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THURSDAY, DEC. 19, 1901.

Great damage is reported in Pennsylvania by floods that prevail there the latter part of last week.

The report of the committee on the Schley investigation makes one less democratic candidate for the presidency in 1904.

It will now be in order for Col. Bryan and the World-Herald to criticize the court of inquiry because its report is adverse to Admiral Schley.

The past week has been a sample of an old fashioned winter that we remember when a boy. Sleighbells and skating has not been indulged in very extensively, as it was too cold for a starter.

When a man wants to do a big business he must do big advertising. A dollar ad, does not represent a \$200,000 business, and you can't make the people believe it does, no matter what you say.—York Times.

With the thermometer registering for a week close to 30 degrees below zero, there is consolation in knowing that we have three firms in our midst whose business have not been diminished.—They are coal dealers.

Justice Sullivan of the supreme court, Edgar Howard and Dohman, who are credited with starting the boom for Schley for a democratic candidate for the presidency, may be compelled yet to accept Dave Hill of New York.

It is reported that a spirited contest is on in Ohio, between the Foraker and Hanna factions, over the organization of the legislature. All efforts thus far to compromise the differences, by leading republicans of the state, has been futile.

Last Friday morning mercury registered 29 degrees below zero with government thermometer in this place, and the weather has been anything but pleasant ever since. The snow still covers the ground, and, notwithstanding, the middle of the days get warmer, the nights have been uncomfortably cold. As the cold spell is a month earlier than usual, it is to be hoped that we will miss our cold snap we have been having in January.

The state apportionment for December has been made out by the state superintendent. It credits Custer county with 7,843 pupils of school age. The amount apportioned to the county is \$6,607.39. Custer has the largest school population of any of the ninety counties of the state, with four exceptions. They are Douglas, Lancaster, Gage and Saunders. Buffalo county comes nearest to Custer. Her school population is only 11 less Adams is the next on the list, with 7,450. Otse has 7,240, and Saline 7,092. The population of the other counties run 6,000 school population and less.

Our second invoice of the McKinley book has arrived. Those who have ordered the book will please call at the office and get them, or send by some one if forwarded by mail it will cost 20 cents extra. The publishers have added the Life of Roosevelt to the last edition and makes it more desirable, but the price remains the same. Those wanting the book should send in their orders at once, in order to be included in our next order. We only have enough copies now on hand to supply those who have previously ordered. See

advertisement in this issue. The REPUBLICAN and the Life of William McKinley for \$1.50.

The court that has had under consideration the charges and evidence in the Schley case for nearly three months, including the time of trial, handed in its decision Friday of last week. The finding consists of a majority and minority report.

The majority finds against the Admiral, and declares that he was guilty in the discharge of duty.

This report is signed by each of the members of the court, but Admiral Dewey filed a minority report, in which he commends Admiral Schley, thus modifying or counteracting the adverse contained in the report of the majority. The double report leaves a crum of comfort for both contending factions, but does not satisfy either. There will be an effort made upon the part of some to have the whole matter investigated by congress, but it is to be hoped that better judgment will prevail and that further investigation will be suspended. No new evidence could, doubtless, be produced. Let the Dewey court findings be final.

## SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

H. P. Savage, Sargent, District No. 1

John Cooney, West Union, " " 2

G. H. Thorpe, Broken Bow, " " 3

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J. F. Brechbuhl, Ansley, " " 5

John W. Conley, Cooney, " " 6

Gottlieb Heier, Mason City, " " 7

TUESDAY DECEMBER, 10th 1901.

The county board of supervisors met at the court house in Broken Bow pursuant to adjournment at 9 a. m. and were called to order by the chairman; the roll call shows a full attendance. Minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

Mr. W. Glasford of Berwyn tp. appeared before the board as an applicant for admission to the Soldiers and Sailors home. Mr. Glasford was sworn and questioned by the county attorney touching his and Sarah Glasford's eligibility to enter said institution and it was moved by Mr. Heier and seconded by Mr. Cooney that the chairman and clerk of this board be and hereby are ordered and directed to sign the recommendation for the admission of Wm. Glasford and Sarah Glasford to the Soldiers and Sailors home at Grand Island, Neb., it satisfactorily appearing to the board that said Wm. and Sarah Glasford are proper persons for admission to said home. Upon vote of the board the chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Thorpe offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the County of Custer is the owner and holder of certain tax certificates purchased by said county; and

WHEREAS, different parties desire to purchase a portion of the certificates;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the county clerk of said county be and hereby is ordered and directed to assign any of said certificates upon payment of the amount of said certificates to the county treasurer with 10% interest thereon from the date of said certificates and the payment of any subsequent tax paid with 10% thereon on such payments from the date the same were made.

