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APPORTIONMENT COUNTY FUNDS

How the County Funds Will be Expended as Apportioned by the County Auditor

County Auditor Mathews has apportioned the county money to the various road districts and other funds as follows:

Total amt'nt 1st installment of taxes.....	\$193,547.93
Personal prop'ty taxes.....	5,810.00
Auditor apportioned.....	\$199,357.93
State's share.....	\$7,051.74
To county fund.....	\$162,306.19
To county school fund.....	30,532.86

Bal. for miscellaneous county purposes.....	\$131,773.33
State fund 1909.....	\$36,028.34
County General fund 1909.....	42,165.05
Salary fund.....	4,948.95
Judicial fund.....	3,464.27
Indigent fund 1909.....	5,938.74
First road 1909.....	5,497.52
Second road 1909.....	4,126.19
Third road 1909.....	7,326.75
Fourth road 1909.....	10,766.05
Fifth road 1909.....	4,672.56
Unap. Co. school 1909.....	29,693.70
Mendocino H. S. Co. Fd.....	3,916.80
Ukiah H. S. Co. Fd.....	4,569.60
Bond fund 1909.....	3,464.27
Willits Municipal fund 1909.....	5,136.83

The following amounts collected by the extra 10 cent levy goes into the road district funds in addition to the above named amounts from the regular road tax:

First Spec. road 1909.....	1,374.38
Second Spec. road 1909.....	1,031.55
Third Spec. road 1909.....	1,831.68
Fourth Spec. road 1909.....	2,691.51
Fifth Spec. road 1909.....	1,163.14

The amount sent out to orphans, half orphans and indigents, the day before Christmas, was \$1,196.57. Of this amount the state will refund to the county about \$1000.

The total amount of state poll tax collected by the assessor amounted to \$10,226.90, after deducting the assessor's commission of \$1,533.90, the sum of \$8,692.90 was turned over to the state.

The personal tax amounting to \$4,810, was apportioned to the road funds and is not included in the above.

Attending State Teachers' Association

Principal F. O. Mower and C. A. Bernhard, of the Ukiah high school, left Tuesday for San Francisco to attend the annual meeting of the state teachers' association, which meets in that city this week. These annual meetings are attended by teachers from all over the state and prove very beneficial to members of the profession.

UNCLE SAM LOOKS AFTER HIS WARDS

During the last six months the interior department of the United States government has bought no less than six different tracts of fine land in the valley for the benefit of Indians under its control. The land secured is all of the best agricultural kind, and indicates that the department is very mindful of its wards in this section. The latest acquisition was made a few days ago when W. A. and E. M. Ford transferred to the United States an 80 acre tract located in the Redwood Valley, for which the sum of \$2000 was paid. It is not too bad to be a dependent of Uncle Sam.

A Contemplative Trick

"Old Sly," everybody's dog, has a hard time to hold onto life. Some weeks ago he was locked in a room for two weeks without food or water, but survived, and several times recently he has been poisoned, but the timely administration of antidotes by the employees of the Palace hotel, where "Old Sly" holds out, saved him. Why any person should be so contemptibly small as to make attempts on this old favorite's life is hard to conceive. He is harmless and a pet and a friend of everybody. If this miscreant is discovered he will receive harsh treatment at the hands of "Old Sly's" friends.

SHANKLIN-FREY WEDDING SURPRISE

Married in Ukiah Two Months Ago, Wedding Just Announced at Placerville

A marriage has just been announced which causes considerable surprise in this city, the ceremony having been performed in Ukiah a couple of months ago, but has just been made public. The parties to this quite affair are J. W. Shanklin, editor of the Daily Nugget, of Placerville, and Mrs. Birdie M. Frey, a sister of Mrs. W. P. Mariner of the Cecille hotel. Some three months ago Mrs. Frey was called to Ukiah by the serious illness of her daughter, who was visiting her aunt, and while here the groom came to town unannounced and the knot was quietly tied unbeknown to even the intimates of the family. Mrs. Frey (Shanklin) returned to her home in Placerville, but the marriage was not announced until Sunday evening, when a few select friends were gathered at a banquet given by the groom the announcement was made, and created a great surprise. The many friends of the bride in this city extend congratulations.

Rural Telephone Extended

The rural telephone line has been extended from the race track south to the John Henry place, giving service to ten different ranchers en route. The line will be extended farther soon to take in a number of farm residences south and west of its present terminal.

