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Whatcom County Goes Deeper and Deeper in Debt Every Year

UNDER ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEAD MACHINE

In Spite of Fact that Valuation and Taxes of County Have Been Increased by Leaps and Bounds They Have Not Been Able to Keep Up With Expenses

Statement of the bonded and of the warrant indebtedness of Whatcom County for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1905, June 30, 1906, June 30, 1907, and June 30, 1908.

Compiled from the records of the auditor July 24, 1908.

FUNDS	WARRANTS		WARRANTS		WARRANTS	
	outstanding June 30, 1905	outstanding June 30, 1906	outstanding June 30, 1907	outstanding June 30, 1908	outstanding June 30, 1905	outstanding June 30, 1908
General county	\$ 34,400.62	\$ 21,274.68	\$ 7,933.71	\$ 2,160.16		
General bridge	41,186.59	49,584.70	70,319.25	64,298.00		
General road	173,223.85	171,798.29	176,755.07	172,036.38		
Current expense	2,485.18	1,363.01	28,643.91	55,745.41		
Rail districts	42,570.66	58,653.10	59,562.83	93,711.79		
Soldiers' Relief	395.50	328.00	84.50	262.00		
Total warrant indebtedness	294,282.40	298,002.08	343,299.27	389,222.74		
Bonded indebtedness	211,500.00	211,500.00	211,500.00	211,500.00		
Total indebtedness	505,782.40	509,502.08	554,799.27	600,722.74		

According to the records the indebtedness of Whatcom county has increased approximately \$100,000.00 since June 30, 1905. And this is true in spite of the fact that the county valuation has been increased millions in the same length of time and the rate of taxation boosted by the machine tax commissioners to a figure out of all reason. On June 30 of this year Whatcom county was in debt more than \$600,000.00 and of this amount all is a warrant indebtedness with the exception of \$211,000.00 which stands against the county in the form of bonds. These warrants and bonds all bear heavy interest.

This is almost too plain evidence that the Mead machine, dominated by Harry Fairchild, has pursued the same policy in Whatcom county as elsewhere in the state. It would be a sorry thing for the favored few in this county who have had private roads and ditches put into their property at the county's expense if Henry McBride should be elected this fall along with some new commissioners.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

FARM LOANS. Swim and Aldrich.

The Kensington club will meet with Mrs. Waples Friday, August 14.

INSURE in a reliable company with Swim and Aldrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidman of Blaine were in town on business Tuesday.

Just received some Jardinieres. Call and see them. -R. M. Landaal Drug Co.

LIST your property with Bixby and Bakker if you wish to sell.

H. Baker and family returned from Birch Bay Monday.

WE WRITE fire insurance in the very best and safest companies. Bixby and Bakker.

WE KEEP track of all the snaps in real estate. See us before buying. Swim and Aldrich.

COME and see our new line of flower pots and jardiniere at R. M. Landaal Drug Co.

Born to Mrs. J. Slotemaker Wednesday, a son. Mother and child are doing well.

FOR SALE--Hay in field but not delivered. R. B. Nymeyer, Farmers' phone 1918.

FOR SALE--One Runabout Buggy nearly new, used but a few times. Inquire of H. S. Steinhauer.

I have four ten-acre tracts of land that I am offering at a bargain. Just the size for a chicken or fruit ranch. H. E. STUART.

Edison Gold Mound Records for ten days only, at 25 cents each. This is the last week of the sale. R. M. Landaal Drug Co.

DR. TORNEY--Oculist and Aurist of Bellingham will leave for the east Aug. 15, for post-graduate study, returning Oct. 15. 2-1-8 to 2-1-9.

Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Saxner left on Monday for a couple of weeks' visit in Bellingham, Vancouver and Seattle.

Mr. Fulcher brought two eggs into this office that were laid on the 29th day of July by Brown Leghorn pullets that were hatched April 5th 1908.

