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TOTAL LEVY FOR CITY PROPERTY IS 97 1/2 MILLS

The North Platte taxpayer will pay nearly ten cents per dollar on the assessed valuation of his property this year, the combined levies aggregating 97 1/2 mills. The state levy is 6.10 mills, county 14.90 mills, city 34 mills and school district 42.50 mills. This is equivalent to a fraction less than two per cent on the supposed real value of property. For instance, if you have, say \$2,000 on time deposit in a bank which draws four per cent, and you have been honest enough to list the full \$2,000 to the assessor for taxation, one-half the interest you receive must be paid as a tax on your deposit, so your net interest shrinks to two per cent—which seems, and is, very small.

Time was when one month's rent of a house or store building in North Platte paid the yearly tax against the building, but not so now; as a general rule it takes nearly the rent of two months.

The gradual increase in taxes is not due to extravagance on the part of officials; it comes from our desire to have the comforts and advantages of this modern and fast-gaited age. We wanted to own our city water plant and that costs us \$5,000 a year for interest charge; we required new and larger school buildings and we pay about \$8,000 a year interest on them; our library costs us \$1,500 a year, our street lights \$4,500, our fire department (this year) \$6,000; we needed a city park and that costs us \$1,500 a year, a sewer system—a necessity and its maintenance costs \$2,000 or more a year, and the interest charges amount to \$2,000 more; we needed paved streets, and the interest on those bonds is about \$500; we wanted a bridge east of town and we are paying \$500 interest thereon. Years ago we didn't have these things, and we didn't have to pay for them. We lived just as happily perhaps, but not as comfortably—and you can't get away from the fact that if you desire to live comfortably—perhaps semi-luxuriously—you must pay the bill.

Therefore, when you pay your 1916 taxes, don't grumble or cuss, you are simply paying for the modern conveniences and comforts that you enjoy.

Band Concert Labor Day.

The weekly band concert at the court house park has been postponed from Friday to Monday, Sept. 4th. Following is the program given by the Municipal band under the direction of Earl Stamp.

March—"Under the Double Eagle"—Wagner.
Serenade—"A Night in June"—King
Selection—"Martha"—Fritz
"La Paloma"—Yradier.
Waltz—"Tree Jolie"—Waldtenfel.
March—"America First"—Losey.

Episcopal Church Sunday Sept. 3d.

Services at the Episcopal church Sunday, Sept. 3d will be as follows:
Holy Communion 8 a. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon 11 a. m.

For Sale—Furniture cheap. Call at 415 east Sixth or phone Red 738.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, of Wellfleet, are visiting local friends.

Buy your school shoes at Wilcox Department store.

Miss Effie Christ will return Wednesday from an extended visit in Lexington.

Mrs. Bert Chamberlain left yesterday afternoon for Denver to visit for several days.

F. E. Bullard is recovering from an illness which has confined him to the house for ten days.

Mrs. M. N. Johnston and daughter left yesterday afternoon for Denver to visit until Monday.

Dr. Murdock, of Ogalala, was a professional visitor at the North Platte General Hospital Wednesday.

Charles Hupfer, Jr., will leave next week for Atchinson, Kans., to resume his studies in Midland College.

Mrs. M. V. Mitchell will leave tomorrow evening for Lexington to visit the Mitchell and Naveaux families.

May Robson in the splendid play, "A Night Out" at the Crystal Saturday night. Prices 10 and 15c.

Mrs. Edwin Barraclough left yesterday morning for Denver to visit relatives and friends for a week or more.

Fred Gilbert, of Ottumwa, Ia., national auditor of the Yeoman lodge spent yesterday afternoon with W. J. Tiley while enroute west.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

John McMichael, of Wellfleet, spent yesterday with local friends.

William Adair has returned from Denver where he visited for a week.

Claude Peters will leave in a few days for Midland College to resume his studies.

George Young, of Hastings, is visiting this week at the home of his sister Mrs. Carl Simon.

Helen McIntyre, of Milwaukee, returned home yesterday after visiting at the Ritter home.

Mrs. Myrtle Stewart and Miss Bernice Stewart, of Wellfleet, are visiting with local friends this week.

T. C. Patterson and family returned Wednesday evening from their auto trip to Estes Park and Denver.

Mrs. Abbie McVicker, of Lexington, came yesterday morning to open the McVicker millinery at The Leader.

Tomatoes by the bushel and cucumbers for pickling. Mrs. T. E. Doolittle, Phone 782F022. 66-4*

Miss Jean Foley, of Omaha, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Ohlgrat, left for her home Monday.

