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Part I

Introduction

Before the agricultural depression, beginning in the early Nineteen-Twenties, the increasing cost of government attracted little attention in Kansas. Previous to this time the production of commodities had been showing a definite and steady increase with a corresponding increase in income to the farmer. While the cost of local government was advancing rapidly it was not difficult for the land owner to pay the taxes assessed against his land and his personal property, but by 1929 land owners had become definitely aware of the growing tax burden and they questioned evidences of the unequal distribution of the property tax. A demand thus arose for a careful study of the taxing system as a whole with a view toward adjustments that would be more equitable.

Improvement in the administration of the general property tax has been greatly retarded due to the situation mentioned above and also due to the fact that information concerning the methods employed and the results of these methods has not been made available.

Little change has been made in the tax laws since they were originally adopted. Some of them are inadequate and others are clearly outdated. The laws pertaining to the assessment of real property are especially inadequate and, as most of the inequalities of taxation are due to inequalities of assessment, the subject of assessment should be given first consideration.

The statutes of Kansas provide that the township trustee shall be the deputy assessor for his township and that he shall "determine as nearly as is practicable the actual value in money of all taxable real property"¹. The actual value of real property is not defined by the law, neither is a basis given upon which to determine it. Confusion has arisen as to what determines the actual value. Some assessment officials contend that the sale value is the actual value or the basis for it, others hold that the owner's valuation is the measure of the true value, and still others favor a basis determined by the capitalized earnings of the property.

The problem of this thesis is indicated in the title, "**Real Property Assessment Variations in Dickinson County, Kansas and Their effect on School Finance**".

1. Statutes of Kansas. Revised 1935. 79-411, p 2015

This problem will be considered under two major phases: (1) a critical analysis of the 1938 assessment of all rural real property in Dickinson County, Kansas to determine what irregularities exist and what the causes for these irregularities appear to be, and (2) to ascertain the effect of these inequalities upon the financing of the public schools of the county. The schools in the two second class cities of the county will not be included in the study for little or none of the rural real property is included within these districts.

The purpose of the study is to endeavor to formulate a plan for a more equitable means of assessment and to determine the probable benefit to be gained by the schools of the county through such a plan.

Four organizations have carried on important studies in the field of property assessment and taxation. They are, (1) The Department of Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Experiment Station, Manhattan, Kansas, (2) The Kansas State Planning Board in cooperation with the Federal Works Progress Administration, (3) The Committee on Assessment and Taxation of the Kansas Legislative Council assisted by the Research Department of the Council, and (4) The National Association of Assessing Officers.

The organizations mentioned above seem to have co-operated fully in conducting their studies and have thus avoided much duplication of time and effort on the same aspects of the subject. It appears however that the fields of study of these groups have been so broad and the available funds for carrying on these studies so limited that the particular field of assessment has only been touched upon.

Eric Englund² conducted the first Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station project in the field of public finance and having to do with real estate assessment. A second bulletin was later prepared for the department by Harold Howe and L. F. Miller³. Both of these studies disclosed situations which were similar although the methods employed were somewhat different. The principal facts indicated by these reports are: (1) that there are great inequalities in the assessment of individual parcels of land in the same taxing unit, (2)

2. Englund, Eric. Assessment and Equalization of Farm and City Real Property in Kansas. Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin 232. July, 1924.

3. Howe, Harold and Miller, L. E. Assessment and collection of Farm Real Estate Taxes in Kansas. July, 1939. An adaptation of a thesis of the same title by Harold Howe and submitted to the graduate council of the University of Wisconsin in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of doctor of philosophy, June, 1937.

that there is discrimination between large and small tracts, (3) that there is a tendency to value the best land and the poorest land close to the median, that is, with only a very narrow spread of values, (4) that there exists a difference in the ratio of sales value to assessed value among the various taxing units, and (5) that there is a difference in the ratio of sales value to assessed value for land and for improvements.

Howe concluded that most of the inequitable situations found in our taxing system would automatically correct themselves if proper assessment practices could be followed.

A similar conclusion was reached by Coody⁴ from his study of the assessor and his functions, where he says, "The local assessor is the most important official in the administration and application of the ad valorem tax, and his functions or duties exceed in importance those of any other official or group of officials. This is true because the work of the assessor is primary, and the work of others is either doing that which the assessor has failed to do or perfecting that which he has

4. Coody, A. S. The Local Assessor and His Functions. Proceedings of the 18th National Conference of the National Tax Association. 1925.

initiated. If the local assessor should perform his task perfectly, there would be little left for either county, district or state boards of equalization to do."

Method of Investigation

The primary source of data used in this study was the 1938 assessment rolls of the county clerk of Dickinson County, Kansas as revised and corrected for 1940. An assessment map was prepared from these records with reference being made to the original plat book, the deputy assessors' reports, and various maps of the county, townships and cities. Information concerning assessment procedure, instructions from the Kansas Commission of Revenue and Taxation to the county clerk and through him to the deputy assessors, and personal views on the subject of assessment was obtained by interviews with the county clerk, the county commissioners and several of the deputy assessors of the county. No formal questionair was used in these interviews but rather, an attempt was made to draw out the basic views of the assessment officers in regard to the fundamentals of assessment practice, for after all the assessor seems to follow the course of least resistance in assigning values to parcels of property. Further reference to

these interviews will be made in part two of this study.

Data concerning the ratio of assessed value to sales value was secured from the July, 1939 report of the Kansas State Planning Board under the title "The Relation of Assessed Value to Sales Value of Kansas Real Estate 1933-1937, Inclusive".

The assessment map of each township in the county was prepared directly from the original records in the office of the county clerk of Dickinson County. Land descriptions were given on the assessment rolls by directional parts of sections or by numbered lots. These were indicated on the maps by location and scale drawing. The number of acres of non-tillable land, the total number of acres, the assessed valuation of the land and the assessed valuation of the improvements for each parcel may be read from the maps. A table of recapitulation is given following the last map section of each township.

Part II

PRESENT ADMINISTRATION OF PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

The Statutes of Kansas provide that real property shall be assessed once every four years and may be assessed in any even-numbered year in any county by order of the county commissioners. The Commission of Revenue and Taxation (the successor to The State Tax Commission) exercises general supervision over all property assessment in the State of Kansas. Public service utilities having property extending beyond the boundaries of a single county are assessed directly by the commission. For all other property, the commission exercises only supervisory powers. These powers consist of preparing and distributing forms used by the local assessors, in providing the assessment officers with general instructions for performing their duties as prescribed by law, and later by sitting as a board of equalization.

In counties having a population of less than 65,000 the county clerk is the county assessor and in counties having a population of more than this number a full time county assessor is provided for by law. However, a provision is made by which in the counties of smaller population, 10 percent of the qualified electors may petit-

ion for an election to vote to provide a full time assessor.

The county assessor is responsible for the assessment of all property not assessed by the Commission on Revenue and Taxation. It is the duty of the county assessor to provide the deputy assessor with the blanks furnished by the commission and to instruct them in all matters relating to values. He may advise them concerning the values to be placed upon various items of property and may correct any clerical errors on their reports but he cannot require the deputy to assess in conformity to his instructions. He also has authority to assess property overlooked by the deputy and after the assessment period. Should the deputy assessor fail to conform to the statutes in the opinion of the county assessor, in fixing values on property, the county assessor may return the statements to the deputy for correction. If the deputy fails to make such correction, the county assessor is required to report the same to the county commissioners for action.

The deputy assessor does the actual work of assessing. He secures his office through his election as township trustee, as the law requires that the county clerk appoint such officer as the assessor for the township.

No other qualification is required. It is the assessor's duty to assess the property in his township which is subject to tax at its "true value in money", after personally viewing the same. In the case of some items of personal property such as automobiles, the assessor is guided by rate books but in assessing land and improvements, usually the only guide is a list of the assessments of those properties at the preceding four year assessment period. The assessor likes to avoid taking any steps that would bring about protest on the part of the tax payer, so usually he proceeds to assess at the same as the preceding value. If adjustment is necessary he will scale all properties up or down by a fixed ratio, not disturbing the relative valuations.

The local assessor seems to be guided a great deal by his own personal ideas on taxation. If he believes that improvements on farms should not be taxed, he is apt to scale the valuations of improvements in his township to one-third of what the same kind of improvements are assessed for in an adjoining township. If he knows little about soils and about farming, he is apt to place approximately the same value upon all tillable land in his township without regard to the quality of the land. The human element enters in to a very large extent due to the fact that no satisfactory plan for assessment

has been devised and because many assessors are unqualified to judge of property values.

Assessment Maps of Dickinson County, Kansas

On the following pages, assessment maps are shown for the rural property in each of the twenty-four townships of the county. Where possible, one-fourth of a political township is placed on a page. However, some of the political townships of the county do not conform to the townships laid out by the United States Land Survey and vary slightly for this reason.

E-T-F

314-814 6594	58-78.7 1670 250	37.5-77.3 1670 550	40-155 3905	25-153 5454 1000	34-76.5 2680	62-76.5 2943 550
38-78.7 1900 325	35-80 1825					
115-160 3360 1000	63-158 3920 325	45-80 1920 1000	24-80 2000 600	30-80 2560 250	0-80 3040	60-160 5800
145-160 3520	80-160 3720 300	90-160 3520 400	5-80 2000	32-80 2160	20-80 2160 1000	30-80 2640
45-160 4800 600	132-160 3365 500	130-160 3520	70-160 3520 400	45-160 5600 400	15-159.5 6080 1100	
109-160 4480 800	80-160 4320 600	22-80 2800	64-160 6240 800	20-80 3040 400	40-160 6400 1000	34-160 6400 1000
24-80 2320	0-80 4160	115-160	92-320 12-160 600	40-160 6400 500	56-160 5760 900	

Figure 1-a. Assessment Map, Flora Township (N.W. 1/4) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

Key: Each section of the map is divided into parcels of land according to the description given in the assessment rolls of the County Clerk. The numbers within each space representing a parcel of land, indicate the number of acres of non-tillable land, the total number of acres, the assessed valuation of the land and the assessed valuation of the improvements.

Example: The E¹ NE¹ section 1 shows the numbers 2943 and means 550 that there are 62 acres of non-tillable land in the total acreage of 76.5 and that the assessed valuation of the land is \$2943 and of the improvements is \$550.

62-76.5

2943

550

326.5 - 326.5 6205	160 - 160 3040	314 - 314 69 08	127 - 152 2888 100	138 - 138 2622
1 6		5		4
80 - 80 1520	160 - 160 3360	79 - 159 3985 700	85 - 159 4060 800	114 - 154 2916
80-80 1520				
146.6 - 146.6 2785	146.6 - 146.6 1520 150	20 - 80 37 80 500	40 - 80 2400	313.75 + 313.75 8770
1 7		8		9
320 - 320 10,275	40 - 147 4265 400	0 - 157 5965 600		307.2 - 307.2 8290
81-81 1620	80 - 160 4640 300	140 - 320 10,880 1,200	111 - 310 12,400 1000	101 - 101 2828
66-81 1620				0 - 41,37 1635
161 - 161 3220	80 - 160 4000 400		0 - 80 3360	151 - 80 1985 400
18	17	1	16	T 11 12

Figure 1-b. Assessment Map. Flora Township (N.W. 1/4) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

551-1 12,095	636.5'	48-160 6080 800	69-160 4900 700	132-160 4760	57-57 2050	1
19	20	43-80 2480 800	40-80 2320 450	40-80 2400 300	30-80 2400 300	45-77 2620
		15-80 2560 400	40-80 2320			35-80 2640
52-80 1520	80-158.5 3520 500	25-80 2640	35-80 2400 700	38-80 2080 600	46-80 2020	93-160 4160
0-80 1520		15-80 2800	23-80 2560 600			
30	31	40-80 1840 400	60-160 5760	36-50 1500	73-80 1670 400	69-160 4320 500
35-157.69 3790 300				35-110 3630	10-80 2160 150	
105-240 6960 700	80-80 1780	0-100 3225	30-60 1800 450	55-80 2320 500	66-120 3240 500	144-159 3680
31			52	2-160 5280	41-95 2565 800	35
41.5-151.5 4585 500	60-160 4480	55-160 4320		14-80 2400 700	36-80 2120	39-60 1620
					11-25 725	25-100 3100 700

(1) 0-8A \$650 (Small plot in N.E. corner section 31)

Figure 1-c. Assessment map. Flora Township (S.W.) Dickinson County, Kansas.

40-80 2800	60-160 5280 700	47-320 12480 700	15-320 13,100	34-80 2640 500	64-80 3600	0-160 5280 700
80-157 5180 200						
1 22		1 23	1		24	
	30-160 5600 600			90-240 8400 1800	23-80 3120	
44-154 6160 600	50-155 5580	20-80 2880 800	58-240 9120 800	20-80 3120 500	23-80 3400 1000	46-160 6240 700
25-80 2560	20-80 2560	52-152 5775 700	51-154 6200 700	39-160 5600 250	68-160 5440 500	50-160 5760 400
26-160 4800 700	39-80 2400 100	92-232 9280 800	20-80 3200	46-160 5920 900	25-40 1400 200	40-120 4800 700
34	67-160 4160 200		20-17.5 3105		36	
40-80 2560 700			26.5-76.5 3060	28-100 3800 1000	17-72 2732 700	10-80 3360 700
27-80 2575	15-80 2480 500	0-80 3360	20-76.5 3130	32-60 2340		

Figure 1-a. Assessment Map. Flora Township (S.E.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

Table 1. Recapitulation. Flora Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	10,853
tillable acres	11,788
total acres	22,621
total valuation	\$678,546
value per acre	\$ 30.01

Dwellings

number	105
total valuation	\$ 32,625
average valuation	\$ 310.71

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 28,925
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 275.38

	0-124.5 3700 275	0-164.5 4950	20-82 2500 400	16-165 5775 750	12-81 3080 170	14-81 3240 425	11.5 - 81.5 3260
0-40 1240						11-76 3116	40-80 2880
100-160 4480 575	25-160 4560 375	20-160 5180 400		0-80 2800 75	16-159 6500	53-153 5880 650	
				0-80 2800			
30-160 4850	20-160 5200 830	30-160 4880 225		15-159 1950	15-59 1950 650	25-80 2800	23-73.5 2800 650
						10-80 2720 450	34-134 5360 500
20-160 5280 525	0-60 2040	39-159 5275 400		21-101 3450 350	3450 100	15-80 2640 400	12-80 2600 200
	30-100 3300 475						25-80 3120
0-40 1340	20-40 1240	20-80 2720 375	15-160 5840 125	0-80 2920	5-80 2640 75	50-160 5440 475	0-78 3080 500
0-120 4080		25-80 2720 500					27-82 3230
15-160 5450 725		45-120 4080	9.5-49.5 1750 600	0-100 3650	0-160 5840	30-160 5440 200	30-80 3040 200
			1				0-80 3120

Figure 2-a. Assessment map. Willowdale Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

(1) 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres in S.W. corner section 14, \$365

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60-311 9840 210			33-163 5055 425			65-165 5115 450			45-85 2380 450			35-120 3480		
T 61			5			0-40 1280 1120 4			16-40 1120 400			24-44,7 1200 400		
20-80 2480 30			0-80 2600 275			19-159 4967 450			45-160 4950 275			40-160 4640 675		
22-70,72 2200 75												55-100 2700		
50-200 6200			15-110 3410 600			15-80 2560			30-80 2160 75			45-160 4860 250		
T 7			8			320 8000			T 9			320 320		
30-80 2480 350			70-70 2300 1625			0-50 3410			0-80 2500 550			60-160 4960 425		
T 18			17			320 320			T 16			49-160 4640 375		
15-111 3996 600			35-40 1250			45-160 5760 625			70-160 5440 250			100-160 4960		
15-112 4032			27-200 7200 725			10-80 2760			0-80 2800			30-80 2640 400		
T 17			18			10-80 2720			20-80 2150			25-80 2250 250		
0-80 2480 300												0-80 2600		

Figure a-b. Assessment Map. Willowdale Township (N.W.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

57-153 5200 475	35-160 5400	40-160 5600 700	0-80 2800	50-160 5440 600	50-160 5600 800
			30-80 2720		
19		20		21	
50-152 5165 750	55-80 2500 200	0-80 2800 325	0-43 1500	57-117 4050 575	48-80 2520
	19-79 2575			+	
0-72 2500	10-80 2760 510	50-160 5280 400	50-79 2800	8-80 3120	0-80 3120
			21-80 2880 200		0-80 575
55-152 5075 275	45-160 5440	57-160 5760 250	40-160 6240 150	40-160 6240 675	40-160 5760 450
41-151 4875	30-160 5360		0-3120 11,140 325'	100-340 11,000 650	110-300 9675 700
15-150 4875 225	20-160 5360 200	25-80 2680 450	30-80 2640	28-80 2680 2720	12-80 2720

Figure 2-c. Assessment map, Willowdale township (s.w.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1968.

