

THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1909.

Divide Cherry County? NIT!

We do not believe the people are in sympathy with the movement of the Cody Cow Boy to stir up a county division fight. They can see that it is only another selfish scheme of that schemer to do something that will put him in a way of graft at the people's expense. Having lost out at the Cherry county crib or pie counter and had a big stuffed bill cut nearly a hundred dollars by the county commissioners, Heath now thinks it is time to establish a new county where he can get his graft in right at home.

If we understand the people, they are not in favor of dividing Cherry county which will increase the expense, and the people will be paying the bills. We don't see why Judge Westover should be jumping into this deal and agreeing with Heath and another man, that it was time to divide Cherry county. He has been given Cherry county's vote for district judge and for congress, but we don't think that our peo-

ple care to have him dictate when it is time for us to get up or go to bed.

If the Cow Boy has misquoted the Judge, then we apologize for this statement. If Judge Westover is only catering again for a little support from the Cow Boy he has only to look over the files of that paper during his two last campaigns to see how that paper used him.

We like the Judge for district judge and wanted him to represent us in congress, but if he is going to meddle in this manner and use the popularity we have helped him to make for him, to divide Cherry county, it will be a hard thing to explain to our people that he is most friendly to our business interests.

The people know that Heath is a grafter, himself, the commissioner, and running a newspaper to draw support from all who want to prove up on a claim in the western part of Cherry county, his son the postmaster, and permitted to practice as attorney or appear for litigants before his father as U. S. commissioner.



We think a little investigation of Heath and his methods and practices should not be longer delayed by our vigilant U. S. inspectors, and before we are willing to believe that they are working in good faith they will put the office of U. S. commissioner in the hands of someone who has no other graft on the notices and printing, and a son to represent, possibly, the man who is willing to spend a few dollars for favorable consideration.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

Valentine, Neb., April 5, 1909. Board of county commissioners met as per last adjournment. Present: A. E. Morris, James Mone and N. S. Rowley.

J. F. Geyer was duly appointed road overseer for district No. 1, and his bond approved.

Official bond of Alexander McKenzie as justice of the peace in and for Irwin precinct, approved.

Refund of \$2.50 ordered made to Peter Lower on personal taxes paid by him in Table precinct for the year 1906, he having been erroneously assessed with a road tax of said amount, being over 50 years of age.

Refund of \$95.95 ordered made to Washington Honey of Wood Lake precinct on personal taxes paid by him under protest for the year 1908, part of his assessment being erroneous.

The following claim was allowed on the road fund: Walter C. Lyon, road work and material, \$62. Matter of the claim of E. L. Heath, amounting to \$329.20, for printing the Cherry county delinquent tax list of the year 1907, this day taken up by the board of commissioners and he was allowed \$254.80 on said claim, the difference between the amount claimed and the amount allowed, viz, \$74.40, being an overcharge and that part of his claim was rejected.

Board spent the remainder of the day in viewing the road work being done on the road and hill north of Valentine.

Board adjourned to April 6th.

April 6, 1909.

Board met as per adjournment, members all present.

Board entered into a contract with Harry H. Wilson to make fill and grade at the approach of the county bridge, known as the Wilson bridge, furnishing all material and labor for the sum of \$300, to be paid by the county on completion and acceptance of the work and his bond is approved.

The personal taxes assessed to M. S. Starr in Eli precinct for the years 1890-91-92 and 93 ordered stricken from the tax lists for said years, same being an erroneous assessment.

Petition of Frank Barnes et al for the construction of two small bridges across the Gordon and Boardman creeks, near Chesterfield, approved.

Personal taxes assessed to J. H. Garrett of Mullen, Neb., in Buffalo Lake precinct, for the year 1908, ordered stricken from the tax list on account of his having paid taxes on same property in Hooker Co.

Tax sale Certificate No. 572, tax suit of year 1906, ordered cancelled and a warrant ordered drawn on the General fund for \$9 payable to Robert Robinson, the holder of said certificate, it being necessary for the county to redeem same on account of the tract being government land.

Estray Notice.

Valentine, Nebraska, March 23, 1909. Taken up by the undersigned at my place 15 miles northeast of Valentine, Nebraska, in section 2, township 35, range 26, the following: One bay horse, weight 150 pounds, branded 'C' on the right flank.

