

then they shall forfeit by such failure not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000, which may be recovered in a civil suit.

Thus it will be seen they are not only shielded by having to deal alone with the civil law, but the forfeiture is but a mere bagatelle, compared with that which is placed upon the individual by way of fine, when you take into consideration that the individual might not be worth to exceed \$25, and that he is to be fined not less than \$50; he has no resort to the civil courts but must appear before the criminal court to answer as to his neglect. He may not be worth more than \$25, all the property that he has, and yet he must forfeit to the state \$50, or stand imprisoned until it is paid; while these corporations, that are worth their millions, can defy the state officers and yet simply forfeit the sum of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000, and this amount to be recovered in a civil suit; not against the officer who has failed to do his duty, no smirch even of a civil suit is to touch his name, but the corporation that he represents will appear on the title page of the action. They can go down into the merchant's business, demand his books, his invoice, his insurance; his accounts, and every minutiae of his own private business can these officers demand, and if he fails to comply with any of their insinuating requests, he is guilty of a misdemeanor and fined as hereinbefore stated. Yet, if the officers of one of these corporations fail to respond to the process of the said board, or who refuse to answer any proper question put to him by said board, he simply forfeits the sum of \$500, to be recovered in a civil action. Section 91.

And all of this for what purpose? Simply to evade the demand of the people made two years ago, which was but the culmination of a growing storm raised solely and alone by the actions of the corporations, and this same state board of equalization to raise the valuation of railroad property in harmony with other property of the state that the floating debt and the necessary expenses of the state's operation might be paid, and the onward march of our progress not retarded. And what excuse is given by the governor, honored by our state, for the placing of his signature to such an enactment. Simply that "the people wanted it." Yet the people knew nothing about it. It had never been submitted to them, either by vote or discussion. And what excuse, when asked if the favors that he had received from the railroads might not have had some influence on his actions in this regard, his answer is, "I admit that I have received these favors from the railroads; there is no law preventing me from receiving these favors from the railroads. If the people desire that I should not receive them, let them enact some law preventing me, and I will sign it." "If governor, I will sign it!" Certainly he would not give his approval to an act that he deemed had no merit and was not for the best interests of the state. If for the best interests of state along moral and economic lines, there must be a sentiment at least abroad in the state that these favors accepted and held by him as a public officer are not conducive to independent and unbiased action. Thus if the governor would approve an anti-pass bill, then he knows that in morals he should not now receive them as governor. Further, if he knows there are some of the people of the state who believe these favors influence him in the performance of his duties, then he owes it to himself, as well as to his constituents, to refuse all favors. As he acts for all, he should strive to have the confidence of all. Even those who do not seriously oppose the receiving of these favors, or the use thereof.

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Cowardly State Officials

Did Not Dare to Follow the Intent of the Legislature and make Provision for Paying the State Debt.

During the last session of the legislature and during the time the new revenue law was under consideration the principal arguments made in support of its passage were upon the theory that some provision must be made for paying the state's debt. It was upon that theory that many of the members were induced to give the law their support. The law resulted in greatly increasing the grand assessment roll to \$294,779,244.65. When the board met to make the levy, to fix the number of mills of taxation, it refused to make the rate high enough to raise even as much money as the last legislature had appropriated. It totally ignored the intent of the legislature and made no provision whatever for paying any part of the state debt. The board of assessment of which John H. Mickey is chairman were too cowardly to perform their full duty as intended by the legislature. They knew that the present administration had recklessly squandered the people's money, that taxation must be much higher on that account, and feared the wrath of the voters if they should also make provision for paying a part of the state debt. Intelligent voters will see to it that such cowardice, duplicity and hypocrisy is properly rebuked at the polls on election day.

Here are the figures for proof that the levy is insufficient and that the state must necessarily go deeper in debt instead of having it reduced as the legislature intended.

The grand assessment roll of property in the state is.....	\$294,779,244.65
The state board made levies as follows:	
For general fund 4 1/2 mills which would raise in 1 year.....	1,326,506.60
For schools 1/2 mill, which would raise in 1 year.....	147,389.62
For University 1 mill, which would raise in 1 year.....	294,779.24
Total for 1 year if all taxes levied and assessed are paid.....	\$1,768,675.46
The same levy in 2 years, the period covered by the legislative appropriations would raise.....	\$3,537,350.92

The total appropriations made by the last republican legislature for the two year period were \$3,740,200.70 or \$202,929.78 greater than the total amount of taxes assessed for state purposes. This means that if every dollar of the greatly increased taxes is paid it will still lack \$202,929.78 of meeting all appropriations made by the last republican legislature.

That is what The Independent calls an unequalled record for extravagance. That is why every farmer and every small property owner and tax payer in Nebraska should vote for George W. Berge and the whole populist ticket including members of the legislature.

will most seriously dissent from his excuse for receiving them. The flimsy excuse he gives is far worse than the act itself. As well say, I know it is not right in morals that I, as governor, should receive these favors, but as there is no law prohibiting it, I will continue to do so until the people in their might demand and obtain a legislative enactment prohibiting the receiving of favors from those asking special leniency. "If the people desire that I should not receive them, let them enact a law preventing me!" This kind of logic might fill the governor's cellar with standard oil. It might stock his farm with blooded stock by those who desire to ship into the state dis-

eased cattle and horses. It might fill his larger with the purest of foods by those who desire to palm off impure products upon the state. It might encompass him with all of the beauties, the grandeurs, and the pleasures of a king. Our friend, Governor Mickey, might obtain valuable instruction along these lines by examining the records of his home county of Polk, which show that In 1902, Polk county paid Nebraska in taxes, \$9,000. In 1903, Polk county paid Nebraska in taxes, \$13,120. In 1904, Polk county will pay the state of Nebraska in taxes, \$20,470. In 1903 the railroads had their taxes

reduced in Polk county, by the state board, about \$75. And this year they have been placed back to about what they were before being reduced, so that in 1904 the railroads will pay no more taxes in Polk county than they paid under the old revenue law, and not as much as they did pay ten to twenty years ago. And further, that the assessment under the new law cost Polk county some \$1,200 more than under the old.

It is to be hoped that the day may speedily arrive in this state when its officers may feel that a public office is a public trust, and that that trust should be kept so sacred as to let no act of him who holds it cast any suspicion thereon. At least that he who holds these high and sacred positions may so guard and protect them both by act and expression as not to poison the fountain of patriotism in the minds of the rising generations.

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