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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

State Ticket.

For Governor—**J. H. MICKY**, of Polk.
 For Lieutenant-Governor—**E. O. MCGILTON**, of Douglas.
 For Secretary of State—**GEORGE W. MARSH**, of Richardson.
 For Treasurer—**PETER MORTENSEN**, of Valley.
 For Auditor—**CHARLES WESTON**, of Sheridan.
 For Attorney-General—**FRANK N. PROUT**, of Gage.
 For Commissioner Public Lands and Building—**GEORGE D. FOLLMER**, of Nuckolls.
 For Commissioner Public Instruction—**WILLIAM K. FOWLER**, of Washington.

Congressional Ticket.

For Congressman, Sixth District—**M. P. KINKAID**, of O'Neill.

Senatorial Ticket.

For State Senator—**M. L. FRIES**, of Arcadia.

Representative Ticket.

For Representative, 56th District—**A. H. COPSEY**, of Westerville.
S. C. WALDRON, of Over.

County Ticket.

For County Auditor—**A. R. HUMPHREY**.

Supervisors Ticket.

For Supervisor, First District—**F. S. MORRIS**.
 For Supervisor, Third District—**G. H. THORPE**.
 For Supervisor, Fifth District—**J. H. MCGUIRE**.
 For Supervisor, seven & 8 District—**G. HISER**.

Broken Bow Township Ticket.

For Township Clerk—**A. D. BANGS**.
 For Township Treasurer—**J. M. KIMBERLING**.
 For Township Assessor—**W. M. VANNICE**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 1—**L. CUSHMAN**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 2—**JOHN KENNOVER**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 3—**L. McCANDLESS**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 4—**LEONARD HERSH**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 5—**C. E. RECTOR**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 6—**HENRY REEDER**.
 For Road Overseer District No. 7—**J. N. WEST**.

The fusion campaign in the state has simply settled down to a fight for the election of the democrat candidate for governor. It is a scheme to convince the pop contingent that only democrats can be elected on a fusion ticket.

Thirty missing tents belonging to the state have just been found in the depot at Herman. They were loaned to the people of that town by populist state officials at the time of the cyclone three years ago; no record being kept by Adjutant General Barry. It is a fair sample of the way business was done at that office and a warning as to what may be expected if the old man is sent to Congress.—Ord Quiz.

Valley county has submitted the question to her voters of selling the poor farm. It is evident Valley has not had the success with her farm that Custer has. The Poor farm of Custer not only pays the expense of running it each year but turns a liberal surplus into the treasury. Already this season the farm has sold off over \$600 worth of hogs and has over 100 head on hands and has raised 10,000 bushels of corn and over 1000 bushels of small grain.

M. L. Fries, the republican candidate for the senate spent several days in the city last week during the County Fair and made the acquaintance of a large number of voters of Custer county. As far as we have been able to learn he made a very favorable impression upon those he met.

His candidacy is meeting with approval over the entire district as well as it should. He is an experienced and successful business man and a man of high moral character and intelligent.

Our gentle next-door neighbor, Ord Journal, seems to have a little difficulty in procuring subjects for readable political editorials this campaign. This being the case would it not be a hit for the Journal to explain why W. H. Thompson is now carrying, and has been for a number of years, several railroad passes. Thompson's democratic friends like Clafin have been telling us that Thompson is not a railroad attorney and that he never takes a case for the corporations. Why then these passes? Will the Journal please explain?—Ord Quiz.

The Beacon Still Gasping for Breath

Don't forget that the republican party in Custer County raised taxes from seven mills on the dollar to 14 1/2 mills. If you favor high taxes, vote the Republican ticket and reap what you sow.—Beacon.

That is indeed interesting but would be more so if true. The facts are that during the ten years the pops predominated in Custer county the county levy run as high as 18 mills and never run below 14 mills in our recollection. It is true that two years ago after election when they saw that the republicans would have a majority on the board, the board recinded the levy of 14 or 15 mills it had made in July previous and cut it down to 7 mills and went to the expense of changing all the tax books accordingly. They did for political effect and hoped it to embarrass the incoming board and thus be able to defeat them at the next election. By making a vigorous effort a large amount of delinquent tax that had accumulated on the books while the pops were in control was collected, which enabled the board to meet all expenses without embarrassment.