Notice to Creditors.
In the County Court within and for Cherry county, Nebraska.
In the matter of the estate of George A. Jensen, deceased.
To the creditors of said estate:
You are hereby notified, that I will sit at the County Court Room in Valentine in said county on the 24th day of May, 1909 at 10 o'clock a. m. to receive and examine all claims against said estate, with a view to their adjustment and allowance. The time limited for the presentation of claims against said estate is six months from the 21st day of October A. D. 1908 and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 31st day of October, 1908.
Witness my hand and the seal of said SEAL County Court this 15th day of April, 1909. JAMES C. QUIGLEY, County Judge.

Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Nebraska, February 13, 1909. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Henry Denny, contestant, against home-stead entry No. 1423, 01030, made October 2, 1902, for E 1/4 Sec. 19 and S 1/4 Sec. 20, township 35, range 26, by Anna L. Beach, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Anna L. Beach has wholly abandoned said land and changed her residence therefrom for more than six months last past; that the said land is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as by law required, and she has failed to cure her laches up to this date.
Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 25, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Valentine, Nebraska.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed April 5, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
E 134 LUKE M. BATES, Register.

Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Nebraska, February 13, 1909. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Laura N. Hudson, contestant against home-stead entry No. 1978, made September 6, 1904, for S 1/4 Sec. 17, S 1/4 Sec. 18, and E 1/2 of section 17, 1/2 NE 1/4, and SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of section 18, township 37, range 27, by John W. Geyer, contestee, in which it is alleged that said John W. Geyer has wholly abandoned said land; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months last past; that said land is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as by law required, and he has failed to cure his laches up to this date.
Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 17, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States land office, Valentine, Nebraska.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed Feb. 13, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
M 104 R. OLSON, Receiver.

In the District Court of Cherry County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the application of Elma C. Richards, guardian of Evelyn J. Richards, Gladys J. Richards, Gladys L. Richards, Robert E. Richards and John M. Richards, minors, for license to sell the following described real estate to-wit:
The South Half of the Northwest Quarter, Northeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter, Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of section 26, South Half of the Southwest Quarter, West Half of Southeast Quarter of section 32, township 30, range 20, and Lots Three and Four, section 10, township 30, range 20, Cherry county, Nebraska, and it appearing that it would be for the best interests of said minors that said real estate be sold and the proceeds thereof used for the purpose of educating and maintaining said minors and investing any residue in approved real estate securities, it is therefore ordered that the next of kin of the said minors and all persons interested in said estate appear before me at the regular April term of the district court of Cherry county, Nebraska, to-wit on the 19th day of April 1909 at the court house in the city of Valentine, Cherry county, Nebraska, at 10 o'clock a. m. to show cause if any there be why a license should not be granted to the said Elma C. Richards to sell said real estate for the purpose above set forth.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be served on all persons interested in said estate by publication for three successive weeks in the Valentine Democrat, a newspaper printed and published in said county of Cherry county, Nebraska.
Dated at Chambers in the city of O'Neill, County of Holt and State of Nebraska, this 15th day of March, 1909. J. J. HARRINGTON, Judge of the District Court.

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FARMERS AND STOCKMEN

The Valentine Commercial Club asks you to take notice:

Paul Juckniess, State Veterinarian, is sending out notices which read as follows:

"Hoping to release the western part of the state from quarantine we will hold a series of meetings to discuss Scabies, Tuberculosis and Swamp Fever."

He will be accompanied by W. E. Howe, Chief of Quarantine Division; Prof. E. W. Hunt and Dr. A. T. Peters. The latter two we all know and like to hear discuss subjects of interest to our stockmen and farmers. They will be at Merriman on the 22nd and at Valentine on the 23rd of April.

Cherry County should secure the Sand Hills Experimental Farm, provided for by the legislature just adjourned. No more effective way could be employed to convince the Regents of the University (who will locate the same) that we are in earnest in this matter than by large attendance and active participation by our farmers and stockmen at these meetings.

Let each, therefore, leave your chores in such shape that you can be spared from home, attend these meetings and lend your earnest co-operation in raising the quarantine now oppressing us, and in securing the new state farm, which is intended to experiment with different varieties of grasses, and with live stock; also grains and vegetables, looking to best results on sandy land.

C. H. CORNELL, Pres.
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