0-160 6080	0-80 3040 650	80-160 5440	0-40 1450	37-160 5920 550	43-160 5920 650
	0-80 3040 600		35-135 4840 500		
5-160 6240 600	10-80 3120 500	0-80 2880	5-145 5365 550	10-120 4465 650	60-200 7400 325
	0-80 3120	0-80 2880			
20-80 2960	90-160 5440	10-80 2760 450	16-80 2400	14-80 2730 875	45-80 2960 125
0-79 3081		27-65 2080		5-40 1520 220	0-20 760
8-80 3120 200	70-160 5530 900	8-78 2340 400	95-95 2850	40-80 2400 50	0-20 760 25
0-80 3120 50				22-80 2640 550	15-80 3040
0-80 3120 500	40-160 5280 450	0-160 5280	0-160 5280	90-160 4640	10-40 1320 425
25-238 7854 500				150-280	10-40 1400
1	34		35	1	1
	0-80 2720	0-160 5280		56	40-80 2720
37-80 2440	20-80 2640 525				20-118 4130 750
				10-80 2640 325	

Figure 1-a. Assessment map. (110 acre township). (S.E.),
McClain County, Kansas. 1988.

Table 2. Recapitulation. Willowdale Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	5,972
tillable acres	16,950
total acres	22,922
total valuation	\$ 772,481
value per acre	\$ 33.70

Dwellings

number	110
total valuation	\$ 23,915
average valuation	\$ 217.41

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 26,285
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 238.96

328-1 16, 628 325 600	80-152 4560 600	17-67 2010 440	28-147 4850 600	56-156 5140 700
3	10-80 2400	10-80 2400 220	0-80 2000	0-160 5280
	40-80 2000 800	80-80 2000	0-80 2000	0-80 2640
10-80 2400	30-40 800 350	30-40 1120	30-80 2240 500	0-80 2000
	20-80 2000			0-80 2590 400
20-80 2240 600	40-80 2000 1000	0-160 4160 400	240-320 8000 800	40-80 2160 700
80-160 2400 400	160-160 2587		280-280 5040	40-80 2160 600
15			14	1150 9-32 400 7.5-127.5 4190 800
0-80 1440	80-80 1293 500	0-120 2160	120-160 2400 +	0-40 1200 4730
25-80 1600 300	30-80 1360			0-280 7120
				10-20 500
				20 600 250

Figure 2-a. Assessment map, Lincoln Township (N.E.),
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1:38.

160-294 9570	20-152 5015	0-152 5320	57-152 4660 550	26-76.5 2400 500	41-76.3 2350 400	73-153 5200 700
1 6		5			4	
20-160 5550 350	0-160 5600	0-80 2560	55-160 5060 575	55-160 4920 425		
		10-40 1400 700	30-80 2560 500			
88-148 5000	0-80 2800	5-160 5760 1000	29-80 2400 700	30-80 2560 500	50-160 4800 400	59-159 4400
7	0-80 2800	8			9	
3-149 5355 800	0-80 2800	0-160 5760	40-120 3600 650	80-160 4480	80-80 2240	80-80 2000
	80-80 2880		20-40 1320			
0-156 6700	0-80 2800	0-80 2640	0-40 1200	15-120 3985 1000	0-80 2000	80-80 2000
		0-80 2540 900	0-40 1200		8-80 2000 500	80-80 2000
148-148.6 6650	36-71 1925	0-40 1200			16	
1 7						
	0-43.85 1550	35.65 1260	10-80 3200 800	15-80 2160 700	20-80 2000 400	10-80 2160 600
			0-80 2720			

Figure 3-B. ASSESSMENT MAP. LINCOLN TOWNSHIP (N.W. 1/4), LINCOLN COUNTY, MINNESOTA. 1988.

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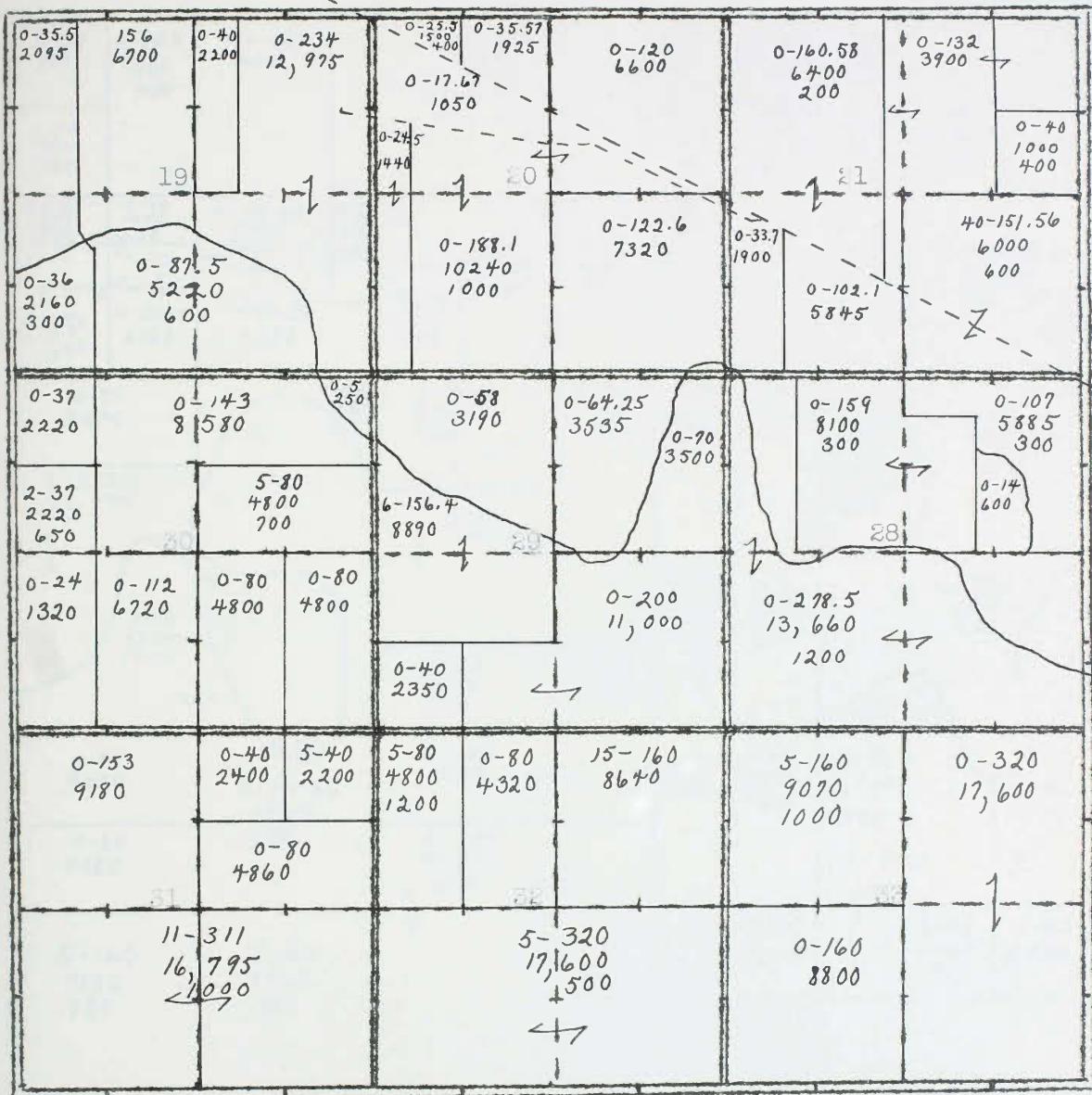


Figure 5-C. ASSESSMENT MAP. LINCOLN TOWNSHIP (S.W. 1/4), DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS. 1938.

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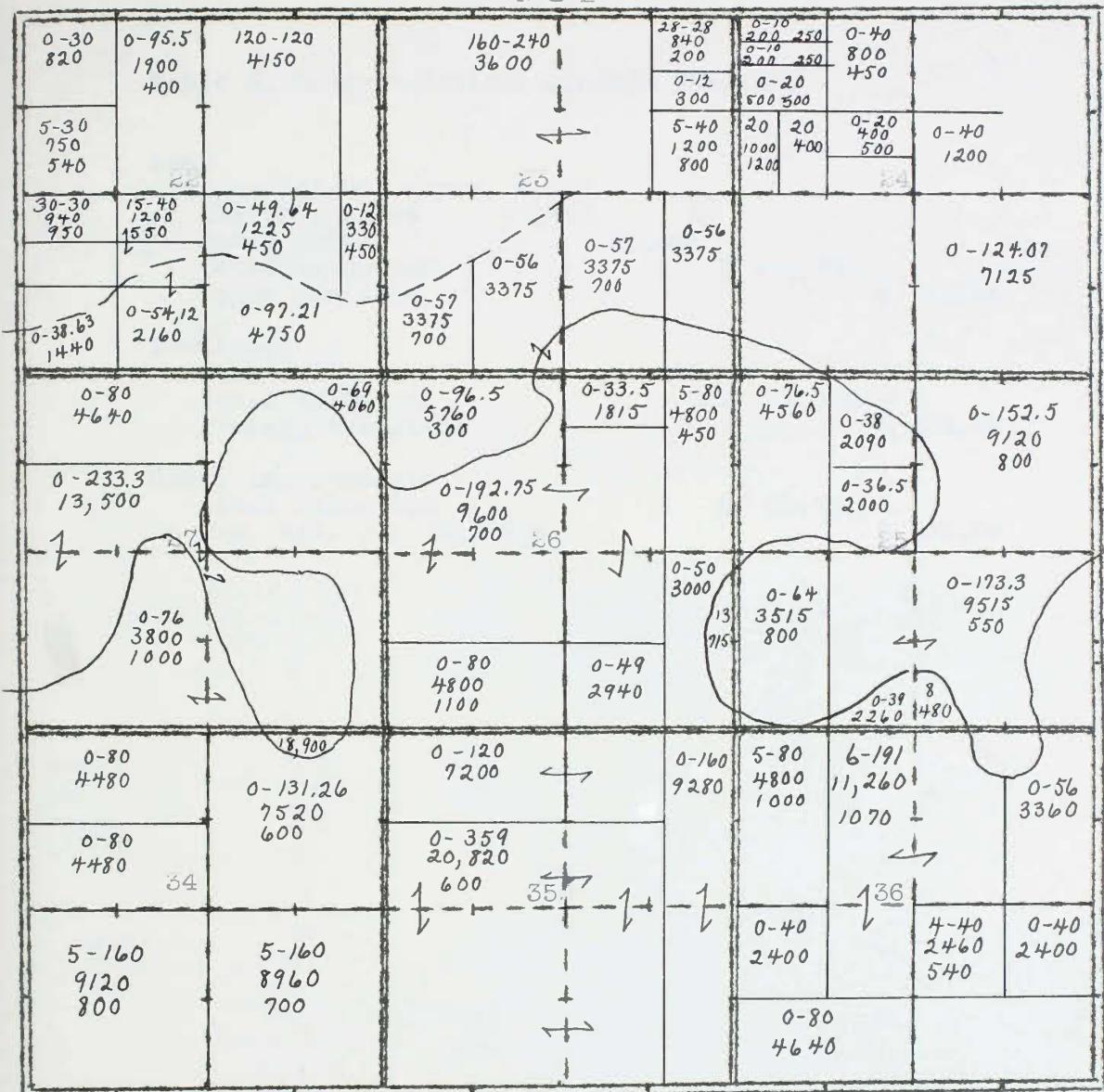


Figure 3-d. Assessment map. Lincoln Township (R.E.),
Dickinson County, Nebraska, 1938.

Table 3. Recapitulation. Lincoln Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	4,848
tillable acres	17,458
total acres	22,306
total valuation	\$ 899,795
value per acre	\$ 40.34

Dwellings

number	131
total valuation	\$ 47,750
average valuation	\$ 364.50

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 29,225
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 223.09

5-163 5960		4-164 7000 785	9.5-164.5 6100 1650	5-165 6250	0-42.2 1540 500	0-203 6340 1100
62-80 2385	80-80 2335	10-160 5500 800	5-160 4425	10-160 5650	20-120 3700 750	10-160 6100 1300
5-80 2390		10-160 5130 300	10-160 5180 650	5-120 4070 200	10-40 1200	5-40 1740
5-80 2440 350					5-40 1800 400	5-40 1740
2-80 2660 250	3-80 2475 650	3-80 2660 200	2-80 2675 450	4-154 5410 600	0-80 1600	5-160 6570 1600
0-80 2800	4-80 3640 700	10-160 5325 450	5-160 5400 1150	0-160 5000	10-160 7415 700	5-80 3365
15		5-80 2640	0-80 2700	10-160 5330 400	8-40 1885 800	4-80 1850
14		0-40 1400 100	0-80 2860		5-40 1700	0-40 1700
13		0-40				

Figure 4-a. ASSESSMENT MAP. Garfield Township (N.E.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

6-71 3235 400	0-80 3600	3-161.75 7280 400	5-162 6550 700	7-322 12950 700	0-160 6220 100	2-162 7120
	6		5	1	4	
8-153 6240 1200	0-160 7200	2-60 2400	5-100 4070 700		0-78 2725	5-162 5760 1300
3-77 2765 700	4-77 2600	0-160 6350 50	5-160 5835 750	5-160 5460	10-320 11,125 750	3-80 2750
7			8		9	T 14
7-152 5470 1100	10-160 5925	5-160 5470 200	2-80 2850	2-80 2870	3-80 2740	5-160 5215 1650
4-154 5575 550	10-160 6390	10-220 8000 600	0-100 3635		5-120 4255 500	0-40 2750
18		17			16	
19-314 11,190 1300		15-220 7940 400	0-100 3635		0-80 2715 300	0-80 2910
	17				16	
					0-80 2990	0-80 2910

Figure 4-b. ASSESSMENT MAP, Garfield Township (I.I.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1968.

7-152 5290 400	10-160 5580 450	5-160 5050	0-80 2865	5-80 2990 1400	5-160 5395 500	7-160 5600 450
19		20		21		
7-152 5070 1150	5-160 4500	10-160 5300	10-100 3410 1050	5-160 5800	0-80 2800	0-80 2800
10-150.5 5040 650	10-160 5600 1500	0-79.5 2800	0-40 1400	10-120 4350 1000	10-160 5560 1000	5-80 2645 1150
5-150 5280 800	0-80 2700	0-80 2500 50	0-80 2800	0-80 2800	10-160 5470 700	0-80 2765 750
10-148.25 4730 300	30-240 7990 900	5-160 5240 1400	2-80 2755 550	0-80 2400	0-160 5800	0-160 5945
12-147 4925 250	10-80 2840 400	0-80 2840 400	0-80 2800	0-160 5595 900	5-160 5595 900	5-160 5585 900

Figure 4-c. Assessment Map. Garfield Township (S.W.),
Ducbinson County, Kansas. 1958.

2-80 2830 300	10-160 5740 1400	0-40 1462	5-80 2925	10-80 2750	0-40 1450	10-80 3605 1450	0-80 3585	10-160 6025 250
5-80 2845 450		0-40 1463			5-40 1440 400			
10-80 2700	9-159 5650 700	10-200 7890 700		10-120 4725 800	10-80 3550 150	5-80 3600	0-80 2700	
3-80 2620							5-80 2770 700	
0-80 2735	10-160 5090 1450	2-80 3080	0-80 3080	3-40 1740	10-120 5450 1700	20-80 3000 550	3-80 3200	10-160 5500 1000
0-80 2620							5	T 14 8
10-160 5200 900	10-160 5240 1500	10-160 6700	20-160 6700			19-319 11,150 1450		
1-158 5270 500	0-79 2800	0-160 6700	20-160 6220 1220		15-160 5145	5-80 2660 500		
	0-80 2800						10-160 5300	
3-318 10,875 1100		10-160 6960 1100	0-80 3600		15-160 5380 1300		0-40 1320	0-40 1560
			5-80 3200					

Figure 4-d. Assessment Map, Garfield Township (S.E. 1), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

Table 4. Recapitulation. Garfield Township.

