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Oh what makes Custer county great?  
Is it because of wide domain?  
Diversified of hill and plain,  
Its rivers fed by crystal rills,  
The cattle on a thousand hills?  
Its waving fields of golden grain,  
Reward of toil not spent in vain.  
The azure sky, so deep and clear,  
Our twenty thousand people here,  
Who live at peace to work and pray,  
(Except a few in Callaway)  
Who, careless for the common weal,  
Have never done a thing but steal?  
No, these are blessings great indeed,  
But yet a greater was decreed,  
For though by nature truly blest,  
We value more than all the rest,  
Than all the favors shown by fate  
Our Great Division Advocate.  
Where such another one as he?  
And who should worship him as we?  
His every thought so pure and sweet  
He dare not venture on the street  
For fear some elfish maid per chance  
Would cast on him an ardent glance  
Nor in forbidden pasture stray,  
(Unless the owner was away.)  
For he was born the soul of truth,  
(And none excepted but his youth);  
He feels the farmers depth of woe,  
And never fails to tell them so;  
But ever sounds a warning note,  
(If there's a chance to catch a vote);  
Yet he abhors the very thought,  
Of office by Division bought,  
It is not for plunder, but for right  
He wages his eternal fight.  
He knows what others ought to know,  
Who we are "Robbed" by Broken Bow,  
For having little else to do,  
He looked the matter through and through.  
He knows four counties could be run  
On less than half as much as one;  
For each would be so very small  
Expense would cut no ice at all;  
That twenty offices could thrive  
And cost the people less than five,  
Though loud he heralds it abroad  
It's only to be called a fraud;  
The voters tell a darksome tale  
Of Callaway town lots for sale;  
The man who works for others gains  
Gets only insults for his pains,  
Yet even I may stem the tide,  
And laud his virtues far and wide,  
Such men will never go unsung  
(And few perhaps escape unburnt.)  
Through him my inspiration came  
For Richard Brega is his name.

Contributed.

#### A Letter From the Southeast.

Mason City, Nebr. }  
October 10, 1900.

Before the people of the southeast quarter vote for county division this fall, it might be well to inquire as to the object of dividing the county. Why should we divide? The only reason I know of is to get nearer the county seat. Do you know of any other reason? Now if the court house is to remain in Broken Bow, what is the use of cutting off the other three counties. I would suggest that it would be well to figure the relative strength of points that would be in the race for county seat. We can readily see that it would either fall to Broken Bow or Ansley. Now we all know that a great many scattering votes in the extreme east and south, would prefer having the county seat at Broken Bow rather than go to the expense of building a new court house in Ansley. But granting that Ansley would get every vote east of a line half way between Ansley and Broken Bow, let us see where we would be. I find upon inspection that we would have the following precincts in this county, and I will also give the votes of 1899. The city of Broken Bow has 340 votes and the balance of Broken Bow precinct has 300 votes. Two-thirds of the precinct would be in this county, which would mean about 200 votes. Here is the vote.

Broken Bow 540
Elk Creek 164
Loup 203
Algernon 233
Ansley 236
Berwyn 163
Myrtle 125
Westerville 138

Total vote in proposed county 1,862

It requires a three-fifths vote to change a county seat, or it is necessary for Broken Bow to retain two-fifths of the votes of the new county to keep the county seat. Two-fifths of 1862 is 745 votes. Broken Bow can depend on all the votes in the following precincts; it will not get an unanimous vote, but it will make up enough from other scattering votes to entitle her to:

Broken Bow 540
Elk Creek 164
Loup 203
Berwyn 163
Total 966

In order for Ansley to get the county seat, it would require 1120 votes. Suppose she would get all the votes in the balance of the county:

Elk Creek 164
Algernon 243
Ansley 236
Myrtle 125
Westerville 138
Total 866

Total vote for change of court house 956, lacking 164 votes, to make Ansley the county seat, on the supposition that Ansley would get every vote down here. But you will not find Algernon nor Elk Creek voting for a county seat in Ansley if the county is divided—not by a long shot, and it might be well to depend upon it before cutting yourselves off in this county. This county division business is something we had better be careful with. It is something new and something that cannot be undone. Gentlemen, look at the figures, and if Broken Bow retains the county seat, as she is sure to do, what are you going to divide for? When the question of the county seat is voted on, everyone has the privilege of voting for whatever town he prefers. Then another election is held, and at the second election, the law provides that all towns are dropped out with the exception of the two receiving the highest number of votes. Broken Bow is sure to be one of these towns under the present proposed lines, and it makes no difference whether the final contest would be between Broken Bow and Ansley, or Broken Bow and Mason City; the county seat would remain where it is by a very large vote. The fact is

very clear that the county seat question is the only real argument for division, and if this be true, what in the name of common sense will anyone in the southeast quarter favor division for?

