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 vorize Dallas people.



**THE FACT REMAINS.**

Independence Ore., Feb. 9, 07.  
 Editor Hayter:  
 Dear Sir: I have always regarded you as very much of a gentleman and a fair man in every respect, and as such I ask you in justice to the county court and to myself to publish this communication in regard to your article in the Observer of last Friday concerning the delinquent tax roll now being published in the West Side Enterprise.

As to the method of publication of tax rolls in Polk county before 1907 I know nothing and care less, so dismis-  
 sive that portion of your article with no comment. My bid for publishing the tax roll was 17 1/2 cents per brevier line as you state. The county court declared both Mr. Fiske's and my bid above the legal rate and so notified us. I intended that my bid of 17 1/2 cents per brevier line was slightly below the legal rate and guaranteed to the court that the cost to the county should not be more than the legal rate. I still contend that 17 1/2 cents per brevier line is less and that the list as being published now will prove out less to the county than the legal rate.

You have taken Mr. Montgomery's description and set up parallel notices in brevier and nonpariel and find my charge 7 cents too high. Now, Mr. Hayter, when you set Mr. Petty's notice in brevier and nonpariel type it appears as follows:  
 W. B. Petty, E half of Lots 5 and 6, Blk 5, Hills Add to Independence, Tax \$12.85, penalties \$2.68, printers costs \$0.70, total \$16.13  
 W. B. Petty, E half of Lots 5 and 6, Blk 5, Hills Add to Independence, Tax \$12.85, penalties \$2.68, printers costs \$1.00, total \$16.53  
 Your readers will now see that Mr. Petty would have had to pay 30 cents more had it been set in nonpariel type as you illustrate it should be. So it will be found throughout the entire tax roll. An occasional one will pay a few cents more, others a few less and taking the entire list I doubt if there is six bits (75c) difference one way or the other and that little old measly six bits is what you are endeavoring to raise the devil about and devote about \$30 worth of your valuable space in an abortive effort to show the error of the county court.

Mr. Hayter, you published the tax roll last year and to illustrate how you set it last year, according to the files of your paper, and the way you recommended it to be set this year the illustration would appear as follows:  
 Able M. Boody—Lots 2 and 3 of Sec. 21, Tp. 6 S., R. 7 W., con-  
 H. S. Montgomery, Hills City Lumber Co., agent, beginning 31 degrees 31 minutes  
 The first two lines show exactly the way you set a partial description last year; the second two lines show how you recommended it to be set this year. Why? Was it for the purpose of putting the West Side Enterprise and the county court in a box and imply jobbery on the part of both of them? Had the West Side Enterprise followed your system of a year ago and set the list in nonpariel type as you advised this year "Old Mr. Montgomery" would have gone down into his pants and dug up \$3.50 for fourteen lines to square the deal or 18 cents more than what his notice calls for, for printer's costs as it now is, and which you assert is 7 cents too high. You accuse the West Side with tricks in type. Have you not used tricks in type in an attempt to prove your fallacious assertions?

You do the county court a base injustice when you say that the court did not take proper precaution in letting this contract. Why did you not pay fair with the court and publish the full record as appeared in the proceeding? The memorandum of the contract sent me is as follows:  
 ORDER OF COURT.  
 In the Matter of Bids for Publishing the Delinquent Tax Roll.  
 It appearing to the Court that the

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bid of the West Side Enterprise, published at Independence, Oregon, at the rate of 17 1/2 cents per line for five insertions "brevier type," the total cost of which shall not in any event exceed 25 cents per line nonpariel type, the usual abbreviations in description to be used on the said delinquent tax roll, it is ordered that the contract, on the terms above stated be, and the same is hereby let to the West Side Enterprise.

Ed. F. COAD, Judge.  
 Wm. RIDDELL, Com.  
 J. B. TRAL, Com.  
 That contract will be followed to the letter on the part of the West Side Enterprise. No attempt at jobbery has been made on the part of this paper or the court and not one cent will be collected under that contract more than it plainly specifies and when you imply otherwise you are doing an injustice to both the court and to this paper.