FOR SALE--A matched Team of Bays, weight 1,000 lbs. apiece; guaranteed to work, and are good drivers. Write L. T. Sills or call up Nook-sack Phone 2909 Nook-sack, Wash.

Mr. John Jackson called at the Le Claire home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lusco and children of Laurel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lapidas.

Rev. F. J. Brown went to Twin Falls, Idaho, for a couple of weeks visit last Thursday.

Rev. A. J. Whitfield spent Thursday and Friday of last week at Geneva, Wash., visiting relatives.

Mr. Edwards tells us that the Edwards Logging camp will open about the 15th of this month. This is good news.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Larson of Blaine visited with Mrs. Larson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hawley, last Tuesday. Lula Hawley returned with them to spend a few weeks.

I MUST tell you if you wish some shoes before your size runs out, to call soon, for our men's and children's shoes are going fast as also their suits. H. Van Gelder. 5-21

Mr. Jed Parish's family of Booth's Corners have moved to Lynden.

Mr. and Mrs. Saxner moved last Thursday.

Miss Tennessee Harris of Bellingham has been visiting a few days with her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Terry.

J. R. Frye of Everson spent Saturday in Lynden.

Mrs. R. R. Helder and daughter Vanessa, left last Tuesday morning for Fox Island where they will spend their summer vacation visiting relatives.

WE HAVE employed a first class horsehoeer, Geo. Freeman, who has worked in some of the best horsehoeing shops in the United States. All work guaranteed. Come and see us. 5 if Nick Duffner.

The following people left yesterday for an outing at Birch Bay: Mr. and Mrs. Donley, Mrs. Mulder, Misses Eva Mulder, Helen Staight, and Edna Peabody; Messrs. Bob Rittenberg, John Mulder, John Liberty, and Will Fritz.

Married at the Methodist Parsonage by Rev. A. J. Whitfield, James Vander Yacht to Miss Clara Bainter both of Blaine, Saturday evening, August 1, 1908. Mr. Carl C. Brice and Mrs. Carl C. Brice acted as witnesses.

Mrs. Mollie Stark Williams is visiting friends at Ft. Flegler this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Penny visited over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Saxner.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Gill were visiting relatives in Lynden the first of the week.

FOR SALE 1 Platform Scale good as new, weighs to 600 lbs. Will sell them cheap. FAIR STOKER, Lynden.

Mr. Gay Dunning, candidate for county superintendent was in town yesterday on his way to Everson.

We are indebted to many of our friends who have called at this office and left samples of their delicacies.

Mr. John Rutgers who fell from a load of hay a couple of weeks ago and hurt himself quite badly, was in the city for the first time since the accident last Thursday.

R. T. Smith went to Maple Falls Sunday and brought back a horse that strayed away from his place in C-Billingham last April. The horse was in good condition and he was glad to get her back.

This week a deal was finished that involved the sale of 200 acres of timber previously owned by Swan Finney and S. P. Jernstrom in the Delta vicinity, to Bellingham parties. The sale was made through Berkman & Axling of Ferndale.

The young people of the Epworth League have organized a missionary study class and are showing a deep interest in the Home Missionary cause--standing pledged for five more. The study of the foreign field will give increased zeal for the home field.

At the Old Settlers' Picnic at Ferndale this week N. V. Sheffer, the oldest settler of Whatcom county, is a feature. With his donkey and covered cart he will share honors with Ezra Meeker, his boyhood friend and pioneer of King county. In the early days of '54 Mr. Sheffer came to Bellingham Bay and has lived here ever since. He is 84 years old but is as hale and hearty in appearance as most men of 60.

On Wednesday Mr. Sheffer hitched up Bixby's donkey to a covered cart and set out for Ferndale to attend the picnic. It is his intention to precede and usher Ezra Meeker into Ferndale. In spite of the burden of 84 years he entered into the project with the spirit and enjoyment of youth. At the picnic he will claim due part of the honors which are being showered upon the pioneers and, no doubt, will get quite a many compliments on his rig and personality as does Ezra Meeker who recently returned from a trip across the continent with a yoke of oxen and cart.