T. J. Wood,  
Mason City, Neb.

## AGAINST DIVISION.

In the Sun of last week I promised to give some figures hoping to be able to do so this week, but have not received those bearing directly on the point mentioned, will give some which I had preferred to hold until a later date. Now I say these figures are procured under the seal of the county clerk in each county named and hereby vouch for their correctness. The following are the levies for the counties adjoining Custer for the year 1899 in mills:

Logan.....23 3/4
Loup.....24 3/4
Blaine.....24
Valley.....22 1/2
Sherman.....23 1/2
Buffalo.....19
Dawson.....22
Custer.....15

Custer county's levy for 1900 is 14 mills. The amount in excess of fifteen mills in the other counties is levied to pay outstanding indebtedness of which Custer has none and is perfectly legal.

The divisionists tell us there is no reason to suppose we will have to go in debt if we do divide. Now will some of you please inform us where all this ready money is coming from to pay for the transfer of the records, build a court house, buy safes, books and a thousand other expenses? Are the older and smaller counties in debt? I should say yes. And how much? Well, here it is. The bonded indebtedness of the following counties are:

Logan.....\$ 1,500
Loup.....14,000
Blaine.....12,500
Valley.....51,500
Sherman.....137,900
Buffalo.....112,500
Dawson.....103,000
Custer.....None

While Loup county has a floating indebtedness of \$3,039 and Blaine \$7,029. The approximate amount required pro voter of each of the smaller counties adjoining Custer for the year 1899 is as follows:

Logan.....\$ 23 50
Loup.....17 00
Blaine.....24 00
Sherman.....15 00
Buffalo.....10 00
Custer.....5 25

The interest per year on bonded and floating indebtedness at six per cent on these counties is:

Logan.....\$ 90
Loup.....1,025
Blaine.....1,171
Valley.....3,090
Sherman.....8,274
Buffalo.....6,750
Dawson.....6,180
Custer.....None

And still they argue that taxes can't be any higher than they are now as we are paying the limit 15 mills. Now if your horse is assessed at a valuation of five dollars at fifteen mills on the dollar the tax on that horse would be 7 1/2 cents. But if the board saw fit to raise the valuation on that horse to twenty dollars, then it would be 30 cents, and I suppose that before election they will be telling us that we were in a small county and that the county was small enough we would have no taxes at all. There is plenty of figures on tap in town which I presume are in direct contradiction to some of these, but have not read them, but understand they are neither attested nor have they the official seal. If such is the case, of what value are they? Why are these adjoining counties all so heavily in debt. They are older than ours. They are only of the regulation size. Why have they not paid off their indebtedness? We used to be in debt and have done so. It is because their expenses have been so far out of proportion to their assessed valuation that even under a levy of over twenty mills on the dollar they have been unable to do so.

Now here is a sample division dodge. They will write the clerk of Sherman county for the amount of levy as assessed in that county for the year 1899 to defray the running expenses of the county for that year, and in return they will receive a nice type written answer that it was 12 1/2 mills. This they will show up with great gusto, showing that Sherman only paid 12 1/2 mills while we paid 15. While the facts of the case are that they also levied a tax of eleven mills to redeem some of their bonds, pay interest on the balance and for their sinking fund, making a total levy of 23 1/2 mills, just as I have said in the above statement was the levy in Sherman county for the year 1899. Now this is exactly what they are doing in other places, and suppose it applies to their mode of procedure here in Merca, but have not read their documents. Then the question is right here. Do we want to be a small county with a large indebtedness, or a large county with no indebtedness? BRAD BURLIN.

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### U. S. Land Office,

JAMES WHITEHEAD, - Registrar  
F. H. YOUNG, - Receiver

Land Office at Broken Bow, Nebr., Oct. 11, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver, at Broken Bow, Nebr., on Nov. 23, 1900, viz: ELIZABETH NELSON, of Anselmo, Nebraska, for the 20th sec. 20, and 20 1/2 sec. 20, T. 19 N., R. 23 W., E. 10 No. 108.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James H. Phillips, Isaac W. Taylor, of Anselmo, Nebr., and Jacob H. Staats and Phillip Johnson, of Ortello, Nebr. Also at same time and place, viz: Daniel Stevenson, deceased, for the 20th sec. 20, and 20 1/2 sec. 20, T. 19 N., R. 23 W., E. 10 No. 609. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James H. Phillips, Isaac W. Taylor, of Anselmo, Nebr., and Jacob H. Staats and Phillip Johnson, of Ortello, Nebr. JAMES WHITEHEAD, Registrar. 018-61

U. S. Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebr., Oct. 9, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver, at Broken Bow, Nebr., on Nov. 15, 1900, viz: GEORGE W. RISHOP, of Elton, Nebr., for H. E. No. 330, N. 1/4 sec. 3, T. 17 N., R. 19 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Josiah W. Spencer and Elmer E. Spencer, of Weissert, Nebr., Milton Parkhurst, of Broken Bow, Nebr., Evan M. Moseley of Elton, Nebr., 011-61 JAMES WHITEHEAD, Registrar.

