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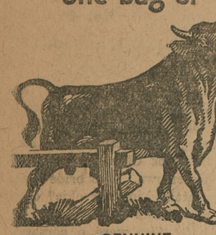

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ANOTHER STATEMENT

TO THE PUBLIC

BY THE KENT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

In response to a demand from different sections of the county that we give our taxpayers the real reasons which made necessary the levying of a tax rate of $2.51 last June, we published a statement in the Kent News and The Transcript on February 19, taken carefully from our books, in which we clearly showed expenditures on roads of the county June, 1919, to June, 1920.

Mr. A. Parks Rasin, in an advertisement published in The Transcript February 26, attempted to complicate this statement without denying one fact therein, but he did make a few comparisons that might be misleading to taxpayers not in a position to investigate same.

The minutes now in the County Commissioners Office clearly show that Mr. Bennett and Mr. Davis composed the Board of Commissioners present at the time the 1919 levy was struck, therefore, the responsibility for same lies wholly with them. Mr. Cannon, the present hold-over member, did not go in office until August 12.

In Mr. Rasin's school-boy statement, as he calls it, contrasting various items he compares our road fund of $30,-271.14, which represents all our regular spring road work 1920, also includes $3,978.25 for resurfacing Still Pond Station and $1,484.58 for gravel construction on Tolchester Road and our 1920-21 levy of $40,000, which are the total amounts that have been and will be used on roads from December, 1919, to June, 1921, by present Board to his Republican Board's regular dirt road fund of $26,616.76 (spent by them in six months) and $14,311.50 Certificate Levy spent by them January 28 to June, 1919.

In other words, in order to make the amount used by our Board sound large, he compares what we spent in 18 months, and part was for permanent construction, to what they spent in 10 months, and he does not include anything in their amount to cover the $28,041.52 they spent resurfacing Betterton to Still Pond road. To have made a fair comparison this should have been added.

His comparison would then read: our Board spent $70,271.14 in 18 months and his Republican Board spent $68,-969.78 in 10 months. Any tax payer can judge whether this is a fair comparison.

He says his Republican Board allowed $24,063.27 for resurfacing Betterton to Still Pond Road; as a matter of fact, the county books plainly show his Board contracted for and completed the resurfacing of this section of road, but the cost was $28,041.52, and they did not allow in their levy one cent for it.

The saalry increases as compared in Mr. Rasin's statement are in compliance with the law.

Mr. Rasin admits that his Republican Board allowed to be spent from June to December, 1919, all the money they had levied to run them six months longer, but he makes no mention of the fact that they had between $2000 and $3000 bills out for additional material delivered to and used under the regular road fund by his Board. These bills had to be paid by the present Board. Neither does he mention the fact that though all their money was spent, only a partial supply of feed had been bought for the county mules and we were forced to buy feed on a greatly increased market over fall prices.

Mr. Rasin criticizes us for allowing any money to be used on the roads last spring, but he admits his Board did not leave us one cent of what was levied for that purpose and had his candidates been elected they would have had to finance balance of year just as we did.

This spring, after having bought our year's feed supply, pipe and some other necessary materials, and having gotten these in during fall and early winter, we have amply enough money to run us till our next levy, and we expect to grade and put in shape as much road as we did last spring.

Mr. Rasin, in his second attempted statement, is even more unfair than in his first. He compares the $65,544.21, his Board spent from June to December, 1919, to all we have spent or levied on roads from December, 1919, to June, 1921. In other words, he compares what his board spent in six months to what we have spent and levied for during the entire period we have been in office, which will be 18 months in June, and we have sufficient money to run us until that time.

Is there any wonder our amount is twice as large? In the amount he charges to us $43,815.28 will be used for permanent roads, part of which are under construction, but the amount he charges his Board does not show one cent for building permanent roads. Does Mr. Rasin oppose the building of permanent roads? He seemed very anxious last summer when a cetrain delegation came before the Commissioners, but now he seems uncertain. His Board had the very fun available to them on state's part with which the Rock Hall Ferry Road is being built—this road could have been completed years ago had his Republican Board been willing.

They also denied the use of this fund to other parts of the county, even though applications were made and conditions fully met.

As to o[illegible] part o[illegible] the lateral road [illegible]ed in compliance with law, this money, though levied was never actually in the Treasurer's office until February 1, and no permanent roads could have been built last fall except by use of certificates or borrowed money on the county's part. No Kent County bank has had the use of this money, therefore, the interest Mr. Rasin speaks of is only in theory.

Regarding the school budget, in which we were asked for $127,796.97, and allowed $118,996.97, we were told even war efficiency could not be maintained in schools with further cut. Your Republican member of the School Board, Mr. William G. Smyth, earnestly and fully endorsed this budget and we feel it was partly due to his judgment and long experience on school matters that this amount was granted. We are perfectly willing that the public should draw its choice between Mr. Rasin's political judgment and the unbiased judgment of the three gentlemen of the School Board, and we are sure any information due our tax payers will be readily given by them if sought in a proper manner. Mr. Rasin evidently seems opposed to Kent County teachers being paid as much as Cecil, one of our neighbors, and also other counties in the state.

