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ASSESSED VALUE OF HOLT COUNTY LANDS REDUCED

Decreased Land Valuation Makes Slight Increase in Levy Necessary

TAXES TO BE LOWER

The County Board, in session the forepart of the week, made the levy for the ensuing year. There is a reduction of \$2,965,399.00 in the assessed valuation of the county for this year and while the levy is six tenths of a mill more than it was last year, there will be a slight reduction in taxes of about fifty-one cents on the thousand valuation.

In determining the new valuation each fund was cut to the minimum. It was thought for a time that it would be possible to entirely eliminate the special emergency bridge levy, but the storm of last week, which took out dozens of bridges in the northeast part of the county made that impossible and the Special Emergency Bridge levy for the coming year, instead of being eliminated, as had been thought possible, had to be increased slightly to take care of the bridges that were taken out. The levy for the county, as based on the new valuation, will raise for the general fund, provided taxes are paid 100 per cent, \$48,384.00, while the general fund levy for last year raised \$54,085.00, making a saving in the amount of taxes to be paid by the taxpayers of this county, for the year 1932, in the General Fund alone, of \$5,701.00.

Here is a comparison of the new levy with that of last year:

1932 County Levy	
General	2.26
Bridge and Prior Indebtedness	1.00
Road	.10
Mother's Pensions	.07
County Fair	.04
Coyotes Bounties	.01
Repair and Improvements	.02
Special Emergency Bridge	.23
Total	3.73
1931 County Levy	
General	2.08
Bridge	1.00
Road	.10
Mother's Pensions	.13
County Fair	.08
Soldier's Relief	.02
Bounties	.05
Repairs and Improvements	.04
Special Emergency Bridge	.16
Total	3.66

The state levy was also slightly increased this year, on account of the reduced valuation made on the farm lands and improvements and city property and improvements in the several counties of the state. Last year the levy for state purposes was 2.04, while for 1932 the levy is 2.37. The county and state levy for 1931 was 5.70, while for 1932 it is 6.10, an increase of forty mills in the state and county levy.

ANOTHER PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Horace Henefin died at the home of his son, Madison, near Agee, last Monday evening about 8:30 from paralysis, at the age of sixty-eight years, four months, and one day. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon from Marquette Chapel at Meek, interment in Marquette cemetery.

Deceased was born at Eldora, Iowa, on April 8, 1864, near where he resided until he grew to manhood. In 1884, when he was twenty years of age he came to this county and located in Steel Creek precinct and he has been a resident of Holt county ever since. On February 20, 1887, he was united in marriage to Miss Rosa Record at Niobrara, Nebraska, who with eleven children and several grand children are left to mourn the death of a loving husband and father. The children are: Elba and Elwin, of Atkinson; Lester, Madison, Mrs. Mary Hasen, and Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, of Agree; Edward and Arthur of Spencer; Calvin, George and Fred of Meek.

Miss Genevieve Biglin and Master Robert Biglin went down to Sioux City Tuesday morning where they met Sister M. Callixta, of Sinsinawa, Wisconsin, and Sister M. Eugene of Sioux City and brought them back to this city Tuesday night for a visit at the home of their mother, Mrs. O. F. Biglin, and with other relatives here.

BRIEFLY STATED

John Honeycutt left this morning on a business trip to Omaha.

Lee Adams, of Chambers, was transacting business in the city last Monday.

Jack Arbuthnot and Harlan Agnes drove to Burwell this morning to take in the rodeo.

W. N. Jochum visited friends and acquaintances at Petersburg the latter part of last week.

James C. Parker made a business trip to Geneva the latter part of last week, returning Sunday.

Mrs. M. R. Sullivan left Tuesday noon for Omaha, to be with her sister who is in a hospital there.

Miss Beryl Winchell went down to Wayne the first of the week for a few days visit with friends.

Mrs. J. P. Brown went up to Stuart last Monday evening for a few days visit with relatives and friends.

Fred Cronk, one of the pioneer residents of Page township, was transacting business in this city last Monday.

Mrs. John McNulty, of Atkinson, is in the city for the week visiting with her daughter, Miss Margaret McNulty.

C. J. Gatz, accompanied by Mrs. Mary McLeod, went down to Omaha Wednesday morning to bring back Mrs. Gatz and son.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Streeter and Miss Dorothy Collins drove down to Brunswick last Sunday for a visit with relatives and friends.

