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Official Paper of Griggs County

Allen Breed was in town Monday.
R. C. Cooper has been in St. Paul this week.

James Muir sells to James Christie lot 15 in block 69.

John McDermott has been pursuing a lost horse with J. D. Franklin.

Safford Bros. bring the COURIER office wheat 24 inches long, oats 26 inches.

Attorney General Hughes is in Valley City, examining into the treasurer's bond case.

Peter Nelson sells to A. A. Holt the northeast quarter of section 35, township 146, range 58.

George Clark, an old settler of Griggs county, has returned from the east much improved in health.

The editor expected to have been in Madison, Wisconsin, this week, but business prevented.

Robt. M. Cowen, our efficient station agent, has gone to his old home, Ft. Atkinson, for a short vacation.

Cooperstown wants a shoemaker shop, tailor shop, news stand, confectionery, grist mill, restaurant and furniture store.

Joseph Waldorf and wife have sold the southeast quarter of section 3, township 148, range 60, to Emma and Mary Johnson for \$400.

O. C. S. Wallace, of Nova Scotia, arrived Saturday and preached at the school house Sunday morning and evening. He is very favorably impressed with Cooperstown.

Cooperstown will soon have the finest half mile race course in the Northwest. The citizens are interested and desire an agricultural horse trot here this fall that will be an attraction to all persons in the county and our neighbors.

Mrs. Harry Pickett and Miss Lina Barnard pitched their tents on the Sheyenne near Mardell Saturday and enjoyed a two days' camp. Messrs. Pickett and Andrus were allowed to visit the camp, but the ladies were monarchs of all they surveyed.

One of our land agents displays in large letters over his office a legend that reads "LAND OF ICE." Whether this is to discourage immigration, is the work of some remorseless punster, or of a few drops too much of sugar and lemon is not readily determinable.

Old land is somewhat foul this year with wild buckwheat. The way to get rid of the plant is to let the ground lie fallow one season when it disappears. It is mighty rich land that will raise two crops of grain at the same time and furnish the seed for one crop itself.

R. C. Brophy and wife have deeded an undivided one-third interest in blocks 57, 58, 75, 76, 77, 78 and lots 22, 23, 24 in block 60, Cooperstown, to J. M. Burrell of Sanborn, a like interest to Matilda M. Roberts, of Fargo, and a like interest to Cooper Brothers. This property includes the hotel.

Harris' Nickel Plate Circus showed in Valley City the 17th inst. The tumbling and horizontal bar performances were first-class. No pocket-picking, no fights and no accidents save a bad break by a prominent young attorney. The tattooed lady said he must be careful or he would get kidnapped, he was so "cute."

Mr. R. C. Brophy has a garden of about an acre in extent which is a delight to the eye, and will be a comfort to the stomach before the equinoctial storms and fall elections strike us. The product of that acre this season will support an ordinary family, and there are a hundred and sixty similar acres in every quarter section.

We acknowledge the receipt of the annual invitations of Rho Chapt. D. K. E. Lafayette, and of the Lambda Iota, of Burlington, Vt., to their respective commencement banquets, and would like to attend, but a previous engagement to measure up cord wood for subscriptions at the small price of \$2 per annum, will prevent.

Dr. G. F. Newell is finishing out a hundred acre field of trucking on his farm north of town. Wm. A. Baker is doing the work. Mr. Baker, formerly of the Valley City firm Rushfelt & Baker, has a fine farm of 320 acres on section 18, township 144, range 58, of which he has 575 acres in crop, looking magnificently. A school house (District No. 11) is being erected on the same section.

In the last thunder storm the lightning struck the ground about a hundred yards from the residence of Postmaster Barnard, leaving a "buffalo wallow" about a foot in depth, in the center of which was bored a hole as if made by an auger of a depth of several feet. From this hole several grooves about three inches in depth and width radiate running off into the surrounding grain, which shows some scorching. The stroke occasioned a black cloud of dust and smoke, which moved off with the wind.

A prominent democrat who visited Cooperstown Saturday was waiting for the New York World to inform him whether Tilden was in the field or not.

By perusing the COURIER he might get his news a week earlier. The nomination of Blaine with the successive ballots was published in Cooperstown as early as in St. Paul. We shall at all times furnish the latest and most important news to date of going to press.

Persons finding this notice crossed are informed that their subscriptions have expired, and are requested to renew. Parties in Cooperstown who are sending the COURIER to friends in the east will confer a favor by giving us their names.

Several citizens have remarked that the attention of the Townsite company to the fact that on our tree-begirt boulevard, as per the plat, the shade is hardly dense enough, and that if it is to be improved by the setting out of trees, the ground ought to be prepared for it this month. Experience has demonstrated that the soil must be cultivated—the Indian taken out of it, as it were—before transplanted trees will grow. A present there is not a shade tree in Cooperstown except those planted by Messrs. Pickett and Jorgenson, and the boulevard is more bull yard than boulevard.