Land		
non-tillable acres	1,197	
tillable acres	21,761	
total acres	22,958	
total valuation	\$ 826,745	
value per acre	\$ 36.01	
Dwellings		
number	106	
total valuation	\$ 48,100	
average valuation	\$ 453.77	
Other improvements		
total valuation	\$ 31,135	
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 293.72	

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0-160 4800 850	0-80 2400	0-80 2400 725		0-260 10,400 1,000	0-161.5 5635 1750	0-160.5 5600 475
			0-60 2400			
0-160 4800 650	0-160 4800 1350		0-320 12,800 2000		0-80 2800	0-80 2800
				0-153.25 6120	0-158 5700 1900	0-160 5600 1000
0-40 1400	0-200 7000 975	0-160 6420				
0-80 2800 200						
0-159 4800 600	0-80 2800	0-80 3200 1750		0-240 9600 1750	0-79.5 2800 1250	0-160 5600
	0-80 2800				0-80 2800 2000	
0-80 2400 200	0-160 4800 1300	0-80 3500 900	0-80 3100 350	0-80 2500	0-85 2975	0-160 5600
0-80 2400		0-80 3000	14		0-75 2625	15
0-160 4500	0-160 4500 375	0-80 2800	0-80 3200	0-160 5600 250	0-155 5425 200	0-160 5600 1300

Figure 5-a. Assessment map. Meatland Township (N.E.1), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

0-304.7 7360 200	0-78.39 2240	0-158 4740 300	0-159.5 4770	0-160 4640	0-160 4800 750
	0-80 2240				
	6	5		4	
	0-80 2000	0-160 4800 850	0-159 4770 525	0-160 4800	0-160 4740 300
	0-80 2000				
0-238 5950 950	0-80 2000	0-159 4770	0-160 5600 750	0-160 5600 1125	0-80 2800
					0-160 5600 900
158-158 3475	0-160 4000	0-160 4000	0-160 5600 850	0-160 5600 1125	0-80 2800
79-79 1800	0-160 4000 1000	0-320 9600 1800		0-160 5600 775	0-160 4800 1900
0-79 2000					
0-78 1950	0-160 4000 1450	0-80 2000	160-160 4000	0-160 5120	0-80 2560
					0-80 2560

Figure 5-b. Assessment Map. Thetford Township (N.W. 1/4), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1968.

0-158.5 4000 950	0-160 4000	0-160 4000 1000	0-160 4320 650	0-160 5120 500	0-160 4800 1100
0-319 7975	0-160 3680	0-160 4000	0-160 4800	0-160 4800 500	
53.71-158.71 4750 600	80-80 2000	0-320 8000 750	0-160 4000 400	0-79 1975	0-240 7200 300
0-159.5 4000 1300	0-80 2000 700	0-160 4000 1150	80-80 2000	0-160 4000	0-240 7200
0-160 4000 925	40 1000	0-60 1500	0-160 4000	0-160 4000 1000	0-240 7200
0-80 2000	160-160 4000	0-80 2000	0-80 2000 550	0-160 4000	
0-80 2000		0-80 2000	0-80 2000		0-80 2400 175

0-80 2400	0-160 4800 2175	0-480 19,200 1350		0-80 2800 750	0-80 2800	0-160 5600 1400
		← 20		7		4
0-160 4800 725	0-160 4800 2000	0-160 6400		0-80 2800 1200	0-240 8400 1000	
					← 7	
0-80 2400 675	0-160 4800	0-159 5565 550	0-80 2800	0-160 5600	0-160 5600	
0-80 2400			0-240 8400 1850			T 15
80-80 2000	0-160 5600 1075	0-160 5600		0-160 5600	0-80 2800	0-80 2800
0-80 2400						
0-160 23, 700 1800	0-160 6000 1100	0-160 5600 200	0-160 5600 500	0-80 2400 1700	0-80 2400	0-80 2400
		← 1		7		
		25			36	
	0-160 6000 950	0-160 5800	0-160 5600 650	0-160 4800 900		

Figure 5-d. ASSESSMENT MAP. WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP (S.E.),
DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS. 1888.

Table 5. Recapitulation. Wheatland Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	1,362
tillable acres	1,637
total acres	22,999
total valuation	\$ 719,925
value per acre	\$ 31.30

Dwellings

number	86
total valuation	\$ 37,075
average valuation	\$ 431.10

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 49,640
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 577.21

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25-1 615 24,1 517 6-000	4-160 6600 200	5-80 3181 200	25-80 2800	30-160 4200
1 3 1	2	2-80 3191	20-80 2870 500	1
1	1	5-150 6000 500	20-160 5605 800	8-158 4552
1	1	0-144 750		
5-80 2643 350	15-80 2700 925	50-320 13,104	40-160 4360 1100	0-160 6162 800
10 11	12			
0-80 3019	10-80 3400	60-160 4536	0-80 3100	0-40 1554
			15-80 2815	0-40 1512
160-1640 19,200	60-160 4300 950	60-160 4200	20-160 5500 1200	20-160 5500 800
15 1	14	15		
	60-160 4600	50-160 4290 225		140-240 7000
		15-80 2600 150		

Figure 6-2. Assessment map. Hoilana Township (N.E.), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1908.

6-80 2446 300	22-152 4148	0-80 2200	160-160 4000	452-452 11,600	10-160 4763 1400	10-160 5100 1000
-1 6	-1	5 1.6-71.6 2200	5	-1 16-146.5 4500	4	17-147 4631
50-225 6400 2500						
20-160 4300 375	40-160 4032	30-160 4300	60-160 4400 1100	10-80 2426	0-78 2320	80-80 2000
20-160 4100	40-160 4100	39-79	17-160 4425 75	70-160 4500 325	15-80 2179	30-80 2179
20-160 4400 950	10-160 4400 700	60-160 4500 750	0-160 4500 750	120-160 4000	95-160 4009 800	
18 80-1320 8400 400		10-80 2410	10-160 4400 300	60-160 4460 1000	40-160 4375 350	
		80-80 1890				

Farm 6-1. Assessment Map. Holland Township (N.W.)
Lancaster County, Pennas. 1968

80-320 8600 1150	160-160 3800	15-240 6550 350	0-80 2363	640-640 15, 1120
	160-160 4020 600	10-160 4363 1150	50-160 4568	
40-160 5050 150	0-160 5000	280-320 9000 700	320-320 7224	80-80 1680
70-160 4250 950	40-160 4500 500			260-400 8800
85-240 5298 1000	100-240 6205 500	100-240 6430 500	80-80 1806	640-640 14, 448
0-80 2100	40-80 2205	70-160 4017 850	120-160 3612	

Figure 6-e. Assessment map, Franklin Township (cont'd.)
Franklin County, Oregon. 1938.

0-160 3900	0-160 4800	140-160 3885	140-160 3885	60-160 4120 500	70-160 4300 650
80-320 8093 800 ↓ ↔	160-160 3623	160-160 3623	40-80 1945	80-160 4200 ↓ ↔	20-80 2260 1100
170-320 8496 950 ↔ 7	80-80 1806	80-80 1806	250-320 6954 1000	280-320 7040	140-160 3600
240-320 7953 590 ↔	160-160 3612	160-160 3612	160-160 3612	160-160 3675	120-160 3810 600
320-320 7224 ↓ 1 34	130-160 3600 600	160-160 3612	160-160 3612	160-160 3675 ↓ 35	160-160 3612
120-160 3600 ↓ 320-320 7224 ↔	320-320 7224	320-320 7224	160-160 3612	160-160 3612 ↓ 36	160-160 3612

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Figure 6-a. Assessment map. Holland Township (S.E.)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1888.

Table 6. Recapitulation. Holland Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	11,137
tillable acres	11,648
total acres	22,785
total valuation	\$ 630,599
value per acre	\$ 27.67

Dwellings

number	54
total valuation	\$ 24,800
average valuation	\$ 459.26

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 22,125
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 409.72

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69-76.0 2080	5-80 3300	51-157 5840 50	20-157 5840		44-84 3640 400	80-154 68440 4150	13-30.6 1200
60-160 4780 350	0-160 4800	15-160 4650	30-80 2700	10-80 3300 400	14-59 3120	5-69 3940	3-40 1825
0-80 2500	2480 2490 400	42-160 4705 975	30-160 4910 625	60-160 4700 670	70-80 1890	5-40 2100	5-40 2100
25-160 5100	67-160 5000	120-160 3840	68-80 1960	42-85 2065 100	42-80 2065 100	10-40 1760	20-40 1500
84-160 5000 300	75-159 4850 450	35-80 2390 500	108-240 6780 800	50-160 4400 600	42-80 1945 525	40-40 880	40-40 1440
6-160 6750 800	78-160 4900	16-80 2505 360	15-80 2280	6-80 2850 800	8-160 5190 950	5-160 4900	

Figure 7-B. Assessment map. Cheever Ranch (100), LLC - 1980
County, Kansas.

48-135 4205 350	58-153 4485 400	10-74 2440	44-154 5350 500	32-172 5600 400	10-154 5670 300
		0-80 2750			
6		5			4
40-144 4050 275	0-80 3100	0-80 3200	20-158 6265 500	50-120 4060	32-160 5100 300
34-145 4900 600	25-160 5675 325	25-158 6090 475	0-80 3200 750	0-160 6080	33-160 6085 100
7		8	0-80 3200		
15-74 2440 325	0-74 2600 225	0-160 6500	60-160 5800 650	30-160 5960 475	35-80 2450 1350
33-112 3345 300	0-80 3600	15-160 5115 150	0-160 6600	40-80 2600 3000 550	47-80 2100
1	18	17			16
	0-80 3200	0-80 3300	53-160 5825 350	0-156 6720	18-80 2925 75
					0-80 3300

Figure 7-6. Assessment map. Cheever Township (N.Y.).
Lincoln County, Kansas. 1930.

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0-33 1200	20-40 1250	0-160 6400	0-80 3360	0-80 3360	0-158 6450 450	0-80 3100	0-80 2700	40-160 6240
0-75,4 2700								
64-148 4800 700	60-160 5700 425		0-80 3400		35-161 6340	23-160 6550 300		50-160 6300 400
			25-80 3150					
35-150 5300 475	0-80 3200 325	0-80 3300 100	80-160 5700	20-80 3040	0-80 3500	0-80 3500 400	38-160 6750 600	
25-152 5935 350	0-80 3200	0-80 3360	0-80 3300	20-80 2840 125	0-80 3300	0-80 3300	0-60 2580	0-100 4400 400
0-320 13,105 925			27-159 5290 325	40-160 5440 125	0-320 13,400			
44-75 2530	35-120 5560		10-160 6600	12-80 2985 475	0-320 13,400			
0-76 3100 475	0-40 1700 450			0-80 3100 100				

Figure 7-C. Assessment map. Cheever Township (cont.)
Lincoln County, Kansas. 1908.

43-160 5550 700	15-80 2900	0-79 2850	10-160 4720 200	4-80 2740	134-319 9180 950	
				60-80 2040		
10-160 6000 475	21-159 5460 775	65-80 2200	5-160 6300 425	55-160 4885 425	30-160 5520 250	
		0-80 3200				
0-160 5900	60-160 5020 100	5-80 2960 515	5-80 2950 350	20-80 2880 375	18-80 2750 350	52-160 5335 475
						40-240 8880 600
0-160 6100 375	20-160 5490 500	29-159 5840 650	55-160 5210 425	31-160 5580		24-80 2480
8-80 3010	30-160 6050 475	20-160 6185 525	68-240 8035 500	38-160 5335 500	30-80 2760 500	
	5-80 3200					14-80 2900 375
0-160 6500 725	30-160 6210 675	6-80 3290 700	0-80 3280	12-76 2695 250	6-80 2965 475	35-160 5450 500
					0-70 2660	0-10 440 325

Figure 7-d. ASSESSMENT MAP. Cheever Township (S.E.)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

Table 7. Recapitulation. Cheever Township.

Land			
non-tillable acres	4,836		
tillable acres	17,861		
total acres	22,697		
total valuation		\$ 819,865	
value per acre			\$ 36.12
Dwellings			
number	111		
total valuation		\$ 22,810	
average valuation			\$ 205.49
Other improvements			
total valuation		\$ 29,060	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 261.80

33-167 6388 1100	27-167 6370 1010	21.75 882	0-65 2662	7-84 3340 800	56-83 2634	32-161 6156 1050
			0-80 3276 825	0-80 3276 700	20-80 3003	
0-80 2688	80-160 6382 500		6-160 6552 1350	0-160 6552 600	0-160 6552	15-160 6347 850
0-80 2688						
0-158 6470 1500	11-80 3026 520	0-76 3112	0-160 6552 850	6-159 6429 1500	0-160 6552 950	0-80 3276 1000
0-160 6552 1100	0-158.5 6470 1300		0-160 6405 850	0-80 3276 3276	0-160 6552	15-80 3071
						0-80 3276 1325
120-160 5418	40-160 6174		0-320 13,104 1190		0-160 6552	0-160 6552 925
70-160 5891	0-160 6552 750		0-80 3276 935	10-80 3140 550	20-160 6276 1600	0-160 6552 1200
						0-160 6342

Figure 8-8. Assessment map. Bidley Township (H.R.)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

12-155 6183 900	0-86 3522	0-84 3440	12-84 3251 574	37-248.5 9652 975	
	30-80 2993		0-81 3232		
6		1	5	4	
0-159 6511 700	20-160 6363 400	0-244 9992 1000	16-162.6 6464 1000	20-247.5 9842 1600	0-158 6470 1350
0-131.3 5040 365	0-80 3528	0-80 3528	37-160 6047 680	0-80 3276	20-160 6510 800
7			7	8	9
15-76 3036 820	38-160 6674		20-160 6363 1425	0-160 6552 850	0-160 6552
35-67.5 2721 725		0-80 3444			
31-159 6357 900	38-80 2757 650	0-160 6552	10-80 3066	0-80 3192	40-160 6300 750
	0-80 3276		17		16
0-78.5 3440 400	40-160 6006 1100	135-160 4709 1100	35-160 6090 900	8-160 6476 735	0-160 6552 1160

Figure 8-B. Assessment in Buckeye Township (N.W.)
Licking County, 1958.

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26-50 1718 850	0-30 1260	70-76 2075 640	0-41 1722	119-119 4865	40-160 5712 220	0-80 3276 450	0-160 6384	80-320 12012 1600
					25-160 5859 650			
120-235 6468 1400		35-80 2478 225		100-160 4704 400		16-80 2873 900	0-160 6020 950	- - -
18-84 3194 850	37-152 6474 700	5-80 3560		45-160 5649 500	18-160 5989 800	13-120 4849 440	15-80 3003 1100	
						20-120 4746 540		
27-122 4827 900	0-37 1671	14-80 3497	5-80 3124	23-80 2878 1025	32-160 6250 30	25-75.8 2651 600	13-80 1419 600	48-120 3604
	12-77 3062 675							40-40 1302 725
24-80 2890 900	0-74 3186 1000	14-80 3417		40-240 10,290 1325	19-60 2221 885	80-160 4872	50-160 5124 800	
0-80 3276								
35-160 6221 850	0-152 6384 900		25-160 7040 850	18-100 4011 550	18-80 2715 750	0-80 2772 625	27-160 5307 700	
						0-80 2772		

FIGURE 8-C. ASSESSMENT MAP. BUCKEYE TOWNSHIP (S.W.)
DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS. 1948.

10-80 3140 700	2-80 3249	2-160 6416 1500	0-160 6263 1185	0-160 6525 350	16-160 6182 900
0-80 3276 700	0-80 3276				
3-77.8 2959 650	2-5-80 2735	0-80 3024	0-160 6206	40-160 5880	26-160 6056 1925
		30-80 2678 750			11-160 6412 850
100-159 4944	40-160 5628 695	27-160 5625 820	0-80 2940	52-320 11550 1065	
			18-80 2751 1175		T
43-160 5183 700	10-160 5775 600	0-80 2520	52-80 2302 368	35-80 2609	12-80 29 500
				80-80 2184	0-80 3108
35-160 5381 795	0-80 2772 530		580- 17, 640 919	12-80 2671	15-40 1444
	0-80 2772			12-80 2671	30-120 3906 375
35-160 5250 700	60-160 5040 675			50-160 5355 750	17-160 5251 625

Figure 8-C. APPRENTICE, BIGELEY TOWNSHIP (S.E.)
LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS. 1958.

Table 8. Recapitulation. Buckeye Township.