In the days of his youth Sheffer and Meeker were school-mates back in Indiana. Ezra had the reputation in spelling but Sheffer could put it all over him in a fist fight as heaves he can do it yet. The two old men have not seen each other for over a half century and will have great stories to relate.

Ten Mile is putting up a fine school building 40 by 72.

Dr. Mulder performed a successful operation on Gerret Kok's little son for adenoids Monday.

FOR SALE--One horse harness and delivery wagon; also buggy and fancy harness all for \$125, and not a cent less. H. Van Gelder. 5-21

Mr. N. Bame left for Olds, Alberta Tuesday, where he will spend a couple of months visiting relatives and friends.

Prof. E. N. French and wife arrived in Lynden last evening. Mr. French will be principal of the Lynden schools for the coming year.

W. I. Baker Real Estate Co. sold for C. H. Shank of Seattle two lots on West Front Street to Mrs. Mary E. Pym last week.

W. I. Baker Real Estate Co. sold for E. J. Robinson 3 lots on the west end of Front Street, to C. B. Taylor of Alder Grove, B. C. the first of the week.

Miss Edith Little of Everett who has been visiting with her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Whitfield, for the past two weeks, went to Bellingham Tuesday where she will visit some time before going home.

M. W. A. Picnic a Big Success

The M. W. A. picnic was the biggest event that has taken place in Lynden for many years. Over two thousand people were in attendance from outside places. Saturday morning the B. B. & B. C. special brought in three coaches and two flat cars loaded with picnic people. Many teams began arriving early and the little city with its decorated streets welcomed all. Ferndale people were prominent among the visitors and there were also a great many from Bellingham, Custer and Blaine.

The Lynden lodge with the Ferndale band met the train and were joined by the Bellingham band and formed in a parade. In the parade were members of the order and several beautiful floats. On one float was a wood choppers' log cabin and men picturing an active camp scene. On another was a home scene placarded, "My Husband Was a Member of the M. W. A." The widow, surrounded by well-dressed and happy children, was sitting in the rocking chair reading the Lynden Tribune. Following was a portrayal of a desolate home labelled, "My Husband Was Not a Member of the M. W. A." The central figure was an old lady at the wash tub, also sister Anna and other members of the improvident family.

One of the interesting features not on the program was the foot race of the county candidates. This occurred during the preparations for the wrestling match. The younger element responded somewhat readily while those advanced more in age were more reluctant. The last man to enter was the ponderous avoirdupois, Bill Fell of Ferndale who tips the scales at 330. About twenty lined up and were off at the word "Go!" The candidates finished practically in accordance with their youthfulness and gave the hundreds of voters present an opportunity to review the men who are asking their suffrage at the primary Sept. 8th.

The various contests and athletic events resulted as follows:

Ball game--won by Lynden, score 5 to 2, prize \$9.

Foresters' Drill--Bell Camp first, \$10; Lynden Camp second, \$5.

Old Man's Foot Race--J. L. Whitcomb of Bellingham first, \$2.50; C. E. Barnes of Lynden second, \$1.

Fat Man's Foot Race--Hank Wampler of Lynden first, \$1.50; S. V. Van Zandt of Bellingham second, \$1.

100 Yard Foot Race--John Dickerson of Lynden first, \$1.50; B. H. Loring of Lynden second, \$1.

Standing Broad Jump--I. Lich of Bellingham and J. R. Frye of Everson tied at 11 feet 1 inch.

Standing High Kick--Liman Whipple of Lynden first, \$1.50, 8 feet; Jess Emmous second \$1.

Running Broad Jump--B. H. Loring of Lynden first, \$2.50; O. Hadley of Lynden second, \$1.

Standing Hop, Skip and Jump--Hank Wampler first, \$1.50; O. Hadley of Lynden second, \$1.

Spin Race--Arthur Decker of Bellingham first, \$2; B. H. Loring of Lynden second, \$1.

