

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

A letter from Charlotte Kreeck Schmidt of Clay Center was presented, protesting the assessment for "improvements" on her lots in Stimpson's Subdivision.

Plate #2406	1945 land	25	1946 land	25
	Imp	--	Imp	50
Plate #2408	1945 land	25	1946 land	25
	Imp	--	Imp	50
Plate #2410	1945 land	25	1946 land	25
	Imp	--	Imp	50
Plate #2412	1945 land	25	1946 land	25
	Imp	--	Imp	50

Upon checking the board found the improvements consist of a portion of a shed which extends on the E. 8 feet of the above lots and has never been assessed heretofore, even though the building has been there for several years. The board ordered no change in the valuations.

The board adjourned as the board of equalization to sit as the board of county commissioners to discuss matters pertaining to county business.

Sheriff Skinner asked that he be authorized to buy padded cell equipment for the jail, stating that he had need of such a cell twice in the last week, and that sometime some one would be injured. Mr. Skinner was directed to visit the jails in this part of the state to see just what kind of padded cells were used to the best advantage and report back to the board. There was some discussion of hiring a woman to be subject to call to help handle insanity cases.

No further business the board adjourned to meet Friday, May 31st, Thursday being a legal holiday, the court house is to be closed.

ATTEST:

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

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

May 31, 1946

The Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County met in regular session to act as the board of equalization as required by law, all members of the board being present.

Mrs. Jessie Jones, 1037 Tennessee, appeared asking for a reduction in the valuation of the property at that address.

Plate #1776	1945 land	990	1946 land	990
	Imp	3195	Imp	3195

Upon viewing the property this day, the board ordered the improvements reduced to \$3000.

Upon viewing the property at 1037 Tennessee the board found the house at 1033 Tennessee belonging to Lester W. McNamara was under-assessed, inasmuch as the house has 3 bathrooms, and is in better condition than the one next door.

Plate #1774	1945 land	990	1946 land	990
	Imp	3255	Imp	3000

The board ordered the improvements at 1033 Tennessee increased to \$5200.

Mrs. Ralph E. Hoffman, 930 Missouri, appeared, questioning the increase in valuation of her property at that address.

Plate #4441	1945 land	360	1946 land	360
	Imp	1000	Imp	1050
Plate #4442	1945 land	360	1946 land	360
	Imp	700	Imp	800

After the assessment was explained to Mrs. Hoffman, no changes were made in the assessed valuation.

The 1946 assessment returns of the Lawrence National Bank, Lawrence, Kansas, the Baldwin State Bank of Baldwin, Kansas, and the Kaw Valley State Bank of Eudora Kansas, were adjusted to conform with instructions furnished by the State Commission of Revenue and Taxation, as per the corrected returns on file in the office of the County Clerk.

The assessment of the Gas Service Company, 700 Searritt Building, Kansas City, Missouri, was shown to the board. The company has a total of 513 meters located in various townships of Douglas County, and made a return thereof at \$3. each. The other companies including the Kansas Public Service all return their meters at \$6.60 each. The board instructed the Clerk to increase the valuation of the Gas Service Company to \$6.60 each in order to maintain an equal valuation.

M. R. Gill, 640 Kass. appeared before the board, asking for a reduction of the valuation of his various farms in Wakarusa Township.

Plate W-876	1945 land	3100	1946 land	3100
	Imp	200	Imp	---
Plate W-877	1945 land	6230	1946 land	6230
	Imp	1800	Imp	1800
Plate W-897	1945 land	100	1946 land	100

After some discussion, the board ordered no change in the valuations on Plate W-876 and W-897, but ordered a division of the real estate on Plate #W-877, as follows: 15 acres waste at \$5. an acre, and 74 acres cultivated upland at \$70. an acre, making a total land valuation on W-877 of \$5255.

Mr. Gill also asked for a reduction in the valuation of the farm described on Plate W-872

1945 land	5000	1946 land	5010
Imp	1500	Imp	1500

After comparing valuations and discussing the property the board ordered the land reduced to \$4310. making 108 acres at \$38.50 per acre and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres at 12. per acre.

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Board of Equalization