Mr. Rasin, can you deny the fact that though your Board levied only $26,616.76 for Kent roads June, 1919, to June, 1920, they spent and contracted bills to the amount of $65,544.21 in first six months of above year?

Can you deny the fact that your Board spent more in six months on Alms House than they levied to run them in twelve? Can you suggest any way Kent roads could have been worked in spring of 1920 except by a certificate issue and don't you think that if your Board was forced to use our$65,-000 during fall of 1919 we must have been very conservative to have kept our fund down to around $30,000 during spring of 1920, when we had real road work to do?

Don't evade the fact that your Board's expenditures during their last six months were entirely out of line with their small tax rate. Be frank, confess why they did not levy for some things much more than half enough money to run them six months when they should have levied for 12.

The statement we issued when our tax rate was first levied in June to us showed plainly why such a tax rate was made and while our February statement went into conditions more fully we have endeavored to give facts and these facts can be verified.

Referring to the statement of Mr. Bennett, which is hardly worth answering, as he makes no attempt to dispute our statement, but merely misrepresents a few facts.

He and Mr. Olin Davis composed the Board of County Commissioners at the time 1919 levy was made, as the minutes will show, and his reference to Mr. Cannan regarding Tolchester road amounts to nothing. Mr. Cannan approved the building of this road when a member of the retiring Board and as evidence that it has had continued support we offer the fact that the mileage undertaken was completed last year under our Board.

His attack on Mr. Brice is equally as unwarranted. Mr. Brice denies having appeared before the Republican Commissioners, making any request for concrete road through Betterton or other additional appropriations. Mr. Bennett can verify this from any of the gentlemen on those committees.

He also denies ever having asked Senator Russell or Mr. Bowers to support any bill raising Commissioners or any other salary. Either of these gentlemen we are sure will verify this denial.

Mr. Brice, nor either of the other Commissioners ever stated to Mr. Bennett or anyone else that their small salary increase continue during their term of office.

This is a plain mis-statement of facts and Mr. Bennett knows it. If he does not, he can learn from the laws passed by our 1920 Legislature that the bill referred to runs two years and he knows County Commissioners are elected for four years.

Mr. Bennett do you remember just after the last election you were in the Commissioner's office and you stated you thought this increase in salary (you now criticise) was very fair and justifiable considering increased living costs and then do you recall asking the Commissioners to pay you a bill for $360.00 for services as election supervisor when you, though you were a former Commissioner, could show no law calling for any such amount, still insisted it to be paid, but it was not.

Mr. Bennett with all your infallible business ability were you not a County Commissioner when the elastic and indefinite contract was made with The Sutton Construction Co. for resurfacing 265 miles of road, Betterton to Still Pond?

This contract allowed for the placing of a top surface of stone at a cost of $6.00 per ton for stone placed, and the State Roads Commission, specifica[illegible] called for the placing of 2,915 to[illegible] did you know your Contractor p[illegible]3,225.83 tons an excess of 310.83 tons and your board paid $1,864.98 more than you were required to by State's specifications?

Did you know [illegible] under this same contract you permitted 13 cars of this stone to lay on the siding at Still Pond Station and 5 additional cars at Lynch all at the same time and although the R. R. let you off easy your contractor was so long hauling a distance of from 2 to 4 miles that a demurrage bill of $411.91 accumulated and had to be paid by Kent County taxpayers?

We can verify either of these statements to any tax payer's satisfaction.

Mr. Bennett as all this first section of road resurfaced with and every bill therefore contracted by your boaid, why do you refer to cost of same as $24,063.27 when the expenditure of every cent of the $28,041.52 as the books show belongs to you?

With all this expenditure do you know you did not provide one cent in your levy to help pay for the work? You merely issued certificates which added about 25c on our 1920 tax rate.

Do you know you make a gross mis-statement when you say we demanded the Roads Engineer to change his whole road force to our political liking?

Give some proof of this statement or be man enough to own you are not telling the truth.

Mr. Bennett regarding your criticism of the School Budget, do you know it had the full and earnest personal support of Mr. William G. Smyth, Republican member of the School Board? We believe the public has a higher opinion of his judgment on educational affairs than it has for yours; at any rate we are willing that they should take their choice.

As to the money levied as our part of lateral road fund why do you try to tell the public this money has laid in bank indefinitely? Is it because you want to add another mistatement or is it because you don't know any better and don't want the trouble of looking up facts. The truth is the Treasurer barely had enough money January 1st to pay off those certificates issued by your board during the last six months you were in office and no balance as large as lateral road fund was available till February.

If bids this Spring are within reason every cent will be put in permanent roads this year.