Land Office at Broken Bow, Nebr., September 18, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Broken Bow, Nebr., on October 30, 1900, viz: IRA S. STURDEVANT, of Genet, Nebr., for H. E. No. 758, lot 1, Sec. 25, T. 20 N., R. 21 West, and lots 2, 3, 4, and 5, sec. 30, T. 20 N., R. 20 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Charles Freeman of Sargent, Nebr., Monroe Freeman and James Farley, of Genet, Nebr., and William A. Sturdevant, of Broken Bow, Nebr. JAMES WHITEHEAD, Registrar. 620-61

Land Office at Broken Bow, Nebr., Sept. 18, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver, at Broken Bow, Nebr., on Oct. 30th, 1900, viz: DAVID H. ALSPAUGH, of Broken Bow, Nebr., for H. E. No. 790, N. 1/4 Sec. 13, T. 14 N., R. 21 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. W. Myers, George Myers and Oscar Porter, of Genet, Nebr., and Harvey Daugherty, of Broken Bow, Nebr. JAMES WHITEHEAD, Registrar. 620-61

U. S. Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebr., Sept. 18, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver, at Broken Bow, Nebr., on October 27, 1900, viz: ELPHRAID S. ARMOUR, of Broken Bow, Nebr., for H. E. No. 819, 8 1/2 sec. 8 1/2, sec. 24, T. 18 N., R. 20 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: T. W. Myers, George Myers and Oscar Porter, of Genet, Nebr., and Harvey Daugherty, of Broken Bow, Nebr. JAMES WHITEHEAD, Registrar. 620-61

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss.

Custer county, Nebraska, in and for county of Custer, A. D. 1900, present, J. A. Armour, county judge. In the matter of the estate of Jesse B. Coover, deceased, on reading and filing the petition of Sarah A. Coover, pray-ing that the instrument filed on the 15th day of October, 1900, and purporting to be the last will and testament of said Jesse B. Coover, be admitted, probated, and the executor of said estate named, and that the executor of said estate may be assigned to Sarah A. Coover as executrix. Ordered that the said petition be read at 10 o'clock a. m., be assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear and file their objections, and show cause why the said petition should not be granted; and that notice of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, be given to all persons interested in said matter, by publishing a copy of this order in the CUSTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN, a weekly newspaper, printed in said county, for three successive weeks, prior to said day of hearing. (SEAL.) J. A. ARMOUR, Co. Judge. 018-31

In the district court of Custer County, Nebr.

W. J. Harris and L. A. Harris, Plaintiffs.

H. L. Aug. Hahn, et al., Defendants. To the Hamilton Loan & Trust Co., W. F. R. Mills, receiver of said Hamilton Loan & Trust Co., and Jones Yerkes, non-resident defendants: You and each of you will take notice that on the 16th day of October, 1900, the plaintiffs filed an amended petition in the above entitled cause against you and each of you, the object and prayer of which are to cancel of record, a certain mortgage executed by David Bentley and Eliza Bentley, to the Hamilton Loan & Trust Co., on the 11th day of January, 1890, which mortgage was upon the 21st of the 19th, and the 21st of the 21st of sec. 34, Twp. 15, Rge. 18, and which said mortgage was assigned by said Hamilton Loan & Trust Co. to Susanna S. Kite, and that the said Susanna S. Kite assigned the said mortgage to Jones Yerkes. That the records in the office of the register of deeds, of Custer county, show said mortgage to still stand upon said land in the name of the Hamilton Loan & Trust Co., that on the 6th day of March, 1895, said note and mortgage, and the whole thereof, was fully paid, but that the record of said mortgage is a cloud upon the title of these plaintiffs to said land. And plaintiff prays for a decree canceling said mortgage relieving said records as against said mortgagee, and giving the title to said premises as against said mortgagee, in these plaintiffs. You and each of you are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 26th day of November, 19 00. W. J. HARRIS and L. A. HARRIS, By C. L. GARRISON, Their Attorney.

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