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## VALUES ARE HIGHER

TOTAL FOR NEBRASKA FIXED BY THE STATE BOARD.

AN INCREASE OF \$50,000,000

Box Butte County Reports, Thus Closing Up the Work for Entire Commonwealth.

After a long wait Box Butte county has made its report to the secretary of the State Assessment board and finishes the assessment of the entire state. Box Butte shows a total valuation of \$2,138,203, an increase of \$221,554 over 1911, which makes an increase in the state of \$60,337,129. The total assessed valuation of the state is, therefore, \$465,907,204, its one-fifth value.

Following is a valuation of the state by counties:

Counties	Ratio of assessed to Tot. census
Adams	7,635,394 68
Antelope	5,222,475 66
Banner	406,972 39
Blaine	547,388 88
Boone	5,346,535 59
Box Butte	2,138,203 90
Boyd	2,695,268 70
Brown	1,751,581 16
Buffalo	7,566,032 54
Burt	7,647,779 100
Butler	7,676,781 67
Cass	8,403,723 72
Cedar	9,436,885 100
Chadron	1,914,919 41
Cherry	3,399,887 50
Cheyenne	2,594,428 46
Clay	8,392,672 80
Colfax	5,809,023 70
Cuming	7,669,543 73
Custer	7,296,234 68
Dakota	3,158,434 77
Dawes	2,122,823 34
Dawson	6,628,076 60
Deuel	1,179,238 31
Dixon	4,610,843 65
Dodge	6,538,824 80
Douglas	45,049,757 69
Dundy	1,394,304 33
Fillmore	7,403,816 70
Franklin	3,863,188 73
Frontier	2,650,397 64
Furnas	3,954,408 61
Gage	11,950,277 65
Hamilton	956,995 49
Harlan	708,860 50
Gosper	1,969,971 60
Grant	717,439 76
Greely	3,406,000 60
Hall	7,477,792 69
Hamilton	7,865,838 70
Harlan	3,042,558 45
Hayes	690,555 39
Hitchcock	1,733,597 40
Holt	4,712,856 67
Hooker	4,823,811 60
Howard	4,465,195 66
Jefferson	6,942,754 77
Johnson	4,420,665 70
Kearney	4,280,619 64
Keith	2,055,466 51
Knox	1,914,919 41
Koyas Paha	1,529,500 85
Kimball	1,950,277 65
Knox	5,342,759 57
Lancaster	3,504,189 78
Lincoln	6,131,830 41
Logan	346,294 49
Loup	398,616 55
Madison	8,828,376 76
McPherson	489,368 60
Merrick	5,092,034 75
Morrill	1,441,660 48
Nance	4,179,771 77
Nemaha	6,162,206 84
Nuckolls	9,316,630 80
Otoe	9,316,630 80
Pawnee	6,420,959 82
Perkins	1,319,874 47
Phelps	4,383,029 59
Pierce	4,513,082 69
Platte	5,866,038 81
Polk	3,069,500 55
Red Willow	7,074,074 70
Richardson	1,105,885 56
Rock	3,335,834 75
Saline	6,489,952 90
Sarpy	5,588,198 63
Sanders	2,163,760 66
Scott's Bluff	9,119,274 87
Seward	3,292,115 68
Sheridan	3,292,115 68
Sherman	1,275,911 40
Sioux	4,412,329 75
Stanton	6,992,632 67
Thayer	513,877 57
Thomas	3,657,928 110
Thurston	3,583,027 67
Valley	5,570,397 75
Washington	5,504,352 73
Wayne	667,572 70
Webster	9,377,615 81
Wheeler	5,377,615 81
York	5,377,615 81

Total \$463,769,001

## BOTH SIDES HEAR.

Wants Enough for Operation of Its Troubles.

Argument looking to the adjudication of the water power rights of the Kearney Water and Electric Powers company was heard by the state board of irrigation, says the Lincoln Journal. Attorneys for and against the Buffalo county corporation's petition were heard in the case, the number including John N. Dryden of Kearney and C. C. Flansburg of this city. The company, which has a power canal sixteen miles in length, thirty feet wide and varying from four and a half to twenty feet in depth, desires to take enough water from the Platte river to operate its power machinery to the best possible advantage. It contends that due to the scarcity of water at certain times of the year it is impossible to do this unless appropriators farther up the river are cut off from using the water for irrigation purposes. This action is asked for in a petition which the Kearney company filed some time ago in the district court of Dawson county.