Land			
non-tillable acres	4,117		
tillable acres	18,902		
total acres	23,019		
total valuation		\$ 872,944	
value per acre			\$ 37.92
Dwellings			
number	133		
total valuation		\$ 52,385	
average valuation			\$ 393.87
Other improvements			
total valuation		\$ 51,812	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 389.56

29-79 2725	34-79 2650 400	30-79 2650	30-79 2465 300	160-320 10,400 1100	41-321 12,225 1300	61.5-161.5 6040 2000	30-160.5 5315 900
100-160 4900		160-160 4000				60-160 6000 600	80-80 2000
							40-40 1000
							10-40 1450 200
27-80 2530		140-320 12,500 800		Dickinson County Farm		0-80 4000	55-80 2625
5-80 4000 600						15-80 4275 750	0-80 2400
		0-200 12000 700			0-120 7200 1000	0-80 4640	0-80 4400
						0-80 4400	0-80 4400
		0-290 18,850 1500		0-17.5 9085 650	0-89 5340 300	0-80 4800	0-80 4800
0-101.79 6565 1300			0-80 4400		0-69 3795	0-111 6660 1400	0-130 6500 500
						0-194 16,640 700	0-100 6000
		0-22 1430				0-160 9600 800	
0-8 595 600	0-22 1210		0-22 1600	0-126 7810 100			
0-20 1200							

Figure 9-a. Assessment map. Grant Township (N.E. 1/4)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

50-60 1650 600	37-97 3325 300	0-72 3275 500	0-138 6900	0-78.5 3925 450	0-78.5 2747	0-38.5 1155	0-61.5 2085 800	30-237.5 9050 900
38-78 2350 300			0-15 700			15-40 1375		
6				5			1 4	7
78-78 1925	40-180 2400 44	0-80 3200 900	0-154 6930 500	0-20 1200	0-80 4000 700	0-80 2800 400	20-95.5 3900 700	
	0-80 2400 24			0-20 600	0-40 2400			60-80 2300
78-78 1950	101.9-101.9 3565 700		0-113 4520 900	0-78 4290 1000	0-80 4000 300			
	0-80 2800 24	12-40 1280 750						0-40 2000 300
0-80 3200	0-80 3200 550	0-40 1600	0-40 1600 600	0-40 1600 25	72-72 3640 4000	0-75 4125		
		0-40 1600	0-20 800 900			0-77 3850		
0-40 1400 400	0-40 1400 200	0-80 2400	0-25 1000	0-36 1440 400		0-77 4620 1100		
0-20 700 250	0-40 1400		0-25 300	0-35.6 1400			1	
0-20 700 100	18		0-30 1050	0-10 400	17		16	
0-80 2800	2015 2025 20 20 20 50 50 50 20 20 20	0-80 2800	0-50 1750 600					

Figure 9-b. ASSESSMENT MAP. GRANT TOWNSHIP (N.W. 1/4)
DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS, 1938

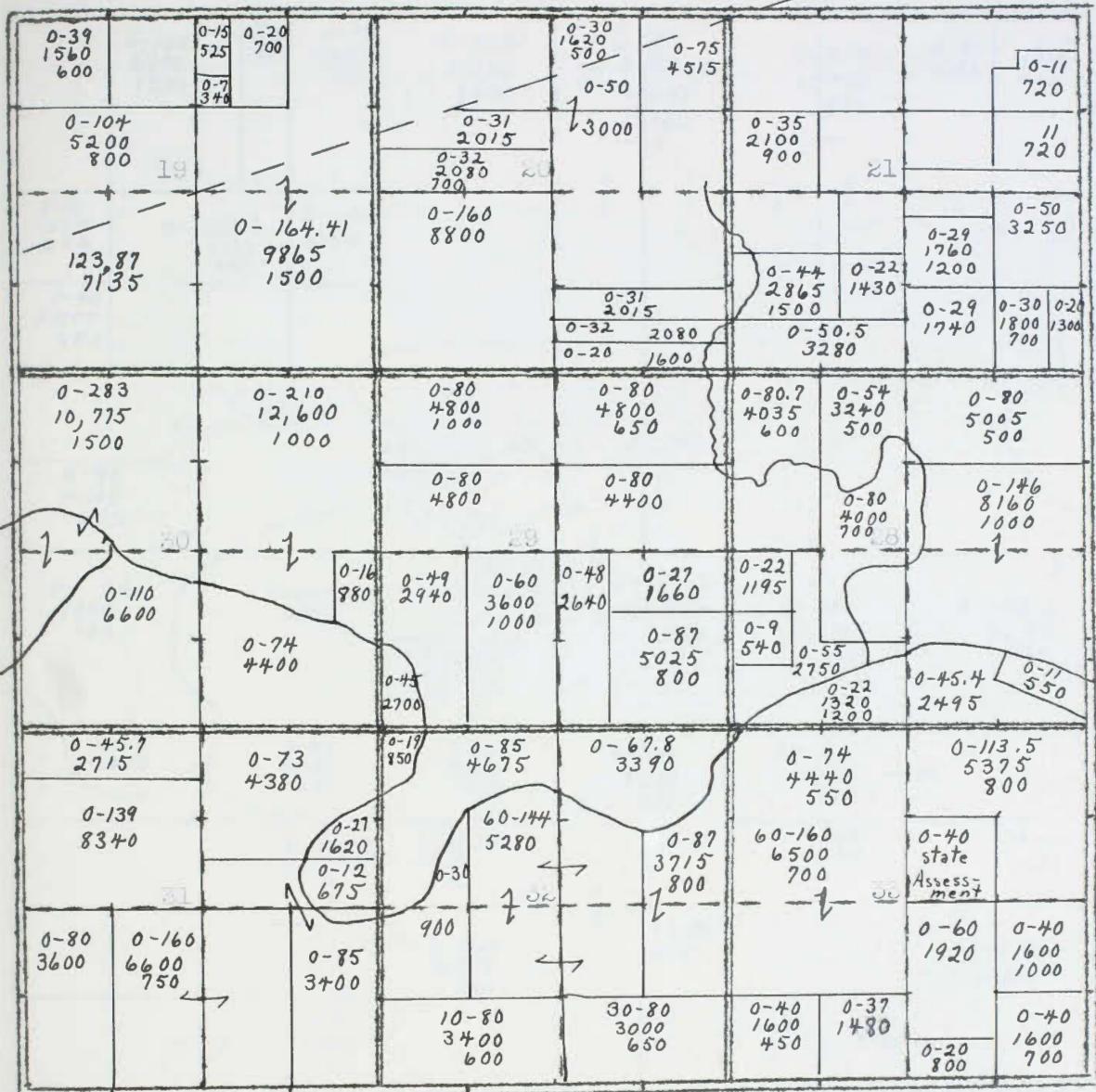


Figure 9-c. Areal extent map. Grant Township (s.s.) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1978

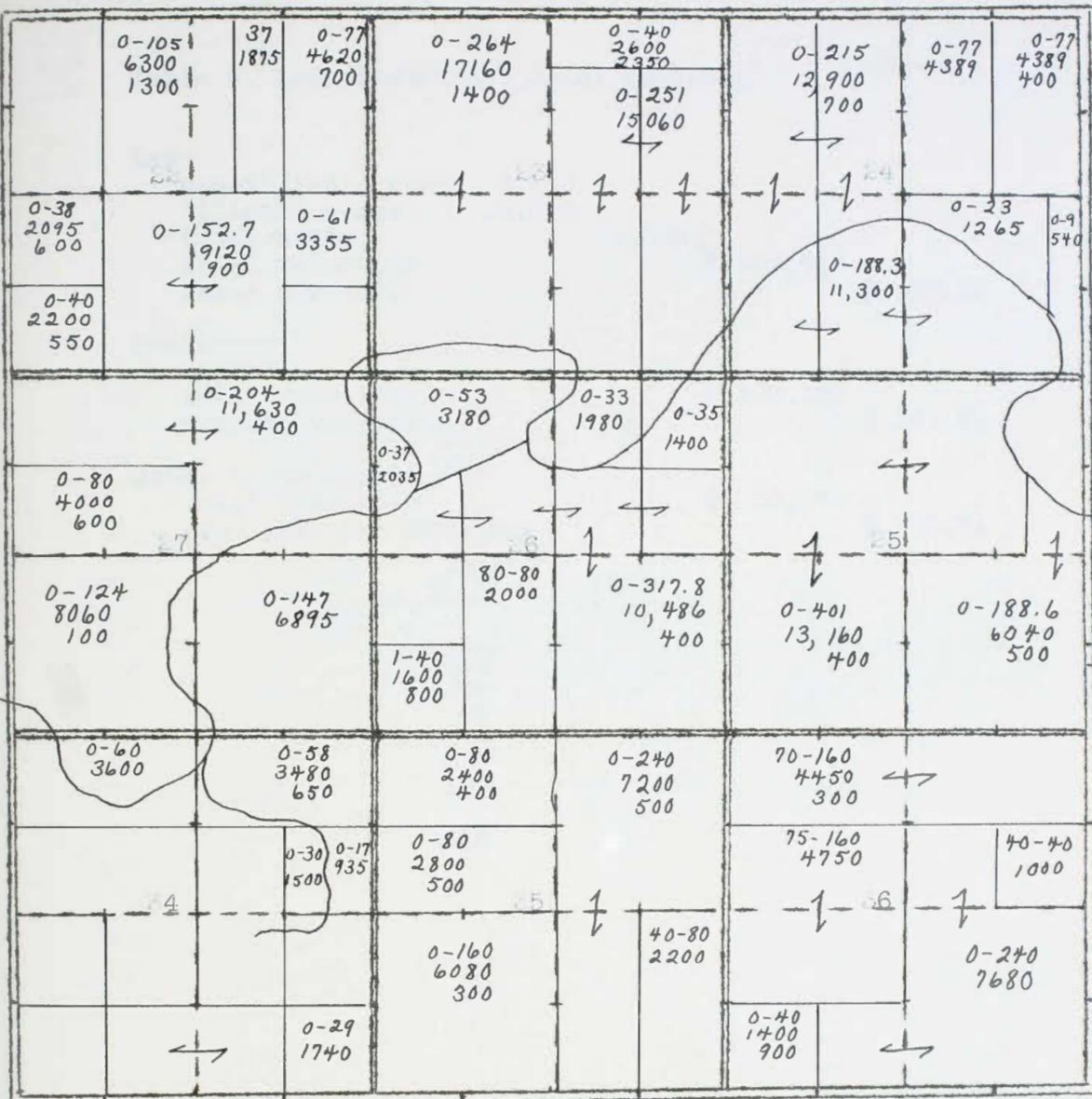


Figure 3-1. Assessment Map, Grant Township (L. S. I.)
Licking County, Licking, 1968

Table 9. Recapitulation. Grant Township

Land			
non-tillable acres	3,105		
tillable acres	16,855		
total acres	19,960		
total valuation		\$ 949,620	
value per acre			\$ 47.58
Dwellings			
number	181		
total valuation		\$ 103,150	
average valuation			\$ 569.89
Other improvements			
total valuation		\$ 52,800	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 291.71

0-81 2660 275	90-162 6840	0-240 8650 875	0-80 2565 75	0-162 5190 310	0-80 2665 250	0-26 1700 830	0-80 2565	0-80 2615 350
3	10-80 3650 525	1	2			1		
0-160 5275 375	10-80 3650 525	1	1	0-80 2460 225	0-160 5055 700	0-80 2605	0-80 2610 250	
	30-80 2840 260		0-80 2960					
0-160 5175 675	70-160 5475 475		30-160 7300 650	140-160 6825 1950	0-160 5450 700	0-80 2100 275		
10			11			12	0-80 2000 575	T S
0-80 2680 400	0-40 1040	0-80 2680 475	12-80 3500	0-80 3650 2205	0-80 1980 350	0-160 4300		
0-100 3300 475	0-20 600		14-80 3425 400			0-80 2090 335		
0-80 2550	0-160 5200 350		32-80 2950	0-80 3400 425	0-80 2800	0-160 4285 600	0-80 2100 250	0-79 2225 700
0-80 2600			32-80 2950					
15			14			13		
0-160 5250 800	0-80 2700	34-79 2625 275	30-80 2700	12-70 2555 100	40-120 3225 450	0-50 1300 350	0-80 2050	0-80 2150 200
					47		0-80 2300 325	0-80 2225 225

Figure 10-a. Assessment Map. Newbern Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

3.3-	323.3 10,800 625		0-161 5600 575	0-161 5500 750	0-39 1410	0-37.4 1340	0-162 5525 350
6			5		4	0-78.6 2580	
0-162.5 5650 725	0-104 3650 475	0-28 925 375	0-160 5400 925	0-160 5675 1250	0-78 2750 350	0-80 2775 325	0-80 2750 350
		0-28 975 75					0-40 1250
0-162 5850 650	0-104 3650 375	0-36 4960 275	0-80 2800 150	0-160 5850 775	0-80 2550 300	0-80 2550	0-80 2900 700
7			8	0-158 5525 125	1	0-80 2625 450	9
0-162 6400 550	0-80 2850	0-80 2850 630	0-80 2800 125	0-80 2850	0-160 5125 425	0-160 5560 220	
0-161.7 6375 625	0-160 5775		0-160 5700 800	0-80 2640	0-160 5300	0-80 2840	
18			17	0-240 8375 675	1	0-60 2100	
0-161 6075 700	0-158.5 5500 700		0-160 5675 500	0-160 5750 750	16	0-60 2100	
						0-60 2100	
						0-60 2100	

Figure 10-b. Assessment Map. Newbern Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas 1938

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0-160 5900 500	0-160 5900	0-160 5900 1150	0-160 5700 775-	0-160 5325 550	0-320 10,320
19		20		21	1
0-160 5400	0-159 5650 850	0-160 5600	0-80 2875	0-40 1380	0-35 1175 4125 575
				0-40 1380	
0-160 5500	0-80 2900	0-80 2840	0-160 5750 650	0-160 5225 800	0-40 1350 0-80 2950 550
30		29		1	28
0-160 5500	0-80 3000 500	0-80 2840 600	0-160 5600 875	0-160 5750 500	0-200 7075 675 0-80 2700 550
					14 S
0-160 5850 450	0-79 2800	0-160 5830 750	0-80 2950 425	0-80 2850 150	0-80 2600 450 0-110 3960
31	0-240 8226 875	32		33	1
0-160 5600 775	0-160 5510 750	0-160 5500 450	0-160 5580 550	0-170 7250 550	

Figure 10-c. Assessment Map. Newbern Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-80 2950 600	0-120 4400 725	3-80 3360 250	20-80 3250	0-80 2000	0-160 4645	0-80 2410	0-80 2750 475
	22	0-80 2820		23		0-80 2610	0-160 5650 750
0-120 4175 800	-1-	25-40 1425 325	40-120 3815	0-80 2575	0-80 2575 250	0-80 2725 525	-1-----
		0-80 2235 50	28-40 1375 200	0-40 1440		0-80 2800 500	0-80 2870
0-80 2175 200	0-80 2350		55-321 12590 600			0-160 5535 750	0-320 10450 750
0-80 2300	5-160 5400 450	27	26			25	T 14 S
0-80 3000 2950 200	5-80 2625	40-80 2700		41-199 7950 750			0-160 5230
0-170 6450 450	0-80 2350	0-80 2700	20-80 3260 800	10-80 3060	10-160 5540 575	40-40 900	0-160 5700 650
34			5-80 3280	35		0-198 7330 350	36
10-147 5300 550	0-160 5541 450		20-240 9970 750	1		0-80 3100	0-80 3095
						0-80 3125 750	0-80 3125 750

Figure 10-d. Assessment Map. Newbern Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 10. Recapitulation. Newbern Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	991
tillable acres	22,063
total acres	23,054
total valuation	\$ 801,770
value per acre	\$ 34.78

Dwellings

number	127
total valuation	\$ 34,225
average valuation	\$ 269.49

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 31,880
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 251.11

13-166 4857 1350	77-167 4949 1350	40-80 2568	75-93 3675 580	6-20 621 - 550	55-160 4954 845
0-160 5136 900	30-160 4976	0-60 2054	60-100 3724 250	0-144.5 4107	
0-80 2803 100	30-160 5093 1850	50-240 8828 1100		55-160 4470	28-160 4954 1150
0-80 2739 1250		10-80 3360		0-80 2568	20-80 2675 1000
0-78.5 2809	0-80 2825	0-78 2782	0-78 2782	10-120 4323 1350	0-2000 9095
				10-74 2675	25-160 5173 1050
45-160 5564	7-60 2054	60-100 3210	28-180 7298 2550	23-80 2810 750	11-41 1284 625
100-160 5136 1400	130-160 4965	0-80 2889 700	0-52 2354	0-28 1209	15-40 1338 150
			0-40 1626	45-100 3494 1250	5-80 2675 850
				40-80 2568	9-99 2675 1550
				6-80 2632	0-160 5478 1700
				35-160 5404 1000	60-160 5243

Figure 11-8: Assessment map, Section 16, Twp. 10 N., R. 1 E.,
McKinney County, Kansas, 1:25,000.

