election is ordered to be held, is described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the southwest (1/4) quarter of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section eighteen (18), township thirty (30) north of range thirty (30) east, Montana, Meridian, thence east one (1) mile to the southeast corner of the southwest quarter (1/4) of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section seventeen (17); thence north one (1) mile to the southeast corner of the southwest quarter (1/4) of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section eight (8), thence west one (1) mile to the southeast corner of the southwest quarter (1/4) of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section seven (7); thence south one (1) mile to place of beginning.

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. June 10, 1909, Board resumed, all members and the Clerk present.

Following officers reports were examined and approved:

W. B. Shoemaker, Clerk and Recorder; S. C. Small, Sheriff; C. C. Beede, Clerk of Court; Chas. E. Peterson, Coroner; for quarter ending May 31, 1909.

F. D. Hobbs, report of Poor for quarter ending May 31, 1909, approved.

Following Road Supervisors' Reports approved: Louis Frank Dist. No. 3; Joseph W. Bell, Dist. No. 4; Henry Hawkins, Dist. No. 6; T. G. Mooney Dist. No. 7; E. A. Cutting, Dist. No. 8; James Forsyth, Dist. No. 9; Charley Johnson, Dist. No. 10; Frank Compton, Dist. No. 12; C. A. Hodges, Dist. No. 13; Hans P. Madson, Dist. No. 14; C. E. Stevens, Dist. No. 15; Frank Kier, Dist. No. 16; Anders Rasmussen, Dist. No. 17; G. E. Martin, Dist. No. 18; O. B. McCabe, Dist. No. 20; Jack Shildas, Dist. No. 11; Edvig Rasmussen, Dist. No. 21; J. W. Miller, Dist. No. 22.

Matter of Justice of the Peace was taken up. On motion R. M. Reichel is hereby appointed Justice of the Peace Malta township.

On motion Chas T. Eline and Tap Minniek is hereby appointed Justice of the Peace, Saco Twp. and Lee Minniek, constable of said Twp.

On motion Julius Weber is hereby appointed Justice of the Peace and G. H. Adams constable of Hinsdale Twp.

On motion W. E. Rhodes is hereby appointed Justice of the Peace Glasgow Twp.

On motion W. Mathews is hereby appointed Justice of the Peace Culbertson Twp.

On motion L. W. Wells is hereby appointed constable Springdale Twp.

On motion \$500.00 is hereby appropriated for advertising and \$250.00 to use of Dry Farming Congress subject to call of proper officers.

On motion clerk and recorder was instructed to examine accounts of various Road Supervisors, and notify them of balances to their credit or debit as the case might be.

On motion J. W. Dale is hereby appointed for one year term and J. H. Atwood for two year term as Board of Educational Examiners.

At 12 o'clock noon on motion Board adjourned

NEWSY ITEMS OF MALTA AND THIS VICINITY

RAIN, THUNDER, LIGHTNING, HAIL AND WIND VISITED THIS PROSPEROUS COMMUNITY EARLY SUNDAY MORNING AND DID SOME DAMAGE

Wanted.—Horses to pasture, Frank Whitmore, Malta, Mont.

Chas. Thomas is erecting a house on his claim northeast of town.

Mrs. Wm. McLellan is entertaining St. Mary's Guild this afternoon.

Rev. H. G. Cowan went to Naslua to preach on Sunday but was rained out.

R. D. Morton and family of Bayfield, Wis., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. White.

Mrs. Ben Stevens of Dodson, is at the home of Mrs. J. A. Ebaugh receiving medical treatment.

George Chambers Jr., is at home from Livingston after graduating from the High School in that city.

J.C. Duff of Chinook, has recently been admitted to the bar to practice law in all courts in the state.

Mrs. J. F. Kilduff and Miss Margaret Kilduff are in Great Falls attending the State Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Lost.—A Road Tax Cash Receipt Book. Finder will please leave it at the Malta P. O.

W. H. Garland.

Cecil Taylor of Saco attended the meeting of the Lower Milk River Water Users Association held in this city yesterday.

John Suter of Omeme, N. D., is among the late arrivals in Malta. Mr. Suter comes for the purpose of taking up a homestead.

Hon. J. L. Truscott of Glasgow, was in Malta yesterday to attend a meeting of the directors of the Lower Milk River Water Users' Association.