Mrs. Carl Lintz who has been visiting the Welborn family in Dinango, Colo., is expected to return next week.

Mrs. Beryl Hahn-Day is now ready to resume her piano instruction. Address 621 East Fifth, or phone Black 651.

Miss Irene O'Donnell telephone operator in the Western Union Office was called back from Rawlins yesterday afternoon on account of the rush of work at the office caused by strike conditions. Miss O'Donnell was taking her summer vacation.

Mrs. J. L. Packard, of Milwaukee, who spent six weeks with her sister Mrs. William Ritter, left yesterday morning.

Miss Hazel Clark, of Omaha, is visiting her sister Mrs. Charles McNamara before leaving for Gothenburg to teach school.

Mrs. John Abart and children, of O'Neill, who came to attend the Smith-Baker wedding returned home yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Arthur Allen and children left yesterday afternoon for Farnam to visit for a week or longer. Mr. Allen will leave tomorrow.

Miss Nellie Holleran, of Hastings, who was the guest of the Hanlin family for ten days, returned home yesterday afternoon.

Wakefield Sheridan, of Gothenburg, visited local friends yesterday while enroute from Wellfleet where he visited Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor.

Newton Jasper Davidson age 26, and Lillian Fern McClintock age 18 of Elsie were married at the Hotel McCabe Wednesday afternoon by County Judge French. The ceremony was witnessed by the bride's parents.

A party composed of Attorney and Mrs. A. Muldoon, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Oberst, Mrs. J. C. Hollman, Miss Jean Foley, of Omaha, and Dr. Fenner, motored to Lamplugh's lake Sunday, where they were guests of the boy scouts at a fish dinner.

Fifty-five one hundredths of an inch of rain fell Tuesday evening and twenty-two one hundredths Wednesday evening. Farmers say that in some instances the rain may benefit late corn. It will certainly put the ground in good shape for fall plowing and seeding.

Mrs. Charles Bogue and daughter, Emma left Tuesday afternoon for Omaha to meet Mr. Bogue who is enroute home from New York.

Misses Laura and Elsie Harsenstein, of Chicago, came yesterday morning to visit Ruth Streitz while enroute home from Estes Park.

Mrs. M. K. Neville and daughters, returned Wednesday morning from Charlestown, W. Va., where they spent several weeks with the former's parents.

Mrs. M. N. Holcombe, of Laramie, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. James Loudon for several weeks went to Silver Creek yesterday afternoon to make her home.

H. N. Getty, was displaying on the streets yesterday samples of peaches from his ten-acre orchard at Grand Junction, Colo. They were of very fine flavor and good size. He will have several carloads to market through the fruit growers' association.

The report which came over the wire at noon yesterday stating that congress had decided on action that would result in the threatened railroad strike being called off, brought relief to many who were in suspense. At this terminal quite a number of engineers and conductors had publicly announced their intention of disregarding strike orders and remaining in service, and expected thereby to be subjected to more or less indignity from those who would go out; many others were undecided as to what course they would pursue, those who decided to go out were not in a happy frame of mind, while citizens generally were fearful of the many unpleasant conditions which a strike would bring. The report, therefore, that there would be no strike, was hailed with pleasure.



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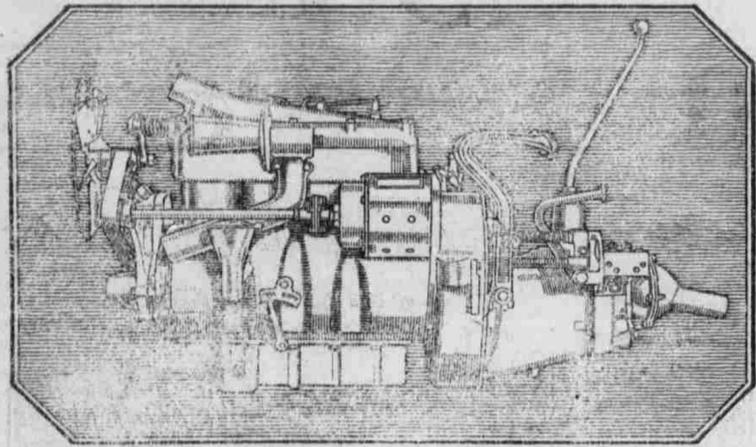
Mr. and Mrs. F. Perkins, of Omaha, visited the latter's brother Dr. L. C. Drost and family this week while enroute home from Colorado. They left Wednesday afternoon.

The school term in districts No. 11 and 54 will open Monday morning. Miss Bernice Stuart will have charge of the former and Miss Myrtle Jackson will teach the latter.

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