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Commissioners' Proceedings.

McCook, Neb., February 4, 1899.  
Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

On motion the claims of various school districts "known as high school districts" were allowed and clerk instructed to draw warrants on county school fund in payment thereof, and treasurer directed to transfer such levy, to the county general fund.

On motion the following appointments were made: H. H. Beery, member Soldiers' Relief commission. Road overseers, to fill vacancy: M. Fossen, district No. 33; W. J. Porter, district No. 8; T. J. Ruggles, district No. 10; Robert F. Gorely, district No. 23.

Resignation of A. F. Reeves, county surveyor read and on motion same is accepted.

The following official bonds were examined and on motion approved: H. H. Berry, member Soldiers' Relief commission. Geo. A. Remington, justice of the peace, North Valley precinct. Road overseers, T. J. Ruggles, district No. 10; John Broomfield, district No. 11; T. J. McCart, district No. 13; John L. Pool, district No. 42.

Annual settlement of the following road overseers examined and on motion approved and clerk directed to issue certificates on road districts in payment thereof, as follows: L. H. Stephens, district No. 35, certificate No. 139, \$14.95; R. H. Thomas, district No. 5, certificate No. 140, \$19.00; T. F. Gockley, district No. 8, certificate, No. 141, \$8.93; Estate of A. Prentice, district No. 19, certificate No. 142, \$12.35.

Annual settlement of Soldiers' Relief commission examined and on motion approved.

Petition of Frank Loomis and others, asking for a public road, read and considered. The board find that all owners of land along line of proposed road have given consent in writing thereto. On motion same was granted, establishing a public road as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 31-4-28 and running thence west on section line one half mile to range line between ranges 28 and 29 and terminating at northwest corner of northwest quarter of said section 31-4-28, and also vacate that part of road No. 6, crossing the southwest quarter of section 30-4-28 as shown by road plat in county clerk's office.

On motion all bids for county printing were laid over until next meeting of board.

On motion the matter of special road tax against the railroad company was laid over until the next meeting of the board.

The following claims were audited and allowed and on motion clerk was instructed to draw warrants on the county general fund, levy of 1898, in payment thereof, as follows: Barnett Lumber Co., coal, \$17.40; William McCallum, mds, for paupers, 21.00; C. H. Meeker, rent for county offices, 66.67; State Journal Co., supplies, 26.50; E. J. Mitchell, supplies, 34.50; J. H. Berge, transportation for pauper, 12.00; R. A. Green, Co. clerk, recording official bonds, 48.45; Henry Crabtree, services as com., 21.15; Stephen Bolles, same, 23.55.

And on county bridge fund, levy of 1898, as follows: Barnett Lumber Co., lumber, \$3.45; Jess Smith, bridge work, 6.00; S. L. Miller, same, 1.50; R. H. Thomas, same, 4.50; A. Reed, same, 4.00.

And on county road fund, levy of 1898, as follows: William Darlington, road tax refunded, .90; I. M. Smith, same on W. B. Porter tax, 3.15; T. J. Ruggles, same, 54.

On motion board adjourned to meet February 27th, 1899.  
Attest: R. A. GREEN, County Clerk.

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PHILIPPINE LETTERS.

Camp Santa Mesa, Manila, P. I. Sunday, January 1st, 1899. Friend George: I received your letter of November 16, a few days ago, and was glad to hear from you. I also received the package of papers.

We are camping in tents about four or five miles south of Manila, just one-half mile north of the Pasig river, in what was formerly used as a rice field. When we came out here the mud was nearly shoe mouth deep, but by ditching and draining we have made a pretty nice camp. Our camp is situated on a little hill from which we can get a good view of the surrounding country.

The natives as a rule, are very friendly. I wore my last pair of shoes out about a week ago and have not been able to get a new pair; it is the first time in my life that I ever had to go barefooted in the winter, but then I do not suffer much from the cold.

Tomorrow is to be field day for our regiment, and I guess we will have a pretty good time. We have a canteen or saloon with our regiment. Beer sells at 20cts Mexican a glass, and a pretty good drink it makes in this country, providing a man does not take too much. Some of the boys in my company slipped a keg of beer into camp, last night, and things were made pretty lively for a while. The people of Broken Bow and vicinity sent to my company a purse of \$75.00 dollars to be used to celebrate Christmas, but we did not get it in time for Christmas, so we thought we would eat a New Year dinner with it; and a nice dinner we had, too. We invited Colonel Stotsenberg, Major Mulford and Chaplain Maley to dinner and I think they enjoyed themselves. The second night we were in this camp we got orders to hold ourselves in readiness for a call to arms at any time. It seemed that the natives were going to attack us, but it was just a scare, and since then everything has been perfectly quiet. Nearly all of our sick men were sent home on the steamship Ohio; among them was B. Cecil Jack. Our recruits are with us and we don't have to go on guard quite so often as we did before they came.

The Washington boys landed in Manila about a month ago. Steve Bolles was over to see Kinghorn and myself and took supper with us; he is just about as fat as ever. He is trying to get transferred to the Nebraska regiment. I saw Swipes, a day or so ago, and read your letter to him. We call him Friday. He is a good soldier; nearly every boy in the regiment knows him. Tell Parsons for me not to do quite so much talking. Tell Joe Kubie hello and Rufus, too. From camp we can get a good view of the mountains off to the north and east. One of the boys in company C, Nebraska regiment, was drowned in the Pasig river, about a week ago. I did not learn his name. Well, as I can not think of anything more to write, I will bring this scribbling to a close. Hoping to hear from you soon I remain, Your friend, HARRY C. STEERS, Co. M, 1st Nebraska.

Manila, January 1st, 1899 Dear friend: Harry is writing, and here in the tent the weather is hotter than any place in Nebraska in August. Here it is New Year day and I am not swearing yet; but would if I get much hotter. We have to dress or rather undress for this kind of weather. We wear thin underclothes and very seldom coats or shirts except on drill and that is in the morning and evening, so we lie around as cool as we can. We are expecting orders any time to load for home once more most any time now. We had them once, but General Otis said he couldn't spare us. But he will have to some day pretty soon, I think, as the trouble is over, I guess, as far as the natives are concerned; any how we hear so many rumors around camp that we won't know when we get home until we are there, and the sooner the quicker. We are all well and have excellent health for so warm a climate. We can eat any time and sleep all the time if it wasn't so hot for us. Well, excuse haste and poor writing, and I will tell you more in half an hour when I see you than I could write if I had four hours to do this in. Bye, bye, in F. H. and C. I remain your friend, G. F. KINGHORN, Co. M, 1st Nebraska, Manila, P. I.

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