

State Capitol News

Curtis, Vic Appear as Favorites

LINCOLN—The state board of equalization grappled this week with the matter of bringing real estate assessments across the state into a pattern of uniformity.

Although 42 counties were invited to appear for hearings before the board for one reason or another, it was apparent that no such widespread action would be necessary as last year when every one of the 93 counties was affected in some way.

The problem was fraught with danger politically this election year. Upon action or lack of action taken by the state board might depend the chances of some of its members who are in stiff election races this year.

Controversy was expected to center on Douglas county (Omaha) which was not invited this year even though it suffered an 18 percent loss in real estate valuations.

Gov. Robert Crosby said that Douglas county has completed a scientific reappraisal by the Douglas county tax appraisal board and he is willing to abide by its decision, even though that shows a loss.

Crosby Abides—
The explanation by state officials is that up to last year business properties in Omaha had been brought up to the 50 percent level. But homes hadn't. When the state board ordered a 48 percent increase for Omaha to equalize it with the rest of the state, this pushed most Omaha business properties above the 50 percent level called for by law. Therefore when these were dropped back into line this year by the Douglas county board of equalization there was bound to be a loss. Home assessments were left essentially where they had been, it is explained.

As a week of hearings opened on equalization matters, it was expected that the decision not to

invite Douglas county might force lenience for some other counties which also have had reappraisals which resulted in loss of valuations. The whole affair was bound to bring up some of the outstate versus Omaha bickering which characterizes life in the state.

Tax officials are anxious that the state board "hold the line" this year, figuring that this will fix the principle that no one should have to pay more than his share of the state tax because his assessments are higher than in a neighboring county.

Gov. 'Kick Traces'
Governor Crosby hailed the work done by the counties this year and said it was significant that so few apparently had kicked over the traces. He emphasized that those called in were not pre-judged. It was only that in looking over their abstracts of assessments that state tax officials had noticed significant changes from last year and wanted an explanation.

Despite the maligning of Governor Crosby's "Operation Honesty," it appeared that many counties did a good job of personal property assessment this year. The board voted to do nothing to personal property assessments at all.

Counties called in to "show cause" why their town real estate assessments shouldn't be increased were Box Butte, Buffalo, Butte, Butte, Chase, Cumming, Dawes, Dawson, Hayes, Hitchcock, Polk, Howard, Keith, Nemaha, Platte, Red Willow, Richardson and Washington.

Those ordered to show cause why their farmland assessments shouldn't be boosted were Box Butte, Chase, Dawes, Dawson, Grant, Hayes, Hitchcock, Polk, Kimball, Red Willow, Richardson, Sioux and Washington.

The board faced the cheerful prospect of lowering some valuations. Dixon, Johnson, Morrill, Nance, Pawnee, Sarpy and Wayne counties were called in to see why their farmland assessments shouldn't be decreased. Deuel, Harlan and Thurston counties were summoned to be asked the same question about town lot valuations.

Some counties asked for a hearing, hedging against any action that might be taken against their neighbors. They are Blaine,

Lloyd, Brown, Cherry, Custer, Frontier, Hall, Otoe and Pierce.

Election Possibilities—
Some of Nebraska's hottest election races in years approached the August 10 primary date clogged with a surprising lack of enthusiasm on the part of the voters.

Whether it was because of the hot weather—a stock excuse by politicians—or because of the number of races and the plethora of candidates was difficult to ascertain.

The future leadership of the republican party in Nebraska largely hinges on the outcome of some of the current races since the "throne" were vacated by the deaths this year of Sens. Dwight Griswold and Hugh Butler. But politicians complained privately that the voters seemed to be paying little attention.

The expectation of a light vote called for some sharp figuring by the candidates. Primary votes are usually light, especially in summer when the heat and the work of farmers in their fields, cuts down attendance at the polls.

Here was what the form chart appeared to be at week's end, just two weeks before the primary.

In the U. S. senate race supporters of Congressman Carl Curtis felt he had the edge because in a light vote primary the more conservative voters—the type who vote year-in-and-year-out—would rally to his cause.

