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### Ordinance No. 183.

An Ordinance providing tax levies for 1913.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Cresco, Howard County, Iowa, that a general tax of ten mills on the dollar for the year 1913 be and the same hereby is levied and assessed on all assessable property within the corporate limits of the City of Cresco, Howard county, Iowa, for the purpose of defraying all general and incidental expenses of said city.

Section 1. That special taxes for the year 1913 be and the same hereby are levied and assessed on all assessable property subject to special taxes within the corporate limits of said City of Cresco, as follows:

For the Electric Light fund, five and one-half (5½) Mills on the Dollar.

For the Water Works fund, five (5) Mills on the Dollar.

For the Improvement fund, four (4) Mills on the Dollar.

For the Sewer fund, two (2) mills on the Dollar.

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For the Library fund three (3) Mills on the Dollar.

For the Bond fund, one (1) Mill on the Dollar.

For the Park fund, one (1) Mill on the Dollar.

For the Sewer Outlet fund, three (3) mills on the Dollar.

For the Grade fund one (1) Mill on the Dollar.

Section 3. That a special road fund tax of five (5) mills on the Dollar be and the same hereby is levied and assessed on all agricultural and horticultural tracts of over ten acres, and also upon all personal property thereon.

Section 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Cresco Plain Dealer, a newspaper published in said City of Cresco.

Approved, August 23, 1913.

E. L. DAVENPORT, Mayor.

[Attest] A. W. GILLET, City Clerk.

### To Sell or Trade.

A good hotel all furnished and doing lively business; best of location. Steam heat, electric and gasoline lights, waterworks and bath, large livery barn in connection. Rates: \$1.50 per day; \$5.00 per week. Have too much other business to attend to. Will give right party a good deal.

C. A. L. LOOMIS, Cumberland, Wis.

### Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Howard county, Iowa, will receive sealed bids at the office of the County Auditor for the construction of 9 bridges and culverts. Plans and specifications for which may be seen at the above office.

All bids must be on regular forms furnished by the county, sealed and plainly marked, and filed with the Auditor by 3 o'clock p. m., Tuesday September 9, 1913.

A certified check for five per cent (5) of the bid, made payable to Howard county, shall be filed with each bid, which in case of the (bidder or bidders) receiving the award should he fail to execute a contract and file a bond within ten (10) days after the acceptance of his bid, shall be forfeited to the county as liquidated damages.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a bond, the amount to be specified by the Board of Supervisors, issued by responsible surety, approved by the board, and drawn to protect the county and any sub-contractor.

The county reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Cresco, Ia., this 27th day of August, 1913.

E. A. HOOPMAN, County Auditor, Howard County, Iowa.

### Want More Trains.

Des Moines, Aug. 21.—Another of the new laws of Iowa regarding train service comes into play and will be used to secure more trains on the Calmar branch of the Milwaukee railroad. There has been filed with the railroad commission several large petitions of residents of the towns along the line asking for an order for better train service, and invoking the new Iowa law which requires at least two trains a day each way that will carry passengers. They say they get no train at all on Sunday.

### For Sale.

125 Duroc-Jersey spring pigs of March, April and May farrow. Nearly all of these pigs are sired by King Select, our \$100-boar that we bought at the Minnesota State Fair. This hog is a large and lengthy fellow. We furnish pedigree with every pig sold. Write, or better, come and see them.

Mrs. Joseph Bouska & Son, Calmar, Ia., Route 2. Phone Protivin line.

### City Council Makes Mistake.

At the request of the library board, the council has raised the library tax levy from two to three mills, an increase of two mills over the levy of 1912, to provide for the increase in the cost of the new building over the amount to be given by Carnegie. To offset this raise, the drag tax of one mill was abolished. We believe that a great mistake has been made, and that when the citizens of Cresco realize that next year 8½ per cent. of the total corporation revenues of the city have been appropriated to equip and maintain a local monument to the Laird of Skibo, that there will be a demand for a new council and a new library board.

The argument is made that the levy is for educational purposes, but the librarian tells us that fiction makes up from 50 to 60 per cent. of the circulation, and that of educational books drawn from the library, a large proportion are by the various clubs in Cresco, all of whom are better able to buy their reference books than are the many tax payers of the town who earn a living by day's labor for their families.

The Plain Dealer never opposes a tax levy for schools or any necessary improvement where the people get their money's worth, but we believe that well dragged roads are of more real benefit to the town than a public library conducted on such a scale that one-twelfth of our city revenues are needed to maintain it.

### Big Picnic at Lourdes.

Arrangements have been made for a big Labor Day picnic at Lourdes on Monday, Sept. 1st. There will be games and sports of all kinds, including a base ball game between Alta Vista and Lourdes, horse, bicycle, sack ladies and fat men's races, and a step dancing contest. Dinner and supper will be served. Plan to attend and spend a pleasant day with the good people of Lourdes.

