

SUPPLEMENT

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SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

Report of Livingston County Board for the June Term, 1913

Pontiac, Ill., June 9, 1913.
The Board of Supervisors of Livingston county met in their room in the court house at Pontiac in regular session on the above date, and were called to order by County Clerk Kenny.

Temporary Chairman.
Mr. R. D. Gregg was chosen temporary chairman on the motion of Mr. Corbett. The selection was a complete surprise to Mr. Gregg, nevertheless he conducted the office like an experienced hand.

Roll Call.
The following answered to roll call, the only absentees being Messrs. Ruddy and Leonard, the latter arriving later in the day:

Fred Frey, C. L. Yoder, B. F. Colehower, Edward Miller, Archibald Crabb, A. F. Johnson, John Shackleton, Wm. A. Phillips, A. J. Schimmel, J. W. Hoover, E. Hoobler, D. M. Lyon, Wm. McMillan, R. S. Abbey, J. W. McDowell, Arthur Moate, Chas. Fienhold, M. Cleary, B. Craven, Henry Rudolph Sr., W. H. Melvin, T. D. Spafford, H. M. Thomas, R. D. Gregg, Henry Hummel, John C. Corbett, H. M. Flessner, W. W. Zollinger, Ammi Lewis, Thos. M. Walsh.

Committee on Credentials.
On motion of Mr. Miller the chair was instructed to appoint a committee of three on credentials.

The chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Miller, Corbett and Colehower.

The committee reported with the credentials, and later submitted the following report:

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Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on credentials find certificates on file with the county clerk showing the election of the following named persons at the last April election, from the towns designated as follows:

Nebraska, C. L. Yoder, Reading, Edward Miller, Pike, A. Crabb, Rooks Creek, A. F. Johnson, Amity, J. E. Shackleton, Eppards Point, A. J. Schimmel, Pontiac, E. Hoobler and D. M. Lyon, Belle Prairie, R. S. Abbey, Indian Grove, J. W. McDowell, Owego, Chas. Fienhold, Fayette, Henry Rudolph Sr., Forrest, G. W. Leonard, Union, H. M. Thomas, Germanville, Henry Hummel, Sullivan, W. W. Zollinger, Round Grove, Thos. M. Walsh, All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Miller, J. C. Corbett, B. F. Colehower, Committee.

On motion of Mr. Melvin the report of the committee was adopted.

Permanent Chairman.
The selection of a permanent chairman being next in order, Mr. John E. Shackleton, of Amity township, was placed in nomination by Mr. Thos. M. Walsh.

There being no other nominations, the selection of Mr. Shackleton was made by acclamation.

The chair appointed Messrs. Hoobler and Phillips as a committee to escort the new chairman to his station. On accepting the gavel he thanked the Board for the high honor, and expressed the hope that the sessions during the coming year would be harmonious and for the best interest of the people of the county.

Selection of Attorney.
For attorney, Mr. Hoobler nominated Mr. B. W. Adsit, and Mr. McDowell nominated Judge C. F. H. Carrithers. A motion by Mr. Walsh that the vote be by ballot and that the chair appoint three tellers carried. The chair appointed as tellers Messrs. Walsh, Spafford and Frey.

The vote resulted 23 for Adsit and 7 for Carrithers, whereupon the chair declared Mr. Adsit elected.

Salary of Attorney.
On motion of Mr. Colehower the salary of the attorney was fixed at the same sum as last year.

Adjournment.
On motion of Mr. Miller the Board adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.
June 10, 1913.

The Board of Supervisors met at 9 o'clock pursuant to adjournment, and were called to order by Chairman Shackleton.

Roll Call.
The following members answered to roll call:

Frey, Yoder, Colehower, Miller, Crabb, Johnson, Shackleton, Phillips, Schimmel, Hoover, Hoobler, Lyon, McMillan, Rudy, McDowell, Moate, Fienhold, Cleary, Craven, Rudolph, Sr., Leonard, Melvin, Spafford, Thom-

as, Gregg, Hummel, Corbett, Flessner, Zollinger, Lewis, Walsh.

Minutes Approved.
The minutes of yesterday's session were approved as read.

Standing Committees.
The chair announced the following committees for the ensuing year:

Public Property.
Cleary, Lyon, Spafford, Corbett, Moate, Walsh, Frey.

County House and Farm.
Phillips, Schimmel, McDowell, Hoover, Crabb, Hoobler, Miller, Fienhold.

Pauper Claims.
Colehower, Miller, Rudolph, Melvin, Fienhold, Crabb, Hummel.

Fees and Salaries.
Hoobler, McDowell, Flessner, Frey, Abbey, Spafford, Thomas.

Finance.
Gregg, Craven, Ruddy, Phillips, Crabb.

Jail Accounts.
Corbett, Johnson, Hummel, Flessner, Zollinger, Abbey, McMillan.

Printing and Supplies.
Walsh, Moate, Thomas, Yoder, Schimmel.

Town and Town Accounts.
Spafford, Fienhold, Leonard, Crabb, Johnson, Zollinger, Lewis.

Education.
Flessner, Lewis, Abbey, Spafford, McDowell.

Judiciary.
Hoover, Gregg, Hoobler, Yoder, Walsh.

Mines and Mining.
Miller, Hoover, Rudolph, Ruddy, Colehower.

Errors and Abatement.
Lewis, Melvin, Thomas, Hummel, Abbey, Fienhold, Craven.