Butler Forces Help—
Curtis was attempting to cash in on the support that probably would have come his way from Senator Butler had the senior senator lived. There was evidence that while he picked up some of it, some elements had gone to David Martin of Kearney, former state republican chairman.

Meanwhile Governor Crosby's chances in this race appeared to be improving. A major obstacle is the "anti-Crosby" vote from citizens angry over last year's tax assessment equalization. But if this "anti-Crosby" vote is scattered enough among the other candidates, he might pull ahead.

Martin, a virtual unknown among the voters three months ago, appeared to have gained strength, but probably not enough to win. Crosby supporters were hoping that his gains were cutting into Curtis voters, and vice versa.

Curtis established early favoritism in straw votes taken and there has been nothing on the surface to suggest any change.

Terry a Worry—
Worrying all of them somewhat is Terry Carpenter, the fourth major candidate in this long term race. Carpenter has beat the political bushes all over the state in an intensive caravan campaign. He is expected to be hurt by the fact that the light primary vote will contain mostly "regular republicans" who consider Carpenter a mugwump, because he has switched parties twice during his life.

However, the farm vote might make a difference. Carpenter is the only one of the major candidates to come out for rigid price supports at 90 percent of parity. If the farmers are enough contrarian on this subject to break tradition and vote in a summer primary, Carpenter might be a gainer. Other candidates think the farmer is reconciled to flexible price supports.

In the first congressional district republican race, Phil Weaver appeared to have a slight edge over Ira Beynon, Lincoln attorney. Weaver, a Falls City automobile dealer, is a son of the late Gov. A. J. Weaver, a well-known man. Beynon's principal difficulty is a late start. A Beynon vic-

tory, however, is certainly not an impossibility.

Robert Harrison was expected to capture the GOP nomination for re-election to his Third district seat in congress.

All signs pointed to Victor Anderson of Lincoln as winning the republican nomination for governor quite handsly. Lancaster County Attorney Frederick Wagnere of Lincoln has been making steady gains but is considered to be too far behind to have a chance to catch up.

Anderson forces are dumping a whole of a lot of dough into the campaign and, mister, if you think hefty financial backing ain't important, you're mistaken.

Plainview Club Scene of Reunion

EWING—The Hoke family held a reunion on Sunday at the Plainview Country club. A picnic dinner was enjoyed at noon. The recreational facilities provided amusements for the children in the afternoon.

In attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Hoke and Janell and Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Horde and Duane, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Napier and children, Paul and Levan Gunter, all of Ewing; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Shavlik and family of Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Switzer of Clearwater.

Guests were Sandra Shraeder, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gunter and family, Jr., and Mrs. Verdell Gunter, Jr., and family of Genesee, Ill.

O'Neill News

Mrs. Ralph Bauman and family of Big Rapids, Mich., arrived last Thursday and visited until today at the home of Mrs. Wayne Harmon and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Britnell visited Mrs. Arnie Mace at the O. E. Britnell home in Neligh Sunday. They were guests also at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Fernau in Neligh and Mrs. Maunel Crosser in Tilden.

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Mrs. J. E. McDonald of Omaha arrived Saturday and visited until today (Thursday) with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Froelich. She will leave for St. Louis, Mo., today.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Enright returned Saturday from a week's vacation in Colorado Springs and Denver, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Walker entertained at a dinner Sunday honoring Mrs. Louis Pautler of Patterson, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Brainard in Inman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Bausch and family of Omaha were guests from Saturday until Monday of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bowker and family.

Capt and Mrs. G. C. Dahl and family of San Diego, Calif., were Sunday guests of Mrs. H. F. Schlueter and Rick.

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John Luben of Crawford visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Luben, Saturday. His wife and children had been visiting in O'Neill for two months, returned to their home in Crawford with him Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hubby of Neligh were Saturday guests of Mrs. Carrie Borg. Rev. G. M. Hubby of Wayne visited Mrs. Borg Monday, July 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Venteicher and family of Norfolk were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sausser.

Mrs. E. B. Benson was a house guest Saturday and Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Walker.

Social Security Rep Coming—
Martin A. Gundlach, field representative of the Omaha office of the social security administration, will be at O'Neill in the Holt county courthouse, on Thursdays, August 5 and 19, at 9 a. m.