John Kersenbrock was on the sick list for a couple of days the first of the week, but is again able to be around attending to business.

Mrs. John D. Kelley returned home last Saturday afternoon from a two weeks visit with relatives at Omaha, Columbus, Norfolk and Wisner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Donohoe left for Des Moines, Iowa, last Tuesday morning where Mr. Donohoe will spend a few days looking after legal matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hartly entertained seven couples with a seven o'clock dinner at the Golden last Sunday evening.

George Sinnett, of Lincoln, a representative of the Capitol Fire Insurance Company, was looking after the interests of his company in this city last Tuesday.

M. H. Horiskey, J. D. Cronin, Gus Cadwell, John Sullivan and Max Golden were among the O'Neill people that went down to Burwell this morning to take in the rodeo.

Miss Nora Cronin, of Omaha, arrived in the city last Saturday for a couple of weeks visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Cronin, north of O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamond and son, of Omaha, arrived in the city last Saturday and spent Sunday visiting relatives and friends in this city, returning to Omaha Monday.

Mrs. L. C. Chapman left last Saturday for Minneapolis, Minn., where she will purchase her fall stock of merchandise. She expects to return home the first of next week.

The Lions Club have a force of eight men checking up the city today and marking the street and numbering the houses. This is a move that has been in contemplation for some time.

H. B. Miller, of Lindsay, Nebr., representative of the Central Catholic Casualty Company, of Columbus, Nebr., arrived in the city yesterday and will spend a few days here in the interest of his company.

Allie Carney, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carney, who live north of this city, returned home the last of last week for a months visit with the home folks. Mr. Carney is in the navy and came up on a months furlough.

Duke Kersenbrock returned Tuesday from a weeks visit with relatives and friends in Sioux City. He was accompanied on his return by John Clemens, of Sioux City, who will spend a couple of weeks visiting at the Kersenbrock home here.

W. J. Biglin went down to Jackson last Friday and visited relatives there until Monday when he returned home, being accompanied back by Mrs. Biglin and the children who had been visiting relatives and friends there for the past three weeks.

The local camp of the American Legion and the local Lions Club, joined by several of the friends of both organizations, enjoyed a picnic at Shoemaker's grove, south of this city last Tuesday evening. From what we can learn everyone had a perfectly "delightful time."

H. J. Hammond, F. J. Dishner, Ira Moss and P. C. Donohoe drove up to Cherry county the fore part of the week and spent a few days fishing, returning Wednesday night. We have not heard any big fish stories since their return, so presume they only had the average luck.

The city has started the annual cleanup by mowing the weeds along the streets and the officials urge all city residents to mow all the tall weeds along their lots, so that it will make the city present a more creditable appearance, as well as eliminate one of the most persistent hay fever breeders.

Romaine Saunders was up from his ranch in the southwestern part of the county last Monday. He says that everything is going nicely in his section and that all the stockmen are busy putting up the best crop of hay they have had in that section for several years.

H. E. Coyne, James F. and Hugh O'Donnell, D. A. Bland, Max Golden and Gus Cadwell drove down to Spaulding last Sunday to attend the one day golf tournament they were holding in that city, returning home the same evening. The boys say they had an enjoyable time, but did not break any records on the golf course.

Rev. G. W. Bruce, former pastor of the M. E. church here, accompanied by his wife, will stop here for the noon hour, Monday, August 15th. Mr. Bruce would like to meet all his old friends at that time. The ladies have arranged a covered dish luncheon for the occasion, 12 o'clock, August 15th, at the church basement.

Roy Angus, of Ewing, who was sentenced last January to six months in the county jail and a fine of \$250 and costs, for contempt of court in connection with the jury bribing charges growing out of the Flannigan trial, was released from the county jail Wednesday, having completed his sentence. The fine of \$250 was paid as was also \$55.55 costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Conklin and daughter, who had been visiting relatives and friends here for the past month, as well as looking after business, returned to their home at Lincoln last Monday. Mr. Conklin is a field man for the Ohio National Life Insurance Company and, while his family were visiting here, Cecil was looking after the business of his company in this and adjoining counties.

The three splendid rains of last week will make the largest corn crop this county ever produced, provided we have favorable weather for the next month. It is believed that the rainfall is now sufficient to mature the crop. With a bumper crop of wheat, rye, oats, barley, hay and corn the farmers of this county are sitting on top of the world for the coming winter.