Auditing County Clerk's Accounts.
Schimmel, Thomas, Melvin.

Auditing Circuit Clerk's Accounts.
Moate, Colehower, McMillan.

Auditing Sheriff's Accounts.
Fienhold, Gregg, Ruddy.

Auditing County Treasurer's Accounts.
Lyon, Melvin, Corbett.

Elections.
Melvin, Yoder, Hummel, Johnson, Zollinger.

Special Building.
Ruddy, Schimmel, Cleary, Hoover, Leonard.

Jurors.
McMillan, Yoder, Miller, Frey, Lyon, Rules.

Thomas, Phillips, Lewis, Leonard, Gregg, Craven.

Canada Thistles.
Rudolph, Frey, Craven, Johnson, McMillan.

Bridges.
McDowell, Cleary, Zollinger.

Blind.
Abbey, Leonard, McMillan.

Plow for County Farm.
The following communication was read:

Rushville, Ill., Nov. 25, 1912.
Board of Supervisors of Livingston County, and Manager of Livingston County Home.

Dear Sirs:—Last year, for introductory purposes, I presented to the Supervisors of my home county, Schuyler, a "Houston" pendulum beam cultivator for their use on the county farm. It proved an excellent advertisement.

By this letter I present you one of my machines for the same uses and purposes. I will ship it to your county home manager during the winter or early spring, come and set it up and show him how to use it.

I enclose copy of testimonial of manager of Schuyler county home, also circular and descriptive letter of my cultivator. Yours very truly,
Geo. D. Houston.

Superintendent of farm, please present this to Supervisors at their next meeting.

Chairman Phillips stated that the plow arrived last February, and was a gift to the county for advertising purposes. Supt. Grotevant further stated that a representative of the firm came and set the plow up and that it was being used with satisfactory results.

Grand Jury Resolution.
The following resolution of the grand jury was read:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Livingston County, Ill.

We, the members of the May grand jury, having listened to the particulars of the arrest of Texas Sinclair and Frank Sinclair by Sheriff W. A. Patterson at Varna, Illinois, and having determined therefrom that Jeff Pickens, of Long Point, Illinois, rendered valuable assistance to the sheriff in making said arrest, and that he should be liberally compensated for his services to the sheriff and the people in this matter, and as there is no way provided by law to compensate said Jeff Pickens, we would respectfully recommend that your Honorable Board investigate the services of said Pickens and allow to him such sum as you may think he is reasonably entitled to.

W. H. Bentley, John R. King, P. B. Collins, J. W. Walton, Jr., James Nicol, Committee.

On the strength of the above resolution a motion by Mr. Colehower that Jeff Pickens be allowed \$25.00 was carried.

Petition for Aid for a Bridge.
The following petition from the highway commissioners of Reading township for aid for a bridge was by the chair referred to the Committee on Bridges:

To the County Board of the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois:

The undersigned commissioners of highways of the town of Reading in said county, would respectfully represent that a bridge needs to be built over Prairie creek where the same is crossed by the highway in Dwight

township. She represents that the property in question was included in the property taxed to W. B. Brown, and is therefore double taxation. She also represents that the assessed value of her property is far in excess of the assessed value of properties of similar character in the vicinity. Edna Burke, By C. J. Ahern, her attorney.

Petition for Rebate of Tax.
The following petition of Geo. Peterson for rebate of tax was by the chair referred to the committee on Errors and Abatement:

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The undersigned represents that the said hotel property, which was covered by the contract of purchase, was also assessed to the undersigned and that he was compelled to pay the tax on the hotel property and the tax on the contract, which amounted to double taxation.

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Yours truly, G. W. Bennett, Assessor Indian Grove Town.

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The following petition of S. R. McGreevy for rebate of tax was by the chair referred to the Committee on Errors and Abatement:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Livingston County, Illinois. State of South Dakota, County of Tripp, ss.

I, S. R. McGreevy, being first duly sworn, depose and say that through notice from the Livingston County Collecting Agency, Pontiac, Ill., under date of Feb. 28, 1913, and March 8, 1913, I am informed that I am charged with personal tax in said Livingston county, Ill., to the amount of \$17.41 for the year 1909, assessed in Odell township; that this assessment was made on a stock of merchandise in the town of Odell, valuation of \$1000.00, and fixtures, etc., at \$25.00; that I further state that I never owned merchandise of any kind in the state of Illinois; that I established residence in the state of South Dakota April 3, 1909, and from September 15, 1908, until about April 1, 1909, my residence was in Chicago, Ill.; that this affidavit is made for the purpose of having the above mentioned tax stricken from the tax books of Livingston County, Illinois, and pray your honorable body to take such steps as are required for this purpose.

Dated at Winner, South Dakota, this 12th day of March, 1913.

S. R. McGreevy. Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Tripp and state of South Dakota, this 12th day of March, 1913.

(Seal) N. M. Baumgartner, Notary Public, S. D.

On motion of Mr. Moate the chair was instructed to appoint committees to draft resolutions in memory of Mr. Miller, Hoteling and Mr. Geo. W. Rice, former supervisors from Avoca and Eppards Point townships, respectively.

On motion of Mr. Corbett the chair was instructed to appoint a committee to prepare resolutions in memory of the late Mr. W. W. Sears, a former supervisor from Chatsworth township.

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Invitation to Elks' Club.
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Adjournment.
On motion of Mr. Colehower the Board adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

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