

BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

December 21st, 1899, a. m.
Board met pursuant to adjournment, all members present. The minutes of previous day were read and approved.

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Cooney:

Whereas, There is in the office of the county clerk, of Custer county, Nebraska, a number of warrants that have been signed by various chairmen of the board of supervisors and that were not completed and filed, therefore be it

Resolved, That the chairman of this board and the county clerk are hereby ordered, directed and instructed to go through the warrant books of said county, and destroy all such warrants not completed or filed out and make a notation on the stubs of said warrant books, that said warrants are destroyed.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Arthur, that the above resolution be adopted and ordered; carried; Be it

Resolved, By the board of supervisors of Custer county, Nebraska, that the county clerk is authorized to make a requisition on the auditor of public accounts for the supplies from the state, to-wit: Assessment and tax books. Receipt book schedules in such amounts as will be required by Custer county for the year 1900.

Moved by Arthur, seconded by Nicholas, that the above resolution be adopted and ordered; carried.

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The finance committee made the following report, to-wit:

To recommend to approve the bond of M. E. Schneringer, as county treasurer of Custer county, Nebraska.

The yeas and nays were called for, Arthur, Cooney, Carr, Downey, Lind, Neth and Nicholas voting yes. The vote being unanimous for the approval of the bond.

The finance committee further reported to approve the depository bond of the State Bank of Broken Bow.

It was moved and carried that the above report be accepted, adopted, and bond approved as recommended.

The finance committee further reported to recommend the following transfer of funds:

Road fund, to 1899 general fund.....	\$3,500 00
Bridge fund, to judgment fund.....	1,500 00
The following transfers were made to the general fund of 1897 and prior years: Road fund.....	100 00
Advertising fund.....	500 00
Interest on deposits.....	500 00
Insane fund.....	100 00
	\$6,200 00

Signed: S. NETH.
C. O. LIND.
G. E. CARR.

It was moved and carried that the report be accepted, adopted, and ordered as recommended.

The road and claims committee made the following report, to-wit: To allow the following road damage claims on Barrett road:

C. G. Brenizer, allowed for.....	\$125 00
To be levied against r'd dist. 3, Berwyn.	
J. E. Evans, allowed for \$155 00. Cl'm \$300	
To be levied against r'd dist. 3, Berwyn.	

Ben Talbot, allowed for \$155 00. Cl'm \$400.	
To be levied against r'd dist. 3, Berwyn.	
John Junker, Sr., same. \$180 00. Berwyn 500.	
To be levied against r'd dist. 3, Berwyn.	

C. W. Gestwite, same.....	90 00
Berwyn 147.	
To be levied against r'd dist. 4, Berwyn.	

W. H. Mauk, same.....	\$65 00
Berwyn 150.	
To be levied against r'd dist. 3, Berwyn.	

And to reject claim of J. F. Hubbard for \$75 00.

The committee further reported to grant the Virgil Allyn, et al, road petition, commencing at southeast corner of section 14, township 15, range 22, and terminating at the northwest corner of section 18, township 15, range 22, and to allow the following road claims:

D. W. Lanterman, appraiser V. Allyn road.....	\$ 5 00
A. P. Johnson.....	5 00
J. B. Holcomb, same.....	5 00
Ray Koon, chairman same.....	3 00
L. E. Koon, surveyor same.....	11 50

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Committee also recommends to allow the following road damage claims on Virgil Allyn road:

E. A. Cameron.....	\$ 40 00
To be levied against r'd dist. 2, Custer township.	
L. Anderson.....	\$ 40 00
To be levied against r'd dist. 2, Custer township.	
S. C. Shuman.....	\$118 00
To be levied against r'd dist. 2, Custer township.	
L. E. Koon, platting road.....	\$10 00
Same.....	15 00
Same com. and surveyor, W. J. Leap road.....	20 00

Allowed:
John H. Books, chairman same..... 2 00
Robert Farley, same..... 2 00
Albin Cummings, same..... 4 00
M. L. Lamb, surveying..... 3 00
S. O. Morris, chairman B. P. Morris road..... 2 00
B. P. Morris, flagman..... 2 00
M. L. Lamb, surveying..... 3 00
Ray E. Koon, chairman J. D. Troyer road..... 2 00
L. E. Koon, surveying..... 7 50
Guy Thom, chairman B. P. Morris road..... 2 00

Committee recommends to grant the road petition of W. H. Comstock, commencing at a point being 40 feet north of the northwest corner of block 6, of the town of Comstock, in Custer county, Nebraska, and running thence west on a line parallel with the north line of said block 9, to the east or left bank of the

Middle Loup river and to grant the petition of Wm. Baeking, et al, commencing at the section corner of section 29-25-35 and 36, running west two miles to section corner of 27-28-33-34, township 14, range 17.

