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The powers in control of democratic patronage have peculiar ways of filling places. A couple of weeks ago the Civil Service Commission advertised that applications would be received for the position of postmaster at O'Neill up to August 29 and many local bourgeois were figuring on filing their application. Then eight days prior to the closing date for the applications an acting postmaster was appointed to the office here. This, of course, discouraged many of those intending to file their names as candidates and the chances are that there will be none, outside of the acting postmaster, who will file an application, so the pressure, for the time being, will not be very great on the appointing powers; but what of the future?

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

The Blue Eagle has claws. That is the intimation in recent utterances of Administrator Johnson, aggressive head of the national recovery drive. Businesses which display the blue eagle insignia without having signed agreements are in for trouble. So are business which fail to keep to the intent, written and implied, of the code. So, according to General Johnson, is anyone withdrawing the blue eagle from his place of business.

The flood of signed agreements continues. Even though there must be a good deal of readjustment before certain businesses will be able to make NRA principles work, either under the blue eagle or in a trade code, there is almost unanimous sentiment in favor of Administration procedure, with promises to do everything possible to help.

The Alexander Hamilton Institute, in a recent bulletin, offers the interesting possibility that greatest stumbling block in the way of a blanket code may be excessive taxation. High taxes, according to the Institute, are now causing the abnormal and dangerous spread between wages and prices. No matter how patriotic a business man is, he cannot raise wages and increase operating costs without sufficient additional revenue coming in. Hope of the government is that increased revenue will immediately follow the blanket code's operation.

Labor troubles likewise confront the NRA. Main center of disturbance is in Pennsylvania coal fields where state troops have been called out and many mines shut down. A. F. of L. is conducting one of the greatest organization drives in its history; many employers are attempting to stick with the open shop or company union plan. Strikes and lockouts, if they spread, will be a tremendous blow to NRA success; official pleas to labor to cooperate have been made by the government.

Yes, business is still getting better. Here's a glance at a few of its many phases:

- Building—Home building showing rapid increase; far ahead of last year. Lumber—Production up. Automobiles—Showing consistent gains in recent weeks. Business Failures—In week ending July 27, were fewest for any full week this year. Coal—Both soft and anthracite reported increases in production. Copper—Price firm; advance expected shortly. Employment—Gain for three months ending June, placed close to 2,000,000. Carloadings—Well ahead of previous years; railroad earnings rising.

The Department of Commerce recently announced that steady expansion in industrial activity during July has pushed output to the highest level since the middle of 1930, and to 89 per cent of the 1923-25 average. There followed some indications of a seasonal leveling—which has been avoided so far this year—but there was no sign of an important break.

Large increases have been reported in heavy industries. These business are now awaiting public works activity as a major source of revenue and employment in near future. Consumer industries show steady improvement.

Dun and Bradstreet reports that the upward business tide has been but barely affected by the usual summer recession. Excellent sign is the steady

appearance of corporation reports indicating fair and good profits; the crop for the previous three years was pretty sad to behold, with many entries in red.

Business revival starts in the east and then spreads westward, precisely as does depression. Pacific coast is the last to feel either; the Atlantic is the first. At present recovery is most potent in the New England territory. Wollen and cotton mills and shoe manufacturers, are busier than for a long time.

Communities and other public bodies are discovering that public works funds, out of the \$3,300,000,000 allotted, are not simply to be had for the asking. It has been decided that preference will be given to projects which tend to create other projects. The following stand high on the preference list: Waterworks projects necessary for a community's health and convenience; sewer projects of the same character; and the building of useful bridges, tunnels and highways.

Also considered, is the state of municipal or county finance when the body makes its application. Those with their finances in order will be most favored.

Private, as well as public, bodies may receive self-liquidating loans when the projects are to be devoted to public use, such as tunnels, dry docks, viaducts, canals, markets and hospitals.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOLT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(Continued from last week.)

Motion by Carson, seconded by James that petition of Ewalt Miller for refund of tax erroneously paid on improvements on the W 1/2-SE 1/4-25-31-8 for the year 1930 be granted and that refund warrant be issued in the amount of \$4.58 in payment of same. Carried.

12:00 noon. On motion, Board adjourned until 1:00 P. M. John Sullivan, John C. Gallagher, Chairman. Clerk.

July 27, 1933. 1:00 P. M. Holt County Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment. All members present. Meeting called to order by Chairman.

Board spent some time in discussion of the Old Age Pension Bill.

The application of Richard L. Jordan for an On Sale and Off Sale Beverage License was presented at this meeting.

Motion by Steinhauser, seconded by Root that application of Richard Jordan for Beverage Licenses be approved and Licenses be granted at the time the law becomes effective. Carried.

5:00 P. M. On motion, Board adjourned to the call of the clerk. John Sullivan, John C. Gallagher, Chairman. Clerk.

O'Neill, Nebraska, Aug. 2, 1933. 2:00 P. M.

Holt County Board of Supervisors met at call of clerk. All members present. Meeting called to order by Chairman.

Mr. Gene Huse, a member of the State Emergency Relief Committee and also the members of the County Relief Committee met with the Board in regard to the Relief Work in the county. Mr. Huse discussed the entire program and the provisions for allotting and distributing of the State Emergency Relief.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a County Relief committee consisting of John Sullivan, George A. Miles and Dr. W. H. Briggs has been appointed by the State Emergency Relief Committee for Relief work in Holt county, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this committee be approved by the County Board of Supervisors of Holt county

THEREFORE, I move you that this committee be approved by the Holt County Board of Supervisors.

