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VILLAGE BOARD MEETS IN ADJOURNED MEETING

Many Matters of Importance Acted Upon
Marshall Gambrel Re-Employed

The Village Board held an adjourned meeting Monday evening to discuss various interests of the Village. A permit was given Floersheim Mercantile Co., to lay water mains in the Village from their well near the store building to various parts of the town. They will also probably put a pump and windmill at the other well on the Ortega lots and this will furnish considerable water to take care of the immediate needs of the town. The two wells will probably furnish about 125 or more barrels of water daily. Water will be piped to the business houses first and later to the different dwellings.

Other matters disposed of were the hiring of Village Marshall and street commissioner; these two offices were placed under one head and J. G. Gambrel was employed at a salary of \$80.00 per month to handle both the marshal and street commissioner job. The board intends to make a complete cleaning up of the town and this has been placed under Mr. Gambrel's charge.

The board also decided to call a mass meeting for Monday evening May 29th at the community hall to make final arrangements for the Good Roads meeting to be held during September. The hotel question will also be discussed at this meeting.

The board will hold its next meeting within a few weeks or as soon as their attorney, Mr. Holly, can be present as they have a number of other important matters to settle at that meeting.

All members were present at the meeting and we believe that Roy has a good strong working Village Board to handle the Village troubles during the coming two years.

At the meeting of the County Board of Education last Tuesday at the County Seat, the opening of bids for the Solano and Kephart school houses were left open until the 29th when they will be opened and the contracts let at Solano at 3 o'clock that afternoon.

The Mosquero contract was also deferred until Thursday at 3 o'clock. In the meantime the architect will revise the plans and the lowest bidder, Sperry & Co., of Las Vegas will again bid at that time. If the bid is within the limit of the money on hand the contract will be awarded to Mr. Sperry. For some reason the blueprints on the Solano building were not gotten out until a few days before the contract was to be let and the Board decided to allow the bidders longer time to file their bids.

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Hickel announce the arrival of a 9½ pound boy. Dr. Self was in attendance and reports every one doing nicely.

INFORMATION FOR "FAIR-PLAY"

By the way did you read Mr. "Fairplay's" write up on the County High School question which appeared in last week's Harding County Developer? We would have copied the writeup but we felt it was unworthy of printing and as there were so many statements made that could not be verified we thought it best that it be answered by the mayor of Roy who will show Mr. Fairplay and give him some facts of which he was probably not acquainted. We would suggest however that Mr. "Fairplay" look up the assessment rate of the Roy School District and the Mills School District and see where the "poor taxed to death person" at Roy pays so much more than he who lives in the Mills District. The horrible difference in the tax rate in the two districts so far as school tax is concerned is (\$.07) seven cents if you please on each thousand dollars assessment. That is, if you lived in the Roy District you would pay seven cents more taxes on a thousand dollars assessment than you would if you lived in the Mills District. Read that again if you please, SEVEN CENTS, Mr. "Fairplay" and by the way that covers Roy's \$65,000 high school bond issue and \$2,500 or more for furniture this year. Now let's see what the difference in Village tax is between the two villages, Mr. "Fairplay. Roy, the poor tax burdened town, unworthy of anything, according to "Fairplay" has a tax levy of .0820 which is \$8.20 per each thousand assessment and Mills' rate is .0085 per each thousand assessment or a difference of \$4.70 on each thousand assessment which a Roy resident pays more than Mills on a thousand dollar assessment. But wait let's see why Roy's levy was even this high for this year. A levy was made to build several blocks of cement sidewalk and crossings, also to purchase the forty acres where the Roy cemetery is located and to complete the grading of the streets of Roy. We wonder if any one is kicking in Roy on paying this small amount for the benefit received and the work being done. We have not heard the complaints. Wait until Mills does all this work and it may be that they too will have to increase her rate. The average home owned in Roy with an assessment of \$1000.00 will pay only \$4.77 more taxes than if he lived in Mills this year and this will be reduced for 1922. Well what's the use of saying any more? Let the Mayor analyze the whole write up which he expects to do and answer in next week's Developer. In the meantime we would suggest that "Fairplay" desist from writing editorials until he has the data at hand to truthfully and intelligently handle his subject.

Say, what a world we could have, if everybody would stop hunting for the bad in folks and try to find the good.

MOTHER'S DAY EXERCISES ARE WELL ATTENDED

Roy Post No. 33 American Legion Has Charge of Services—Rev. Cooke Talks

The Mother's Day exercises held at the Christian Church last Sunday by the Ladies' Auxiliary and the American Legion was well attended and a very appropriate program rendered. A portion of the church was reserved for the Auxiliary and the Legion. The church was very beautifully decorated with flowers and the beautiful banner and flag of the Roy Post.

Special music had been arranged for the occasion and a number of very beautiful duets and quartettes were sung during the service. A solo by Rev. Cooke, entitled "My Mother" deserves special mention. During the singing of this song many a person's mind wandered back to a mother who had either passed to the "Great Beyond" or was in some far distant home.

The address of the day was given by Rev. Cooke and it was one of the most masterly addresses ever heard in Roy. His eulogy of "Mother" was great indeed. Any one who had the pleasure of hearing this address no matter how hard hearted he might have been could not have kept back a tear for mother. In his address he showed the wonderful power of mother, and even the great power of the word "Mother." How it is she who really builds up the home, the state and the nation. We only wished that every one in Roy and the surrounding country could have had the pleasure of hearing this plea for mother, for we know much good will come from this wonderful sermon.

