

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

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Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

that the Clerk of the District Court be ordered to cancel all interest and penalties on the tax judgment listed above and to accept the sum of \$11.89 for full settlement of same, the interest and penalties being hereby waived.

L.H.Griffith
Chairman

ATTEST: (Seal)

Ed Johnson
Member

T. R. Gerhart
County Clerk.

M.N.Penny
Member
Board of County Commissioners
of Douglas County, Kansas.

*Removal of beer
licenses and punch
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The applications of Melvin M. Molder, Roy G. Borgen and Robert Taylor, for renewal of their beer licenses, were presented. It having been called to the attention of the board that slot machines are again making their appearances, as well as punch boards and marble machines with pay off devices, the Board instructed the Sheriff to check the places where the beer is to be sold, and if any of the above mentioned gambling devices are in evidence, whether in operation or not, to pick up the machines and the owners of the places so conviction may be had. The Board agreed to issue no licenses or renewals until the Sheriff could present a clean report on each applicant. The Sheriff was also instructed to pick up slot machines at all the places in Lawrence where the machines were in evidence, and to make a report at the next meeting of the board, on December 26th.

The County Clerk, T.R.Gerhart, presented two requests for cancellation and adjustment of personal property taxes assessed for the year 1944. Mr. Johnson moved the cancellations and adjustments be made as requested. Mr. Penny seconded the motion, and on vote called, the motion carried, and Mr. Gerhart was instructed to issue the order to the County Treasurer as set out in Order No. 368.

Order No. 368. To cancel the personal property tax assessed against Edward L. Wellhausen, 909 Indiana, Lawrence, Kansas, tax statement #3852, as follows:

City of Lawrence, School District 60, Tangible Value \$55.00.
Tangible Tax \$1.40.

The constitutional exemption was not allowed on the assessment sheet.

To cancel the personal property tax assessed against Geraldine Coffman, Route 1, Overbrook, Kansas, as follows: Marion Township, School District 46, Tangible Value \$880.00; Tangible Tax \$13.58.

To add to the 1944 tax roll personal property tax the following:
Geraldine Coffman, Route 1, Overbrook, Kansas. Marion Township,
School District 46, Tangible Value \$680.00; Tangible Tax \$10.49.
The constitutional exemption was not allowed.

No further business the board adjourned to meet again on December 26th.

ATTEST:

L.H.Griffith
L.H.Griffith, Chairman of the Board
of County Commissioners.

T. R. Gerhart
T. R. Gerhart, County Clerk.

December 26, 1944

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular adjourned session, all members of the board being present.

Mr. T.F. Yost, State Weed Supervisor, and Ebon Anderson, County bindweed agent, were present to outline and adopt the plans for the 1945 Bind Weed Program. Mr. Penny suggested that Douglas County enforce the bindweed law, and maybe the program would be abolished. The Board agreed that when a farm makes a written complaint about bindweed growing on an adjacent farm, that the Commissioners notify the offending farmer to clean up the bindweed within a certain period of time, and if the offender does not comply, the county bindweed agent will destroy the bindweed and apply the costs on the taxes. The list of non-cooperating farmers who have bindweed growing on their farms must be submitted to the Board of county Commissioners not later than March 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Williams appeared in behalf of Lou Maichel who is a paying patient at the County Convalescent Home. Mr. Riling, County Attorney, was also present. Mrs. Rogers insisted the charge of \$200.00 a month was entirely out of reason and asked for a lower charge. The Board told Mrs. Williams that Mr. Maichel is in such a condition and requires so much more care, and a private room, that \$200.00 was not out of line. The Board also told Mrs. Williams, that because Mr. Maichel was at the hospital, an extra nurse had to be hired, that the Commissioners did not want to keep Mr. Maichel at the hospital, and for Mrs. Williams to take him out. Mrs. Williams insisted that she was looking after Mr. Maichel simply as a friend and that she was not interested in his estate, which is quite large. Mr. Johnson told Mrs. Williams the commissioners did not want to burden Miss Hunt with Maichel but Miss Hunt said she would take him on trial, for \$200.00 a month. Mr. Riling reported he had called on Mr. Maichel at the hospital on Christmas Day, and that Mr. Maichel was walking down the hall on his crutches, that he seemed to be so much improved and was clean and neat, and that he talked with Mr. Riling better than he had for years, and that Mr. Maichel stated he liked to stay at the convalescent hospital much better than any place he had been staying. The Board told Mrs. Williams the Convalescent Hospital was for welfare cases primarily, and that if any rooms or beds occupied by paying patients is needed for welfare cases, the paying patient has to vacate. The Board also told Mrs. Williams that the Convalescent Hospital is taking persons who have no place to go but who are able to pay \$50.00 a month, provided no extra care is required. That if extra care is necessary, additional charges will be made accordingly.

In the absence of Sheriff Skinner, Deputies Elmer Schiller and Raymond Sanders reported on the slot machines and beer applicants. In the raid ordered on December 20th, members of the Sheriff's force picked up 5 slot machines, the operators of which were convicted and fines and