Mrs. Helen M. Hickey of Decatur, Texas, mother of Prof. Atwood reached Malta Thursday and will visit with her son and family for a number of months.

Wanted.—Good Single Driving Horse, sound and gentle; weight ten to twelve hundred pounds. Enquire at Chambers' Hardware and Furniture Store.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Crawford who formerly lived here will be interested to learn that they have removed from Vancouver, Wash., to Hamilton, Wash.

Estrayed.—Roan Gelding about 9 years old, weighing 800 pounds. G dot on right shoulder and bar cross on right thigh. Leave word at Koke's Harness Shop.

Alaska, the land of ice and snow, as most people think of it has a large collection of pressed wild flowers in exhibit in the Arctic Brotherhood building at the Seattle World's Fair.

Al. Southwick, from Minnesota, reached Malta the latter part of last week, bringing a car of machinery, furniture and stock which he will remove to the claim filed upon last fall.

William H. Seward's colonial residence at Auburn, N. Y. has been reproduced as the N. Y. State Building at the Seattle Exposition. It was through Seward's work that Alaska was purchased by United States.

Large clam shells, one of which was used in a Philippine Church as baptismal font and another used for a punch bowl, both silver, mounted by natives are to be seen in the Philippine building at the A-Y-P. Exposition at Seattle.

Last week, Paul Schroeder and P. Peterson moved J. A. Tressler's law office on Front St. a short distance and this week are moving L. Hirschowitz store building at Dodson from the lots on which it was built to Mr. Hirschowitz own lots in another part of the town.

Come to Malta to celebrate July 4th and be assured of a good time.

Mrs. Dr. Williams of Harlem, was in Malta between trains on Saturday.

Miss Mabel Peck visited with friends in Glasgow the latter part of last week.

Norval Wallace and Joe Reynolds of Leedy, were business visitors in Malta last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Butts of Leedy, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ott, Cassady last Saturday.

E. M. Prouty of St. Paul, reached Malta last week and will spend his vacation on the Lazy P ranch with his brother, Macey Prouty.

Representatives of the St. Paul Jobbing Houses and manufacturers are a day late on their trip and will not reach Malta until tomorrow sometime.

Andrew Erickson, an aged resident of Dodson, died of general debility in that city Monday night. Mrs. Swanson, a daughter of the deceased living at Wagner, had recently brought her father from Minneapolis where he had been on a visit in very poor health, hoping change of climate might benefit him, but he lived only a few days after reaching Dodson. Up to the time of going to press we are unable to learn when the funeral will be held.

For a number of weeks past, Frank Lampman's store building on Front street has been undergoing marked improvements. The interior has been entirely changed, new floors laid, the walls and ceilings newly finished and decorated, and altogether, it presents an attractive and up-to-date appearance. As soon as it is ready for occupancy, Edw. White will move into it with his saloon business from the North Side, having leased the property for a number of years.

Last Wednesday night Malta and vicinity was visited by one of the worst electric storms experienced in many years. The heavy rain accompanying the storm did no damage, but the lightning played havoc with the lives of some live stock. It killed a saddle horse belonging to R. V. Tucker, killed one of C. W. Powell's best cows, frightened a bunch of Ed. Pierson's horses so that a number of them ran into a barbed wire fence and were badly cut and torn, and also killed a couple of horses belonging to ranchers at Saco. It was not, however, until Saturday night or early Sunday morning that the worst storm came, when the elements united in an ecstasy of revelry in sending rain, hail, lightning and wind with such violent force and in such quantities as to cause considerable damage to crops and gardens. In some parts of the county the amount of rainfall resembled a cloud burst, low lands were submerged, conlees were filled and the waters of Milk River reached a high water mark. A number of gardens were completely demolished with the hail and the wind that followed. Generally, growing crops of grain and corn were not damaged. However, it is reported that Wilfrid Primeau, living about six miles east of Malta, had about ninety acres of grain destroyed and it is estimated that twenty-five acres of grain on one of Professor Atwood's ranches was also cut down. Aside from the loss sustained by a few, the rainfall which has been followed by warm, sunny days, has done an inestimable amount of good, and vegetation in the entire Milk River Valley is very luxuriant and promises a greater yield than for many years.