In conclusion, Mr. Hayter, I will say that the county court is to be commended for their fairness in this matter of bidding for the tax roll. The custom has been followed for years and it appears as though it is about the only chance of a newspaper outside of Dallas getting a look in on business of any kind emanating from the court house. There are printing plants outside of Dallas and in Polk county almost if not quite as well equipped for business as there are in the county seat. They are entitled to some of this business as well as county seat plants and if there is no other way of getting their share of the business let the county court be even a little more fair and give the outside plants a crack at getting the business through bidding for it.

You, Mr. Hayter, have written an unequalled for article attacking both the county court and the now ex-publisher of the West Side Enterprise. The court and other county officials have been your best friends but because about forty plunks or thereabouts of Polk county funds have gotten out of a Dallas print shop and all in one way you equal like a stuck pig. I have always regarded you as a successful publisher and a splendid business man with whom it is a pleasure to meet and with, but I certainly think, and I believe that every fair minded person who reads your article in last Friday's Observer and this reply will think likewise, and that is that for once you have gone off on a tangent and have made a monumental ass of yourself.

E. RALSTON.  
 The brother is frank, isn't he? And he has such a nice, delicate way of expressing himself. But personalities have no place whatever in this matter, and as the Observer has no desire to reply in kind, the ex-editor of the West Side will find himself mistaken if he thinks this paper is going to permit itself to indulge in any personal controversy to divert the people's minds from the real facts at issue.

We are perfectly content to let our case rest upon the comparative showing made in last Friday's paper, when it was proved beyond question that a rate greater than the law allows is being charged for the publication of the tax notice. Talk is about the cheapest commodity known to man, but facts are stubborn things.  
 Neither does it matter if Mr. Ralston's contract does read that "the total cost of the publication shall not exceed 25 cents per line, nonpariel measure." The cost does exceed that sum, and the only guide the Sheriff has in collecting is the amount set forth in each description of property as published. He is helpless in the matter, as long as the publication is allowed to remain as it is.

Mr. Ralston has looked up the tax notice as published by the Observer last year, and he finds that the notice was set in nonpariel type as required by law. He also finds that the spacing between the words is wider than the style adopted by the Observer in setting up the comparative showing in last week's paper. Mr. Ralston is right in this. The sale last year was set on a linotype machine, and it is probably known by all printers that words cannot be spaced as closely on a typesetting machine as by hand. But had Mr. Ralston carried his investigations a little farther, he would have found that the Observer made due allowance for this difference by charging only 29 cents a line instead of 25 cents. It is true that the difference did not amount to 5 cents a line, but we desired to keep well within the law in our charges, and so we submitted a price to the court that we knew to be safely inside the lawful rate, to the end that it might be fair to the delinquent taxpayers and to protect the members of the court from any possible criticism. The total reduction made by this paper was something over \$15, although the real difference between machine setting and hand setting amounted to scarcely half of that sum. When Mr. Ralston has nothing else to do, he might take his pencil and figure how much the taxpayers would have saved this year had the tax sale been given to the Observer at 20 cents a line instead of being let out on the bid submitted by the West Side.

The assertion that the Observer is envious because it did not get this printing is scarcely worth noticing, when it is remembered that this paper made no bid for the work and plainly told the court it was not worth bidding for. Neither is the complaint that the Observer is trying to hog the county printing worthy of attention. The writer has never asked any county officer for a dollar's worth of printing in the 16 years he has been in business in Dallas, nor does he expect to ask for any in future. It is true that this office has done the greater share of the county work for several years past, but we have always inclined to

attribute this fact to a desire of the officers to take their printing to the office that has the best facilities for giving the county the worth of its money.

If we mistake not, the Oregonian was one of the first papers in the state to advocate a direct primary law and to make due apologies for seeming discrepancies in such a law that was tried in some of the states several years ago. Senator Fulton stated in the presence of the writer a few years ago that he had pointed out to Mr. Scott his mistake in advocating the primary law, and yet in a short time afterward Mr. Fulton stood up at a big political feast in Portland and told how he stood in for the direct primary law. All of which goes to show how great men will change front on great questions.—Newberg Graphic.