It was moved and carried to adopt the resolution.

Moved and carried to adjourn until 1:30 p. m. The board reconvened at 1:30 p. m. after the noon recess.

The clerk read the following:

To the honorable board of Supervisors, Gentlemen:—Your attention is called to the provisions of an act of the legislature passed last winter, which act provides for the establishment of County Boards of Health. In view of this we ask your honorable body to set apart Wednesday afternoon, December 18th or so much of the time as shall be necessary to hear and decide upon the matter of appointing a Board of Health for Custer county. Signed, H. LOMAX, J. A. RENEAU.

It was moved and carried to grant the request and to set apart Wednesday to hear the matter.

It was moved by Savage and seconded by Thorpe that the board reconsider there action taken at the September meeting in the matter of the road petition signed by Louis Haumont et al.

The vote was as follows:

Voting aye, Thorpe, Savage, Heier and Lind. 4.

Voting nay, Brechbuhl, Conley and Cooney. The chairman declared the motion carried.

The board set Monday afternoon 10th as the time for a hearing in the matter of the Haumont Road and requested Mr. Louis Haumont to notify all interested persons to be present at that time. It was moved and carried to adjourn until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11th.

The board met at 9 a. m. pursuant to adjournment with all the members present. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The morning was spent in auditing claims and other committee work and at 12 m. adjournment for dinner until 1:30 p. m.

The bridge and bridge claims committee made the following report:

We your bridge and bridge claims committee respectfully report that we have carefully examined all the bridges built for Custer county by the Standard Bridge Company of Omaha, Neb., and find them constructed according to plan and specifications submitted at the time the contract was made with the said Standard Bridge Co. We therefore recommend that the work be accepted by this board and that the claims amounting to \$2,292.64 be allowed.

It was moved and seconded to accept the report approve the work and allow the claims.

The vote was as follows.

Voting aye, Brechbuhl, Conley, Heier, Thorpe, Savage and Lind. 6.

Voting nay, Cooney.

The chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Lind called Mr. Brechbuhl to the chair and made a report as follows:

To the honorable board of supervisors Gentlemen:—I have to report to you that I have sold lumber and filling belonging to Custer county as follows: Lumber \$17, and filling \$9, making a total of \$26.00. I have paid the money received from this sale to the county treasurer of Custer county and have received his receipt for the same which I present to you with this report.

C. O. LIND, Sup. Dist. No. 5.

Moved and carried to accept the report.

Adjourned until 9 a. m. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, DEC. 12th 1901.

The board met this morning at 9 o'clock with all members present.

The minutes were read and approved.

The matter of employing a superintendent for the County Poor Farm was brought to the attention of the board and was fully discussed. Mr. John Pirnie submitted the following:

To the honorable board of supervisors of Custer county, Gentlemen:—I hereby offer to remain in charge of your Poor Farm as superintendent on the same terms and at the same salary that I have received during the past year. I thank the members of the board for their uniform courtesy to myself and Mrs. Pirnie during the time we have held the position, and hope if my proposition is accepted that our relations will remain mutually pleasant and profitable.

JOHN PIRNIE.

It was moved and carried by a unanimous vote to accept the proposition and to retain Mr. John Pirnie as superintendent of the poor farm for the ensuing year 1902.

Mr. John Cooney asked that the following explanation be made a part of the record.

GENTLEMEN:—I wish to state in explanation of my vote against accepting the report of the bridge committee, made last night just before adjournment, that I do not understand that the work has been done according to the specifications submitted by the Standard Bridge Co., and that the bridges are none of them constructed after the plan advertised for, the committee having ordered and accepted an entirely different plan which has cost more money per foot than provided for in the bid made for the work according to the advertised plan and specifications.

Mr. H. P. Savage in behalf of the Bridge committee asked that the following statement be placed in the minutes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Since Mr. Cooney has given his reasons for voting against the report of the bridge committee, and to order them constructed after the plan advertised for, the committee having ordered and accepted an entirely different plan which has cost more money per foot than provided for in the bid made for the work according to the advertised plan and specifications.

It was moved by Mr. Savage and seconded by Mr. Conley that the board demand from W. A. George county treasurer elect, a surety bond in the sum of at least one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars.

The vote was as follows:

Voting aye, Conley and Savage.

Voting nay, Brechbuhl, Cooney, Heier, Thorpe and Lind.

The chairman declared the motion lost.