The legal action which came out of that litigation was entitled the Kearney Water and Electric Powers company against the Gothenburg Power and Light company, the Gothenburg Irrigation company, the Cozad Canal company and the Farmers and Merchants Irrigation company. In the neighborhood of fifty other irrigation projects are also associated with the defendants in this action in the present hearing before the state irrigation board.

The original company financing the Kearney project was called the Kearney Canal and Water Supply company, and was organized in 1882. The company and its successor, this company, rights granted to it were not to be permanent only to the amount of a certain flow. In the district court action, which terminated during the latter part of 1911, a title to 125 cubic feet per second was declared to rest in the Kearney company and certain other companies were also set out as having the right to varying amounts of the Platte river water.

In a brief filed in behalf of the plaintiff the contention is made that the present laws of the state provide for the adjudication of no claims which are not upon record in the office of the state board of irrigation and that no provision is made by which prior appropriators may apply to the state board of irrigation for adjudication of their claims. The further contention is made that there is no limit to the time in which the adjudications of water rights can be made by the state board of irrigation. The petition of the Kearney company, after requesting that it be given authority to take sufficient water from from the Platte to operate its plant, deals extensively with the superiority of rights of the litigants in the case, and says:

"The case at bar does not present a situation where the damages to petitioner's property in case it is deprived of the use of water is merely incidental. In case of such deprivation the wheels of the machinery stop and the enterprise is practically dead."

The question of the powers of the state board of irrigation is also threshed over at some length, the opinion of the petitioner's attorneys being that the board is administrative in its authority and in no sense has delegated to it judicial powers. Informal hearings on the petition of the Kearney company have been held before the state board of irrigation in the past three or four months and several briefs and affidavits relative to the litigation have been filed with Secretary Price of that board. Irrigation companies to the number of sixty appeared at an April hearing to dispute the right of the company to close their gates in order to provide sufficient power for the operation of its machinery.

Assessment of Counties. No change will be made in the assessed valuation of thirty-five counties as returned to the state board of equalization. In some of the other counties an increase of from 5 to 25 per cent. is proposed and in others a decrease of from 5 to 15 per cent. is proposed. The counties which are to be increased will be notified to appear and show cause why they shall not be increased.

Appeal to the Supreme Court. Charles Madden has appealed to the supreme court from the judgment of the district court of Johnson county, in which Oscar Eisenstrau was given judgment against him for \$1,500. The suit grew out of an altercation between the two men on December 3, 1910. Eisenstrau alleged that Madden, without cause or provocation attacked him with a heavy scotch shovel striking him over the head and beating him so terribly that he will never recover. He stated that his spine was injured and his nervous system wrecked.

Gandy Wants Depot. Railway Commissioners Clarke and Winnet returned from Gandy, where they held a hearing regarding side-tracks at that place and at the old town of Logan. Both towns are close to the Union Pacific line which runs as far as Stapleton. The new line is built about a mile and a half from Gandy. The town has been laid out in such a way that it extends in a narrow form from the town to the depot and the people want a depot erected, although it would be only three miles from Stapleton.

## NEW YORK POLICE THAT ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION



This is a photograph of the New York police in a recent parade on Fifth avenue, among the marchers being Lieut. Charles Becker and others now accused of complicity in the murder of Herman Rosenthal. The insert is Lieutenant Becker.

## AN EDUCATED THIEF

COLLEGE GRADUATE STEALS \$150,000 IN TREASURES FROM WEALTHY CHICAGOANS.

### HAS JEKYLL-HYDE CAREER

Social Bandit Beats Efforts of Greatest Fiction Writers—"Only Robbed the Rich" Is His Excuse for a Score of Remarkable Robberies.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—When an exciting chase in the loop resulted in the capture of Jacob F. Guthrie of 1613 Prairie avenue Saturday, treasure worth \$150,000 was recovered and a career that has surpassed that pictured for any of the "society bandits" of fiction checked. Cultured, a college graduate and a former high school instructor, Guthrie is charged with having surpassed Raffles, Arsene Lupin and the other creations of authors. Robberies in a score of homes of Chicago's wealthy residents are charged to him. Art treasures, silverware, rare books, jewelry, objects of historical value and ones appreciated only by a connoisseur were his prey.