### For Sale or Rent

The property known as the City Shoeing Shop with complete set of tools. Located south of the court house. This is fine property. If you are looking for an investment in Cresco, here is your chance. Don't overlook this.

ANDREW SMITH, 38 Phone 267 Cresco, Ia.

### For Sale.

Aberdeen Angus Bulls for sale, two years old past. Also Big Type Poland China Fall and Spring Boars, sired by A. Wonder, Big Joe, O. Wonder, and Long King.

J. A. BEAUMASTER, Route No. 3, Elma, Iowa.

### The Fall Season.

The Lydon stallions and jacks will make the fall season after Sept. 1st, at the home farm, one mile east of Cresco, at reduced prices. Remember, fall calves usually make the best beef, and fall colts the best horses. 1tf

### For Sale.

Two good, 160 acre, well improved farms within reasonable distance of Cresco, at \$75.00 per acre. These are snaps. Call on or address 52t2 LUERS LAND CO., Cresco, Iowa.

### Jay Watros Seriously Injured.

C. J. Watros is at Asbury hospital, Minneapolis, with a broken neck, and his father, who returned to Cresco from Minneapolis, Wednesday evening, says that the doctors give little encouragement of his recovery.

Mr. Watros was injured during a severe wind storm, which struck his farm near Cogswell, N. D., during the afternoon of Wednesday, Aug. 20th. He was alone at the time and a nephew, Elwin Betts, was at work in the field near by but did not see the accident. Judging by appearances, Mr. Watros was struck by an overturning hen house, which rendered him unconscious and then rolled off him.

The Betts boy was compelled to go to town for help, and it was about two hours before Mr. Watros arrived at his home in Cogswell, and all the time exposed to a driving rain. Pneumonia threatened as a result for several days.

He recovered consciousness about two hours after the accident, but is completely paralyzed from the shoulders down. He is receiving the best care at the hospital and his wife, mother and sister, Mrs. Hampton, are with him.

### The M. W. A. Referendum Vote.

Rock Island, Ill., Aug. 22.—Count of the advisory vote of the membership of the Modern Woodmen of America taken as a result of opposition to the increase in rates ordered by the Chicago convention was completed to-day at the head office here. It shows that of a total membership of 900,000, only 48,782 expressed their views. The vote follows:

For old plan, under which society is now operating, 26,085.

For an increase, 10,733.

For Chicago plan rates, 6,613.

For adequate rate based on society's own experience, 3,697.

For National Fraternal Congress rates, 357.

For step rate plan, 293.

Officials expressed surprise at the lack of interest displayed.

### Goods at Your Own Price.

As I have sold my place and have to move in 30 days, will sell about \$500 worth of dry goods and hardware. Buy them at your own price.

JOHN FINEGAN.

### Correspondents Wanted.

The Plain Dealer wants a correspondent at each of the following places: Saratoga, Riceville, Elma and Schley. Write and get our offer.

### United Norwegian Lutheran Church

will have service next Sunday, August 31st, at 7:45 in the evening. Sermon in the English language.

REV. D. SVENNUNGEN.

### Horses for Sale!

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### For Sale.

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### HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The Cresco public schools commence work Sept. 1st, and it is hoped that as many as possible of those who did not graduate last year will return. The school wants you for the service it can render you. If you are hesitating about coming back ask older people for advice, ask men or women who have had no opportunity for an education if they regret it. Also ask men or women who have had the advantages of at least a common school education if that time was wasted and if they regret it. It is true that many men have become masters without special schooling but they were the exception. Andrew Carnegie, Cecil Rhodes and Pierpont Morgan are among this number. But what is their advice? The educational institutions they have erected and their efforts to help young men through college.

We admit that we have our intellectual misfits. However, no school ever made them. You point to them as the products of our school system. They are not. Rather they are products of a society that puts emphasis on social standing instead of usefulness; they are the petted and coddled sons and daughters of indulgent parents. If you are to work hard for something that will bring its reward in the future continue your education.

Your parents are willing to make great sacrifices for you. Try to be deserving by improving your time and by doing all you can to make their load lighter; and if the few dollars a week that you can earn by staying out of school is necessary for their livelihood, make the sacrifice gladly and be proud of the fact that you can help them.

The course of study has been changed very little, yet there will be better opportunities for study than in former years. Only one text book has been changed. The principal of the High school or the superintendent will be at the High school building every afternoon this week. If there are any difficulties you wish adjusted call at that time.

Several laws have been enacted which merit the attention of both pupils and parents. The compulsory attendance law has changed so that now any child of the age of seven to sixteen years inclusive, in proper physical and mental condition must attend school 24 consecutive school weeks in each school year commencing with the first week of school.