It was moved by Mr. Conley and seconded by Mr. Brechbuhl that the county of Custer agree to pay one half the cost of procuring a surety bond for the treasurer elect for 1902 with the understanding that said treasurer pay the other half. Amount of bond to be not less than \$102,000.

Voting aye, Brechbuhl, Conley, Heier, Thorpe and Lind. 5.

Voting nay, Cooney and Savage.

Chairman declared the motion carried.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION DEC. 12, 1901.

The board met at 1:30 p. m. after the noon recess and the road and Road Claims Committee reported on the Thos. Conden et al road petition as follows:

We recommend that the petition be granted and survey ordered to change survey from 26 to 30 around south of hill, and allow damage to Eliza E. Anderson in the sum of \$35.00, for land in N 1/2 E 24 and N E 1/4 N W 1/4 of 2-18-23 and the work ordered to advertise said change. The change to be made under the supervision of Supervisor J. F. Brechbuhl.

It was moved and carried to accept and adopt the report and order as recommended by the committee.

The committee further recommended that the following damage claims be allowed on the Conden road.

F. M. Rubles \$25.00, heirs of W. H. Redman \$40.00, J. H. Phillips \$10.00.

Moved and carried to accept the report and order as recommended.

Mr. Conley recommended that Mary F. Tehon be allowed \$110.00 damage by reason of location of Conden Road.

Mr. Savage and Mr. Heier recommended to allow Mary F. Tehon damage to the amount of \$160.00.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the majority report and upon vote a majority of the members voted nay and the chairman declared the motion lost. It was then moved and carried to accept and adopt the minor report of Mr. Conley and to fix the amount of Mary F. Tehon's damage at \$110.00.

The Road Committee also reported on the Henry Kelley et al road petition.

We your committee recommend that the petition be granted and the County surveyor directed to make such changes as ordered by supervisor J. F. Brechbuhl.

Moved and carried to accept and

adopt the report and to order as recommended by the committee.

It was then moved and carried to adjourn until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

FRIDAY DEC. 13, 1901.

The board met at 9 a. m. pursuant to adjournment with all members present. Minutes were read and approved.

The chairman called the regular order of business and the committees reported as follows:

Claims committee.

We recommend that the following claims be allowed:

