

COMMISSIONERS HAVE ROUTINE MATTERS AT MARCH SESSION.

Road Inspection and Grist of Bills Occupy Time of County Heads.

Routine matters have occupied the attention of the county commissioners thus far at the regular March session of the board. Road matters have come in for some attention, and the commissioners visited the highways in the eastern part of the county with a view to making them better during the spring months. Road work of considerable extent is planned for the year and the motorists next summer will probably see better highways throughout this section as a result of the board's work and attention. Many bills have been approved by the commissioners, the grist being large this month. With the successful settlement of the railroad tax matter and the adjustment of several minor things the affairs of the county are in excellent condition.

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Was Union Colonist, Prominent in Public Life of Northern Colorado and Leader in Development.

Captain Arthur Hotchkiss, pioneer Union colonist, Civil War veteran and a man who greatly helped to make northern Colorado, died at his home, 521 Lincoln street, last night, at the age of 82 years. Death was due to complications following an illness of about six weeks, during which time he has been steadily failing.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY BRINGS 20 CHARGES CHARGING OFFENSES AGAINST MORGAN MEN

Stark Got \$50 Damages from Jury, 12 Deliberate Six Hours on Case.

Twenty informations, charging illegal sale of liquor and gambling, have been filed in the district court by District Attorney Stephenson. Neither capias nor warrants have been served as yet, and the names of those involved have not been made public.

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HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY ON ATHLETIC DIFFICULTY

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The court exhausted every effort to be lenient with the man, finally imposing a sentence which will prevent the use of the jewelry by the time Humold completes his Canon City term.

LARGER RIVERSIDE

Directors Authorize Filing to Increase Reservoir Capacity 50 Per Cent—Join Allied Ditches.

At their regular monthly meeting, held Tuesday afternoon, the directors of the Riverside Irrigation district approved surveys of the proposed extension to the big reservoir west of Fort Morgan, and authorized that the maps and specifications be filed.

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He leaves one son by his first marriage, William A. Hotchkiss, of Greeley. By his second marriage are three children, Mrs. J. T. Ross, of Salem, Ore., George and Arthur Hotchkiss.

The funeral will be held from the late home tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, under the auspices of the R. A. Cameron post, G. A. R., of which he was a member.

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Walter Lowrie Fisher, his successor who will assume office in a few days, is a Republican.

WANT BALL

Fans Are Urged to Attend Meeting That Full Consideration of Matter Can Be Had.

For the purpose of preliminary discussion regarding a baseball game at Fort Morgan during the summer, a meeting of those interested in the movement has been called for Thursday night in The Times at 7:30 o'clock. At this time those interested in baseball should attend.

While no action is anticipated, it is hoped to secure a consensus regarding the formation of a baseball team in the city during the coming season.