And to grant the petition of E. L. Jackson, et al, commencing at southeast corner of section 19, township 13, range 25, and terminating at southeast corner of section 19, township 13, range 25, and southwest corner section 21, township 19, range 25, and northeast corner of section 29, township 13, range 25, and northwest corner section 28, township 13, range 25, and to grant the petition of J. Pleasance, et al, for a road commencing at the northwest corner of section 23, and running two miles east to Sherman county line, township 13, range 17, ordered advertised, and to lay over the road petition of Newton Taylor, et al, and to reject the road protest of C. S. Francis, et al.

It was moved and carried that the report be accepted, adopted, and ordered claims allowed, petition granted, laid over and rejected as reported by the committee.

The erroneous and delinquent tax committee made the following report, to-wit:

G. M. Worthington, double assessment Lillian and Broken Bow twp ord'd to ret'd.....	\$13 85
J. L. Oxford same.....	11 60
Wm. Bitters, error in same.....	2 10
H. H. Andrews, excessive levy village of Callaway, same.....	3 90
A. B. Ash, erroneous assessment, Lillian township, ordered to refund, 1899.....	6 22
Same 1898.....	6 08
A. L. Mathews, excessive levy, village of Callaway, ordered to refund.....	7 00
R. H. Pinnell, same.....	3 20
Thomas Laughran, excessive tax, Chas. B. Drum, erroneous tax Callaway, ordered to refund 1898 tax.....	7 75

Thos. Laughran, paid under protest in Broken Bow, rejected.
F. R. Woolington laid over, paid under protest, Custer township \$27 22

And to reject the following claims for the refund of taxes:

H. M. Wright, double assessment, Sargent, rejected. Martin Stubblebeen, Callaway, paid under protest, rejected.	
F. R. Woolington, Custer, rejected for 1893 and 1894. P. H. Marlay, tax on improvements on school land, rejected.	
Joe Stelton, tax sale certificate, rejected \$13.36 Henry M. Kidder, rejected.	

Signed: J. J. DOWNNEY.
B. L. NICHOLAS.
JOHN COONEY.

It was moved and carried that the report be accepted, adopted and ordered as recommended.

The bridge and bridge claims committee reported to recommend to grant the following petitions, to-wit:

J. H. Smith, et al, bridge across Spring Creek, on line of sections 12 and 13, township 13, range 22. Chris Samp, et al, bridge 19 chaires and 80 links was from northeast corner northwest 1/4 26-13-18. C. T. Wright, et al, across Muddy Creek, on section lines between 11 and 42-16 30.	
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And to reject petitions, to-wit: P. S. Myers, et al, Wm. Baeking, et al, J. A. Amesberry, et al.

Signed: ARTHUR.
COONEY.
CARR.

Adopted and report ordered as recommended.

The bridge committee recommended to allow the various claims, which were accepted and adopted.

The judiciary committee recommended to allow all claims except.

All in case State vs. A. J. McArthur. Also to lay over all claims in case State vs. S. B. McKenty.

Also to lay over all claims in case State vs. O. G. Sofield.

Signed: NICHOLAS.
COONEY.
ARTHUR.

It was moved and carried that report of committee be accepted, adopted and ordered as reported.

The official bond committee reported to recommend to approve the following bonds, to-wit:

J. J. Tooley.....	County Superintendent
Ed Armstrong.....	Sheriff
J. B. Chisum.....	County Clerk
C. T. Orr.....	Clerk District Court
Jonah A. Armour.....	County Judge
L. E. Koon.....	County Surveyor

Also bonds of the several assessors, clerks, treasurers, constables and road overseers of the various townships; and to lay over the following bonds, to-wit:

T. C. Gibson, collector, Ansley;	
H. E. Hall, collector, Algernon.	

Moved and carried that report of committee be accepted, adopted and ordered as recommended.

The erroneous and delinquent tax committee made the following report, to-wit: To recommend to allow the following refund of taxes:

Sam McGinnis, 35.05, Custer township, 1896 tax-double assess.	
S. E. Baker, \$1.70, Cliff township, 1892 tax, double assess.	

