

Tax Office Wants 12 More Men

LINCOLN—The state board of equalization this week was receiving replies for requests to county officials for more information on what they had done about tax assessments this year. By law county boards only have to send in totals of valuations of the various types of property. But the first day the state board met Gov. Victor Anderson, board chairman, contended:

"We'll have to do more than these lump figures. Let's ask the counties to analyze what they've done so we'll know the reasons behind increases and decreases."

So State Tax Commissioner Fred Harrington was detailed to write the county assessors for this information. Deadline for the answers is this weekend, to allow time for the board to call in any questionable counties and still get done by August 2.

That's the levy setting date called for by law. Ordinary practice has been for the board to call in any counties which seemed to be out of line—either too high or too low.

But Governor Anderson contended that the board should have some concrete information upon which to base its calls before ordering any county in for a hearing. The rest of the five-

member board went along with the idea.

Strengthen Administration— Governor Anderson was quick to point out the fallacy in the present tax setup—the lack of personnel at the state level to do a proper job of administration.

We ought to have a bigger budget for the tax commissioner's office so more men could be put on. If we expect this state board to do a good job, the tax commissioner's office ought to be able to run down the facts and information from the county.

Maybe we're falling down on the job of selling the legislature on this need. Another \$50,000 would be peanuts in a \$200 million budget. Yet what a difference it could make," said Anderson.

The governor explained, "I think everyone wants to pay his fair share of taxes. But we need something better at the top to make sure this happens."

State Tax Commissioner Harrington estimated there ought to be 12 men in his office. At present he has four field men going from courthouse to courthouse helping assessors. There are two new men in the main office. One checks federal income tax re-

turns for data in the inventories of certain merchants where their assessors suspect they have made a low state return.

The other man is now making a study of the comparison of sales prices on property with their assessors' valuations. This is used in seeing how counties stack up against one another.

Railroads— The state board hiked the assessments on the railroads of the state, adding \$5 million in all for a grand total assessment for all the railroads of \$147 million. The average hike was 3.5 percent with only one railroad getting a decrease. That was the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha railroad, whose earnings dropped enough that the valuation went down 11.5 percent.

The assessment of the railroads came in for considerable scrutiny in the legislature recently. It was charged that under present laws the railroads pay very low taxes on their assets. Tax Commissioner Harrington's office has been asked to make a study of this before the next session of the legislature.

Piggysback— The railroads, which have taken their lumps from the trucks in recent years, have found a way to hit back. The Union Pacific railroad requested—and received—from the state railway commission permission to institute "piggysback" service between Omaha and Kearney. At the public hearing on the application it developed they planned to perform the service for the Armour Packing company.

Here's how it works: The customer will load a truck semi-trailer full of fresh meats or packing house products (the only items included in the application) and haul it to the Omaha or South Omaha terminal. Here the semi-trailer will be placed on a railroad flat car and hauled to Kearney.

There the semi-trailer can be taken off and hitched to a truck tractor and taken wherever needed. When it is empty, the railroad will haul it back to Omaha on a flat car. The total cost will be \$120.

The railway commission emphasized that this was not taking business away from the truckers since Armour now hauls its own products by truck. But representatives of the Nebraska Motor Carriers association in letters of protest filed with the commission indicated they didn't like the looks of this new competition.

Closed Unions— The Nebraska supreme court in an important decision enjoined the Union Pacific railroad from entering into closed shop union contracts with a group of railroad unions. Although the original suit was brought by a group of

Crispy Salmon Mousse



Quick, cool and tasty! That's Crispy Salmon Mousse, a new make-it-in-minute dish sure to delight hot-weather hostesses this busy midsummer season. A delicious and nourishing meal in itself, this new treat gets its special texture and flavor interest from the crushed cruppy saltines used in making it. Extra good news: the only "cooking" that's required is the boiling of half a cup of water. It couldn't be simpler—or more delicious. Here's how to make it, the cool and easy way:

Crispy Salmon Mousse
 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
 3/4 cup cold water
 3/4 cup boiling water
 1 1-lb. can salmon
 1 teaspoon salt
 1 cup Crispy Cracker crumbs
 3 tablespoons lemon juice
 1 tablespoon onion juice
 1/2 cup chopped parsley
 1 cup mayonnaise
 1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped

Sprinkle gelatin over cold water in a small bowl. Let stand 5 minutes. Stir boiling water into gelatin until gelatin is dissolved. Drain salmon; remove bones and dark skin; and flake with a fork. Add salt, 1/2 cup of the Crispy Cracker crumbs (made by crushing crackers with a rolling pin on a sheet of waxed paper), lemon juice, onion juice, parsley, 1/2 cup of the mayonnaise, and whipped cream. Blend well. Pour into 6 greased 4-oz. custard cups and chill. To serve, remove from custard cups and spread sides of each mold with remaining mayonnaise. Then sprinkle sides with remaining crumbs. Serve garnished with lemon slices and parsley, lettuce or watercress. Makes 6 servings.

Riverside News

Wayne Pollock was honored at a "welcome home" picnic at his home Friday evening. The Free Methodist Sunday school and church members came with well-filled baskets for the occasion.