O'Neill will be well represented at the Burwell Rodeo next Friday. A large delegation from this city have chartered one of the busses now used on the O'Neill-Norfolk bus line and will make the trip to Burwell Friday morning and spend the day attending the rodeo performance in that city. The following will make the trip via bus: Mayor C. E. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Birmingham, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Donohoe, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hartly, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Burgess and Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Weekes.

PRECIPITATION FOR 1932

Last week, Harry Bowen, the local weather observer, handed us a list showing the rainfall in this city, according to his records, for the first six months of this year. His figures were 12.57 inches for the first six months. As this is considerably short of the average rainfall for this section, we published that fact in this family journal and then things started. Several were skeptical of the figures presented and Harry made another check and discovered that he had made an error in his first computation and that, instead of the rainfall for the first six months being but 12.57 inches it was 17.38 inches as follows by months:

January	.60
February	1.21
March	.78
April	1.83
May	3.19
June	6.81
July	2.96
August, to the 5th	2.72
Total	20.10

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Gaines and daughters, Helen and Amelia, of Des Moines, Iowa, arrived in the city last Sunday for a couple of days visit with friends here. They left Wednesday for Huron, South Dakota, where they will spend a few days visiting at the home of their son. Mr. and Mrs. Gaines were former residents of this city, Mr. Gaines being the local representative of the Nebraska Securities Corporation.

John Bierney, of Bartlett, editor of the Wheeler county Independent, was a pleasant caller at this office last Monday, having come up to advertise the Wheeler County Fair and Rodeo, which will be held in that city from August 16th to 20th inclusive. In addition to being editor of Bartlett's only newspaper Mr. Bierney is also the county judge of that county, a position he has held for upward of a quarter of a century.

Those who wish to be members of the Woman's Club for the ensuing year please notify either Mrs. Sauers, the secretary or Mrs. Cowperthwaite, the president, before August 15, 1932, in order to have your name in the Club Book for this year. The meetings will be in the home on Wednesday afternoons, on the first Wednesday of each month as has been the custom.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hyde and two children, of Omaha, and Parley Hyde, of Chadron, stopped in the city for a few hours Tuesday and visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin. They were on their way from Omaha to Chadron, where Mrs. Hyde and children will visit for a few days, while Mr. Hyde will look after business matters in the western part of the state.

A large delegation of O'Neillites left for Burwell this morning where they will attend the rodeo. We understand that Sheridan Simmons went along and Sherd will be able to give a good account of the performers ability on bucking bronchos in these days, when riding horseback is almost becoming a lost art, as compared to the days when Sherd was young and a rider of the range.

O'NEILL COUNTRY CLUB HAS AN EXCELLENT YEAR

Despite the general depression this year the O'Neill Country Club is in a prosperous and healthy condition and growing in membership. They now have seventy-one paid members, the largest membership roll since the Club was started. During the past summer they have been having semi-weekly parties, given by the wives of the members of the Club at the Club house. It is the intention to continue these parties during the winter months, holding them down town after the Club house is closed. These social parties will add much to the social life of the city during the coming winter.

ANTHRAX KILLING MORE CATTLE IN HOLT COUNTY

Two More Farmers Report Losses Caused By Dreaded Disease

Two more cases of Anthrax were discovered in this county last Monday. The first case was on the farm of Joe Singleman, 22 miles northwest of this city. Mr. Singleman has a herd of nineteen cows and found one of them dead when he went to milk them Sunday night. Dr. Bennett was called and pronounced it anthrax. He vaccinated the balance of the herd Monday.

The next case was discovered on the farm of Conrad Goeke, five miles north and five miles west of this city. He had sixteen cows and found one of them dead Monday morning. Dr. Bennett was called and pronounced it anthrax and vaccinated the balance of the herd. He has hopes that he will be able to check the spread of the disease in these herds.

Andrew Fink, living five miles southeast of this city, on whose farm the first case of anthrax in this immediate vicinity was discovered, as mentioned in these columns last week, lost three more head of cows, so he has lost half his herd of twelve cows. All of the cows that have died were sick at the time they were given the serum. The other six seem to be getting along all right.

Several farmers in different sections of the county have been having their cattle vaccinated during the past week, in an attempt to check the inroads of the disease.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman and daughter, of Omaha, arrived in the city Wednesday for a few days visit at the home of Mrs. Chapman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McPharlin.

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