And to reject the application of Orrie Freel for an extension of payment of delinquent personal tax; and to hold the following claims for delinquent personal tax:

D. W. Lanterman, part held.....	\$284 00
D. M. Ambery.....	3 00
W. H. Shookford.....	11 00
W. P. Hyatt.....	4 00
T. M. & J. W. Salisbury.....	28 97
E. M. House, part held.....	107 40
H. M. Brownell.....	19 38
J. M. Pierce.....	8 00
C. Morton.....	21 50
O. Q. Leach.....	22 50
Ray Hicks.....	4 95
Lee Ashley.....	5 98

It was moved and carried that report of committee be accepted, adopted and ordered as recommended.

ed. Supervisor Neth offered the following resolution, giving the court house and jail committee the authority to hire a janitor for court house for 1900.

Moved by Cooney, seconded by Downey, that the above resolution be rejected. The yeas and nays were called for, Arthur, Cooney, Downey and Nicholas voted yes; Lind and Neth nay. Motion carried. Resolution rejected.

Moved by Cooney, seconded by Nicholas, that Wm. Blair be hired as per contract. Carried.

CONTRACT.

This contract made and entered into this 21st day of December, 1899, between county of Custer and Wm. Blair; witness, that said county of Custer hereby employ Wm. Blair as janitor of court house of said county at their agreed price of \$1.65 per day. It is agreed and understood that said Wm. Blair is to do all the work necessary to be done in caring for said court house and to do all the janitor work necessary or requisite in and around said court house, and to take care of said grounds and fences, and all buildings, structures, appurtenances and improvements connected therewith, including the windmill and pump on court house block; that said Wm. Blair is to work under supervision, direction and control of the court house and jail committee of board of supervisors of Custer county. That said Wm. Blair shall have and receive his pay therefor in county claims, to be acted upon by said board at their regular adjourned meetings. In witness whereof the parties hereto have set their hands this 21st day of December, 1899.

WM. BLAIR.

THE COUNTY OF CUSTER.

By Geo. E. Carr, Chairman Board of Supervisors.

The judiciary claims committee recommended to allow the following claims certified from district court of Custer county, Neb., to-wit, being the claims of the following names of assessors, which were appealed to district court from the amounts allowed by county board:

A. J. McMurtry, 138.80, interest at 7 per cent from June 21st, 1899;	
J. W. Conley, 173.40, interest from November 25th, 1899; Wm. Nicholson, 155.60, interest from Nov. 25, 1899; James Runyan, 132.00, interest from Nov. 25th, 1899; Thos. Todd, 141.40, interest from Nov. 25th, 1899; J. M. McCormick, 137.50 interest from Nov. 25th, 1899; U. M. Hover, 112.00, interest from November 25th, 1899; W. E. Scull, 142.40, interest from Nov. 25, 1899.	

Moved and carried that report of committee be accepted, adopted and ordered as recommended.

Supervisor Cooney offered the following resolution: Whereas, it has come to notice of the Board of Supervisors of Custer county Nebraska, that grade and right of way of Lincoln & Black Hills Railroad Company in Custer county, Neb., was not assessed for the year 1899.

Therefore be it resolved, That said Lincoln & Black Hills railroad Co. and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company, lessee, be and hereby are ordered to appear before the county board of Custer county, Nebraska, and show cause why said grade and right of way of said Lincoln and Black Hills Railroad Co. in said Custer county, should not be listed for taxation, and be taxed for said year 1899.

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Neth: As it appears Custer county is in debt to the feeble minded institute to the amount of—therefore be it resolved, By this board, and county clerk is hereby instructed to draw a warrant in favor of chairman of board of supervisors.

Moved and carried that the above resolution be adopted.

Moved by Nicholas, seconded by Cooney, that the wolf scalp claim of G. W. Runyan for \$3.00 for 1892 be reconsidered. Motion was lost.

Supervisor Lind offered the following resolution, seconded by Arthur: That chairman of poor farm committee be instructed to pay \$3.44 to superintendent of blind institution, advanced by him for car fare for George Cordis, a county charge returned to Custer county from said institution.

Moved and carried that the above resolution be accepted and adopted.

The claims committee reported to allow claims, except the following, which were rejected:

A. L. Coulter.....	2 07
Ray Koon.....	3 00
G. W. Hays.....	3 00
Shamp Bros.....	47 93

Byno.

Write it 1900, and don't you forget it.

Oh my, that was a big squash that Squire Dean promised Nasby.