0-160 5906 600	40-162 5489 450	0-163.83 5232	50-165.4 5152 2200	26-86 2686 950	0-40 1558	0-40 1380
0-80 2953 900	0-80 2996	0-80 2825 1450	10-160 5136	0-160 5150 1900	24-80 2425	45-160 5563 1175
0-80 3050	1	1			-1	4 + - 1 - 1
0-80 2975	0-79 2969	0-80 2996 1300	0-80 2964	0-80 2964	6-40 1284	25-180 3076
0-80 1400				0-80 2779 1250	22-40 1241	10-120 4500 450
0-161 5949	0-158.5 5885 1770	0-80 2675 650	2-80 2779	10-160 7051 725	1	30-80 2825
0-161 5671 1200	10-80 2836	10-80 2836 1250	50-160 5136 1000	10-80 2836 1600		0-160 5564 1250
0-161 5725	10-160 5650 950	20-160 5671 850	40-80 2611	32-40 1327	0-80 2675	0-80 2675
			25-200 6982 1550	1	1	16
			10-40 1284	50-280 9937 2000		25-160 5564 1100

Figure 11-b. Assessment Map. Jefferson Township (N.W. 1/4)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1929

30-161 5650 1050	10-160 5885 1400	75-240 8474 1500	10-80 2889 900	10-160 5650 1050	0-80 2739
			0-240 8892 1450		10-80 2739
20-160 5671 700	0-160 5885			15-160 5650 1250	0-160 5650 1250
		0-80 2654 300			
20-80 2643	0-80 3039 1950	10-80 2996	5-80 2825 1050	40-319 10582 1150	35-160 5446 1050
				1	0-80 2825 625
0-20 800	0-80 3040	14-80 3060		0-160 5650 1150	0-80 2739
0-60 2218 250		10-80 2996 1350		0-160 5650 1650	20-160 5640 1150 +
18-160 5992 1200	20-80 2739	20-80 2739	20-80 2825 950	20-240 8624 2050	90-320 11,032 1100
			0-100 3745 150	32	32
28-160 5650 1300	60-160 5371		38-120 5500 800		30-320 10967 600
			0-60 2364 1250	32	32

Figure 11-c. Assessment Map. Jefferson Township (S.W. 1/4)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

30-160 5329 1000	10-160 5585 1625	0-40 1284	9-79 2771	0-80 3082	45-80 2531 1100	10-160 5109 450	5-160 5478 600
22		40-41		0-80 3007		2A	
25-160 5585 675	0-160 5896	10-240 8988 1600		50-80 26	0-80 2611	30-80 2654 350	0-80
0-80 2996	40-240 8346 1150	0-80 3264	0-80 3434	0-80 3424	9-63 2258	40-80 2568	35-80 2568 325
0-80 2739 450	27					50-160 5361 1350	
0-80 2943 1100		0-160 6506 600	0-80 3387	0-80 2868 1200	55-160 5264 850	0-80 2739	
0-80 2889 800	0-80					20-80 2729 450	
22-80 2675	11-157 6206 850	0-80 3039 950	0-80 3595 1000	0-80 3692	0-80 3510	20-80 2825 750	0-160 5618 750
30-160 5885 1665	40-161 5885 11004					0-80 2878	
		18-98.5 2568 450	0-80 3938	15-153 6388	30-160 5992 650	22-145 4879 750	
			0-62 2718				

Figure 11-d. Assessment Map. Jefferson Township (D.B. 1)
Dickinson County, Kansas, 1931

Table 11. Recapitulation. Jefferson Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	3,563
tillable acres	19,506
total acres	23,069
total valuation	\$ 814,373
value per acre	\$ 35.30

Dwellings

number	120
total valuation	\$ 73,800
average valuation	\$ 615.00

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 51,000
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 425.00

7-153 5200 1000	0-150 5100 1600	0-148 5180 900	0-148 5476 2000	15.5-115.5 4250 1600	20-88 3120
0-65.5 1628	39-149 4800 1100	0-148 5180 2125	0-148.6 5426 3100	28-1132 3848 1100	1 0-153 6320
80-80 2880				5-40 1330	5-40 1552 475
0-80 2400 800	0-160 50160 1300	6-80 2600 750	30-80 2960 1000	0-80 2960 1000	38-160 6240 2300
25-160 5200	30-80 2800	0-280 9600 18000	0-120 4275	25-120 5160 3000	0-40 1600
30-160 4960			1 0-160 5772	0-80 2960	17-80 2964
0-160 4960	0-155 5115 2000	0-159 5280 1400	0-160 5760	0-160 5120	0-160 5760
0-160 5300	0-80 2275	0-80 2275	0-160 5920	30-160 6080 1800	0-152 5016 1000
15	14			13	0-160 5920

Figure 12-a. Assessment Map, Banner Township (I.M.A.)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1/20

0-53 1960	0-236 8860 2100	0-160 6400 1050	0-74 2812	0-155 5145 1600	0-152 5165 1800
			0-80 3040		
6		5			4
0-151 5436 800	0-123 3900 500	0-77 2695 700	0-15 600 0-43 1806	0-77 2772 0-77 2695 550	0-154 5236 1400
		0-67 2940 300	Elmo		
0-133 4410 900	0-160 5920 2000	0-80 2940 300	0-80 2950	0-160 5400 2800	0-160 5120 3300
7		0-80 2940			8
0-133 4515 2100	0-160 5760		0-80 2950		0-80 2710
					0-80 2710
0-134 5700 1200	0-160 5760 2200	0-160 5300 1350	0-160 4960 1300	0-160 4980 1500	0-160 4980 1200
18		17		16	
0-27 935	0-107 3700 300	0-160 4250	0-320 11,520 1600	0-80 2640	0-80 2640
			+ +		
					0-120 3720 100
					0-40 1240

Figure 12-b. Assessment map. Banner Township (N.W. 4)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

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0-174 3830	0-80 1870	0-80 2500 200	0-160 3520 1000	0-80 1900 100	0-160 3600
	0-120 2550	0-80 1600 100	20	0-80 1875 100	21
0-178 4090 700		0-160 3585 300	0-160 3370	0-160 3610	0-158 3550
0-115 2600	0-160 3250	0-80 1630	0-160 3250	0-160 3250	0-80 1625 200
7	30	0-320 6505	0-80 1630	28	T 16 S
		0-160 3750	0-160 3615	0-80 1825 200	0-80 1750 300
0-215 5590	0-320 6505	0-160 3320 100	0-80 1630	0-160 4500	0-80 4800 2000
31	1	32	0-120 2375 400	33	34
		0-160 3250	0-40 1430	0-80 2400	0-80 2400 1050
			0-80 1785		0-160 4735 700

Figure 12-c. Assessment map. Banner Township (S.W.)
Dickinson, County, Kansas. 1938.

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0-80 2160 1425	0-80 2085 700		0-158 5332 600	0-160 5370 1700	0-160 5600 900	0-80 2800	0-80 2940 500
		22	0-160 5785 1400	23		24	
0-160 5280 800			0-80 2815	0-99 2285	0-80 2850	0-160 5440	0-160 5700 1000
	0-80 2585		0-40 1320	0-40 1320			
0-80 2275	0-80 2350	0-160 5050 700	0-119 3775 1600	0-160 5200 2200	0-160 5280	0-160 5100	
		27	0-80 3500 1300	28		29	
0-80 2275	0-80 2350	0-160 5060		0-121 4450 100	0-160 5200 1550	0-160 5200 1600	
			0-160 5040 1700				
0-240 7515 1800	0-240 7715 1300		0-160 5600 1900	0-160 5700 1800	35-160 5200 1300	0-160 5200 1600	
		34		35		36	
0-78 2585	0-80 3015		0-320 11,200 600		0-160 5200 1400	0-160 5600 1300	
				37			

Figure 12-6. Assessment Map, Banner Township (S.E.)
Lincoln County, Kansas, 1913.

Table 12. Recapitulation. Banner Township

Land

non-tillable acres	753		
tillable acres	21,643		
total acres	22,396		
total valuation		\$ 699,879	
value per acre			\$ 31.25

Dwellings

number	91		
total valuation		\$ 69,425	
average valuation			\$ 762.91

Other improvements

total valuation		\$ 43,950	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 477.47

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5-152 5150 500	32-152 5200 450	33-153 4980	4-40 1440	33-113 3780	0-75 2800	24.5-156.5 5450
4					0-80 2880	
60-160 50730 650	40-160 5380 520	20-80 2650	61-161 5030	30-80 2550	35-160 5715 750	
		33-78 2365		20-80 2540 550		
70-160 4975 625	320-320 8200	20-80 2300 350	10-80 2475 350	30-160 5100 400	25-80 2700	65-160 5500 1100
9	1		10		25-80 2750 650	
60-160 4900 750		30-80 2200 200	60-80 2200 350	15-80 2650 50	10-80 2700 600	47-79 2500
					27-80 2650	15-160 6000
50-160 5100 350	100-160 5000 225	20-80 2800 350	0-80 2950	30-80 2750 2400	24-80 2450 450	0-40 1400 1500
16		15			0-40 1400	0-40 1500
50-160 5375 400	50-120 3700 550	30-160 4850		80-160 5000 700	75-160 5450 600	80-160 5300 950
	35-40 1050 50					

Figure 18-B. Assessment map, Sherman Township (N.W. one-half section), Dickenson County, Kansas, 1900.

Sherman township contains only thirty sections. The section numbers are the ones ascertained by the original survey.

R-3-E

	10-28 860	0-63 2000		23-113 3725 500	74-149 4225 375	75-75 2000	50-75 2325 100
	7-25 790	40-80 2300				5	
	1 1 6						
	18-48 1450 100		90-160 4895 1250		160-160 4100		75-158 5030 600
	16-76 2650 800						
	13-38 1325 550	6-40 1375 750	10-80 2410	5-80 2350	10-80 2700	20-80 2380 450	40-80 2500
	55-235 9610					40-160 5000 450	
	1 1 7		20-160 6100 150		70-160 4850 500	1 1	25-80 2550 500
	24-156 6350	45-160 6500 1000		159-159 4300	126-241 8000 600		
			18		17		
	34.5-154.5 5575 625	30-80 3050 1000			25-77.5 2900 550		
		29-80 2600 200		59-80 2800		22-82 3050 850	

Figure 13-b. Supplemental, Current Inventory (H.W. six sections)
LITTLETON COUNTY, MARYLAND, 1968

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	154-154 4000	160-160 4100	40-80 2800	10-80 3200
	35-156 6050 1400	30-160 6000 550	80-100 2650 1 20	20-40 1150 50-100 3100 600
	35-155 5400 800	60-160 5500 1000	60-160 4500 500	30-79 2450 550
	22-152 5600 850	45-160 5050 600	155-160 4650	130-240 7350 850
	65-235 8200 1250	14-79 2850 50	59-79 2250	50-80 2400 400 30-80 2550 650
	45-152 5150 1300	24-80 2750 575	30-80 2750	36-160 6050 600
				30-160 6450 850
				30-160 6450 1350

Figure 18-C2 Assessment map, Seward Township (1/4 mile sections)
Dickinson County, Indiana, 1968

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45-200 7900 450	20-80 3100 650	15-80 3000 600	15-80 2900	60-120 4250 550	24-40 1300 400	15-80 2700	0-120 4350	40-120 3950 800
15-120 4000 600	20-160 6550 1000		22				20	
10-40 1500 450	17-40 1400	12-80 3000 1000		10-40 1600 400	35-120 4825 1075	135-200 6000	1	60-120 3700
60-160 5500 450	42-120 3700	40-80 2450 200	22-80 3200	5-80 3300	10-80 3350 550	60-80 2400		
40-120 4000 600	5-80 2875 275	60-160 5500 900	56-60 16-20 725	70-160 6000	1	22-80 3100	T 11 S	
0-320 13,800	50-240 10,300	2-60 2375	35-80 2800	80-160 4950 850	25-160 6500	0-159 6850 1000		
33	1	10-60 2250	54	1	55	55-151 5800 450		
	40-80 2350			20-80 2550 400	30-80 2550 350			
	0-80 2500 650	40-80 2300 400						

Figure 15-a. ASSESSMENT MAP. SHERMAN TOWNSHIP (S.E. NINE SECTIONS)
DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS. 1938.

Table 13. Recapitulation. Sherman Township.

Land			
non-tillable acres	6,650		
tillable acres	12,391		
total acres	19,041		
total valuation		\$ 648,070	
value per acre			\$ 34.04
Dwellings			
number	93		
total valuation		\$ 29,175	
average valuation			\$ 313.71
Other improvements			
total valuation		\$ 31,095	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 334.35

30-80 2450 500		30-80 2450 400	30-80 2600	15-80 2780	40-160 4800 900	5-80 2600 400	40-160 5290 1100
69-319 10,100 1100	4			3		13-80 2635 500	2
16-80 2535 1100	15-80 2540 850	30-80 2540 850	60-160 4635 1000		35-160 5155 550	5-80 2725 500	35-160 5250 1200
						0-80 2800 1100	
0-160 6110 1100	40-159.5 5505 1200	40-160 5145 850	40-160 2795 750	10-80 2700	10-80 750	80-80 2065	60-80 1286
9			10				28-80 2620 300
0-80 3155	40-40 1035	10-160 6025 1100	10-80 2695 900	0-80 2700 1000	15-160 3450 1000	8-80 2950 150	38-158 5285 250
40-40 1035							
50-160 5210 1300	40-160 5335	45-80 2365	45-80 2365		90-160 4830	32-87 2725 100	25-80 2815 900
16			15			0-40 1240	25-80 2290 850
6-120 4400	0-40 1580	10-46 1740 100	26-106 3370 1400	40-160 5200 1200	80-160 4930	5-40 1200	0-40 1290
							0-30 1075
							0-30 975 650

Figure 14-a. Assessment Map. Hayes Township (N.E. nine sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

	0-150 5595 650	14-160 5460 1150	125-320	
	6		5	
	48-148 4890 1100	52-160 5404 1000	50-80 2390	0-80 3040
				0-160 6100 1100
	38-148 4910 750	14-20 550	0-80 3155	18-160 5865 1200
		6-137 4795	0-80 2970 1100	0-80 6010 1300
	7		8	
	0-148 5720	0-160 6060 1350	0-160 6010 1300	0-160 6060 1500
	0-145 5445 1000	0-80 2960 800	0-80 3155	21-160 5780 1600
				37-160 5476 1500
	18			17
	0-146 5660	0-80 3095 200	0-80 3155	0-80 3040
				20-120 4000 700
				22-40 1014

Figure 14-b. Assessment Map. Hayes Township (N.W. six sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

	35-147 5320	25-160 5765 1200	0-80 2800 400	0-80 3120 150	8-160 6028 1100
		19		20	
	73-308.31 10,995 1400		0-80 2940 1400	0-80 3155 500	0-80 2970 1000
					5-80 3085
	0-76 2995	0-160 5570 1000	0-80 2870	15-80 2670 500	
	48-148 4685 1400 30		0-80 2800	12-80 2750	
		0-160 3600 1000	0-79 2765 1000	35-160 5250 900	
	0-76 2650 450		12-80 2612 900		
	20-53 1655 400	0-80 2870	25-160 5315 950	32-80 2440 800	
	0-100 3585	0-80 2685 1150		70-160 4810 1000	
		31			
	0-73 2625	0-76 2670	25-160 5350 1000	40-160 4835 900	
					4-80 2694 1300

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Figure 14-c. Assessment Map. Hayes Township (S.W. six sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-76 2964 1350	0-150 5350 950	30-160 7300 1100	35-80 2530	5-80 2750 600	130-160 4300	22-40 1276	80-80 2240
0-80 3155 21		22			23	34-40	
0-80 3155	0-80 2875	15-80 2585 1100	30-160 5735 1000	20-160 5540 900	30-160 5585 1000	23 23 34 34 925 771 1034 700 170 762	23 23
0-80 1955 250							
27-80 2530 900	40-120 3640 1350	1-40 1340	20-80 2600 1000	5-80 2750	0-80 2870	0-160 5300	0-79 2686
				64-80 2730			25-80 2468 840
24-79 2525 800	5-40 1315	12-80 2680 800	60-160 5000 1000	0-80 2870	80-80 2065	20-160 5400 400	55-160 5050 850
20-80 2600 1000	27-40 1117						
25-160 5325 900	120-160 4530		40-80 2240 500	60-160 5000		55-160 5050 1100	10-80 2620 900
.33			80-80 4560 600 34			35	10-80 2620 600
30-80 2450 600	3-80 2770 700	65-160 4790 975	80-160 4560 600	45-160 4990 800	34-80 2414 950	10-80 2410	160-160 4090

