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THE COURIER.

By Percy R. Grubbs

Commissioners Proceedings.

Board of County Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment this 25th day of May, A. D. 1903.

All members of the board present. The minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion the following bills were approved.

Wm. McKinney mds for poor.	8 75
L. S. Platou for professional service poor.	273 00
Hans Oppgaard sheriffs fees case of State vs. Aisney.	1 05
Ole Bakken for express paid.	5 70
E. S. Rose court stenographer Benjamin Tufte services on insanity board.	4 00
Johnson & Rood livery in case of Goplen.	3 00
H. S. Rearick stationery blanks and printing.	24 70
Theo. F. Kerr services on board of insanity.	14 00
T. O. Hetager salary as engineer.	50 00
Andrew Goff for telephone service.	20 00
Will H. Carleton services on board of insanity.	9 00
Warren French witness fees case of insanity.	2 80
Nelson French witness fees case of insanity.	2 60
A. E. Richardson witness fees case of insanity.	2 60
H. S. Rearick stationery printing blanks etc.	74 15
Berg Bros. & Co. merchandise courthouse.	17 45
B. D. Hoskins session laws.	4 50
Ethel M. Warner salary as clerk.	40 00
Treasurer Children's Home.	100 00
Walker Bros. & Hardy.	10 00
Gull River Lumber Co. for bridge material.	19 03
Court House repair material.	30 06
For fuel.	32 26
Paid in one warrant for.	81 35
Paul E. Seim wolf bounty.	16 00
Fred Fletcher " " " "	24 00
Torkel Fosholdt " " " "	10 00
Thorvald H. Dahl wolf bounty.	14 00
G. Thorsen " " " "	20 00
Hans S. Kramstad " " " "	16 00
Nels Oleson " " " "	2 00
Torkel Vigessaa " " " "	14 00
Torkel E. Arestad " " " "	2 00
C. L. Brimi for services as Supt. board of health.	32 50
C. J. Lucken services as County Commissioner.	8 00
Charles Nelson services as county commissioner.	11 00
John B. Armstrong services as county commissioner.	10 80
O. S. Gunderson services as county commissioner.	5 50
J. T. Fosholdt services as county commissioner.	10 30

Moved and seconded that the bond of David Nicoll assessor of 2d commissioner district be approved. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that John Ebenler be appointed road overseer for the 2d district, comprising township 146 range 61. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that a road and bridge tax of 4 mills be levied on all real and personal property in township 146 range 61, the same to be expended on road and bridges in said town under direction of the board of county commissioners. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that Thor Heta gar be authorized to make purchase of whatever steam pipe he may need and of parties furnishing it the cheapest. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that the county auditor advertise for bids for the construction of a tile sidewalk to be laid from the front steps of the courthouse to the gate and all along the north side of the courthouse block. Motion carried.

Application was made by Frank Ressler for a refundment of taxes on lots 7-8-9-10-11 and 12 of sec. 7 township 147 range 59 for the following years 1889-1890-1891-1892-1893-1894, amounting in all to \$138.09 for the reason that said lands were not assessable as they were government lands and held by said claimant as homestead under the United States homestead land laws, final proof of which was made in the year 1902. Moved and seconded that a refunding order be issued to Frank Ressler for \$138.09 for the amount of illegal taxes assessed and collected. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that the taxes on lots 8-9-10 and 11 of sec. 7 township 147 range 59 for the year 1898 be abated for the reason that said lands were not assessable for that year. Motion carried.

Martin Johnson appeared before the board and offered the net amount of taxes assessed and levied against the

of sw 1/4 of sec 5 township 147 range 58 for the following years 1891-1892-1893-1894-1895-1896-1897-1898-1899-1900 and 1901.

Moved and seconded that the offer of Martin Johnson be accepted. Motion carried.

Application for refundment was made by Mrs. J. B. Stevens for a refundment of taxes paid on the w 1/2 of sw 1/4 section 5 township 147 range 58 as the same was government land at the time of assessing and levying the tax and was at the time held as a homestead by Martin Johnson under the homestead laws of the United States, said taxes being for the years 1896-1897 and 1898 amounting to \$25.75.

Moved and seconded that Mrs. J. B. Stevens be refunded \$25.75 it being the net total so paid for the reason that said taxes were illegal. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that the taxes for the year 1899-1900 and 1901 assessed and levied against the w 1/2 of sw 1/4 of section 5 township 147 range 58 be abated for the reason that the same was government land and not assessable. Motion carried.

On motion the following expenses incurred by J. C. Flynn, Sheriff in conveying patients to the insane asylum was approved.

Case of Karl Johnson insane.	\$40.50
" " Iver Johnson " "	38.50
" " James Inledon " "	30.00

Swen Helland petitioned the board for the appointment of an appraiser to appraise the value of a broncho taken up and advertised 1 year ago.