The requirements for a normal diploma and a certificate to teach have been lowered. Last year those who finished this course were compelled to have an average of 85 per cent. now it is 80 per cent. A provisional certificate is granted if the candidate fails but makes certain grades. It is thought that these changes will make the course more attractive, and at the same time increase the supply of capable teachers.

The law affecting tuition students in High school has been amended in such a way that now it is possible to collect only \$2.50 per month from the school corporation in which the tuition pupil resides. As the tuition rate fixed by the board of this school corporation is \$4.50 per month for pupils residing outside the district the parent or pupil must pay the difference.

The teaching corps will be made up to quite a large extent of new teachers. But it is felt that when these teachers become adjusted to the new conditions they will help maintain the excellent standard of the school. Any courtesies shown them will be greatly appreciated, and if the people of Cresco show the same spirit that they have in the past there will be no grounds for complaint. Below is given a list of the teachers.

A. I. Tiss, superintendent of schools, pedagogy and economics.

E. D. Wells, principal of High school, science.

Bessie Meiler, domestic science, physiology and physical geography.

Ruth Hansen, Latin and German.

Nellie Masters, history and civics.

Dora Baldwin, mathematics.

Allie May McCook, reading and public speaking.

Myrl Hughes, English and supervisor of music.

Clara Drake, penmanship and drawing.

Franah Schneider, eighth grade.

Hazel Martin, seventh grade.

Florence Stover, sixth grade.

Amy Wilbur, fifth grade.

Dona Black, third grade.

Edna Evans, first grade.

### First Ward.

Virginia Nichols, sixth and seventh grades.

Bernadette Glass, fourth and fifth grades.

Emily Watkins, second and third grades.

Mary Doozee, first grade.

### OBITUARY.

#### McGinnis.

James J. McGinnis was born in Limestoneville, Montour county, Penn., January 25, 1837. He was married Nov. 23, 1861, to Sarah E. Cowden. They moved to Illinois in 1868, and to Howard county, Iowa, in June 1873. Mr. McGinnis became a member of the M. E. church in 1855.

Five children were born to them, three of them awaiting him in the next world. He leaves: the good wife, two children, Rollo of Jackson, Ok., and Mrs. Ida M. Gibbons of Cresco; nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren.

He was stricken the 21st day of April, 1913, since which time he has been a constant sufferer, and passed away Friday evening at 5 o'clock at his home in Cresco.

Funeral services, which were in charge of the Masonic lodge, of which he was a member, were held at the home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Soper officiating.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to all who assisted us in any during the long illness and after the death of our beloved husband and father.

Mrs. J. J. McGinnis and Family.

### Prann.

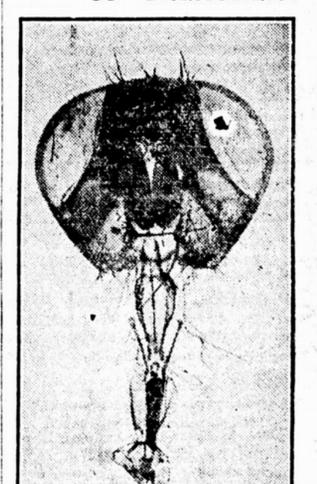
Mrs. Kate L. Weston Prann was born Nov. 6th, 1839, in Vermont. She moved to Howard county in 1858 with her parents and was married to Mr. Charles Prann in 1859, to which union was born four sons, A. W. Prann and F. J. Prann of Hermiton, Ore., Arthur Prann of Minneapolis, and W. E. Prann of Timber Lake, S. D.

She was united with the Baptist church in Vermont when she was 14 years of age and has been for many years a member of the Cresco Baptist church.

They moved from the farm to Cresco in 1893 where she resided until the time of her departure August 21, 1912.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon conducted by Rev. F. C. Shaffer and burial was in Oak Lawn.

### THE TONGUE OF TREACHERY

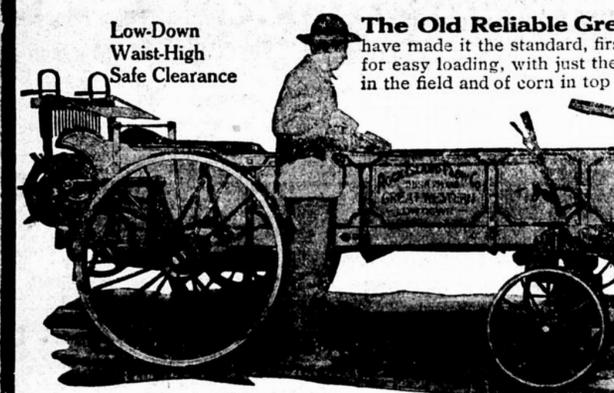


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