Your last accusation in which you say, we have only enough of the road and budget left to pay Roads Engineer and Supervisors salaries seems to be a climax to your desire for mis-statements.

Didn't you learn enough while you were a Commissioner to know that the Engineer's salary is provided for by law and levied for accordingly and that it does not come out of roads and bridge fund.

As to whether we have money enough to do the regular Spring road work and we know we have a sufficient balance, for further proof, wait until June when we cordially invite you or any other tax payer to look at results and also as to whether we have paid our bills.

We are not proof against mistakes but shall at all times during our term of office give the county our best honest efforts and we will welcome any suggestions that will improve the management of the County's affairs.

We are perfectly willing that the public should judge us during our term of office and we hope the same public will honestly judge your record as a county official.

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REPORT OF

Chestertown Water Dep't.

For the year 1920.

Superintendent's Books

Rents uncollected 1919	$386.30	
Assessment for 1920	11,064.92	
Assessment for 1910 (in error)	2.25	$11,451.47
Rents Collected 1920	$10,371.77	
Rents Collected for 1921 (in error)	2.25	
Rents delinquent and uncollected 1920	1,077.45	$11,451.47

Treasurer's Books

Receipts

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1919	$2,534.77	
Received from Supt. 1920	10,374.02	$12,908.79

Disbursements

System	$1,252.51	
Pumping House	4,428.57	
Office	1,020.30	
Interest	2,025.00	
Bond	1,500.00	
Miscellaneous	120.85	
Balance on hand Dec. 31st, 1920	2,561.56	$12,908.79

Savings Account

Balance on hand Dec. 31st, 1919	$3,272.39	
Interest	122.10	$3,394.49
Interest paid 1920	$500.10	
Balance on hand Dec. Dec. 31, 1920	2,894.49	$3,394.49

The books of the Superintendent and Treasurer have been examined and found correct as per the above statement. Vouchers for all the disbursements in the report are on file at the office of the Water Board, and they and books are open to inspection.

W. M. CULP, Pres.
C. C. JONES, Treas.
R. HYNSON ROGERS, Secy.
CHAS. S. SMITH, Supt.
CHAS. F. WHEATLEY, Aud.
W. ROBT. HUEY, Aud.

CONDENSED STATEMENT

Showing the condition of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., Chestertown., December 31st, 1920.

Total income during the year	$24,856.43
Total disbursements during the year	32,165.73
Total admitted assets	97,640.01
Total liabilities except capital	88,026.40
Surplus as to policy holders	9,613.61
Total liabilities	$97,640.01
Amount at risk in United States Decemer 31, ...1920	2,563,562.00
Risks written in Maryland during 1920	2,563,562.00
Premiums on Maryland business in 1920	6,368.30
Losses paid in Maryland in 1920	7,543.69
Losses incurred in Maryland in Maryland in 1920	7,543.69

STATE OF MARYLAND

Office of the State Insurance Department, Baltimore, Md., Feb. 1921.

I Hereby Certify, That the above is a true abstract, taken from the Annual Statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent County, Md., for the year ending December 31, 1920, now on file in this Department.

THOS. J. KEATING,
Insurance Commissioner.

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Millston, Wis.—"I want to give you a word of praise for your wonderful medicine. We are very fond of children and for a considerable time after we married I feared I would not have any owing to my weak condition. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and now I have a nice strong healthy baby girl. I can honestly say that I did not suffer much more when my baby was born than I used to suffer with my periods before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound years ago. I give all the credit to your medicine and shall always recommend it very highly."—Mrs. H. H. JANSSEN, Millston, Wisconsin.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters of Administration D. B. N. on the personal estate of

MARY ELLEN LYNCH,

late of said county, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of September, 1921, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 8th day of March, 1921.

S. SCOTT BECK,
m12-4t Adminstrator D. B. N.

Wm. Frazier Russell, Attorney.

RATIFICATION NISI

Wm. Frazier Russell, Jr., Assignee versus George N. Meekins et al.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County. In Equity. No. 2102.

ORDERED, this 5th day of March, 1921, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the Auditors Account and Report, stated and reported by S. Scott Beck, Auditor, in the above entitled cause, be Ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 4th day of April next; provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 28th day of March next.

A. PARKS RASIN, Clerk.
True Copy—Test:
A. PARKS RA[illegible] Clerk.

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Men's Denim Work Shortd, each	75c
Men's Dress Shirts, each	75c
Men's Heavy Overalls, pair	$1.10

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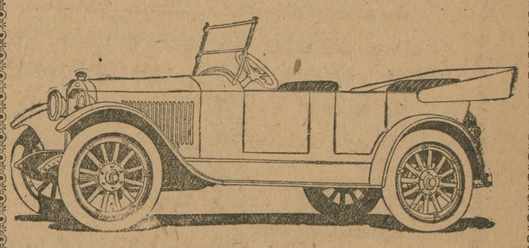

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