Moved and seconded, that O. S. Gunderson be appointed appraiser to fix and determine the value of such stray broncho. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded, that C. J. Lucken and Charles Nelson be appointed a committee to confer with the Town Board of Washburn in regard to bridge petitioned for. Motion carried.

On motion board adjourned sine die.

P. A. MELGARD,
County Auditor.

Report of County Convention.

The fifteenth Annual Convention and Fourth Annual Institute of the Barnes and Griggs County Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in Valley City June 2nd and 3rd.

It was both a pleasant and profitable gathering. The printed program was well carried out with a few necessary changes. The work of the Institute the first day was instructive and helpful. It was favored by the presence of the State President, Mrs. Anderson, and the State "Home Worker" Miss Thompson, both of whom gave valued assistance. The papers and discussions of both days were of a high order.

Tuesday evening was full of good things. Addresses of welcome were given by President McFarland of the State Normal School, in behalf of the educational interests of Valley City. Rev. T. E. Green, Pastor of the Methodist church, in behalf of the churches, and Mrs. Albert Walker in behalf of the Local Union. These addresses expressing commendation and good fellowship for the organization that is working to make the pathway of humanity less dangerous, was ably and fitly responded to by Mrs. Emma Cooper. Mrs. Anderson gave her strong and convincing array of facts and figures concerning the relative merits of the three principal methods of dealing with the liquor traffic. License, Dispensary or Prohibition. A lady soloist and a male quartette and the Congregational S. S. Orchestra gave the music of the evening. A Physical Culture Class also gave a pleasing exercise.

The convention work of the second day was promptly disposed of. The local unions all reporting progress and good work accomplished, and all being represented by good delegations.

Election of officers resulted in the following roster:

President—Mrs. L. M. Brown, Cooperstown.

Vice President at Large—Miss E. D. Santley, Valley City.

Cor. Secretary—Mrs. Emma Cooper, Cooperstown.

Rec. Secretary—Mrs. C. C. Tucker, Sanborn.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. C. Widdifield, Leal.

Pledges for county work, from local unions and individuals gave proof of an unflagging interest. The two subjects calling forth the most earnest discussions were "What Changes Have Been Made in our Prohibition Law" and "How to Preserve the Purity and Innocence of the Child." An address given by Prof. Hollis of the Normal on "The Right of Children to a Healthy Moral Environment," deserves special mention.

In spite of the fact that there were two or three other things going on and claiming their share of public atten-

tion, the meetings of the entire session were given a fair attendance. The last night a full house greeted the contestants for the gold medal. There were five participants. It was a contest of an unusually high order. The selections were uniformly strong and able and the contestants acquitted themselves so well that the judges task was a difficult. A fraction in favor of general conception of the selection, gave the gold medal to Mrs. V. H. Buring, on the selection "A Christmas Story."

It was of course pleasing to the Cooperstown contingent to bring it home with them. A pleasing flag-drill by ten girls, vocal and instrumental music gave variety to the program.

Too much can not be said of the admirable manner in which the convention was entertained.

The two days stay proved Valley City to be indeed a pleasant place, with pleasant people, pleasant homes and pleasant weather. The new Carnegie public library, which is not yet open to the public, was opened to the convention to visit between 5 and 6 o'clock Tuesday evening. This building is a gem of its kind and fully merits the pride which the people take in it. An hour's drive was given the visitors at the close of the afternoon meeting on Wednesday. This revealed the attractiveness of Valley City which only a drive through the park, past the Normal school, public schools, and handsome residences can do. The visitors were given their lunch and dinner at the Booth restaurant and were most generously entertained in every particular. The next place of meeting is Cooperstown.

Teacher's Institute.

The teacher's institute adjourned last Friday afternoon after being in session one week, during which time the teachers and instructors spent many profitable and pleasant hours together in work in the various branches of education. Supt. of Public Instruction W. L. Stockwell, was present Wednesday and Thursday and gave the teachers some practical pointers. At the close of the session the following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS: The teachers of Griggs County N. Dak., are here assembled for the sole purpose of having an educational revival, of meeting our friends and of putting forth energy, good-will and spirit;

BE IT RESOLVED: That we express our hearty appreciation of our gracious Superintendent, of our instructors, of the Baptist people, who kindly furnished the church for the lecture, of the choir for the music, of Prof. Vernon P. Squires for his inspiring and eloquent address, and of State Supt. Stockwell, who has shown himself to be thoroughly in earnest, in his endeavors to forward the educational interests of N. Dak.

THAT, Prof. Callahan's lucid exposition of the state course of study, together with the teacher's pocket edition of the same, should give that instrument a momentum equal to the square of the number of teachers present.

THAT, A committee be appointed to arrange for a permanent annual picnic to be held in connection with each institute;

THAT, We appreciate all we have gained in instruction, association, and the awakened professional spirit.

THAT, A copy of these resolutions be sent to the county papers for publication.

HENRY A. BEMIS,
COM. RACHEL H. WILLIAMS,
C. C. SINGER.

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