The republican board has always aimed to make the levy sufficient to meet the demands of the county and pay the current expenses with cash. But a levy of 14 1/2 mills has not been necessary and has not been made by a republican board. When the last levy of 13 mills was made, last June it was on a compromise with pop members of the board. The chairman of the committee estimated that it would require 12 mills to meet the expense this year and build the bridges that were petitioned for in the several localities. Conley, one of the populist members of the board insisted on a 14 mill levy, while Greenwalt another populist member urged that it would require 15 mills. Finally Thorpe yielded to a compromise and the levy was made 13 mills of which 4 mills was for bridges. The bridges were demanded and are being build. Had the pops been in power the levy would in all probabilities been 14 or 15 mills instead of 13 mills as it now is.

"Turn On The Light"

The above head line adorns a column of the editorial page of the Beacon last week and appeals to the REPUBLICAN for information. It is with pleasure we occupy our time in educating, the public by imparting such information from week to week as appears to us desirable and upbuilding. But it is a little like pouring water on a goose's back to try to educate the Beacon on matters political or economic. But with the hope of helping some of those who may deluded that read the Beacon, we cheerfully accept the challenge and will "Turn on the Light" so the blind may see and the most obtuse understand. The Beacon wants us to "explain how the board is managing tax sale certificates."

The Beacon further says: "A casual study of the deal had convinced us that the present

administration of county affairs was not altogether fair with the taxpayers."

Again the Beacon cites an example for illustration which reads as follows: "The county, for instance, buys a tax certificate for \$100.00 and holds it for one year. At the end of that time, it is purchased by the bank for \$110.00. The owner of the land comes next day and redeems it by paying the banker \$120.00. In this deal the banker is \$10.00 ahead and the county is \$10.00 short, though its money is invested and risk incurred. Will the REPUBLICAN explain now why the county should not have the other \$10.00 if the farmer must pay it to any one."

In the first place the board is "managing tax sale certificate sales" in a thoroughly safe and conservative manner with a most desirable effect.

It is a generally known fact that during the demo-pop administration of this county, state and nation that our people had to contend with a financial panic. Taxes on real estate were allowed to become delinquent from necessity. Not only were individuals but mortgage companies and corporations were so crippled financially that they could not and did not pay their taxes on real estate. On the return of the republican party to power, prosperity reappeared and the county board took steps to collect the delinquent tax on real estate. No individual would buy in the property at tax sale. The county decided that the taxes could be collected by the county buying in all the delinquent taxes on real estate. This they did. The object of the board was not to make money out of the deal, but to induce those who had an equity in the property to pay their taxes. The result was highly satisfactory. As soon as the local agents notified the loan companies that their lands had been sold for taxes the money was forth coming to redeem it and the county not only got the face of the taxes but the 10 per cent interest, which is all the law allows the county to collect. In fact it saved every delinquent taxpayer whether he resided in the county or was a non-resident from paying 20 per cent had his land been sold to an individual instead of the county. In case the individual owner or corporation did not redeem the tax sale certificate, any one else had the opportunity. What the board wanted was for the county to get its money. It did not buy in the land for speculation and could not collect more than the legal rate 10 per cent had it so desired.

But the board did sell where ever it could, whether pop, democrat or republican made application at face value and 10 per cent interest. Should the owner allow his land sold the second time to a banker or any one else it was no fault of the county board. They were elected to look after business interest of the county. Neither is the board to blame because the law allows the individual purchaser to charge 20 per cent when the county can only collect 10 per cent. The 20 per cent is the penalty imposed by the law to prevent taxes from becoming delinquent. It is not a fact the county is \$10.00 short when it sells a \$100 tax certificate for \$110. The banker or individual who buys from the county can collect \$120 and make \$10, on the deal but the county can only collect its 10 per cent should it hold the certificate for ten years. Even if it could the county is not in the speculating business and only seeks to collect what is due it and no more.

