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COUNTY FINANCES

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SHERIFF

The office of county sheriff is not a sinecure—as the mad rush for the office in years past would seem to indicate.

The sheriff's duties are many, his responsibility great, and his salary small in comparison with the work required.

A sheriff is an officer of the court, largely subservient to the court's direction and orders, particularly in criminal matters and in the service of summonses, subpoenas, writs, orders, etc. He acts as an assistant to the prosecuting attorney and corner when asked or needed. And while he is busily engaged in trying to locate John Doe or some other much-wanted individual he may be interrupted by any of the numerous attorneys to serve a civil paper, and thereby earn for the county the princely sum of 60 to 90 cents in service fees. Between times he can feed his prisoners, answer the many freak letters which always come to the sheriff, talk business to lawyers, show visitors through the jail, answer the telephone, hunt up penitentiary escapes, assist the United States immigration officers, courteously welcome the taxpayer who hasn't been in town for three years, find out how much personal tax Richard Roe owed for last year, cuss the trusty who is loafing on his job of mowing the lawn, keep track of his sheriff's sales scheduled for five to eight weeks ahead, see that the prisoners all take their bath and that their usual accumulation of jackknives, saws and old spoons is collected from them, and do any of the many other little things which take no time or ability to handle.

By the time the sheriff has attended to all these things, put out the dog, wound up the clock, and satisfied himself that the jail will not be torn down during the night, he can go home and rest until he is suddenly called out to take some malefactor in charge.

The sheriff draws \$1600 a year salary; first deputy \$90 a month; second deputy \$80 a month; assistants get \$3 a day per day when used.

The sheriff can arrest by warrant from the courts; when without a warrant, he takes the same chances as any peace officer in making arrests—he must be sure of his ground, or take the chance of suit for false arrest and imprisonment. In making arrests he takes chances on his life, and in holding prisoners in jail is always taking a chance of life. He is responsible for the appearance of prisoners, and can make such jail rules as will protect him in keeping them.

A sheriff can make his expenses big or small in many cases, depending on his sincerity and business ability. He can employ an army of deputies over the county to serve his papers for him, or he can make services direct when the expenses may thus be cut. In former days every sheriff had his corps of political workers over the county as deputies, but of late this practice has been cut out, and now most service is made by the regular office force or by mail to a resident deputy.

The automobile has greatly cut the cost of sheriff's travel, besides requiring less men for the work. Trips that formerly took three days are now made in one day, doing away with the old expense of team hire, cost of hotel and stable over night, extra meals, etc. By arrangement with the commissioners, the sheriff in 1913 used his own automobile for several months, and thereby saved the county nearly \$1000 in traveling expenses. This plan was condemned by the state accountants, but the money was saved to this county just the same.

Following is the tabulated expense of conducting the sheriff's office and jail for the last seven years, as shown by the auditor's annual reports; also the receipts of the office:

Year	Sheriff's Office	Jail Cost	Total	Receipts
1907	\$5674	\$ 742	\$6416	\$ 425
1908	5917	1274	7191	664
1909	6332	1000	7332	984
1910	7527	1152 (5)	8682	874
1911	7896 (a)	1576 (7)	9472	1486
1912	6323 (b)	1247 (7)	7570	1350
1913	6587	878 (7)	7465	1268

(a) \$160 wrongfully paid from game fund.
(b) \$240 wrongfully paid from game fund.
(5) (7) Average daily number of prisoners.

From the above table it is shown that the present sheriff in 1913 conducted his affairs for the least cost since 1909. It also appears that he did more work in 1913 than has ever been done by the sheriff's office. The records of the court show that in 1912 there were but two juries drawn, 89 jurors, and that in all cases 408 witnesses were called. In 1913, the present sheriff's first term, there were three juries called, with 130 jurors, and in all cases 644 witnesses were summoned. The sheriff does a large part of summoning of witnesses, and all jurors, hence the 1913 sheriff handled 56% more witness and juror work than his predecessor, with an office cost of only about 4% more than his predecessor.

The number of cases handled by the sheriff's office in 1912 was 530, and in 1913 was 617, or 16% more. Yet the 1913 office cost was only about 4% more than in 1912.

OFFICIAL MINUTES POMONA GRANGE

STEVENS COUNTY Pomona, number 17, met at the Odd Fellows hall in Colville at 2:30 p. m. in open session with worthy Master Perry in the chair. Present: J. C. Wainwright, secretary, Slater F. C. Wainwright, who presented the following program: Reception—Sister Monroe of Aladdin grange. Reception—Lillian Kirkham and Margaret Kirkham. Dust—Dolly Wruble and Hattie Simpson. Reception—Sister Brown of Echo Valley grange. Reception—Dolly Wruble of Pinkston grange. Song—Lillian Kirkham and Margaret Kirkham.