Chopping Contest--Harry Heathers first, \$1.5; M. Abernathy of Bellingham second, \$1.

Sawing Contest--Herman Kuenoel of Wahl first, \$2.50; Liman Whipple of Lynden second, \$1.

Tug of War--won by Lynden team, box of cigars.

Wrestling Match--W. M. Goolwin of Nook-sack defeated Paul Fullner of Lynden, \$10.

Guy E. Dunning, of Blaine, won out in the candidates race.

AMONG THE ISLANDS

Randall and Cross Favor The Tribune With a Letter

Lynden Tribune, Lynden, Wash.

It seems a little dull just at present, I have not seen more than 12 boats this morning. Yesterday we received a copy of The Tribune by mail, and, thanks gentlemen, it looks good. I would say to the readers of the Tribune, if you desire a good local paper, "get in and boost for it. Boost for Lynden, boost for Whatcom County, for we certainly have one of the best counties in the State of Washington." I think the traps are taking in some sockeyes but the silvers are not running yet. The run seems to be late. When they do come, we will take some in out of the rain, (provided we can) here today, and it is cool and nice.

Thursday, July 23.--All is O. K. As I sit writing I see a San Francisco steamer passing on her way south and, altho it is quite breezy it does not seem to affect the big boat at all. Well the cook says

dinner is ready, and that means get there or lose your grub.

We went up and worked on our coal claim the first of the week and took out some good coal. We have decided to dig a tunnel in another place and see what we can find. It rained a little last night and is cloudy today. From our camp we can look across the Bay northeast, to the mainland, and it looks pretty smoky. We will work on the coal proposition again this afternoon; however, too much work don't agree with us--see! We are very comfortable and as cool as a cucumber, as the old saying goes, then I say, "What's the matter of being as cool as two cucumbers. Ha! Ha!"

Friday, July 24.--Everything is lovely with us! Plenty to eat--if we cook it--plenty of cool spring water to drink, plenty of shade and lots of work to do, if we have a mind to do it. Just before sundown a school of finback whales came down the Bay from the west, spouting water high in the air and having a "great old time," some of them were very large; while others of them were not over fifteen feet long. As they swam along about half a mile out, they presented a very interesting sight.

We worked on the claim today, but it was pretty tough I'll tell you.

Saturday evening, July 25.--In the forenoon we worked, but in the afternoon we took a trip up the Bay four miles where we get our mail. We got a letter and several papers from home and according to the letter, it must have been warm enough in Lynden, the middle of last week to thaw. The Lynden people had better come over where it is cool. A fine launch passed our camp going east, and it made the least noise running of any launch I have ever seen. Some launches bark like a dog chasing a rabbit.

July 26.--Sam is watching a launch that has come down the Bay from the east. It is loaded with men, women and children and even has on board two dogs. They have anchored off one of the Twin Islands lying northeast of us about three miles and are going ashore. We can see them real plain with our large spy-glasses and they seem to be carrying large lunch baskets well filled, and to be having a merry time. I understand that some of the other Lynden people are rusticating near Olga on Orcas island and there quite a number of campers at East Sound.

Monday July 27.--All is O. K. here today and we hope it is the same with the Lynden people. The silver salmon have commenced to run and I have caught three fine ones already with my spoon hook. The last one put my spoon-hook out of business and I shall have to go to East Sound and get a new supply of hooks before I can fish any more. That means a trip of four miles by water and two and a half miles by land. We have been working on the claim today and the outlook is encouraging.

Siwash Indians, passing to and fro in their canoes, stop at our camp for water. They all seem to know where the good water is. It is amusing to see the Indians in their canoes, all paddling and as happy, apparently, as a toad under a harrow. Perhaps some of the readers of the Tribune will say, "Ring off." To them I would say, "Don't take any more than you want."