After the close of Rev. Cooke's address the audience stood and sang one verse of that good old song "Blest be the tie that binds" and was then dismissed by the pastor.

A basket of beautiful flowers was given to the oldest mother present and was presented to Mrs. Hanna, grandmother of Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Pendleton. Mrs. Morris was but a few years younger than Mrs. Hanna who was beyond the age of seventy. A basket of flowers was also given to the youngest mother present, Mrs. Verna Kenoyer who is twenty one years of age. A carnation was presented to each mother present.

The Mother's Day originated only a few years ago but in these few years has become national in its scope and is now in the hands of the Auxiliary and the Legion and it is indeed fitting that we should set aside one day a year to think of and remember "Mother."

MASTER RAYMOND BENSON BREAKS LEG WHILE PLAYING AT SCHOOL

Master Raymond Benson, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Benson, had the misfortune of breaking his leg while playing at school Monday afternoon. It appears that the children on the school grounds were running and playing and that two girls ran into Raymond knocking him suddenly to the ground and giving his leg a twist in the fall breaking the femur bone about half way between the thigh and the knee. Immediately after the accident Raymond was rushed to his home and Dr. Self was called who set the fractured limb and at present Raymond is doing as well as could be expected. Raymond is a brave little fellow and is bearing up under his sad misfortune nicely. It will be many weeks before he will be able to be out among his playmates again.

It has been announced that the M. E. Missionary Society will at an early date offer for the approval of the citizens of Roy the play, "Sins of Ambition." The exact date of showing has not been determined but will be stated in an early issue of this paper.

ROY THEATRE TO PUT ON NEW LINE OF PICTURES

Manager Swaim of the Roy Theatre wishes to advise the public that he has contracted for a new line of pictures known as Metro Classics, the first of which will be shown on Saturday evening, May 27th. These pictures are five, six and seven reel features and are all brand new stuff, being 1921 and 1922 productions. While these pictures will cost considerable more than those shown the past few months, Mr. Swaim thinks the best is none too good for Roy and it is now up to the public to show an appreciation of their work and give them good audiences. Remember the date of starting—Saturday May 27th.

There will be no pictures shown Saturday night of this week as everyone will want to attend the Gentry Brothers show.

Sam Dann, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Texas the past few weeks, returned home Tuesday, and reported that he has had a good time while away, in fact he shows it, he also states that crop conditions look the same there as they do here.

Last Saturday afternoon, May 13th little Helen Hooper was very pleasantly surprised when a number of her little friends showered her in honor of her 9th birthday. There were 44 present and Helen received quite a number of presents.

About 3 o'clock a lunch was served which consisted of ham sandwiches, cocoa and cake and there was a birthday cake decorated with candles. Everyone departed about 4:30 wishing Helen many more such birthdays.

H. M. Warner and W. C. Yarbrough were transacting business in the county seat last Monday.

ROY TAKES EIGHT INNING GAME FROM LORETTA

Three Home Runs Made by Roy Boys
Play at Loretto Tomorrow

Last Sunday afternoon at the Roy Base Ball diamond, the Roy team won the first game of the season from the Loretta team of Dawson by a score of 12 to 6.

Roy scored the first run in the first inning, and Dawson three runs in the second inning and one in the third, but to our expectations, Roy continued scoring each inning until the final count was the full dozen. Both sides played good ball from start to finish, but for Roy's heavy hitting, the opposing team was at their mercy, and at the end of the eighth inning with a threatening rain the boys saw that there was not a chance for them, and declared that they would even things up when they meet again.

Features of the game were the three home runs made by our team; L. Williams making two and Baker making one. There were six hits made by Loretta and thirteen by Roy, Williams striking out 14 men and Mumsey nine. It was one of the best games ever witnessed on the Roy diamond for years and the fans as well as the players were more than satisfied with the decisions rendered by both umpires. Managers Paxton and Floersheim promise the public that it will be their motto to play games with as few arguments as possible.

The Roy Base Ball team will travel to Dawson next Sunday to cross bats with Loretta in a return game, and a week from Sunday they will go to Springer where they will meet their old rivals the fast Springer ball club. Every fan should be interested in our club, for we have not only the best but the fastest

BURSON BILL FOR SOLDIERS PROVIDES HALF IN CASH

Washington, May 13.—A substituted soldiers bill, under which veterans would receive 50 per cent cash payment, was introduced by Senator Burson, Republican, New Mexico, and referred to the senate finance committee.

The balance due to veterans would be covered by certificates of indebtedness, payable Sept. 30, 1927, and drawing interest at the rate of 3½ per cent from October 1.

Aside from the cash and certificate option, veterans would be permitted to select vocational training, farm or homestead aid or land purchases.

Under the land purchase plan veterans could make homesteads upon any public lands, paying \$1.25 per acre by means of the certificates of indebtedness. If the land costs less than the face value of the certificate, the difference would be paid in cash.

Veterans entitled only \$50 would be paid in full. Payment would be at the rate of one dollar a day for domestic service \$1.25 for foreign service with the maximum \$500 and \$650, respectively as in the house bill.

Mr. Wright of the Panhandle Building and Supply Co., of Amarillo, Texas, was in Roy several days this week. While here the school board ordered the steel for the new school building.

Walter Hurlson is on the sick list this week, troubled with rheumatism, but with the aid of a cane he is able to be about the streets of Roy.

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