A worthy lecturer then called on the following candidates: Mrs. Dingle, G. W. Locke, H. C. Gates, F. A. Savage, B. Rogers, Mr. Hughes, H. W. Stull and R. A. McKellar. None of them spoke at any length, as most of them are grangers and were there to hear state master Kegley. State Master Kegley held the attention of the meeting until time to close for supper. He made no speech, but told of the doings of the grange and of the Joint Legislative League of Washington, in getting the worthy lecturers' petitions filed with the secretary of state, the court fight for them in the superior court, and the other initiative measures as well as the referendum law which will appear on the ballot in November.

The evening session opened in the forenoon on roll call of officers the following chairs were filled per tem: President—Sister Savage, F. A. McCaslin and Waters. Steward, J. J. Barney. Gatekeeper, J. F. Golder. Gatekeeper, Dan F. Fisher. Chaplain, Sister B. L. Rogers. The following resolutions were reported: Edwin Valley, Band, White Lake, Narcisse, Bruce Creek, Colville Valley, South Fork, Quillassat, Greatwood, Aladdin, Valley, Mount Corbin, North Basin, Kelly Hill, Mill Creek, Flat and Sherman.

Brother Rogers, chairman of the postal telephone and telegraph committee, reported sending out 500 copies of the speech of Hon. David L. Lewis of Maryland. Brother Waters made a few remarks on the subject and the committee on the subject had already accomplished. Brother Gates spoke of the great benefit to be derived from the opening of the Columbia to navigation.

In the discussion that followed it was brought out that while millions of dollars were being spent in dredging, creating and deepening out of inlets on the Atlantic coast that we, with one of the largest natural water highways in the world, had not yet got an appropriation that would of any material benefit.

Brother Waters, as chairman of the committee, reported to the attorney general, but of having received no reply as yet. On the accounts being called for several were read and referred to the finance committee. The county commissioner, took exceptions to the action of the executive committee as reported at the Pomona grange. Brother Waters, Skidmore and Savage replied. A short recess was followed by the initiation of a class of thirteen in the fifth degree.

Brother Waters, chairman of the committee on pledging of candidates to the legislature, reported and report ordered placed on file. Joint Legislative Committee of Direct Legislation League of Washington, State Federation of Labor, Farmers' Union and State Grange—Seattle, Washington—Dear sir:—The joint legislative committee is anxious to inform its membership and the many voters of the state who look to them for guidance, as to your attitude if elected to the legislature, on the question of the right of the people to amend their constitution by the initiative. Our organizations have mutually agreed to support one another in an effort to secure the submission to the people of the following constitutional amendment: To act on the question of section 1 of article 23 of the constitution of the state of Washington, relating to amendments, and providing for the amendment of the constitution by the initiative. Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Washington, Section 1. That at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, 1914, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of Washington, for their adoption or rejection an amendment of section 1 of article 23 of the constitution of the state of Washington, relating to amendments, and providing for the amendment of the constitution by the initiative, so that the same shall read as follows: Section 23. Amendments—Section 1. Any amendment or amendments to this constitution may be proposed in either branch of the legislature, or by the

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BAILED TIMOTHY	\$11.50	TABLE BEETS	1.00
BLOCK HOGS	08½	TURNIPS	.65
HENS and SPRINGERS	09	PARSNIPS	1.00
DRESSED STEERS - large	09	CABBAGE	01½
COWS and HEIFERS	08	ONIONS	.01
VEAL, according to size, quality	8c to 11c	DRY COW HIDES	.11
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people, as hereinafter specified, and if the same shall be proposed by the legislature and agreed to by two-thirds of the members elected to each of the two houses, such proposed amendment or amendments shall be entered on their journals, with the yeas and nays thereon, and be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval, at the next general election; provided, however, that the people reserve to themselves the right to propose, independent of the legislature, any amendment or amendments to this constitution by petition, and that the full text of such proposed amendment or amendments, required to be determined from the whole number of electors who voted for governor at the regular gubernatorial election last preceding the filing of any petition, and filed with the secretary of state, at least four months prior to the next regular election, who shall submit the name to the people for their approval or rejection, at the next regular general election; and if the people approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, by a majority of the electors voting thereon, the same shall become a part of the constitution. The following resolutions were reported: The secretary of state shall be authorized to cause to be printed and distributed to every county where a newspaper is published throughout the state, a copy of the constitution, and to cause to be printed on all ballots provided for the said election the words: "For the proposed amendment to section 1 of article 23 of the constitution, relating to amendments, and providing for the amendment of the constitution by the initiative."

