

# HARD TO GET REFUND AFTER TAX IS PAID

THE FARMERS' UNION SEEKS A LOWER ASSESSMENT.

Discover That Sole Relief Under the Circumstances is Through Court Proceedings.

If your taxes are as high as your brother-in-law's across the way, who jingles dollars while you pursue the dimes, don't pay them under protest and expect a refund outside of the district court.

If there is an evident error, and no equalization, make your big "holler" before opening your pocketbook, and keep making noise until you get relief; even though you have to dodge the collecting sheriff in doing so.

At least this is the conclusion almost anyone would come to after hearing the arguments in the county commissioners court Wednesday afternoon. The complainants in the case were the directors of the Farmers' Union company, with a claim that their corporation with a capital of \$13,200 had been erroneously assessed for \$11,800 in the year 1921; that their schedule had been overlooked in equalization; and they asked for a refund of that part of the \$455.38 taxes paid by them under protest which represented unequalization.

J. A. Keegan informally presented their petition, asserting the company was an investment company and should be assessed under Sec. 6343 of the statutes. This section requires a statement from the company as to the amount of capital stock and financial standing, and says, "The county assessor shall determine and settle the true value of each share of stock

after an examination of such statement." The petitioners showed from the statement turned in that no dividends had been declared the preceding year; that there were no undivided profits on hand and less than one hundred dollars surplus; and asserted that during the depression of that year there were no stocks in the county represented by merchandise that could be sold for seventy-five cents on the dollar.

In making comparisons in an endeavor to show that their assessment had escaped observation in equalization, attention was called to the statement and assessment of another seemingly more prosperous corporation, where the stock was assessed at less than 60 cents on the dollar as against theirs at 90 cents on the dollar.

Comparisons were also made with the assessment of all the large mercantile firms of the city, and they showed the Farmers' Union company close to the top of the list in the amount of taxes paid.

The appeal for correction was made to any of the county tax officers who could legally act, which included the county assessor and county clerk. All admitted the assessment looked rather high but County Attorney Lee Baeye, who was present dug up enough supreme court decisions in support of the statutes to convince all that money paid into the county treasury for taxes can only be refunded by court proceedings.

Considerable argument was also indulged in as to exactly what were the duties of a county board of equalization: Should they consider changing schedules only on complaint, or should they make a thorough examination of all schedules, raising and lowering assessments as in their judgment, was needed to make equality in taxes? This is a question that should be definitely decided by some high authority before the next board of equalization meets.

We expect to see prohibition enforced when each would-be drinker in the land has a dry enforcer detailed to watch him.—Columbia Record

## Forestation of Nebraska Urged by Association

Arbor day is a good time to consider the needs and possibilities of Nebraska as a tree-growing state. The subject of forestry has received very little attention in Nebraska. Broad and fecund acres have invited the efforts of the husbandman, and he has by his energy given to the world a wonderful wealth of farm produce. Along with him have moved the cattle grower, the swine breeder and the flockmaster, and cattle, hogs and sheep by millions have gone out from this state to feed a hungry world, says the Omaha Bee.

But Nebraska is blessed with other capabilities, among which is the raising of useful forest timber. Waste areas have long flouted their emptiness in the face of the world and Nebraskans have wondered what to do with them. Careful, scientific experiments have been carried on, to discover what use may be made of acres that are idle.

It is now known that these slacker acres will produce a bountiful, profitable crop if put to their natural use. Pine timber is being grown in the sandhills. Not a few scattered patches, but hundreds and thousands of acres, of useful trees. The state of Nebraska owns 687,000 acres in the sandhill region, on which may be grown white pine, yellow pine, and jack pine. All that is required is planting and a little attention.

In the Bessey nursery at Halley 6,500 acres of standing timber, now but 20 years old, trees 30 feet high, all planted since 1902, is the living proof of the statement that pine timber will grow in the sand hill region. Forestry for Nebraska has other available uses. The farmer with a small timber lot need never burn corn for fuel, nor depend on cow chips to furnish heat to cook his food.

Trees are not a crop for today or tomorrow, but require years to mature. Now is the time to plant, that

the future may be made secure. The Nebraska Forestry association was formed last October by some interested citizens of Nebraska, its object being:

"To unite people who are interested in forestry; the encouraging of the planting and culture of trees; caring for existing groves, orchards or plantations; forestation of waste lands of the state; stimulation of popular interest in the science of forestry."

Membership in the society is open to all. T. W. McCullough of Omaha is president; Mrs. John H. Corrick of Fallsdale is secretary, and Woodruff Ball of Valentine is vice president. Either of these will be glad to answer inquiries.

## THOROUGH WORK

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If the composer of "My Old Kentucky Home" were alive today he probably would be renting.—Detroit News.

Sharp practices will not cure dull times.—Ashville Times.

All the necessary proof that the war ended too soon is furnished by the German statesmen.—Wall Street Journal.

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Violet Cerate face cream, regular 50c item. Saturday, 2 jars for **51c**

Syta face powder (an imported rice powder) regular 50c size. Saturday, 2 boxes for **51c**

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