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Figure 14-d. Assessment Map. Hayes Township (S.E. nine sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 14. Recapitulation. Hayes Township

Land

non-tillable acres	4,258
tillable acres	14,782
total acres	19,040
total valuation	\$ 637,304
value per acre	\$ 33.47

Dwellings

number	112
total valuation	\$ 48,250
average valuation	\$ 430.80

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 53,710
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 479.55

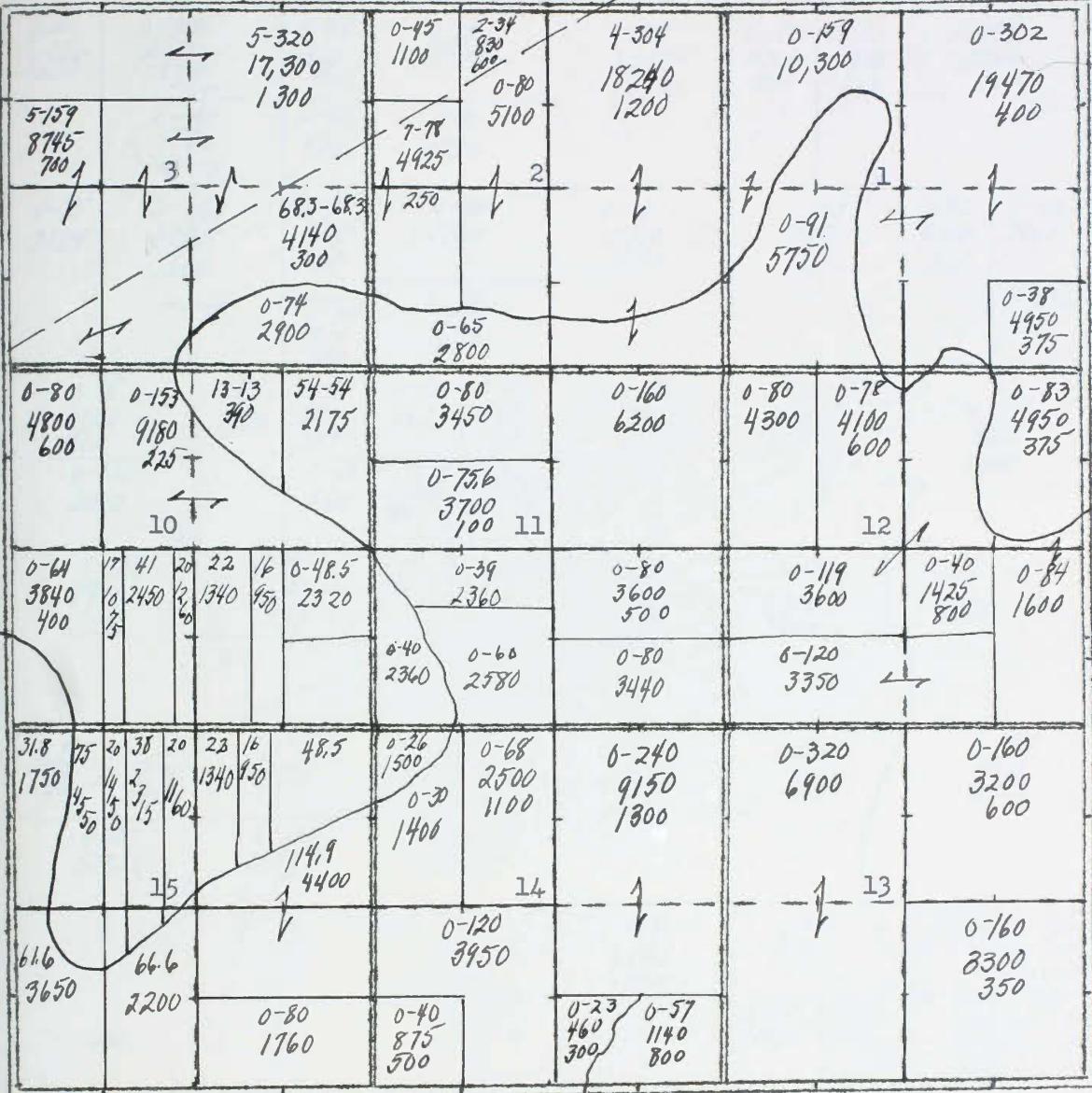


Figure 15-a. Assessment Map. Center Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

R-3 E							
0-75 2275	0-84 2320 800	0-43 865 800	0-88 1650	0-168 6250 1200	0-84 3360 900	0-85 2530 350	0-167 5200 700
	0-80 1720 800	0-40 800	0-80 1550			4	
0-75 2125	0-164 3725 1600	0-45 900 50	0-80 1720	0-160 5300 1200	0-160 7365 100	0-90 4900 500	0-40 2465
		0-35 750 700	0-78 1550 1800				0-276 1700
0-78 2340 760	0-80 1720	0-40 800 325	0-40 860 550	0-156 7740 850	0-163.58 10225 2000	4	0-160 9600 2400
0-100 3000		0-40 860	30-30 1600 1000	0-10 200 500		4	
0-154 8900 2200	0-80 1680 575	0-30 960 1350	54 1700 300	0-20 500 575	0-31 1950	9	
			Detroit		0-96 6076	132	0-118 6375
0-41 2495 950	0-30 1825	0-75 4725	0-55 3400	0-160 9760 1400	0-129.11 7950		0-153 8415 2000
0-203 12600	0-234 14785 700	0-223 13700 1100				16	
-- 1 --	19		17	0-159 9840 1300	0-66 3960		
					0-35 1250 900	0-20 550 150	0-10 550 150
					0-40 2425	0-22 1350	0-10 550 150
					0-16 675	0-10 320 1200	0-10 550 145

Figure 15-b. Assessment Map. Center Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

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0-79 4825	0-67 4200	0-122 7950 1900	0-28 350	0-69 4340	0-66 4195	0-58 3050	0-84 5300	0-60 3785	0-23 1200	0-6 300	0-68 2300
1 19	1	1	1	1	1	20	Non-taxable	0-14 700 800 475	0-9 450 550	0-22 1860	0-76 1860
0-142 8730 1200	0-64 3420 650	0-74 4650	0-40 2375	0-280 9500 750	0-68 1375 800	0-40 800 500	0-40 775	0-94 3275	0-22 1	0-116 2210 600	0-40 725
0-23 1200 1510 450	0-74 1	0-80 1600 1165	0-40 2375	0-280 9500 750	0-68 1375 800	0-40 800 500	0-40 775	0-80 1450	0-80 1450	0-160 3200 1450	T 13
0-39 700	0-75 1735	30	29	0-80 1600 650	0-289 575 400	0-80 1600 800	0-80 3150	0-80 1600 525	28	-1-	
0-148 2960 440	0-85 1700 100	0-80 1600 650	0-80 1775 500	0-80 2780 850	0-66 1330 850	0-160 3500 600	0-160 3150	0-80 1550	31	80-80 1450	
0-68 1500 500	0-80 1950	0-80 1950	0-80 1775 500	0-80 2780 850	0-66 1330 850	0-160 3500 600	0-160 3150	0-80 1550	32	80-80 1550	
0-67.5 1700	0-80 1950	0-160 3700 900	0-157 3750 600	0-80 2000	0-77 1500 2000	80-80 1550	80-80 1550	80-80 3725	33	200-200	
					0-77 1540						

Figure 15-c. Assessment Map. Center Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-158 4640 50	0-80 1600	0-80 1425 600	0-80 1600 500	0-160 3525 750	0-160 2850 100	0-160 3350 50
	22		0-80 1600 650	23		24
0-152 3040 550	0-80 1600 675	0-150 3225	00-80 1600 600	0-40 825	0-80 1520 400	0-80 1675 900
	0-79 1600 600		0-80 1700 850	0-40 800 25		0-80 1675 950
0-79 1600	0-79 1560 625	0-80 1600	0-80 1625 1025	0-160 3900 1000	80-80 1625	0-80 1600
0-75.16 1500 525	27		26		0-80 1625	0-80 1760- 225
0-160 3865 1300	0-147 2950	0-80 1650 1000	0-80 1600 625	0-80 1800 900	0-317.4 7300 100	
				0-80 1950 1250		
0-80 2400 500	0-76 1575 600	0-156 3680 600	0-40 853	0-39	40-40	0-80 1840 800
0-80 2400 475	0-78 1600 240	34	0-1144 2749	0-80 825	860	0-80 1840
0-80 1900 500	0-80 1700 600	0-76 1675 500	0-120 2749	0-80 3875 950	36	0-80 1840
0-80 1900 500	0-80 1700 800	0-117 3129	+			0-80 2125 500
						0-80 2250 450

Figure 15-d. Assessment Map. Center Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 15. Recapitulation. Center Township.

Land		
non-tillable acres	1,241	
tillable acres	20,551	
total acres		21,792
total valuation		\$ 786,740
value per acre		\$ 36.10
Dwellings		
number	139	
total valuation		\$ 65,780
average valuation		\$ 473.24
Other improvements		
total valuation		\$ 46,395
ave. val. per dwelling		\$ 333.78

14-40 1080 450	20-120 4050	45-163 4430 825	37-80 2225	40-152 4220	243-632 21,400 5950
			25-80 2350	2	
3					- - 1 - 1 - - 1 -
45-160 4500 775	0-80 2450	0-40 1200 700	0-80 2560 725	0-40 1240	30-80 2310 575
	20-80 2100 525				35-80 2320 625
47-82 2240	29-80 2480 775	0-80 2720	0-80 2720	35-160 5250	85-1621 23,175 2550
41-120 3850	30-80 2490 625				12
38-120 3850	35-160 5305 1175		0-320 11,300		T 14 S
162-162 4212	71-320 12090 2650		190-1640 24825 1250	0-320 14320 800	0-320 14320 3600
15	1	14	1	1	13
90-158 5030					1

Figure 16-a. Assessment Map. Logan Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-68 1970	20-80 2320	20-80 2200	0-80 2320	40-80 2360 600	67-158 4575 625	20-80 2750 1425	26-81 2380
				35-80 2500		40-80 2650 1325	40-80 2180
6				5		4	
0-70 2275	70-160 4420 350	23-80 2210 400		115-240 6780 750	54-80 2200	27-77 2500 200	85-235 6905 1400
40-152 4690 725	45-120 3650 1200	50-160 4950 475		10-80 2680 650	35-152 5075	10-80 2560 850	
7	0-40 1400	8		1	9		T 14 S
67-152.3 4650	0-8007 2800 895	48-160 4980		100-240 7600 1450	52-153 4980 1700		
	0-80 2960						
0-76 2880 1715	0-80 2960	40-160 6000 1750		53-160 5200 1050	30-269 9900 650	110-200 5700	
20-76 2630	0-80 2880		17		16		
18							
53-153 5125 1000	65-160 5235 1000	0-80 3040	0-80 3040	50-160 5110 900	15-76 2295 1325	0-80 3120 450	

Figure 16-b. Assessment Map. Logan Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

20-76 2720	0-80 2900	40-160 5560 1485	0-80 2880 700	0-60 1750 1200	0-40 1400	50-154 5150 750	60-160 5380
	19		0-80 2880	0-60 1780		21	
0-76 2735		0-160 5680 1650	10-80 2800 1300	0-80 2880	50-160 5250 1000	12-154 5250 525	50-160 5580 950
0-76 2735							
30-153 5270 1050		20-80 2720 900	30-160 5520 1575	25-80 2630 1000	30-80 2710 800	78-154 5755 1100	0-80 3040
30	30	15-80 2825 775	29			28	110-239 8740 3100
40-153 5260 1275		15-159 5730 1350	40-160 5360 1400	15-80 2630 1000	10-80 2730 1285	0-143 6000 1350	T 14 S
40-152 5480 2000		45-160 5790 1900	50-160 5370 1300	30-80 2500	15-80 2730 1200	35-58 1970 1400	45-150 5760 1400
31			32			33	0-60 2460
6-68 2540	14-160 5905 950	20-80 2800	60-160 5420 1575	0-80 2880	10-80 2850 1300	15-80 2650 300	0-77 3080 750
	1					0-80 2650 1250	30-77 2690 800

Figure 16-c. Assessment Map. Logan Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

10-80 3000 525	50-320	15-80 3130 825	0-185 8090	270- 22,730 800
40-80 2640	22	0-80 3200	23	24
50-160	- - - 1 -		- 1 -	- - - 1 -
135-320 10,910 1500		50-160 5900 1650	78-160 5540 625	160-160 5280
27		26		25
0-320 10,910 1500		50-160 5900 1650	78-160 5540 1325	40-160-4 5560 1075
0-160 6560	0-160 6240	0-80 3040	25-80 2850	0-160 6560 1175
34		35		36
50-320 12,300 950		60-160 5800 550	0-80 3280	56-240 9280 1750
			0-30 1230 500	80-240 9120 950
			0-50 2000	0-80 2880
				40-80 2720 1400

Figure 16-d. Assessment Map. Logan Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 16. Recapitulation. Logan Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	5,721		
tillable acres	17,068		
total acres	22,789		
total valuation		\$ 792,122	
value per acre			\$ 34.76

Dwellings

number	113		
total valuation		\$ 71,670	
average valuation			\$ 634.25

Other improvements

total valuation		\$ 59,550	
ave. val. per dwelling			\$ 526.99

0-82 2975 285	0-164 5550	8-318 11130 1605	0-331.72 11,153 1260	14-164 5623 250	0-80 2880	0-80 2580
0-82 2919 660	3		1 2 1	- 1	1	
0-80 2740 150	0-160 5500 850			0-160 4840	0-160 5300 850	
0-80 2840 700						
0-160 5440	4-160 5655 1100		2-80 2824 475	0-160 4760	0-80 2580	0-160 5100
10			11		0-80 2580	12
0-160 5475 1025	8-80 2740 320	4-80 2820 400	10-240 8241 575	0-160 5549 650	0-160 5480 260	0-160 5400 825
6-160 5620 400	0-319 10,960 200		0-80 2840	0-160 5650 1000	0-200 6720 800	20-120 2670
15			0-79.5 2796 320	14	13	
3-80 2755 625			0-160.3 5643 850	0-160 5465 500	0-160 5468 550	0-160 5440 450
3-80 2755						

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Figure 17-a. Assessment Map. Ridge Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

5-74 2690 760	5-81 2804 1025	7-163 5740 1150	4-166 5628	0-166 5564	0-156 5325 400	0-165 5800
	6		5		4	
0-160 5645 950	0-160 5640	0-160 5600 1600	0-160 5600 1380	0-157 5510 300	0-75 2624 730	0-80 2800
0-163 5700	0-160 5550	0-159 5600 800	0-80 2850 490	0-117 4097 700	0-197 6719 575	T 15 S
4-162 5665	0-40 1420	0-80 2850 425	0-160 5632 325	0-151 5262 750	0-160 5390	
0-80 2881 400	0-160 5600 625	5-320 10,973 1050	0-200 7054 365	0-154 5448 950	6-120 4276 725	
0-80 2800						
18	0-119 4035 455	0-80 2870			16	
0-80 2800	0-160 5440 900		0-120	0-74 2400	0-200 7080 750	
0-80 2750 50			4260 675	10-80 2640		

Figure 17-b. Assessment Map. Ridge Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938.