Secretary Legislative Committee. Senatorial—W. L. Sax (pledged), C. R. McNeil (pledged), Frank Ferguson (unpledged). Representatives—G. W. Locke (pledged), C. H. Pierce (pledged), H. C. Gates (pledged), L. C. Thomas (pledged), J. F. Jarvis (pledged), Dr. Oliver L. Baker (pledged), W. D. Smith (unpledged), John Olson (unpledged). State Master Kegley receiving no replies from those marked above as pledged and not knowing but that the pledges first sent out may have been lost, sent a second pledge. Brother Waters was instructed to give as much publicity to the report of the pledging of candidates for the two years ago, also, to call the attention of the voters to the question of township organization and provide means whereby they could know at the time they voted what initiative laws were meant by numbers on the ballot. The resolution committee reported but one resolution which was adopted: Peace Resolution. Be it resolved that Stevens county Pomona grange number 17, at session at Colville, Washington, this 1st day of October, 1914, send to President Wilson and secretary of state Bryan a letter of appreciation for their untiring and so far successful endeavor to keep this country out of the terrible struggle now going on in Europe; be it further resolved, that this grange, representing 1600 farmers in this county, pledge its support to the president in his efforts to maintain this peace. The bills referred to finance committee were reported favorably and ordered paid. Bills incurred, but not presented, were referred to the executive committee for payment. An invitation extended by Mount Corbin and Quillassat granges to meet with Mount Corbin grange was accepted. This will be a special meeting and will be held Saturday, October 24, 1914. Grange closed in due form. M. H. C. ALLEN, Secretary.

that an election be held in the said city of Colville on the 3d day of November, 1914, for the purpose of determining whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquor shall be licensed and permitted within said city. Now therefore, notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the city of Colville on the 3d day of November, 1914, between the hours provided by law for general state and county elections at which election the following question will be submitted to the qualified voters residing within the said city of Colville, Washington: "Shall the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor be Licensed and Permitted within the City of Colville, Washington?" Given under my hand this 26th day of September, 1914. J. J. HARD, City Clerk.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

In the superior court of the state of Washington, in and for the county of Stevens. In the matter of the estate of Albert S. Dingle, deceased. That on the 14th day of October, 1914, commencing at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and to continue until the said day of Albert S. Dingle, deceased, about seven miles southwest of Colville and about two miles east of Zillah in the said county and state, under an order of the above entitled court, I will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described personal property to-wit:

- 1 set light sleighs.
- 1 binder (McCormick).
- 1 potato digger.
- 1 horsepower corn planter.
- 1 wagon.
- 1 buggy (practically new).
- 1 handpower fanning mill.
- 1 pair's hydraulic mill.
- 1 plow.
- 1 shovel plow.
- 1 Empire cream separator.
- 1 blacksmith outfit, consisting of anvil, hammers, wall drill, set of dies, vise and other small tools.
- 1 platform scales.
- 1 mounted grindstone.
- 1 team black mares.
- 1 6-year-old bay mare, weight 1100 lbs.
- 1 colt two years old.
- 10 head steers, 2 and 3 years old.
- 1 cow two years old.
- 1 three-year-old bull.
- 3 yearling heifers.
- 2 pigs.
- 2 sows.
- 2 dozen hens.
- 50 young chickens.
- 1 set harness, practically new.
- 1 buggy harness.
- 1 saddle.
- 1 Date: this 23rd day of September, 1914.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the superior court of the state of Washington, in and for the county of Stevens. In the matter of the estate of John Henry Young, deceased. Notice is hereby given: That the undersigned has been duly and legally appointed as the executrix of the last will and testament of John Henry Young, deceased, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the said John Henry Young shall present them to the undersigned, at her residence in the city of Colville, Stevens county, Washington, on or before one year from the date hereof. Dated this 24th day of September, 1914. ANNA ELIZABETH YOUNG, Executrix.

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CALL FOR GENERAL FUND SCHOOL WARRANTS.

ALL WARRANTS drawn on the general fund of the following school districts, and including warrant numbers given, are hereby called for payment and interest ceases from this date. Dated at Colville, Washington, September 26, 1914. District number:

- 12, all warrants.
- 13, to and including warrant No. 208.
- 14, to and including warrant No. 230.
- 15, to and including warrant No. 49.
- 20, to and including warrant No. 286.
- 24, to and including warrant No. 38.
- 25, to and including warrant No. 81.
- 34, all warrants.
- 60, to and including warrant No. 130.
- 61, all warrants.
- 62, all warrants.
- 94, to and including warrant No. 124.
- 101, to and including warrant No. 101.
- 104, to and including warrant No. 43.
- 126, all warrants.
- 130, to and including warrant No. 63.
- 141, to and including warrant No. 51.
- 147, to and including warrant No. 56.
- 154, to and including warrant No. 419.
- 160, to and including warrant No. 45.

BLISS PHILLIPS,
Treasurer of Stevens County, Washington.
By Irving D. Hill, Deputy.
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NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL LOCAL OPTION ELECTION.

A PETITION having been filed with the undersigned, the duly elected, qualified and acting city clerk of the city of Colville, Washington, requesting