**Dissolution Notice.**

Wagner Brothers have dissolved partnership, and all persons owing that firm are requested to call at my implement shop on Oak Street and settle their accounts at earliest convenience. Also all persons who have loans borrowed from that firm will please return them to the same place.  
 1-17-81. F. J. WAGNER.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the estate of G. A. Wells, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, at the City of Dallas, Oregon, on the 10th day of the month of February, 1908, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court room of said County Court in Dallas City in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.  
 Dated and first published January 5, 1908.  
 WILLIAM R. HINSHAW,  
 Executor of the estate of G. A. Wells, deceased.  
 Oscar Hayter, Attorney.

**Notice to Creditors.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Sarah Miller, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County and has qualified.  
 All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at his residence in Dallas City in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.  
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 WILLIAM R. HINSHAW,  
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**Summons.**

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, Department No. 2.  
 William J. Crowley, Plaintiff, vs. William Jackson, Defendant, Summons.  
 To the above-named Defendant, William Jackson: In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby notified that in the above entitled Court and cause within seven weeks from the date of the publication hereof, to-wit: on or before the 21st day of December, 1907, and if you fail so to appear and answer said complaint plaintiff will apply to the Court for a decree in the relief demanded in his complaint, to-wit: for a decree removing a cloud from the title of the following described real estate, to-wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner of the D. L. C. of H. M. McNary in T. 7 South of Range 4 W., Willamette Meridian, thence West 20.1 chains, thence South 10 degrees East 45.1 chains; thence S. 87 chains; thence S. 10 degrees East 2.15 chains; thence N. 30 degrees East 10.1 chains; thence S. 13.10 chains; the place of beginning and containing 152.49 acres, more or less, in Polk County, Oregon.  
 That the said year and a half interest and Francis M. Henderson mortgaged the above described premises to said defendant for the consideration of \$5000, but although the same was fore-closed by said mortgagors to said defendant, yet through neglect or oversight of the said William Jackson, the same was never cancelled or satisfied upon the records of Polk County, Oregon, and the same now remains apparently a lien or legal claim upon the above described property, and it is such cloud that plaintiff brings this suit to remove.  
 That plaintiff has, in such other, further or different relief as may seem into the Honorable Court approvable to the principles of equity, and that the defendant, and all persons claiming under him be barred of all and every right in said premises.  
 You are further notified that on the 17th day of December, 1907, the Honorable William Jackson, Judge of the above entitled Court, made an order at the City of Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, authorizing and directing the summe to be served upon you by publication, and that you were served upon by publication, and that once a week for seven consecutive weeks in the Polk County Observer, a newspaper of general circulation and published daily in Polk County, Oregon, and that the first publication of this summons was made on the 31st day of December, 1907.  
 JOHN H. McNARY and C. L. McNary, Attorneys for plaintiff.

**Executrix's Notice.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned in this day being appointed by the Hon. County Court of Polk County, Oregon, Executor of the estate of Edwin Caldwell, deceased, all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, and all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified within six months from the date of this notice.  
 Dated at Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, this 11th day of February, 1908.  
 JENNIE M. CADWELL,  
 Executrix of the estate of Edwin Caldwell, deceased.  
 Sibley & Eakin, Attys.

**Notice to Creditors.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of John Campbell, Jr., deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and has qualified.  
 All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at her residence near Dallas, in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.  
 Dated and first published February 7, 1908.  
 MARGARET D. CAMPBELL,  
 Administratrix of the estate of John Campbell, Jr., deceased.  
 Oscar Hayter, Attorney.

**Executor's Notice.**

Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, duly made and entered of record on the 22nd day of December, 1907, the undersigned was duly appointed executor of the estate of Burres L. Hastings, deceased. All persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are hereby notified to call and settle the same at once with the undersigned and all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified within six months from the date hereof.  
 REUBEN HASTINGS,  
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