The Beacon seeks to prejudice the public by insinuating that the banks are the beneficiaries in the tax certificate sales. This is a mistake. Not a bank has bought a single tax certificate of the county. The certificates when sold have been sold to individuals and real estate dealers. There are those in every township who are interested in getting control of more land in his vicinity and

especially where the land joins him. Many of those tax certificates have been sold to individual farmers and ranchmen. The county is not entitled to the 20 per cent hence does not get it.

The insinuation that these certificates have been sold to "favorite political strikers" shows to what deception some people will resort to bolster up a lost cause. There are scores of populist and democrats in Custer county that have bought those tax certificates and in case they were redeemed collected their 20 per cent as the law provides they may.

The REPUBLICAN insists that the action of the board in this matter has been highly commendable and the county greatly benefited.

Supervisors Proceedings.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:
 F. S. MORRIS, Sergeant, Dist. 1
 G. W. GREENWALT, Lillian, " 2
 G. H. THORPE, Broken Bow, " 3
 ALVIN DAILY, Milburn, " 4
 JAMES HENRY, Callaway, " 5
 J. W. COBLEY, Oconto, " 6
 GOTTLIEB HERR, Mission City, " 7

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1902.

Board met at 9 a. m. with all members present.

Minutes read and approved. Road and Road Claims Committee Reported as follows on Road Petition of Hattie B. Gates et al:

We your committee recommended that the within petition be granted and damage be allowed by reason of said location as follows:

Hattie B. Gates.....\$25 00
 Geo. Trobough..... 15 00
 S. C. Rumery..... 15 00
 James Bingham..... 60 00
 To be levied against Road District No. 5, Algernon Township.
 GEO. GREENWALT, }
 G. HISER, }
 ALVIN DAILY, }

Report of Committee accepted and adopted. In the matter of the request of Louis Lang for an appropriation of \$200.00 for the purpose of helping defray the expense of opening up Road No. 597.

It was moved by Henry seconded by Morris that the request be granted and the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated for said purpose.

Mr. Greenwalt raised the point of order that it was an improper subject for consideration by this Board for the reason that a request in such matters should come from the Township Board. Chairman sustained the point of order.

Moved and carried to adjourn till 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.
 Board met at 1:30 p. m. all members present.

Moved by Conley seconded by Greenwalt that the county Clerk be and hereby is instructed to certify the county treasurer for registration all Road damage claims as follows:

All claims allowed prior to this meeting of the board in the order in which they are recorded in the Road Record and all claims allowed at this meeting of the board and which may hereafter be allowed in the order in which said claims are filed.
 Carried unanimously.
 In order to give the Bridge and Road Committee an opportunity to go out to view some roads and bridges it was moved and carried to adjourn till 9 a. m. tomorrow.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 25, 1902.
 Board met at 9 a. m. with all members present.
 Minutes read and approved.
 Road committee reported as follows on Road petition of J. N.

GOAR, known as the J. N. Goar petition No. 1:
 We your committee recommend that the within petition be granted and damage by reason of said location allowed as follows:
 W. B. Saddler.....\$10 00
 Tillie J. Potts..... 10 00
 M. T. Maze..... 40 00
 R. E. Brega..... 20 00
 Thomas Baily..... 10 00
 John Eastman..... 10 00
 To be levied against Road District No. 3, Wood River township.
 We further recommend that Surveyor be ordered to resurvey from stake one to stake two between sections 5 and 8 around draw on north side.
 GEO. GREENWALT, }
 G. HISER, }
 ALVIN DAILY, }

Report accepted and adopted. Erroneous and Delinquent Tax committee reported as follows:
 We recommend that the claim of L. H. House be allowed and Clerk instructed to certify same to County Treasurer at once.
 G. HISER, }
 JAMES HENRY, }
 GEO. GREENWALT, }