"I only robbed the rich," was his excuse, given half-boastfully in a way that recalled the vauntings of Robin Hood.

Several days ago Guthrie had given the bank four checks which looked suspicious to the bank officials, and upon his arrival to collect the \$900 he had the paper represented Officer McCaffrey seized him.

## MRS. DAISY GRACE IS FREED

Woman Accused of Shooting Husband Found Not Guilty by the Jury.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 5.—"God bless you, gentlemen," cried Mrs. Daisy Ulrich Opie Grace her Friday when the jury found her not guilty of the charge of shooting her husband. "I feel like kissing and hugging you all," she said to the jurors. "I trust you all the time. I know you would not believe what they said about me." Followed by a cheering throng, Mrs. Grace soon left the courtroom and went to the office of her attorneys. The verdict was generally expected. It is conceded that the state failed to sustain the charge that Mrs. Grace had drugged and shot her husband and locked him in to die in order to get \$25,000 insurance on his life. Grace was not in court. He was taken back to his home in Newnan and there heard of the verdict.

"I don't care what the jury said," declared the paralyzed husband. "She is guilty as hell and she knows it." Grace says he will sue for divorce.

Cudahy Family Is Reunited. Kansas City, Aug. 5.—The reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Cudahy was completed when the four children arrived from Pasadena, Cal., Sunday, where they had been in the custody of their grandmother.

French Warships Shell Agadir. Gibraltar, Aug. 3.—News has been received from Mogador on the southwestern coast of Morocco that the French warships Cosmo and Friant shelled Agadir Thursday and that they had destroyed a fort and a sanctuary.

## MAJORITY REPORT IN

PROMINENT MEN HIT IN STANLEY STEEL REPORT.

Corporation Called Enemy of Labor and is Accused of Lowering Condition of Its Employees.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Directed more than a year ago to investigate the United States Steel corporation, the report of the majority of the committee of the house of representatives was submitted to the house Friday by Representative Stanley of Kentucky, the chairman. J. P. Morgan and his associates are held up as being beneficiaries of enormous profits realized from the overcapitalization of the subsidiary companies of the steel corporation and later of the corporation itself.

Former President Roosevelt is indicted for making the control of the steel trust absolute and is charged with being responsible for the gigantic strike the trust has attained. The steel corporation is called an enemy of organized labor and is accused of lowering the condition of its employees and of contributing to American industry workmen and work methods un-American and foreign to the best interests of labor.

## SPARKS FROM THE WIRE

Copenhagen, Denmark, Aug. 7.—A great concourse of Danish-Americans from the United States were present Monday at the opening of the Danish-American National park in Jutland, and which was formally presented to the Danish government by the Danes of the United States.

Boston, Aug. 7.—Senator W. Murray Crane has been ordered by his doctors to take a rest. His health is such that his friends are greatly worried.

New York, Aug. 7.—Charles R. Crane of Chicago has been offered the trusteeship of the Democratic national committee. Governor Wilson and Chairman McCombs of the national committee agreed upon Crane at a conference here.

Columbus, Ind., Aug. 6.—Mrs. Susan Victoria Wiley Buxton, seventy-five years old, sister of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, former United States chemist of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Elizabeth Corbett of New York, died here.

Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 6.—Noah P. Marker, former cashier of the First National bank of Tipton, Ind., convicted of embezzling large sums from that institution, was released from the federal prison here.

Land Bluejackets in Nicaragua. Washington, Aug. 7.—One hundred bluejackets from the United States gunboat Annapolis are quartered in Managua, the Nicaraguan capital. They were landed Monday at the suggestion of the Nicaraguan government, which found itself unable to protect the American interests.

## AT BAY; KILLS SELF

MANIAC WHO WOUNDED FIVE PERSONS AT SOUTH PLATTE, COLO., SUICIDE ARTER CHASE.

### HIT TWICE IN HOT PURSUIT

Wounded Madman Was on Way to Home of His Girl Wife, Whose Life He Had Threatened, Because She Had Deserted Him.

La Junta, Colo., Aug. 7.—George Ballew, who, on Friday night, shot five persons and burned down a hotel at South Platte, committed suicide three miles from here. He had been pursued from Rocky Ford by a sheriff and his posse and took his life with his last bullet, only after he had been wounded twice and brought to bay behind a hay stack.