The case of Mrs. Catherine M. Ashbey, wife of John W. Ashbey, who is alleged to be insane, was inquired into by the commissioners of insanity, Dr. Kerr and Messrs. Andrus and Jacobson, Saturday. It appears that she threatens violence to her family, neglects her infant and is very abusive, contrary to her natural disposition. She is the mother of thirteen children, eleven of whom are living, and has been in an asylum. She is said to have burned her husband's house and effects twelve years ago in Michigan, where the family formerly lived. The case was adjourned until the 19th instant for further testimony. However insane the woman may be, her blackened eyes are not evidence of proper treatment. The more irresponsible she is the more need of firm but gentle treatment.

An Underground River.

Water was struck in the court house well Saturday at a depth of forty-eight feet from the surface. It rose in the well with such rapidity that the workmen had to climb for their lives. At last accounts there was twenty-one feet of water and still rising—no blind fish as yet.

Proceedings of County Commissioners.

Met June 14, 1884, in accordance with adjournment. Present, Commissioners Halvorson and Cooper. Commissioner Cooper in the chair.

Ordered that bill of Ole Halvorson, services as commissioner, \$30.40, be allowed.

At 2:30 o'clock p. m., Commissioner Rukke appears and takes part.

On motion ordered that a refunding order be issued to Gilbert Olson for \$8.18, having been paid by wrong Gilbert Olson, and ordered that the entry of payment on the tax list and duplicate be erased.

On motion ordered that a refunding order be issued to J. H. Van Vorhees for his road poll tax, \$1.50, he being over age.

Motion made by Commissioner Rukke that the proposition of the Herzog Manufacturing Co., to furnish jail fixtures for \$2,096, be accepted and that said company be required to furnish satisfactory bond for \$4,000 for the faithful performance of said work. Seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion put by clerk, resulting as follows: Ayes, N. C. Rukke and Rollin C. Cooper; nay, Ole Halvorson.

Motion made by Commissioner Rukke that the following resolutions be adopted, viz:

Whereas, E. H. Randall, of Concord, N. H., having made a proposition to the county of Griggs, D. T., to furnish and place in the court house of said county steam heating apparatus as per specifications submitted, for \$1,945; now, therefore,

Resolved, That the county of Griggs, D. T., hereby accept said proposition, provided said E. H. Randall furnishes to the board of county commissioners satisfactory bond for \$3,000, with two good and sufficient sureties.

Seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion put by clerk, resulting as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Rukke and Cooper; nay, Commissioner Halvorson. Motion carried.

Motion offered by Commissioner Rukke to allow Alex. Moffat, court house contractor, \$1,120.81, being 85 per cent, of estimate furnished by F. B. Edwards, inspector; seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion put by clerk, resulting as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Rukke and Cooper; nay, Commissioner Halvorson. Motion carried.

Motion offered by Commissioner Rukke, seconded by Commissioner Cooper to allow F. B. Edwards \$100, account superintendent construction of court house and jail. Motion put by clerk resulting as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Rukke and Cooper; nay, Commissioner Halvorson. Motion carried.

Motion offered by Commissioner Rukke for the county of Griggs, D. T., to accept the proposition of Alexander Moffat for a change in plans of basement of court house as per proposition filed. Seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion put by clerk resulting as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Rukke and Cooper; nay, Commissioner Halvorson. Motion carried.

On motion ordered that petition for a public road in Sheyenne valley from house of Ole J. Skrien north to house of Iver J. Sasse, be published as provided by law.

On motion ordered that the following bills be allowed, viz:

Sivat K. Skogen, grading at Sheyenne bridge, \$ 2 66
Ole J. Krien, same, 5 33
Sam'l Goldthrite, services as road viewer, 16 00

Andrew Johnson, posting school township election notices, 40 55
Stevens & Enger, 6 steel scrapers, 104 00
On motion, adjourned till June 16th, 1884, at 2 p. m. ROLLIN C. COOPER, HERBERT P. SMART, Chairman.

Met June 16th, 1884, at 2 p. m., in accordance with adjournment. Present, Commissioners Rukke and Cooper. Commissioner Cooper in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. On motion ordered that the following road petitions be published according to law, viz: Commencing at the quarter section stake between sections 36 and 25, township 146, range 60, thence in a north-easterly direction on the most eligible route to a point between sections 19 and 30, township 146, range 59, on the ridge and about 40 rods west of the section stake at the northeast corner of section 30, thence easterly, following the south section line of sections 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, or so near thereto as practicable, to the town of Cooperstown. Signed by F. D. Fenner, David Nicoll, J. H. Van Vorhees, W. Wilson, and others.