J. C. Stein Hugh L. James John A. Carson Rodell Root Louis W. Reimer John Steinhauser

The claim of C & N W Ry. Co. in the amount of \$676.68 for freight on carload of lumber was audited and approved and on motion was allowed and warrant ordered drawn on Emergency Bridge Fund in payment of same.

5:00 P. M. On motion, Board adjourned to the call of the Clerk. John Sullivan, John C. Gallagher, Chairman. Clerk.

AUCTION AT ATKINSON, NEBR. EVERY TUESDAY CATTLE - HORSES HOGS - SHEEP Offering broadcast from WJAG (Norfolk) Every Monday Noon. ATKINSON LIVESTOCK MARKET

O'Neill, Nebraska, Aug. 7, 1933. 10:00 A. M. Holt County Board of Equalization met at call of the Clerk for the purpose of making and approving the Levies for year 1933. All members present. Meeting called to order by Chairman. The minutes of meeting of July 6, 1933, were read and on motion were approved as read.

The following communication from the Holt County Economy League was presented and read at this meeting. Honorable County Board of Supervisors, O'Neill, Nebraska.

At the regular meeting of the Holt County Economy League held July 29, 1933, the following resolution was unanimously adopted and copies ordered sent to the Holt County Agricultural Society and also to the Holt County Board of Supervisors.

RESOLVED: That in consideration of the present condition of this County's finances and the greatly reduced ability of the taxpayer to pay taxes at the present time and in view of the present unfavorable crop conditions we respectfully request the Holt County Agricultural Society to not ask for an appropriation this year by the County Board for the purpose of holding a county Fair, and be it further,

RESOLVED: That we respectfully request the Honorable County Board to make no appropriation this year for a county Fair for the reasons above stated.

Frank G. Schmidt, Pres. Martin Conway, Secretary W. H. French, Com. John A. Robertson, Com.

OFFICE OF STATE TAX COMMISSIONER Lincoln, Nebraska

To the County Clerk of Holt County.

Dear Sir:

This is to certify that at a session of the State Board of Equalization and Assessment, held at the Stat Capitol in Lincoln, Nebraska, on July 31, 1933, the total valuation of said county, as shown on the abstract of assessment of the county assessor, now on file in the office of the State Tax Commissioner, and as equalized by said Board, was found to be \$17,638,737.

Upon this valuation there will be charged to your county on the books of the Auditor of Public Accounts, state taxes as follows:

GENERAL FUND—2.39 Mills on the Dollar, \$42,157.

When your tax list is completed, you will certify the amount of state funds shown thereon to the State Auditor of Public Accounts, and to the State Tax Commissioner, on blanks to be supplied you.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the State Board of Equalization and Assessment at Lincoln this 1st day of August, A. D., 1933.

WILLIAM H. SMITH, State Tax Commissioner.

12:00 noon. On motion, Board of Equalization adjourned until 1:00 P.M. John Sullivan, John C. Gallagher, Chairman. Clerk.

Aug. 7, 1933. 1:00 P. M. Holt County Board of Equalization met as per adjournment. All members present. Meeting called to order by Chairman.

Mr. John A. Robertson and James Fullerton appeared before the Board and the matter of the 1933 tax levy was discussed at length.

Motion by Stein, seconded by James that the State Levy and the following County, Precinct, City and Village, and School District Levies for the year 1933 be approved.

Carried.

State Levy for 1933

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. General Fund (Mills on the Dollar) 2.39, General Fund (Mills on the Dollar) 2.39, Total 2.39

County Levy for 1933

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. General 2.70, Bridge .57, Road .04, Mother's Pensions .11, County Fair .05, Coyote Bounty .02, Repairs and Improvements .01

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. County Judgments 1.41, Total County Levy 4.91, State 2.39, Total for State and County 7.30

Also a levy of 10 cents on each and every colony of Bees.

CITY AND VILLAGE LEVIES 1933

Table with 2 columns: Precinct Name, Levy Amount. Includes Antelope, Atkinson, Chambers, Cleveland, Coleman, Conley, Deloit, Dustin, Emmet, Ewing, Fairview, Francis, Grattan, Green Valley, Golden, Holt Creek, Inman, Iowa, Josie, Lake, McClure, Pleas. View, Paddock, Rock Falls, Sand Creek, Saratoga, Scott, Shamrock, Sheridan, Shields, Steel Creek, Stuart, Swan, Verdigris, Willowdale, Wyoming

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SCHOOL DISTRICT LEVIES FOR 1933

Table with 2 columns: District No., Levy Amount. Includes Dist. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

Large table with multiple columns showing various rates and amounts, likely related to taxes or fares.

Over Labor Day Bargain Fares to Everywhere! Here's a rail chance to go places. Spend a few days or a week at the Chicago World's Fair—enjoy that long deferred week-end with relatives or friends—or take the family for a long vacation (you can be gone as long as 13 days!) A Story of Low Fares! About 1c a mile in coaches—actually the round trip fare is only 60% of the one-way fare. Less than 2c a mile in sleeping and parlor cars—add 25c to the one-way fare for the round trip (berth or seat extra.) Minimum round trip fare \$1.00. Sleeping car rates cut 25%.

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