Firemen Elect Officers

The members of the fire department met at the city hall Wednesday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Fire Chief, Frank LaPorte; Secretary, W. D. L. Held; Treasurer, Oliver Cleveland. C. C. Brewer was the successful candidate for recommendation to the board of trustees for fire marshal, as provided for in the fire ordinance recently passed.

Masons Elect Officers

At the last regular meeting of Abell lodge F. & A. M. the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, B. L. Cleland; Sr. W., F. E. Anker; Jr. W., W. M. Bromley; Treasurer, J. R. Mathews; Secretary, I. W. Grover. The annual installation will take place on January 15, 1910.

Now is Your Chance

On page 3 will be found a list of the premiums that the Dispatch is offering to its subscribers at cost. A great many subscribers have taken advantage of the extraordinary offer and are more than pleased with the articles. The offer still holds good and those desiring to take advantage of it should do so at once. Send in your subscriptions, together with the additional amount for the premiums, and the same will be attended to promptly.

Celebrated 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Broback of this city celebrated their fiftieth anniversary last Saturday. At that time they were paid a visit by the absent children, Mrs. Roy Douglas and Clarence Broback, of Fort Bragg. A number of other near friends were also present upon the occasion and a most enjoyable time was had.

Subscribers Paying Up

Several hundred subscribers have sent in the amount due on subscription this month, keeping the force busy with the books and correcting the dates on the wrappers. If the date on the wrapper has not been changed, it will be in a few days. We desire to thank our subscribers for their promptness in sending in the amount due and for their renewals. Those who have not yet sent in the amount will confer a favor on us by doing so at once.

Walter Coffey was knocked out in the 12th round at Coalinga last week by a fighter who weighed 20 pounds more than he did.

WHO SHOULD PAY LICENSE?

That's the Question Now Agitating the Citizens Outside of the Corporation

The license question has come to the fore this week, precipitated by the city license collector attempting to collect a \$10 license fee from a rancher who brought grain to the city, stored it and offered it for sale at retail. The city attorney interprets the ordinance to mean that any person storing or housing any commodity and offering the same for sale at retail in opposition to established dealers should be liable for license the same as the regular local dealer, and this interpretation of the license ordinance seems reasonable, and in accord with the purposes for which it was intended, namely: the protection of the retailer who pays rent, license and bears the expense of carrying on a retail business.

Following is the section of the ordinance governing the retail business in mercantile lines:

"Every person * * * besides those conducting regular places of business in the town of Ukiah City, selling * * * merchandise of any class or character to persons not regularly engaged in carrying on such lines of business, whether by sample or otherwise, shall pay a license fee of ten dollars per quarter in advance."

But there is another phase of the ordinance that really seems out of date and a hindrance to the rancher trade. Ordinance 119 provides as follows:

"Every peddler, vender of goods, wares or merchandise, except those selling 'country produce,' shall pay license to said town of \$5.00 per week for each wagon or pack load of the same. The words 'country produce' shall be construed to mean fresh fish, and fruits and vegetables in their natural state."

Literally construed this provision would mean the prohibition of the rancher selling to private customers fuel, butter, eggs, fowls, or anything else he might raise on the farm except "fruit and vegetables." Evidently this is too far reaching and detrimental to local trade. It may be said that the ordinance is not enforced, but the fact remains that it is a law, and could be enforced were the officers inclined to do so. In the interest of all concerned it should be repealed or modified. Such prohibition is obsolete in most other towns, and certainly Ukiah should not stand alone in keeping such antiquated laws on its books.

RENDERING OF "THE HOLY CITY"

The rendering of the beautiful oratorio "The Holy City," at the Baptist Church last Sunday evening was very successful and attended by a large audience; in fact there were many who went to the church but owing to the house being packed were not able to gain admittance. The solos and choruses were admirably rendered, and all who took part acquitted themselves with much credit. Dr. Maddrell, who had charge of the drilling of the choruses and arranging the details of the production has reason to feel proud of the success scored. Because of the disappointment of many who were unable to hear the oratorio on account of the limited seating capacity it has been suggested that it be repeated, when an admittance fee might be charged. It is certain, should it be decided to repeat it a large audience would attend. The Ukiah Oratorio Society should feel encouraged because of the interest and appreciation of its efforts displayed by the public.

Patton-Dutton Wedding

DeLos Patton, who is employed in the plumbing department at Breuner's in this city, and Miss Esma Dutton of Oakland, who formerly resided in Ukiah with her parents, were married in San Francisco Christmas day. The happy couple arrived on the evening train Monday and received the congratulations of their friends. They will make Ukiah their future home.

OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS TIME

"Peace on Earth Good Will to Men," Prevailed in Ukiah on Christmas Day

The Christmas festival was well observed in Ukiah. Business was entirely suspended and the day given over to the enjoyment of family reunions around the table laden with the many good things always provided for this the most enjoyable of all the festive days of the year. The usual Christmas trees were in evidence all over town, and many were the hearts young and old made glad by the receipt of tokens of friendship and love. The poor were not forgotten, and there were many instances of Christmas charity well directed. Taken altogether Ukiah never had a more enjoyable yuletide, and everybody felt that it was good to live in a community where joy and happiness reigned so universally.

Stipp-Fine Nuptials

A couple of well and favorably known young folks were made happy last Sunday, when the Rev. Moore united in marriage Arthur Stipp and Miss Clara Fine, which pleasing event occurred at the home of the bride's parents. The parlors were beautifully decorated with evergreens and holly berries, and after the ceremony an elegant wedding dinner was served. The groom is employed with a milling company at Stirling, Butte county, whither they have gone and will make their future home. A large number of friends in this city wish the bride and groom all the happiness and prosperity possible.

Vale 1909—Enter 1910

Today is the last of 1909, and tomorrow's sun will dawn on 1910. For whatever degree of happiness we have enjoyed during the year just closing, let us be thankful, and resolve that for the coming year we will strive to achieve greater and better things, and fail not to benefit by the successes or failures of 1909. To one and all, both friend and foe, the Dispatch extends its best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Savings Bank Dividend

A semiannual dividend, at the rate of four per cent per annum, has been declared by the Savings Bank of Mendocino County to its depositors, for the half year ending December 31, 1909, payable on or after January 3d, 1910.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT THE CECILLE

Christmas was observed in this city in the usual manner. There were the usual Christmas trees at the various churches on the evening of the 24th., and there were also a number of private trees in a number of homes. Santa Claus seemed to treat all the youngsters first rate, omitting none. On Christmas day there were a number of swell dinners served. The Cecille hotel outdid itself on the dinner served that day. It was the general opinion that the dinner served was the best ever in Ukiah. Mine Host Mariner and Manager Wilson spared no pains to make it a success. The dining room was nicely decorated for the occasion, and the decorations in the bar room eclipsed anything in town. There was a large crowd that took advantage of the occasion and sat down to the sumptuous repast. The menu was as follows:

Consomme	Crab en Mayonnaise	Meek Turtle
Celery	Salted Almonds	Olives
Baked Virginia Ham	Hollandaise	
Fried Chicken a la Maryland	Sweetbread Sauce with Mushrooms	
Honny Pudding	Oyster Patties	Cream Puffs
Prime Beef au Jus	Suckling Pig with Stewed Apples	
Young Turkey with Chestnut Stuffing	Cranberry Sauce	
Mashed and Sweet Potatoes	String Beans	Asparagus
Pumpkin Pie	Hot Mince Pie	Lemon Pie
Plum Pudding	Hard Sauce	
Assorted Cake	Mixed Nuts	Raisins
American Cheese	Bouquet Cheese	
Coffee	Tea	Milk

J. H. Taylor and Johnny Baker and wife came up from the city last week and spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor.

AROUND THE COURT HOUSE

Numerous Items of More or Less Interest to the Country Readers of the Dispatch

Constable Smith of Willits, brought Wm. Bales down to spend the remainder of the holidays, or until he shall have served 30 days, with Sheriff Donohoe. William imbibed too freely of Christmas joy and acted very unruly.

Auditor Mathews is overwhelmed with letters regarding the words stamped on many tax receipts: "Sold for Taxes." The collector stamps the receipts and the auditor had to do the explaining, and as it takes a great deal of time in many cases to look up the necessary data it is impossible to answer the letters as promptly as some of the enquirers expect. But in good time all the information asked for will be forthcoming.

Matters are exceedingly quiet around the court house this week, and all on account of the holiday season. Next week promises to be a lively one, as the board of supervisors will be in session and the county board of education will meet.

The misdemeanor inmates of the county jail are glad of the opportunity to get out and perform labor on the streets these bright sunny days. They all like the exercise.

Sheriff Donohoe went to Coyote Valley yesterday to arrest some Greeks on the Mack Howard place for hog stealing. The complaining witnesses are the Mann Brothers.

Constable Will Standley came over from Westport yesterday bringing with him a fellow by the name of Bennett who appropriated some money from another party and forgot to return it. Bennett will serve time and thus improve his memory.

COURT NOTES

The administrator of the estate of Andrew Hansen having wound up the affairs of deceased, was discharged.