0-161 5651 325	2-80 2790	0-80 2805 365	4-80 2684	0-40 1400	0-40 1400	0-304,6 10,613 750	0-160 5520
19			0-240 8330 800 1	20	0-160 5520 750 1	21	
0-160 5520 800	0-80 2825	6-80 2770			0-80 2778 500		0-160,8 5548 900
0-160 5660 200	0-160 5678 550	0-160 5733 550	0-158.5 5545 750	0-40 1410	0-40 1413 250	0-154 5388	
30			29		0-393 13,728 1000 1	28	T 15 S
0-160 5710 550	0-160 5620 925	0-80 2880 525	8-80 2610	0-80 2870	0-80 2909 575		
20-301 10,160	15-160 5350 450	0-160 5440 375	0-160 5300	0-160 5600 750	0-77 2610	0-77 2775 525	
1 31	15-154 5335	6-77 2730	8-80 2805 725	5-156 5330 450	0-154 5325 750	0-149 5285 650	
32					33		

Figure 17-c. Assessment Map. Ridge Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas 1938

6-80 2744 275	0-80 2820	0-80 2820 950	0-160 5705 1050	0-160 5460 500	0-160 5600 1100	0-80 2700	0-80 2700
4-80 2850 500	22		23		24		
0-155 5321 450	0-80 2820	0-120 4290 750	0-80 2820 350	0-80 2820 350	0-160 5490 750	0-80 2700	6-80 2665 135
	0-80 2831 1045	0-40 1480					
0-160 5698 900	0-40 1435	0-40 1435	0-160 5680	0-80 2800 450	0-160 55400 600	0-160 5605 1005	T 15 S
27	0-160 5830 350	26	0-80 2850	25			
0-160 5868 1000	0-40 1465 450	0-40 1465	0-80 2800 525	0-79 2607	10-160 5459 375		
	0-80 2870	0-80 2840	0-80 2850 475	0-80 2640			
0-80 2850	0-80 2850	0-80 2806 650	0-80 2780	0-160 5580	7-160 5280	0-160 5223 450	
34	0-80 2800 425	0-80 2800 675	35		36		
0-155 6515 900	0-160 5478 1565	0-80 2830	0-160 6830 1000	7-157.5 5020	6-162 5280 390		
	0-80 2890 800						

Figure 17-d. Assessment Map. Ridge Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 17. Recapitulation. Ridge Township.

Land			
non-tillable acres	272		
tillable acres	22,699		
total acres	22,971		
total valuation	\$ 794,231		
value per acre	\$ 34.58		
Dwellings			
number	113		
total valuation	\$ 42,550		
average valuation	\$ 376.55		
Other improvements			
total valuation	\$ 33,940		
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 300.35		

9-69 2741 550	8-9-67,9 2696 525	0-48 1628	0-16 672 650	0-61 2434 900	46-152.79 5394 900	144.5-144.5 4200
		3	HOPE	2	1	
0-120 5040	0-40 1680	0-58 2475 50	0-27 1160 25	0-95 3570 600	65-158 55.53 800	0-80 3150
		0-80 3360	0-33 1336 1050	30-65 2384	70-140 5925 1100	0-77 3087
24-160 6416 825	10-80 3255 100	50-149 5420 1600	0-160 5796 1625	20-153 5817 1475	0-77 3174	0-38 1529 600
10	15-80 2961 700	11			12	11-39 1496
20-120 4788	30-159 6300 1130	44.5-145 5572 1370	50-168.5 6479	0-80 3192	0-160 5880	
0-40 1638				0-80 3276		
16-80 3008	0-80 3276	0-80 3276	0-85 3570 875	50-226 8705 450	47-160 6027 800	45-160 5639 1000
27-80 2936 950	15		40-160 6195 950	14	13	
0-160 6384 975	55-160 6143 1100		44-154 5706 100		80-160 5376	0-160 5355 1200

Figure 18-a. Assessment Map. Hope Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-49 2058	30-137.84 5345 1900 6	28-63 1985	40-69.7 1922	39.5-69.5 2300	125-147.4 4045	57-157 5376 750	27-157 5896 400
31-62 2213 1350	40-160 6206 850 7	30-80 2861 750	0-160 5864 550	12-76 2802 725	12-80 3024 625	152-77 6065 700	50.5-150.5 5208 700
							20-80- 3087
20-143 5691 1200	30-160 6206 850 7	12-76 2802 725	12-80 3024 625	53-160 5754	0-160 5712 130	0-80 3276	70-160 5986
0-64 2688	0-80 3276 1000	10-80 3098	0-80 3276	55-160 5917	20-80 2877 1300	20-40 1554	1
		30-80 2982				40-119 4148 1050	18-80 3087
16-136 4914 2050	15-80 3281	30-160 6206 1450 18		60-120 11,676 17	90-160 5513	20-80 3003 1050	48-160 6115 1050
-1	573 2770	0-160 6594 500		140-240 8400 3004	20-80 2730 750	40-160 5607 750	0-80 3360

Figure 18-b. Assessment Map. Hope Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

45-145 5775	45-145 5565	50-160 5639	36-160 5065 1125	20-160 5985 600	33-160 6171 900
19		20		21	
45-145 5219 1500	110-160 5066	2-80 3051 600	0-80 3108	36-160 5573 425-	40-160 6048 1300
0-72 2814 30	40-160 5460	233-400 14,207 2550		5-160 5859 600	
32-72 2457 30			29	60-160 5250	28
20-185 6484 1425	0-80 2940	1	70-160 5486 700	100-160 4179 1050	45-160 5696
	0-40 1470	40-80 2772			
10-145 5560 50	75-160 5476 1650	110-320 10,385 925-	32	120-320 9450 1625-	33
31					
7-72 2743	7-72 2743	45-160 5297 800	158-158 4148	160-160 4368	57-160 5282 1100
				0-80 2604	30-80 2363

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Figure 18-c. Assessment Map. Hope Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

30-160 6269 975	0-160 6720 1300	11-80 3245 1050	0-77 2911	10-80 3413	70-160 5350
22		25-160 6374 1650	23	0-80 3135	40-80 2814 24
0-160 6594 1700	0-160 6720			0-80 3150	107-267 8852 1100
		0-80 3276		0-80 3150	40-40 1134
25-80 2935	20-80 3024 1300	10-85 3465 900	0-75 3150	35-160 6148 1150	50-159 4931 750
27				0-80 3360	17-154 4923
60-160 5355 875	15-157 6197 1475		0-80 3360	80-160 5880 675	50-160 5759 950
			0-80 3360		26-156 5087 425
0-80 2814	25-80 2982 700	20-160 6510 1900	30-80 3035 625	32-160 6384	50-160 5460 800
34			50-160 6195 650	35	36
70-160 5135 1025	0-80 3234	0-80 3360 500	5-80 3318	25-160 6316 1150	30-160 6090 1200
					30-80 2966
					30-80 2966

Figure 18-d. Assessment Map. Hope Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 18. Recapitulation. Hope Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	5,670
tillable acres	16,633
total acres	22,303
total valuation	\$ 819,525
value per acre	\$ 36.73

Dwellings

number	103
total valuation	\$ 57,495
average valuation	\$ 547.57

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 44,548
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 432.50

5-80 2600 400	85-160 4675		30-80 2350 850	2-40 1342	40-80 2280 1100	25-80 2385 425	135-320 9560 1200
2-80 2700		5-120 4270 1200	40-160 4840 800			3	- - -
5		4	1	+			1
25-160 5215 700	30-80 2510	20-80 2720 1000			0-80 2560	15-80 2585	
	44-79 2334	25-80 2710 650	0-80 2880				
30-80 2590 600	20-80 2720		40-240 7800 1100		60-160 5100 1050	65-160 4665 700	
5-80 2840 700	40-80 2560 850	124-240 7284 1200	10				
8	9	1					
30-80 2590 300	6-80 2960		60-160 4700		60-160 4900 800	65-160 4855 900	
20-80 2540 300	5-80 2915						
60-160 5800 650	80-240 8240 1100	30-120 3930 1100	40-120 3760 700		90-160 4770 850	140-160 4180	
17	1	16	1		15		
15-75 3105 1100	10-79 3060	0-80 2880	80-240 7600 600	135-160 4165 75	65-160 4855 800	17-79 2905 35	25-80 2900 625

Figure 19-a. Assessment Map. Fragrant Hill Township (N.E. nine sections) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

5-160 5085	37-80 2344 550 0-80 2560	5-160 5085	37-80 2344 550 0-80 2560	15-226 7427 800	0-80 2640
105-160 4600 1400	10-160 5500 100	105-160 4600 1400	10-160 5500 100	50-306 9954 1200	
	x 60-160 5360 500 5-80 2600 25	40-160 5760 900	30-145 5180 900	60-160 5600 650	
	12	90-240 8820 1300	15-73 2843 375	15-73 2828 125	6-80 3360 0-80 3360
	75-160 4765 900	25-160 6555 650	2568 11-66 $\frac{27}{100}$ 2740 700	30-80 2740 700	25-80 2840 700 20-80 2940 350
	13	35-160 6230 1100	20-146 5640 1000	6-26 980 1840	26-52 14-79 3020 900
	39-159 6210 1150				
	18				

Figure 19-b. Assessment Map. Fragrant Hill Township (N.W. six sections) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

	40-160 5040 750	65-160 5235 750	169-369 $\frac{3}{4}$ 11594 900	49 $\frac{3}{4}$ -119 $\frac{3}{4}$ 3674 800
	24		19	
	15-80 2780	40-40 960	60-120 3840 500	0-40 3180 1150
			25	30
	120-240 9680 900	45-160 5610	41-66 2280 1200	30-80 2350 200
	25		30	
	15-80 2985 575	5-80 2980 660	49-63 1526	5-80 2520
	1880 2868 700		10-80 2490 500	
	70-200 7210 1100	20-120 3880 400	73-135 3871 700	90-240 7260 1000
	36		31	
	3-6 180 1000 270	15-40 1625 900	40-60 1820 375	10-40 1210 450
	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ -14 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1497 1600	36-58 1846	15-40 1155 500	72-72 1656

Figure 19-c. Assessment Map. Fragrant Hill Township (S.W. six sections), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

15-160 6220	0-40 1680 1280	20-40 2795 500	1580 33-80 2282 35-80 2235 550	33-80 2282 35-80 2235 550	80-160 4880 500	17-102 3145 100-160 4320 100	88-138 3900 1000
	20			21		22	25-80 2388
20-80 2240 350	2-80 3170	35-80 2585 750	40-80 2400	35-100 3150 700	1560 1950 250		-1
20-80 2800			65-80 2195 1100			5 3/4 - 77 3/4 2514 E Ch. + E 2 1/4 A	20-80 2660 600
0-80 2800	1-160 6708 750	5-80 2975	55-160 5260 950	25-160 5755 950			0-80 2660 600
5-80 2440	29		100-240 8300 1000	28		27	70-160 4900 325
40-160 4880 40	10-160 6600 1200		10-160 6280 1200		70-240 8040 800		11 S
40-160 5320 800	40-160 5920 1000	60-320 12,200 1800			25-80 2605		60-160 5100 1100
32			33		40-240 8240 1100	34	
30-80 2630 550	50-160 5310 1000	0-160 6720 350	40-160 6160 450		15-80 2860 800		
5-80 3065					25-80 2660		

Figure 19-d. Assessment Map. Fragrant Hill Township (S.E. nine sections), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 19. Recapitulation. Fragrant Hill Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	5,800
tillable acres	13,213
total acres	19,013
total valuation	\$ 633,276
value per acre	\$ 33.31

Dwellings

number	109
total valuation	\$ 41,375
average valuation	\$ 379.59

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 50,643
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 464.61

40-201 8245 2300		30-100 4050	38-150 6180 600	17-310 14340 1700	35-151 6095 2400	5-80 2937 750
5			4	- 1 -		3
18-80 3240 1150	38-80 2840 670	19-159 6025	0-160 7100		5-80 3312	0-160 7200
					2-80 3170 1700	
0-80 3200	0-80 3400	37-80 2725 2300	27-80 2795 1200	24-79 2525 1325	35-80 2781 1800	39-160 6375 1500
8			9		0-40 1600 800	0-40 1450 350
40-160 5200		55-160 5300 1250	80-320 11900	0-160 5925	0-73 2900	62-160 4200
					0-80 2600	
73-160 4050 1175		85-160 5125	16-160 6250 400	60-160 6100 900	70-160 4950	320-320 8800
17			16		15	
76-160 4880 200		110-160 4200 100	70-160 5575 1150	40-160 6100 900		320-320 8800

Figure 20-a. Assessment Map. Noble Township (N.E. nine sections) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

	0-80 4400	48-156 6380 1800		10-80 3000 350	80-141 3477 500	16-76 2420 175	0-78 2730
		1				6	
	0-160 7700 1350		81-157 1/2 5420 1000		15-140 3012 1700	5-80 2537 575	30-78 2550 1600
	0-160 8800		50-80 2350	45-142 4260 1250	140-160 3400		
		12				7	
	25-240 11500 1500		44-80 2070 425	15-60 1987	50-120 3100 950		
	0-80 4800	0-80 4800		13-66 2460 550	20-80 3200	60-160 4450 1000	
	0-80 4800 625	13	0-40 2400	0-40 2400			
	0-240 11865 1050		0-80 4400		0-68 3400	10-157 6865	
					68-68 3400		

Figure 20-b Assessment Map. Noble Township (N.W. six sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

			95-160 4975 1400	35-80 2275 350	45-80 3050 200
			70-120 3400 1100	0-40 1400	30-80 2475 0-40 840 1400 1400
				55-160 5637	73-160 5085 900
			240-240 6000	0-40 1200 300	0-40 1200 300
				15-40 885 50	15-40 885 50
			5-80 2935 950	0-50 1500	0-30 750 450
			0-156 8580	5-38 1582 400	
			6-76 4180 4700	57½ 2850	57½ 2850
				6-80 4800	6-80 4800

Figure 20-c. Assessment Map. Noble Township (S.W. three sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

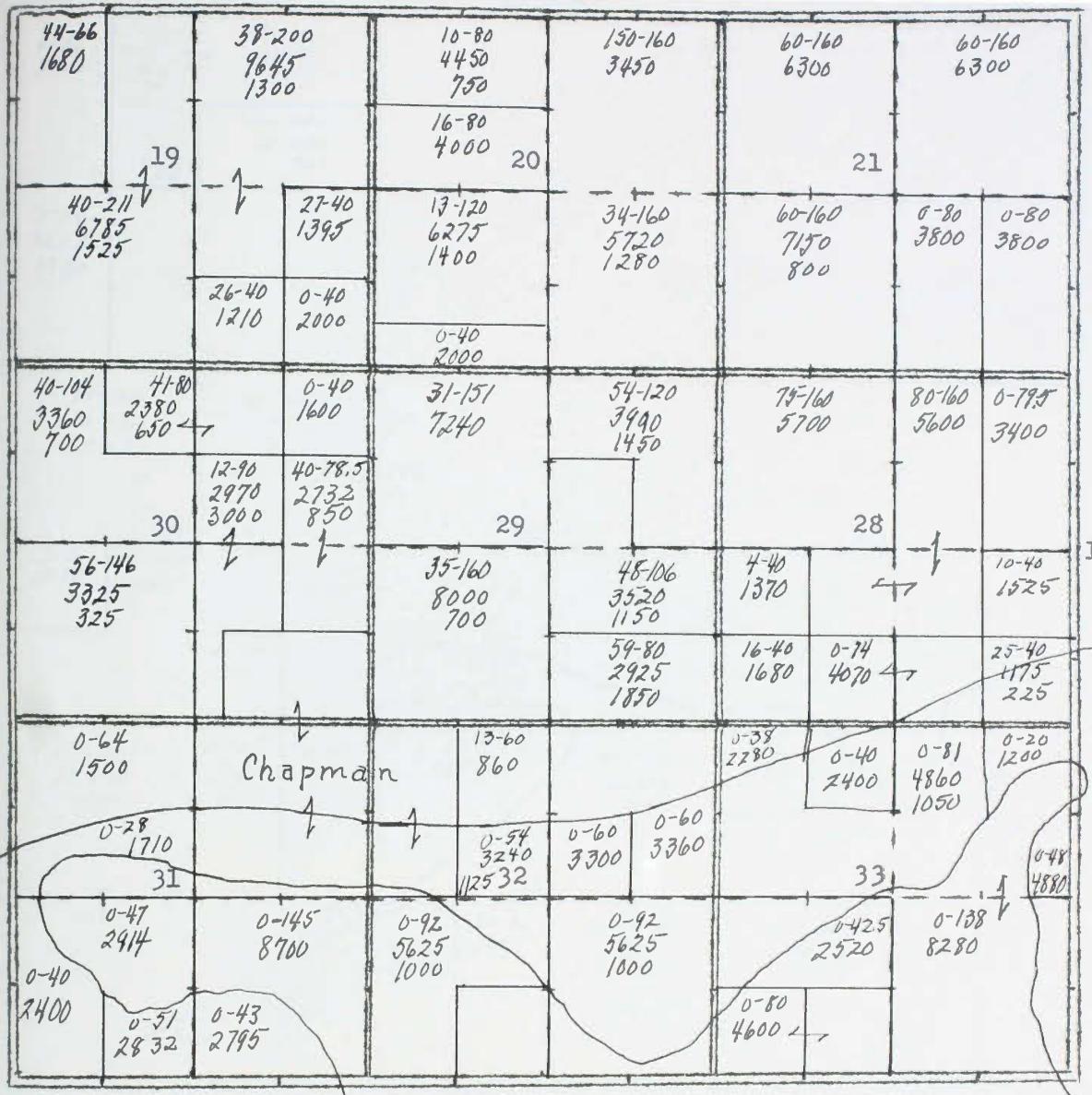


Figure 20-d. Assessment Map. Noble Township (South nine sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas 1938