Ballew, on foot, started from Colorado Springs, where he had spent the night, toward La Junta. Several miles out he stole a horse and buggy from George Governau, a farmer. The latter soon discovered his loss and telephoned to La Junta.

Thinking that Ballew was merely a horse thief, Deputy Sheriff Jack Devine left to intercept him. He had passed the Village of Ormeau when he saw a man ahead of him try to flag a passing freight train. But the train did not stop and the man dropped in the tall grass behind the track. Further down the track was the horse and buggy that Ballew had stolen.

In the meanwhile Ballew met Wesley Wilson, a negro, driving a buggy, and forced him to turn the vehicle over to him. Lashing the horse, he started driving at breakneck speed toward La Junta.

As he drove away Wilson drew a revolver from his pocket and emptied it at the fugitive, one bullet striking him in the thigh.

Then one shot was heard. When the posse closed in they found him dead with a bullet through his head. Two revolvers lay beside him. None of the pursuers was injured.

It is thought that Ballew tried to flag the train in order to go to Las Cruces, N. Mex., where his girl wife, who recently deserted him, lives. He had threatened her life, it is said.

## UPHOLDS MONROE DOCTRINE

Senate Adopts Resolution Warning Powers From the Western Hemisphere by a Vote of 51 to 4.

Washington, Aug. 5.—After a three-hour debate behind closed doors the senate Friday by a vote of 51 to 4 adopted the Lodge resolution defining the attitude of the United States in disapproval of the acquisition by foreign interests of any territory on the western hemisphere which might be used as military or naval bases or menace "the approaches" of this country.

The resolution declared the United States could not see, "without grave concern," the title to any advantageous position on the American continent pass into the control of a foreign corporation that might be dominated by a foreign government.

## UNCLE SAM IS DEFIED

GOVERNOR OF SANTO DOMINGO THREATENS COMMANDER.

Should "Bluejackets" From American Gunboat Be Landed on Dominican Soil—Trouble May Result.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Commander Casey B. Morgan, U. S. N., commanding the American gunboat Nashville, sent to Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, because of revolutionary activity there, has met with an unusual reception, which threatens serious complications between the Dominican government and the United States.

He has been informed by the governor of Puerto Plata that "every patriotic Dominican" will offer armed opposition to any landing of American marines or bluejackets on Dominican soil, whether to protect American lives and property or for whatever other purpose they are put ashore.

Reports of the governor's threat, together with a sharp protest from Commander Morgan and his efforts to have the authorities at Santo Domingo curb the wrath of the authorities at Puerto Plata, have been cabled to the navy department and hurriedly communicated to the state department for action.

The state department declines to divulge its course in case the matter is not speedily straightened out by the Dominican government itself.

## PROGRESSIVES NAME TICKET

Indiana's Third Party Nominates Beveridge for Governor and Landis for Second Place.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 3.—The Progressive state convention here Thursday nominated the following ticket: Governor—Albert J. Beveridge of Indianapolis. Lieutenant governor—Frederick Lands of Logansport. Secretary of state—L. H. Mace, Scottsburg. Auditor of state—Harvey C. Cushman, Washington. Attorney general—Clifford F. Jackson, Huntington.

Superintendent of public instruction—Charles E. Spaulding, Winamac. State statistician—Thaddeus M. Moore, Madison county. Reporter of supreme court—Frank R. Miller, Clinton. Judge of supreme court, first district—J. R. Wilson of Bloomington. Judge of supreme court, fourth district—William A. Bond, Richmond. Judge of appellate court, first district—Miner F. Pate, Bloomfield. The platform declares for everything that has been preached as "progressive" for years.

## ARCHBALD CASE DECEMBER 3

Immediate Trial Desired by House is Refused by Senate After an Executive Session.

Washington, Aug. 6.—The trial of Judge Robert W. Archbald of the United States commerce court on impeachment proceedings brought by the house of representatives was set by the senate Saturday to open Tuesday, December 3, the second day of the next regular session of congress. The house managers, who brought charges of misconduct against Judge Archbald, demanded that the trial open Wednesday, August 7. Judge Archbald through his attorney, A. S. Worthington, presented to the senate a formal request that it be deferred until October 15 on the ground that his case could not be prepared before that time. After two hours in executive session, the senate, by a vote of 44 to 19, determined upon the postponement.