A final decree of divorce was granted in the case of Hamilton vs. Hamilton.

In the case of the People vs. Bic-suti and Bronchino, the Italians who had a merry row and cutting scrape at Greenwood some weeks ago, was set for trial February 2nd and 3rd.

J. F. Pickle et al vs. John Taylor, administrator estate I. Starkey, and N. A. Barrett vs. same, decrees entered quieting title in both cases.

In the matter of T. M. Ledford vs. Arnen, a decree was ordered quieting title.

A final decree of divorce was entered in the case of Ida L. Lance vs. A. S. Lance.

Italian-American Mercantile Co. vs. D. Galli, judgment by default.

The administrator of the estate of Sarah F. Marshall rendered a final accounting and a distribution of property was ordered. The sale of real estate of the estate of Daniel Deenn was confirmed.

Alice M. Tisdale was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from John B. Tisdale.

Susie M. Lay was also given an interlocutory decree in her suit against Henry Lay.

Complaints were filed and summonses issued in the following cases: Caspar Lumber Co. vs. Mary Feldman et al; Thomas Kirby vs. Dante Galli; John W. Carter vs. Stearns Lumber Co.; E. R. Wright vs. Mary Feldman et al.

A Song of Life

Dr. Albert J. Atkins a philosopher and doctor of note, has written a splendid little booklet entitled "A Song of Life," a copy of which is on our desk. It is a very readable book and shows the doctor to be a deep thinker. The book will be read with a great deal of pleasure by the friends of the doctor in this city. Dr. Atkins and wife, nee Louise Ames, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives here. The booklet can be secured at Hutchinson & Roeder's for only 35 cents.

LARGE HOLIDAY POSTAL BUSINESS

The Yuletide Made Lots of Extra Work for the Employees of the Local Postoffice

Postmaster Handy and his very efficient corps of assistants had their hands full during the few days preceding Christmas, and the surplus work has not entirely disappeared yet, but the big rush is over. About 2000 local Christmas packages were handled and about the same number passed through the office for points outside. There were 200 letters registered, and about 5000 letters per day were received and sent out. Money orders to the amount of about \$5000 were issued. This volume of business was handled most satisfactorily, and not withstanding the usual rush the ordinary routine of the office was handled without any hitch, and no extra help was required. Postmaster Handy and his force deserve credit for the manner in which the business was disposed of.

Death of Mrs. J. L. Howard

Mrs. Henerietta Howard, beloved wife of James L. Howard, died at her home on the ranch northeast of town Wednesday evening. She was taken suddenly ill the day before and became paralyzed, from the effects of which she passed away. She was 48 years and 20 days old and had spent her life in this valley. She leaves a husband and a daughter to mourn her sudden departure. The funeral takes place this afternoon from the family residence.

Death of Elmer L. Alcott

Elmer L. Alcott, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Alcott, of this city, died last Saturday morning, of pleura pneumonia, after an illness of a few weeks. He was 15 years, 7 months and 15 days old. The funeral services were held at the Christian church last Sunday afternoon. The sympathy of neighbors and friends is extended to the bereaved family.

Declared Public Highway

The old Lawley toll road, which runs over Mt. St. Helena in Lake county to Calistoga, in Napa county, which has been operated as a toll road since away back in the early sixties, has been declared a free public highway, the franchise which the Lawleys obtained from the state over fifty years ago having terminated by lapse of time. This old road was familiar to many of the old residents in this section of the state who contributed high rates of toll for the privilege of traveling over it, and it was a source of great profit to its owners.

WILL HANDLE RANCH PROPERTY

A company to be known as the N. N. Shorb Company has been formed for the purpose of handling Mendocino ranch property exclusively. N. N. Shorb, who resides on the Santana ranch, in Redwood Valley, is one of the leading members of the company and will look after the business in this county, while the head offices will be located in San Francisco. The company has formed excellent connections and propose to thoroughly advertise through the medium of eastern magazines the advantages open to settlers in Mendocino county. Mr. Shorb is one of the progressive young men of the county, and is very enthusiastic over the opportunities for home seekers in this section. There is no question but that good results will accrue from the publicity which will be given the county through this medium. Mr. Shorb returned from San Francisco Wednesday, where he has been for several weeks completing arrangements for carrying the objects of the company to a successful issue.

Much to the discomfiture of the passengers on the north bound train Sunday evening, the engine developed a hot box and when Cloverdale was reached there was a delay of an hour and a half while another engine was secured to bring the train into Ukiah. It was about 10 o'clock when the train reached here.