He will assist retired individuals who wish to file claims for old-age insurance benefits, as well as those who wish to file claims for survivors' insurance benefits.

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Happy Hollow Plans Achievement Card

EWING—Achievement day for the Happy Hollow 4-H club will be held Friday, August 13, at the home of Mrs. Leo Cleveland.

The garden group, with Mrs. Lionel Gunter as leader, heard reports on progress made. Hail and wind had damaged vegetables of several and the hot weather was hindering the growth and development of others.

In the dairy group, under Gerald Buresed, the Holt County fair was discussed and plans were made for demonstration to be given on their achievement day August 13.

Other Ewing News
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kusek and children of David City spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Hazel Kimes, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baum, Sr., and family drove to Lincoln Sunday. Miss Christine Baum, who has spent a month's vacation at the parental home remained in Lincoln and will resume her nurses training at St. Elizabeth's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Munn entertained Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bergstrom and daughter, Kay, at a Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nelson and son, Steve, who have been guests at the Elvin Hamilton home since Wednesday, July 21, returned to their home at Malmo on Sunday. Other Sunday guests at the Hamilton home were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Max LeMasters and daughter, all from Venus.

M. and Mrs. Ed Winters of Toledo, Ore., arrived in Ewing Saturday and are guests at the home of Mrs. Wilma Eppenbach. Mrs. Winters is the former Velva Eppenbach.

Weekend guests at the Ray Tucker home were Mrs. W. M. Rugee, Mrs. Erma Manning and son, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tucker, all of Central City. Other guests on Sunday at the Tucker home were Mr. and Mrs. O. Howard of O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Russell of Omaha were recent guests at the Mrs. Clara Tucker and J. L. Pruden homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ermin Reichert and Mrs. Arthur Berg, who have been guests at the home of the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Tomjack, for the past 30 days, have returned to their home at Long Prairie, Minn. While here they also attended a wedding of their niece, Mary Jo Jarman, on July 10.

Shirley and Karen Funk, who were guests of relatives and friends in Omaha for a few days, returned home on Wednesday, July 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Funk and family, Mrs. "Butch" Funk and family went to Norfolk on Sunday where they joined other relatives for a picnic dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Funk and family entertained Mr. and Mrs.

Morris Smith of Hampton at their home on Sunday.

Lyle Dierks and son, Merton, went to Omaha on Sunday where they met his sister, Mrs. Laura Adrian, and daughter, Kay, of Wichita, Kans., who will spend their vacation with relatives in Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Plog and children from Illinois are vacationing at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Gunter.

Miss Charlotte Woepffel is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woepffel. She is employed at Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Davis and daughter, Marie, went to Niobrara on Sunday, July 18, where they attended a picnic of Gamble's store dealers of northeast Nebraska.

Mrs. Waldo Davis and Marie were overnight guests of her mother, Mrs. Louise Beal, at Orchard Wednesday, July 21. They also attended the free day celebration held there.

Ewing was well-represented at the free day celebration at Clearwater on Thursday and Friday. Those attending report a "very good time."

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blake of Wahoo, who are on vacation, were guests last Thursday at the Harold Harris and Albert Larson homes. They also called on several friends. The Blakes are former residents of Ewing.

C. E. Schaffer of Billings, Mont., was an overnight guest Wednesday, July 21, at the home of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harris.

Linda Nofke spent the past week visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Pauline Nofke, and her uncle, Frank Nofke, and family. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nofke, and family of Albion came after her Sunday.

Mrs. D. E. McCarthy of Ely, Nev., is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Van Conet. It has been over 40 years since Mrs. McCarthy last visited relatives in Ewing.

Visit Kin—
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Froelich and Mrs. J. E. McDonald spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Hartington visiting their son-in-law and daughter and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wanser, and family.

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Foted at Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox entertained at dinner at the Town house Saturday, July 17, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox of Alamogordo, N.M. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Cary of Inman, Mr. and Mrs. George Brainard of Inman, Miss Diane Hofman of Chambers, Lyle, Larry and Chuck Fox.

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