Floyd Napier recently put down an irrigation pump. They use the sprinkling system and it is a very welcomed addition to the farm his son, Dale works. For a few weeks irrigation wasn't needed but it can get very dry in a short while.

Second cutting of alfalfa is good. Corn is about ready to be "laid by" in the Riverside community.

Miss Anna Van Zandt celebrated a birthday anniversary Sunday, July 10. She was honored at a dinner party at the Carl Christian home that day. Other guests were her sister, Mrs. Florence Butler, Mrs. Grace Briggs, Mrs. Jessie Angus and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larson.

Mrs. Gene Streeter and children of Lincoln visited a few days at the Bill Lofquest home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fink and sons were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Fink.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Johnston and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Will Shroder, Eddy and Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Shroder and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wettlaufer and Gary were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Verl Gunter and children at Neligh.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lofquest and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Day on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Vandersnick and children were guests of the Wayne Frys for Sunday dinner. Mr. Al Gibson and Keith were also guests.

Ernest Trowbridge spent Friday and Saturday visiting at the Howard Miller home.

Leo Millers and Wendell Switzers enjoyed home made ice

Upper Room, Men's Groups in Session

EWING—The Upper Room society and the Methodist Men's club met at the church parlors of the Methodist church in Ewing on Sunday evening. Devotionals were conducted by Ray Sedivy.

A short business session was held by the Upper Room with the president, Mrs. Sedivy, presiding. Eighteen members answered roll call with a verse of Scripture. A report was given by Mrs. H. R. Harris, chairman of the charter committee, followed by a general discussion.

Mrs. Lee Bridgen was in charge of the entertainment consisting of games. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Earl Pierson and Mrs. Ray Sedivy.

Mrs. Edith Black and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Black and children of Washington were July 12 supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Fry and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Angus and daughter drove to Atkinson Sunday afternoon to call on the Harold Milnar family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert and daughter called Thursday evening at the Wayne Fry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Mitchell and children of Bellingham, Wash., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoag a few days last week. They were enroute to Washington, D.C., to visit their daughter, Jeanette and Mrs. Mitchell's sister.

Stricken Fatally on Eve of Trip

SPENCER—Word has been received here of the death of a former Spencer resident, Clayton Row of Lincoln.

Mr. Row was washing his car Saturday evening in preparation for a trip to California on which he was to leave Sunday when he was stricken.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Row of Spencer left Saturday evening for Lincoln after being notified of Mr. Row's brother's death.

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Rockets Split with Atkinson, Stuart

The O'Neill Rockets baseball team won and lost in showings during the past eight days.

On Wednesday night, July 6, under the lights in Carney park, they humbled Atkinson, 14-7. The Atkinson crew was minus several key players.

Summary:
 R H E
 Atkinson .030 011 002—7 14 5
 O'Neill .005 052 02x—14 10 2

Batteries: Atkinson—Puckett and Troshynski; O'Neill—Couch, Kelley and Hughes.

Stuart 9; O'Neill 6
STUART—The Stuart baseballers whipped the O'Neill Rockets, 9-6, in a game played here Saturday night under the arcs despite powerful shuffling by Lowell Nesbitt, O'Neill's third sacker. Nesbitt clouted two home runs—one in the fourth with two men on and one in the sixth with nobody aboard.

Summary:
 R H E
 Stuart .112 300 010—9 12 2
 O'Neill .002 201 010—6 11 2

Batteries: Stuart—Kunz, Krysl and M. Kunz; O'Neill—Helmer, Couch, Kelley and Hughes.

2 Games on Tap
 The Rockets have two engagements coming up. Tonight (Thursday) they will go to Spencer for a night game with the Spencer Towners, and Sunday, July 17, the O'Neill crew will entertain Bassett in a North-Central Nebraska league game to be played under the lights in Carney park.

Page Teams Top O'Neill Entries

PAGE—The Page entries won both the Midget and the Junior Legion ball games with O'Neill on Sunday afternoon. The Midget score was 9-2 and the Legion 17-6.

Gregg Kemper and Larry Parks made home runs for the Page Legion. Batteries for Page—Troshynski and Parks; for O'Neill—Rheimer and Kelly.

The Midget team was to play Clearwater on Wednesday afternoon.

Silent Auction to Be Employed—
 EWING—The WSCS met Wednesday afternoon, July 6, at the parlors of the Methodist church. Miss Iris Van Ostrand of Ewing and Mrs. Dora Townsend of Page were guests.

Mrs. L. A. Hobbs conducted the devotional period. The lesson was presented by Miss Anna Van Zandt. The theme was "City Life."

At the business session, it was voted to forward the first quarter supplies. The silent auction will be a feature of the meetings for the coming year. The program committee will make up the year books in the near future.

Patriotic colors and garden flowers made up the decoration for the refreshment table. Hostesses was Mrs. J. L. Pruden, assisted by her daughter, Miss Fern, and Mrs. Gordon Brion.

INFANT DIES
 ATKINSON—Timothy Torpy, day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Torpy of Atkinson, died Sunday at the Atkinson Memorial hospital.

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