Tuesday, July 28. We have had an addition to our camp. Last evening a boat landed at our place and upon investigation we found the following named persons on board: A. E. Baldwin and wife and son Myron, and Miss Mabel Plank. They left Lynden in the morning and thus made the trip in one day. We remain as ever.

Very respectfully yours, RANDALL & CROSS.

Carr Bailey was greatly surprised last Monday when his youngest brother A. D. Bailey of Whitesville, Mo. dropped down upon him, figuratively speaking. Mr. Bailey reports that the corn crop will be light this year thru Missouri on account of the heavy rains there this season, but that the hay and other grains are good.

Friday afternoon Mrs. Ida O. Whitfield entertained in honor of her niece Miss Edith Little of Everett a large party of young ladies. Those present were: Miss Tilda Tromp Irene Sain, Ray Sain, May Milan Edith Harris, Harris, Vera Nichols, Edith Shinn, Crete Topping, Mary Olson, Cecil Watson, June Smith, Irene Nichols, Helen Staight, Ethel Daly, Mary Oakes. Light refreshments were enjoyed making it a very pleasant affair.

At the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. August 13, in the M. E. Church the following program will be rendered: Devotional Exercises, Mrs. Hay; Paper, "The Opium Traffic in China and America, Mrs. Case; Paper "Is Heredity a Factor in the Tobacco Habit among Boys?" Miss Roults. Discussion, "Does the Use of Tobacco Weaken the Moral Sense?" led by Miss Crumbaugh. M. M. Sights secretary.

PAID ADVERTISEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To the Voters of Whatcom County. The public and private record made by Henry McBride in this state for honesty, integrity and capability, has convinced us that he is far the best candidate for the nomination of Governor on the republican ticket. We solicit for him your support at the Direct Primary Election, Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1908. Every citizen desires a fearless, fair and economic administration, not hampered by partisan and incompetent appointments made to fill anti-election pledges. With M. McBride as Governor every citizen is assured that State affairs will be in competent hands and that extravagance and incompetency will not be permitted.

WHATCOM CO. McBRIDE CLUB.

To The Voters of Whatcom County. I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of County Attorney on the Republican ticket to be voted for at the Direct Primary Election, September 8th, 1908.

Very respectfully,
FRANK W. BIXBY,
Lynden, Wash.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of Prosecuting Attorney on the Republican ticket at the coming Direct Primary election, Tuesday, Sep. 8, 1908.

Very respectfully,
GEORGE LIVESEY,
Bellingham, Wash.

To The Voters of Whatcom County. I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of County Assessor on the Republican ticket to be voted for at the Direct Primary Election, September 8, 1908.

G. H. WHIPPLE,
Lynden, Wash.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce my candidacy for State Senator of the 41st Senatorial District, subject to the will of the voters to be expressed at the primary election September 8th, 1908.

Very respectfully,
WALTER B. WHITCOMB,
Blaine, Wash.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of County Commissioner for the Third District on the Republican ticket at the Primary Election, Sept. 7, 1908.

ELMER B. SMITH.

To the Voters of Whatcom County I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of county treasurer on the Republican ticket to be voted for at the direct primary election, September 8th, 1908.

Very Respectfully,
FRANK WILSON,
Bellingham, Wash.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate of the Republican party for county superintendent of schools, subject to the will of the voters at the primaries, September 8, 1908.

Respectfully submitted,
GUY E. DUNNING.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election for the office of county clerk, Whatcom county, subject to the decision of the voters at the Republican primaries, September 8, 1908.

R. J. GLEN.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of sheriff on the Republican ticket to be voted for at the coming direct primary election Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1908.

Very respectfully,
F. M. JOHNSON.

We are authorized to announce L. D. Brown, Republican Candidate for County Assessor subject to September Primaries, 1908.

To the Voters of Whatcom County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate of the Republican party for the office of county auditor of Whatcom county, subject to the will of the Republican voters of the county, as may be expressed by them at the Direct Primary Election, to be held in said county on the 8th day of Sept. 1908. Respectfully submitted,
WILL D. WALLACE