Delight 4.00 Arnold 10.00

Frederick 4.00 C. M. Blowers 10.00

Roy Barnett 4.00 A. H. Nodham 4.00

Chester Watkins 4.00 C. F. Grant 4.00

H. L. Dossie 4.00 A. J. Conantman 4.00

E. B. Dossie 10.00 E. G. Maltman 4.00

Kirk Creek 4.00 Elm 4.00

John Finner 4.00 John McCall 4.00

Jim Scott 4.00 Victor Kline 4.00

Paul Lee 4.00 Josiah May 4.00

Gus Olson 12.00 S. C. Waldron 12.50

Fred Schultz 4.00 Frank Folschman 4.00

Reed Franklin 4.00

Algeron 4.00

J. H. McAdams 6.00 B. O. Kellogg 4.00

J. A. Davis 6.00 H. P. Gaten 4.00

Frank Miller 6.00 John McGraw 4.00

J. R. Rhodes 6.00 W. P. Rogers 4.00

Perky Daley 4.00

Broken Bow Side

M. K. Hagadorn 6.00 J. W. McRae 4.00

Clyde Carlos 6.00 M. D. Welch 2.00

W. H. Shackelford 6.00 R. B. Hogg 4.00

Ben Miller 6.00 J. O. Taylor 7.00

W. H. Osborn 6.00 J. B. Brown 4.00

E. J. Malloy 6.00 Douglas 4.00

Broken Bow Side

L. J. Gandy 6.00 H. G. Anthony 4.00

Arthur Bangs 4.00 E. E. Mickle 4.00

C. S. Toney 4.00 M. Vandenburg 4.00

John Dietz 6.00 John Guther 4.00

C. R. Luce 6.00 S. L. Glover 8.20

M. G. Montgomery 6.00 Hayes 9.00

Grant 4.00 E. B. Johnson 9.00

J. Anderson, Sr. 4.00 Lewis Pool 4.00

Alfred Powell 4.00 J. C. Hart 4.00

W. D. Wood 4.00 W. M. Harrell 4.00

J. D. Hammit 12.50

James Lange 4.00 J. B. Farrell 4.00

Wood River

H. E. Pressy 10.00 O. C. Murphy 4.00

Frank Mayo 4.00 Chas. Klump 4.00

W. H. Hanson 4.00 A. E. Galloway 8.50

C. Sampson 4.00 Myrtle 4.00

Roy Compton 4.00 F. E. Delano 4.00

M. Cunningham 4.00 E. Graham 10.50

Victoria 4.00 Francis 4.00

A. Parkinson 4.00 Joseph Hyatt 4.00

J. C. Snyder 8.00 A. Q. Leach 4.00

C. R. Matthews 4.00 Sargent 4.00

C. R. Peiham 4.00 J. E. Williams 4.00

Ira Foster 4.00 J. S. Haggerty 4.00

John Cameron 4.00 Vasek Krikko 4.00

J. H. Scott 4.00 Eliza Davis 11.50

W. P. Guthrie 4.00 E. Miller 4.00

J. H. Smith 4.00 Sargent No. 2

A. J. McMurtry 7.20 J. L. Pettit 4.00

Walter Brown 4.00 S. T. Fellers 4.00

S. R. Brown 8.50 W. W. Dye 4.00

Bill Davis 4.00 Kiffall 4.00

J. P. True 4.00 Ernest Coleman 4.00

H. Campbell 4.00 J. D. Dowdy 4.00

Henry Wayne 2.00 H. Martin 4.00

A. C. Simon 4.00 Ben Lyons 4.00

N. S. Allen 13.00 S. J. Pennington 4.00

O. Johnson 4.00 Millard Hill 4.00

A. P. Shostrom 4.00 J. C. Hart 4.00

Ole Olson 4.00 H. G. Myers 4.00

Garfield 4.00 H. G. Clark 4.00

Robt Skinner 4.00

M. O'Brien 4.00 J. Taylor 4.00

John Barnes 4.00 Eli Cox 4.00

K. L. Lewis 7.80 C. L. Day 4.00

Louis Haumont 4.00 John Kettle 4.00

Ansley 4.00 C. F. Hammond 4.00

M. Richtmyer 8.00 West Union No. 2

J. Laum 4.00 C. E. Hall 4.00

Dick Miller 4.00 J. R. Wadsworth 11.00

Simon Rigby 4.00 E. L. Pulliam 4.00

W. H. Neve 4.00 J. G. Pfeiffer 4.00

Howard Wolf 2.00 West Union No. 1

Westerville 4.00 W. J. Leep 4.00

C. L. Lowder 6.00 Tom Gill 4.00

W. W. Horton 6.00 W. Schmidt 4.00

Andrew Allen 6.00 J. P. Young 10.80

S. O. Johnson 6.00 Henry Gaylor 4.00

Adopted and adopted.

Mr. Conley reported that he had sold old bridge lumber to the amount of \$5, and had paid the same to the county treasurer and received his receipt for that sum which receipt he presents with this report.

Moved and carried to accept and adopt the report.

The Bridge and Bridge claims committee made the following report on county line bridge between Custer and Dawson counties.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We, your committee on bridges, beg to make the following report: We have examined the bridge built on the county line between the counties of Custer and Dawson, and find very satisfactory results. The bridge is not built in a workmanlike manner, is not 16 feet wide, the planks are not laid properly, being laid diagonally with the bridge, thereby narrowing the bridge some 3 feet, and only using 36 foot planks on a 40 foot bridge. The floor planks are set 8 feet apart, and we find them set 10 feet on this bridge. We find 250 caps used in place of 320 and are only 10 feet in length, thereby doing away with the brace on the supporting posts to the banister which we find a serious defect. The caps are fastened by drift pins only, making a much less secure joint, than where the caps are strapped to the piling. The piling asked for by Dawson county is \$184.80, making \$67.40 per foot, which is an exorbitant price.

Now, THEREFORE, we, your committee, do move that Dawson county be allowed the sum of \$77.40, which is \$3.87 per foot, the price Custer county pays the Standard Bridge Co. for building better bridges. We also include in this motion that the county clerk be, and hereby is instructed to send a copy of this report to the commissioners of Dawson county.

(J. H. HENRY, H. P. SAVAGE, J. W. CONLEY.)

Moved and carried to accept and adopt report.

Recess was then taken until 1:30 p. m.

Board met at 1:30 with all members present.

Erroneous and delinquent tax claims committee report.

We, your committee recommend that the county treasurer be ordered to refund amount of erroneous tax as follows:

Thos. Finlen, \$48.15; J. W. Spencer, \$3.50; Kate Richardson, \$4.10; J. D. Marshall, \$7.00.

That the following claims be rejected:

J. L. Swepco, \$19.10; R. B. Sargent, \$2.44; Sullivan and Talbot, \$15.00; J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co., \$190.00; C. S. Triplett, \$22.00.

And that the request of E.