Report accepted and adopted. Moved and carried to adjourn till 8 a. m. tomorrow.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1902.
 Board met at 8 a. m. all members present.
 Minutes read and approved.
 Road committee reported as follows on Petition of E. L. Bebout et al of Douglas Grove Precinct. We your committee recommend that the within be granted and damages allowed by reason of said location as follows: N. E. Armstrong to have privilege of cattle chute to be constructed and maintained at his own expense, said chute to be 16 feet wide with banisters.
 N. E. Armstrong.....\$190 00
 E. L. Bebout..... 15 00
 J. W. Hapstall..... 30 00
 all to be levied against road District No. 4, Douglas Grove township.
 Also petition of John Maier et al be granted and M. K. Jones be allowed \$20 damages to be levied against Road District No. 2 Custer township.
 GEO. GREENWALT, }
 G. HISER, }
 ALVIN DAILY, }

Report accepted and adopted. Mr. Chairman I move you that when any communications is received from any adjoining counties relative to any roads in which this county is interested jointly with said county that the county clerk be and hereby is instructed to notify the supervisor of the district in which said road is located and any supervisor so notified is hereby authorized to act for this county in any such matter without any further action of this Board.

tion of this Board. Provided however that any supervisor so acting shall file a report of his doings and any act of any supervisor so acting shall not be considered binding on this county until accepted by a majority vote of the members of this Board. GEO. W. GREENWALT. Seconded by Morris. Carried.

The following request submitted by the Town Board of Delight Township was read.
 To Honorable County Commissioners—I, A. J. Higbee, hereby certify that I am Township Clerk of Delight Township, Custer county, Nebraska, that I am well and fully acquainted with the proposition to open a road direct from the south off of Redfern table leading into Callaway, in which connection a petition has been presented to your honorable body for financial assistance in constructing the said road and the opening thereof and I represent at this time that our township board is unable to furnish the required help and we request that your honorable body may set aside the sum of \$100.00 or more for the purpose of such assistance which will benefit a very large number of people who now have to make a wide circuit of many miles out of the way in order to reach Callaway.
 A. J. HIGBEE.
 Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 25th day of September 1902.
 [SEAL] FRANCIS ZUMBRUM, Notary Public.

This is O. K.
 C. C. BECKWITH, Ch'rm.
 Moved by Henry seconded by Morris that the request be granted.
 Greenwalt moved to amend by including an appropriation of \$200.00 for the purpose of paying damage claims on R. Barrett road No. 826.
 Seconded by Conley.
 Henry raised the point of order that the motion to amend was out of order for the reason that no request for such appropriation had been filed by the Township Board.
 Chairman overruled the point of order.
 Ayes and nays were called on the amendment.
 Voting aye—Conley, Daily and Greenwalt.
 Voting nay—Hiser, Henry, Morris and Thorpe.
 Chairman declared the amendment lost.
 Ayes and nays being called on

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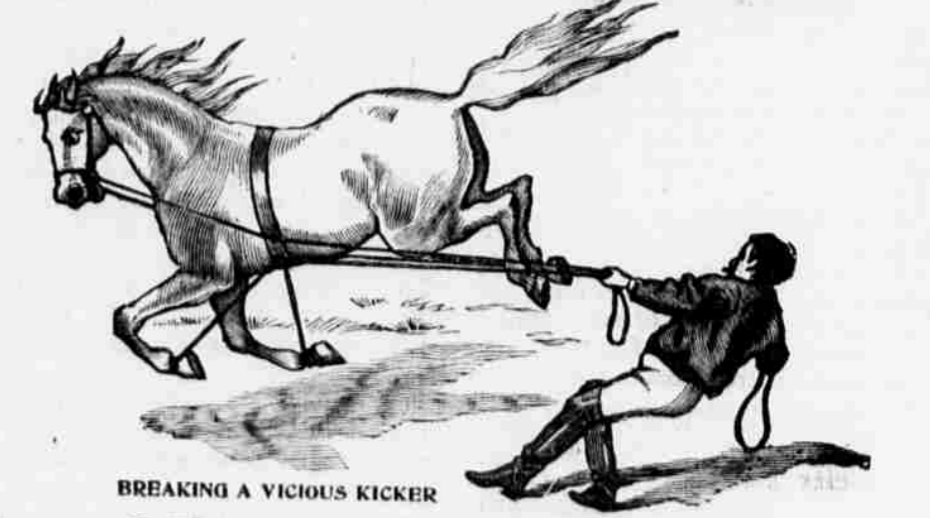
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