## MEXICANS FIRE ON EL PASO

United States Soldiers and Unseen Foe Exchange About Fifty Shots.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 7.—About fifty shots were exchanged on Saturday between United States soldiers and unidentified men from the Mexican side of the border in East El Paso. No one was hit. There were no arrests. Three shots were first fired from the Mexican side, striking a house belonging to C. H. Cole.

After the first three or four shots were heard, the soldiers on guard on the American side opened fire toward Mexico. The bullets then came faster from the Mexican side, one of them striking A. D. Martinez's house. Three houses near the river were struck by bullets, as was the roof of one of the El Paso foundry buildings.

No trace of the men who fired from the Mexican side could be found.

## SENATE PASSES WOOL BILL

Washington, Aug. 7.—The senate by a vote of 35 to 28 finally disposed of the wool bill Monday when it adopted the compromise measure—known as the La Follette bill—reported by the conferees.

Alaska Politician Succeeds. Seattle, Wash., Aug. 7.—A. J. Daly, Democratic national committeeman for Alaska and for years the party leader in the northern territory, committed suicide on an Alaskan steamboat Monday.

## TWO KILLED, SEVENTEEN HURT

Wheeling, W. Va., Aug. 7.—Two persons were killed and 17 seriously injured Monday near Claysville, Pa., 20 miles from here, when a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train crashed head-on into a freight.

## JOHNSON IS GREAT PITCHER

Has Added to His Terrific Speed Excellent Control, Slow Ball and Quick Breaking Curve.

"Walter Johnson is today a perfect pitcher," said one of the veteran umpires of the American league recently in discussing the Washington marvel. "If you could have a hurler made to order you couldn't design one who would be a bit more effective than the big Swede, whose name is a terror to the best batsmen in the country."

"Johnson isn't using his terrific speed much nowadays. In fact, he seldom cuts one loose with all his might unless he happens to be in a tight place and opposed to a hitter who is weak on the fast ones. He throws a lot of fast balls with a break on them still, but they are not of the old arm-piercing type that made him famous."

"At one time he had to depend almost entirely on the velocity of his ball and his control to make him formidable, but now he has acquired a good curve and a nice change of pace. For some time he has been experimenting with a slow ball, and now he has got command of it. Think of the deadly efficiency of a slow one coming after a ball that has been turned through a mile a minute."

"Walter's curve is not the widest in the world, but it is a quick one, and the break plenty large enough to accomplish the desired purpose. His control, which always has been good, seems to be improving."

"On top of this he has a splendid disposition for a pitcher. Nothing seems to rattle him. Some pitchers get up in the air if they think an umpire has missed a strike in a pinch, but Walter just smiles, knowing that he can lay the next one over if he has to. He is by all odds the greatest pitcher in the game today and to my mind never lived one who was any better. As near as any human being can hope to achieve in any line of endeavor Johnson has achieved it as a pitcher."



Walter Johnson.

## MODERN BASEBALL IS FASTER

Nothing to Be Accomplished by Wordy Controversy on Merits of Old and Young Players.

There may be some good accomplished from a wordy controversy whether or not baseball is faster than it used to be, but just exactly how this is to effect the cost of living is not so perfectly apparent, says the Milwaukee Sentinel.

The old fellows who have had their day and who are continually looking backward, seem to think that they played faster and better in the olden time, but the young men who are now engaged in making baseball history are dead sure the old timers were truck horses in comparison with them.

There is no reason why the old-timers could not hit a ball just exactly as hard; run just as fast; and field just as accurately. It may be that owing to the development of pitching they would not have an opportunity to hit and run as often, and inside baseball may be developed more than it was in the olden times, but grant all this and what's the answer?

It pleases us who remember some of the old-timers to think they were just as good as the best, but it may be that we are mistaken. At that, it is pretty hard to see what is going to be accomplished by the disillusionment. If the men of today are much better than they used to be, let it go at that. Nothing can be accomplished by arguing this question any more than can be by indulging in a controversy over politics or religion.

## BOSTON LITCH WESTERN PLAYER

The sale of pitcher Wynn Noyes of the Spokane club to the Boston club of the National league has been announced. Noyes, who is the star right-hander of the Spokane club, will not be delivered until the close of the Northwestern league season.