Also the following road, viz: Commencing at the southwest corner of section 32, township 144, range 58, where the county road from Barnes county enters Griggs county, thence north along the section line one mile east of range line between ranges 58 and 59, to township line between townships 144 and 145, thence west on said line to southeast corner section 32, township 145, range 58, thence north on said section line to northeast corner of said section 32, thence west 2 miles on section line to southwest corner of section 30 in said township, thence north on the range line between said townships to Cooperstown. Signed by Niels Hemingson, William A. Baker, Frithof Greenland, and others.

Also the following road: Commencing at the corner of sections 23, 24, 25 and 26, township 145, range 58, thence in a northwesterly direction across sections 23, 22, 21 and 17 to section corner between sections 7, 8, 17 and 18, township 145, range 58, thence west on section line between sections 7 and 18 as near as practicable to range line between ranges 58 and 59, thence north on range line to corner between sections 19 and 30, township 146, range 58, and sections 24 and 25, township 146, range 59. Signed by Martin A. Ueland, Chr. A. Aasland, Sven Lima, and others.

Also the following road, viz: Commencing at the quarter stake on west line of section 19, township 148, range 59, and running thence in a southeasterly direction on the most eligible route to southeast corner of southwest quarter sec 29, thence in the most direct and eligible route through section 32, same town and range, and sections 5, 4, 9 and 15, town 147, range 59, thence on the most direct and eligible route to an intersection of the road running north and south between sections 1 and 2, 11 and 12, 13 and 14, 23 and 24, 25 and 26, 35 and 36, township 147, range 59. Signed by Joseph Buchheit, E. W. Hagerty, Ben. Kullus, H. V. Safford and others.

Also the following road, viz: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 30, township 146, range 58, thence south on section line between sections 30 and 29, and 31 and 32 by the most practicable route across the southwest corner of section 32 to the town line between townships 145 and 146, thence east on said line to northeast corner of section 4, thence south on section line between sections 3 and 4 to northwest corner section 10, thence east on section line between sections 3 and 10, across the Sheyenne river and further on said section line between sections 2 and 11, 1 and 12, township 145, range 58 to range line between ranges 57 and 58. Signed by Arne Lakkasen, C. P. Balkan, Wm. H. Gimblett, James Gimblett, and others.

On motion ordered that the following road petition be laid upon the table to await the action of board of commissioners of Nelson county, D. T., viz: Commencing at the east line of section 1, township 148, range 59, thence west on said line to east side of section 2, township 148, range 60, thence south 60 rods, thence west to west line of said section, thence north to county line, thence west on said line to the quarter stake of section 5, township 148, range 60, thence westerly on the most eligible route to east line of section 4, township 148, range 61, thence on county line to west line of Griggs county. Signed by A. W. Bartlett, Joseph Bartlett, G. A. Coleman, C. H. Coleman, and others.

On motion ordered that the reports of S. Goldthrite, I. E. Mills and Rolley Johnson, viewers of the following proposed public road, commencing at northeast corner sec 3, township 148, range 59, south to an intersection of the public road from the Sheyenne river to Cooperstown; and also the following proposed public road, commencing at northwest corner section 3, township 148, range 59, thence south to an intersection of the public road from the Sheyenne river to Cooperstown, be accepted as per plats thereof, filed in the county clerk's office by M. A. Ueland, county surveyor.

On motion ordered that E. W. Hagerty and Joseph Buchheit be appointed reviewers to appraise the damages to be sustained by Ole H. Moen by roads on east and west side of south 1/2 of south 1/2 section 22, township 148, range 59, and they are required to meet at Sam'l Goldthrite's, June 27th, 1884, and qualify and appraise said damages.

On motion ordered that the following bills be allowed:

F. H. Adams, printing and stationery, \$31 37
Iver Jacobson, expenses to Valley City and return on court house matters, 26 40
Isaac E. Mills, eight days viewing roads in 147 and 148, range 59, 16 00

On motion adjourned till June 23d, 1884, at 2 p. m. ROLLIN C. COOPER, HERBERT P. SMART, Chairman.

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A Card.
We have placed a full line of FLOUR in our Burrell Avenue Store, where we shall hereafter handle the largest provision business in this section of the country. Our stock will always be complete and our prices such as to maintain the present popularity of Cooperstown as the trading point for the counties of Griggs, Steele, Nelson, northern Barnes, and eastern Foster. Our terms are strictly cash, and will not be varied from. DAVIS & PICKETT.

For Sale.
500 bushels white seed oats; 150 bushels choice select Early Rose potatoes. M. ROBINSON, Mardell.

Sealed proposals will be received at the clerk's office of Red Willow school township, until Saturday, June 21st, 1884, for the building of two school houses in said township, one to be built on section 16, town 138 north, range 60 west, the other on section 24, township 147 north, range 60 west. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of Supt. Kerr in Cooperstown.

Dated this 20th day of May, 1884. HARRY CLARK, Clerk. O. H. JOHNSON, Treasurer. W. C. JIMESON, Director.

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