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## Commissioners Proceedings.

### Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners Of Steele County.

Sherbrooke, N. Dak. Nov. 16, '07  
The Board of County Commissioners met in special session at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to call of the county auditor. All members present. The following bills were on motion allowed;

G. O. Johnson, cash advanced for District Court orders..... 160 50  
Welo & Teie, supplies furnished Ole Kittleston..... 35 40  
On motion adjournment was taken until 1:30 p. m. same day.

#### Afternoon Session.

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 1:30 p. m. all members being present.

On motion the Chairman appointed Frank Gray as an appraiser to appraise stray horse taken up by Willis Fray residing on section 33 Carpenter township.

The Coroners report in the matter of an inquisition upon a supposed human skeleton, was on motion approved and coroners fees allowed at \$7.70.

By motion made and carried, all members voting aye, the Chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of three to ascertain, and report at the Jan. meeting, whether or not it will be to the interests of the county to incur the expense of perfecting the title to any or all lots in the city of Hope forfeited to Steele county thru tax sale proceeding. The Chairman appointed Frank Gray, J. B. Oxtan and K. S. Sulland.

The bill of I. W. Standley for conveying James Lockhart and Fred Hamlin to the penitentiary at Bismarck was on motion approved.

E. H. Stranahan, representing the Fargo Bridge & Iron Co. was present and bridge business was taken under consideration.

The bridge committee having viewed the sites for various bridges petitioned for, it was on motion decided that new bridges should be built and old ones repaired as follows.

New 44 ft. steel I beam bridge, along Ry. line sec. 18 Colgate twp.

New 20 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between sec. 18 Colgate and sec. 13 Carpenter.

New 24 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 8 and 9 Edendale.

New 20 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 20 and 29 Enger.

New 14 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 10 and 15 Sherbrooke.

New 16 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 11 and 14 Sherbrooke.

New 40 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 26 and 27 Sherbrooke.

New 16 ft. wood pile bridge, on line between secs. 7 and 8 Sherbrooke.

Old bridges to be repaired on line between secs. 3 and 10 Edendale, 22 and 23 Primrose, and secs. 21 and 28 Enger.

Petitions for bridges on lines between secs. 1 and 12 Colgate, 20 and 21 Newburgh and 13 and 14 Sherbrooke was on motion tabled, and auditor instructed to notify the Chairman of the town Board of Newburgh twp. that a new bridge would be built on line between secs. 20 and 21 Newburgh twp. when the road is properly laid out and necessary grading of the same is completed.

On motion the auditor was instructed to advertise for bids for building eight bridges and repairing three as per plans and specifications to be prepared by the Fargo Bridge & Iron Co. bids to be opened at 2 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 7th 1908; all of said bridges and repair work to be complete on or before July 1st 1908; bidders to be required to furnish certified check to the amount of \$500 payable to the county Treasurer.

On motion duly seconded and carried, an appropriation not to exceed \$200 was granted for the purpose of grading road on line between secs. 10 and 15 Golden Lake twp.

B. F. Walden having filed his resignation as a member of the drainage board, it was on motion accepted and W. E. Elliott was appointed as a member of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Walden, the amount of Mr. Elliott's bond being fixed at \$1000.00.

Bills were on motion allowed as follows:

I. W. Standley, sheriff's fees and mileage at coroners inquest A. Peterson \$20.40 allowed at..... 15 40  
H. A. Burner, deputy sheriff's fees serving subpoenas for Fred McCain..... 5 00  
Frank Gray, Commissioner per diem and inspecting bridge sites and mileage..... 23 25  
Ole N. Grefshheim, Com'r per diem and mileage..... 5 70  
K. S. Sulland, Com'r per diem inspecting bridge sites and mileage..... 23 70  
K. A. Johnson, Com'r per diem and inspecting bridge sites and mileage..... 23 45  
J. B. Oxtan, Com'r per diem and inspecting bridge sites and mileage..... 22 40

On motion the board adjourned.  
S. McPherson,  
County Auditor.

### A CLEAR CASE.

Eminent Lawyer—Gentlemen of the jury, according to all the testimony presented, the evidence against my client is purely circumstantial. A murder was committed, and the autopsy showed that deceased had been hit by a club. A few persons saw my client standing over the prostrate man. My client had a club in his hand. The club was bloody. He was seen to strike, or, I should say, gently tap the prostrate man a few times with the aforesaid club; but, gentlemen of the jury, remember the injustice which has been done in the sad, regretted, unrecoverable past, and be cautious. Remember the hundreds of innocent men who would have suffered unjustly if, at the last moment, some happy circumstance had not thrown doubt on their guilt. Now, gentlemen, it is very evident to me that my client, in returning to his peaceful home from a prayer-meeting, or something, just happened to see the deceased committing suicide by beating himself on the head with a club, and my benevolent client, true to instincts of humanity, rushed up, jerked the fatal club away, and playfully patted him with it as an admonition, that he should not try to commit suicide again.

Verdict of Jury—Not guilty.—N. Y. Weekly.

### Fred Had Weakened.

Sweet Girl (anxiously)—Did Fred—I mean, Mr. Nicefellow, call to see you to-day, papa?

Papa—Yes, and to oblige him I consented. I suppose time hangs heavy on his hands.

Sweet Girl (mystified)—Why—why, what did he say?

Papa—He requested the pleasure of a series of games of chess with me. The first ones we will play this evening, and after that every third evening during the winter. I hope, my dear, you will keep out of the library, as chess is a very absorbing game.—N. Y. Weekly.

TAKEN UP.—On or about Nov. 1st 1907, on the Barrett farm Sec. 32, Carpenter Township Steele county, N. Dak.: One Hereford bull, about one and one-half years old, rope around neck. Owner can have same by paying charges.

G. E. Knowles,  
Colgate, N. D.

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