B. C. Empfield returned to Lincoln Business College yesterday to resume his studies. He has completed the course except shorthand and type writing, which he will now take up.

The woman's suffrage meeting announced to meet at Custer Saturday night failed to materialize.

Weather cold and disagreeable, four inches of snow on the range.

MARKET REPORT.

Wheat.....	47c
Barley.....	30c
Oats.....	25c
Corn.....	25c
Rye.....	30c
Butter.....	20c
Eggs.....	30c
Potatoes.....	25c
Onions.....	1.00
Chickens.....	3.00 to 2.25
Hogs.....	3.00
Cows.....	3.50
Steers.....	4.00
Turkeys.....	4.00
Prairie Chickens.....	20c
Quail per doz.....	.75c
Straw.....	10c cwt
Hay.....	5.00 per ton

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W. H. OSBORNE, JR.

ORDER ON HEARING PETITION FOR AD MINISTRATION.

The State of Nebraska, ss.
Custer County.
At a session of the county court for the county of Custer, holden at the county court room in Broken Bow, on the 25th day of December, 1899. Present, J. A. Armour, County Judge. In the matter of the estate of Geo. B. Greenwood, deceased.
On application by petition of Margaret F. Spencer and Mary Noonan of Custer county, representing among other things that Geo. B. Greenwood, an inhabitant of Custer county, on the 33d day of December, A. D. 1899, at Anasay, Neb., died intestate, leaving estate to be administered. That the petitioners are daughters of said deceased, and pray that administration of said deceased be granted to James Ledwith. It is ordered that said application be heard at the county court room at the court house in the city of Broken Bow, on the 29th day of January, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m. It is further ordered, that notice thereof be given to all persons by publication of such notice at least three weeks successively, previous to the time appointed, in the Republican, a weekly newspaper, published at the city of Broken Bow, in said county, Nebraska. True copy.
J. A. ARMOUR,
County Judge.

SITUATION IN MADAGASCAR.

England Has by No Means Heard the Last of It.

We have by no means heard the last of Madagascar, says the London Times. The French have sent out an army of officials. Indeed, the fonctionnaires for outnumber the civil population, and they are making themselves beloved of none. The law allows one month's forced labor, but the officials are enforcing as much as six months, so the laborers have taken to the bush and private employers cannot get hands to work for them. The taxes are oppressive and in some cases downright foolish—e. g., an annual tax on every head of cattle and every hectare of rice cultivated. The result is that the cattle are being slaughtered, so that beef is already scarce and dear; while rice, which was formerly exported, has now to be imported. The natives are cutting down the India-rubber trees and the whole country is unsettled. About nine or ten officials have been killed and the northwest coast is in more or less open revolt. All the residents agree that if France found herself at war or in difficulties, there would be a general massacre of French officials. Trade is languishing. The two chief American firms have left or are leaving—I. e., they are merely liquidating old stock. The French have imposed a differential duty which gives French manufacturers an advantage of about 92 per cent. French goods are charged 4 per cent, and English goods 50 per cent. of their value. The coasting schooners employed by the large firms to supply their branch trading stations had to come under the French flag by Jan. 1, 1899, and the Germans are sending theirs home rather than submit to this law. Proctors the English firm, is doing good business, but only by importing French goods instead of English. Altogether Madagascar furnishes an instructive object-lesson in the methods of French colonization, and might repay further study from those who contend that the flag has nothing to do with the trade.

Four Suns at Once.

The crew of a British steamer have recently witnessed a remarkable sight when steaming in the South Atlantic. The rare phenomena—the sun dog—which may not be seen once in a century, appeared in the sky one evening at sunset. It was first seen by the captain, who noticed the sun setting in the east instead of the west, and was confirmed by the steersman, who reported another sun to port and two more in different directions. This marvelous sight of four suns in the sky gave the sailors a tremendous shock, as the sky was perfectly cloudless and the vision unexpected.—Golden Penny.

Gloomy Outlook.

First Prohibitionist—Are you aware that there are 35,467 drug stores in the United States? Second Prohibitionist—Is that all? Surely, the cause has progressed better than that.—Indianapolis Journal.

Hand Organs as Civilizers.

Congo Free State negroes are being Christianized by a hand organ. Capt. Becker, a Free State official, thoughtfully took one with him to his post, and finding that the natives enjoyed the music, and being also desirous that they should marry in Christian fashion, he announced that the organ would be played at every Christian wedding. The result was that weddings took place almost daily, and it was discovered that many couples got married more than once in order to procure the music.

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