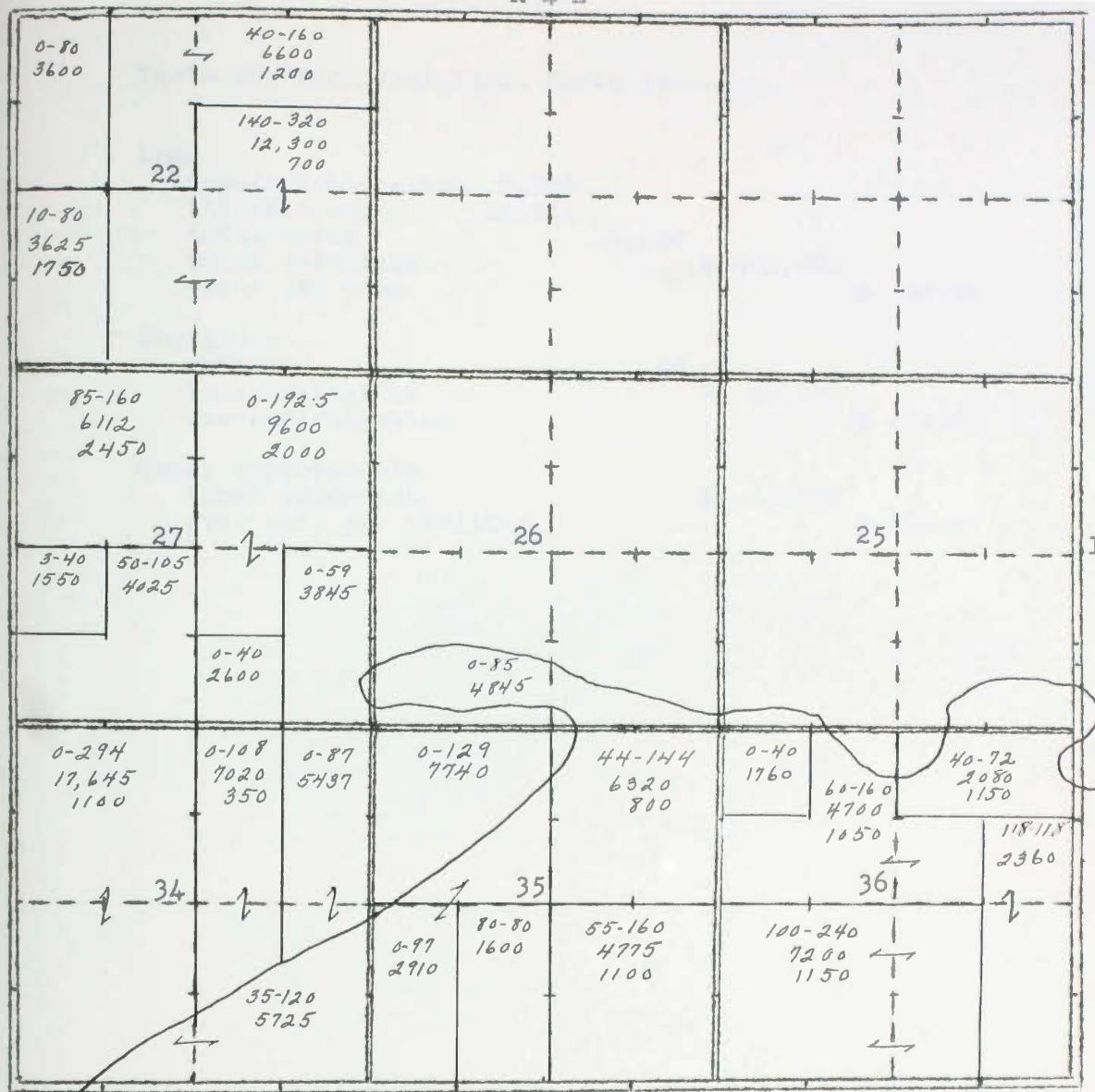


Figure 20-e. Assessment Map. Noble Township (S.E. five sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 20. Recapitulation. Noble Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	5,745
tillable acres	14,111
total acres	19,856
total valuation	\$ 802,665
value per acre	\$ 40.42

Dwellings

number	87
total valuation	\$ 59,100
average valuation	\$ 679.31

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 40,130
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 461.26

150-230 7000 1100	80-160 4800	70-160 3300 500	29-159 4190 800	132-160 3496	64-160 4512 300
80-80 2000	160-160 4000	70-160 4100 600	60-160 4200 900	65-160 4140 1200	30-160 5800 850
80-160 4000	80-160 3600 450	95-320 10430	15-80 2250 800	30-90 2900	40-150 5400 2600 1400
80-160 3800 600	90-160 3900	50-160 5300 1950	60-160 5200	20-160 6100 900	15-80 2700 900
80-160 4000 950	70-160 5920	0-160 7800	25-160 5500 1200	60-160 5150 450	65-80 1900 30-80 2000
60-160 5800	70-160 7120 1750	0-80 3200 1200	60-160 6000 1300	50-160 4100 450	0-40 1200 0-80 2500
		0-80 3300			

Figure 21-a. Assessment Map. Rinehart Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-34 2040 2100	18-226 13,080	10-110 6100	0-50 2750	180-320 9300 1000	8-78 2885 700	15-156 6570 900
	6		5		4	
0-189 12040 700	28-128 6840 1150	0-80 3200 600	0-80 3200		60-80 1520	50-80 1750
0-28 1680	50-160 5800 700	70-160 5900 800	35-160 3550 1300	30-160 3100 400	85-160 3525 500	
75-255 7710	160-160 2400	70-160 4100	35-160 4450	80-160 3385 400	75-160 4050	
50-75 1600	50-75 1440	80-160 3150 750	50-160 4300 400	35-80 2700	58-160 4730 1000	
	18		17	4	5-80 3050 1200	16
76-151 3000 450	10-160 3800 1200	55-160 4700 1100		37-79 2380	40-159 6200 1800	80-240 9000 500

Figure 21-b. Assessment Map. Rinehart Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

36-156 3900 900	25-160 4945	15-160 5945	40-80 2280	40-160 6200 1500	5-80 3475 1200		
19		20	30-80 2400 600	12-80 3300 750	21		
36-78 2034	6-78 2466 700	30-160 4890	10-80 2800	25-80 2645	40-160 5320	160-160 3550	39-159 6560 1800
16-76 2600	30-80 2500 700	40-80 2250	15-80 2975 1100	60-160 5200 1300	90-320 13750 1700	20-160 7500	13 S
30-76 2210 700	30		40-80 2600	29	7	28	
50-150 5250 1600	40-80 2200 1000	30-80 2700 1000	15-160 6575 1200	15-160 6950 500			20-160 7500
49-90 2455 700	20-60 2000	40-80 2400 350	10-320 13680 4200	0-160 8000 1100	0-160 6570 4250	30-160 6570 4250	
31	20-80 2800 500		4-160	32	33		
36-71 2120 700	15-80 3100 600	40-160 6760 1700	0-160 7680	60-160 6240 1000	0-160 8220	0-120 6000 1300	20-40

Figure 21-c. Assessment Map. Rinehart Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

0-40 2000	20-80 3400	0-80 4160	55-160 6950 1200	24-80 3288 900	15-80 2230 100	85-160 3525 450
0-120 6000 500	22		23	36-80 2912	15-80 2230	24
0-160 8000 250	40-157 6850 4100	0-160 7680 600	40-160 6300 1400	90-160 3400 900	45-80 1850	32-80 1900 300
10-320 15080 2700	27	0-80 4100	15-80 3400 150	60-60 1200	62-100 2380	40-80 2000
2-160 7920	35-160 6575 1000	30-160 7100 1150	5-80 3650 800	10-80 2910 200	20-80 2500	40-80 2000
10-160 7420	100-160 5400 2000	25-160 7325 1200	35-80 2795 1050	35-80 2795	120 $\frac{1}{2}$ -240 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6780 1400	160-240 6800 2000
40-160 6280 700	50-160 4650	80-80 1720	140-240 7360 1200	49-79 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2190	40-80 2200	36

Figure 21-d. Assessment Map. Rinehart Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 21. Recapitulation. Rinehart Township.

Land	
non-tillable acres	7,484
tillable acres	15,380
total acres	22,864
total valuation	\$ 785,923
value per acre	\$ 34.43
Dwellings	
number	95
total valuation	\$ 57,150
average valuation	\$ 600.16
Other improvements	
total valuation	\$ 49,750
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 523.16

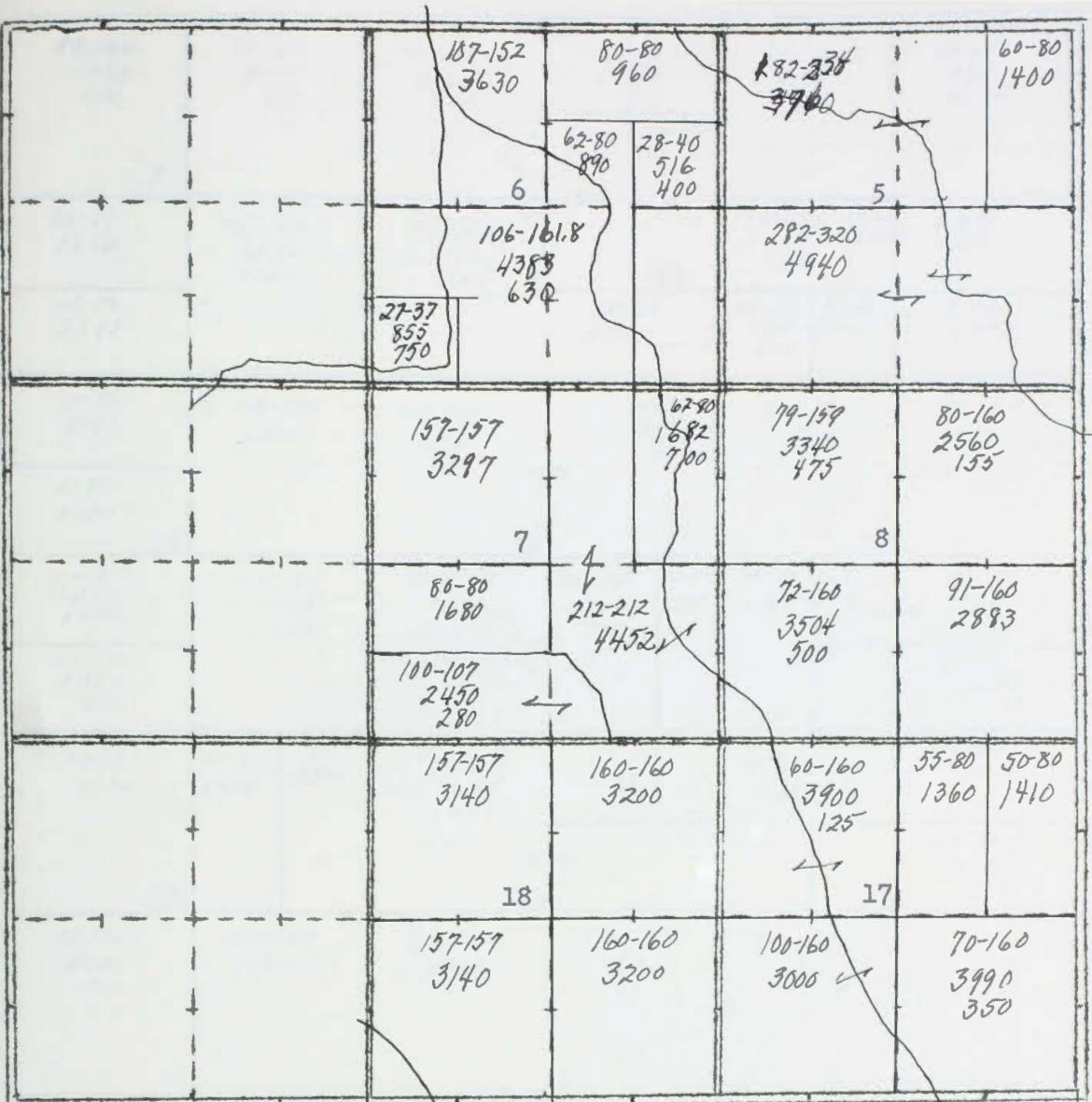
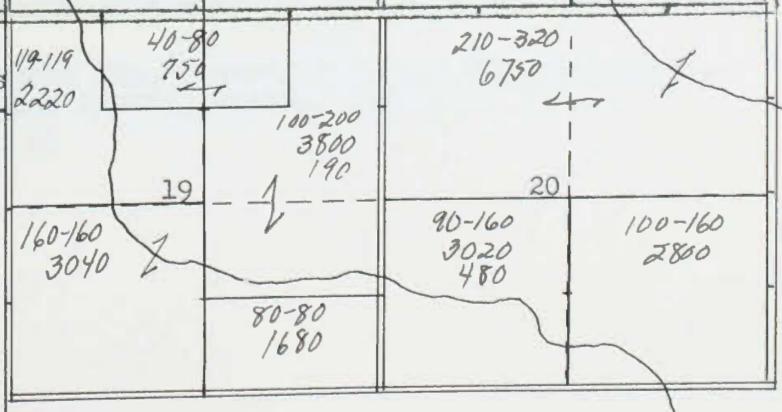


Figure 22-a. Assessment Map. Liberty Township (N.E. eight sections), Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938



80-160 5360 1100	80-160 4420 600	83-158 5635 465	20-80 3570 47	75-160 7170 1600	67-157 7354 1200
3		2	1		1
38-80 2642	75-160 6350 1100	55-160 6705 325		42-60 1458 150	20-20 675
68-80 2249			56-80 2360	32-40 1184 500	2-38 1768
0-80 3780	60-160 6580	115-240 6000 125	25-80 2475 880	80-160 6300	70-160 6150 740
6-80 4125	10	11		12	T 14 S
50-80 3200 1400	115-160 4285 375	20-160 7360	100-108 2480 900	24-52 1740	17-104 5681
52-80 2364 450				1	26-76 3624 1275
83-160 4186	40-80 2540	80 3360	90-240 9030 650	56-80 2425	37-78½ 6440
15			14		20-120 6440
70-160 5780 775	25-160 6760	160-160 3850	60-160 6600 950	160-320 12,600 475	13

Figure 22-b. Assessment Map. Liberty Township (N. six sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

153-153 4090	88-160 6642	60-160 6479 175	60-160 5125 125	48-160 6800 560	15-160 6863
6		5		4	
155-155 4220	30-160 6680	80-320 15720 1100		24-80 3195	75-160 6350 1100
				0-80 4178 375	
40-195 9864 1150	80-260	20-160 7280	80-160 6200 600	45-160 7860 675	40-160 7780 450
32-162 7642 400	10-80	115-157 5047	120-160 4650 75	60-160 7300 1000	
0-315.6 12918 625	80-155 4830 375	84-112 3332 100	20-80 3660 1360	20-80 3540 1150	160-160 4692 300
0-315.6 12918	70-160 6000	70-200 7450 1000	71-146 5091 400	0-150 4050	
18	17	16			

Figure 22-c Assessment Map. Liberty Township (N.W. nine Sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

170-310 11850 375	0-160 6150	0-80 2560	40-160 6280 375	70-120 3790 625	45-80 2590	20-40 1380
		0-40 1360				
		0-40 1280	20			
	150-160 6150 1250	40-160 7080	60-160 6540 550	7 85-160 5375	75-160 6230	
				40-80 2720		
78-156 4910 250	75-160 6413 750	105-160 5375 600	110-160 5250	100-160 5200	65-160 7325 875	
30		29			28	
156-315.75 12,200 550		80-160 6400 775	75-160 6500 875	70-160 6700 700	20-80 3575	50-80 3050 775
	68-238 10463 735	80-160 6000 850	50-160 7300 1050	50-160 7300 1195	25-80 2975 150	80-80 2000
39-78 2902 700	31	32			33	
136-236 8100 1400	0-80 4250	30-80 1564 4200 1564	35-80 2670	78-160 6050 725	73-160 6006 475	
			33-80 2940 325			

Figure 22-d. Assessment Map. Liberty Township (S.W. nine sections)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

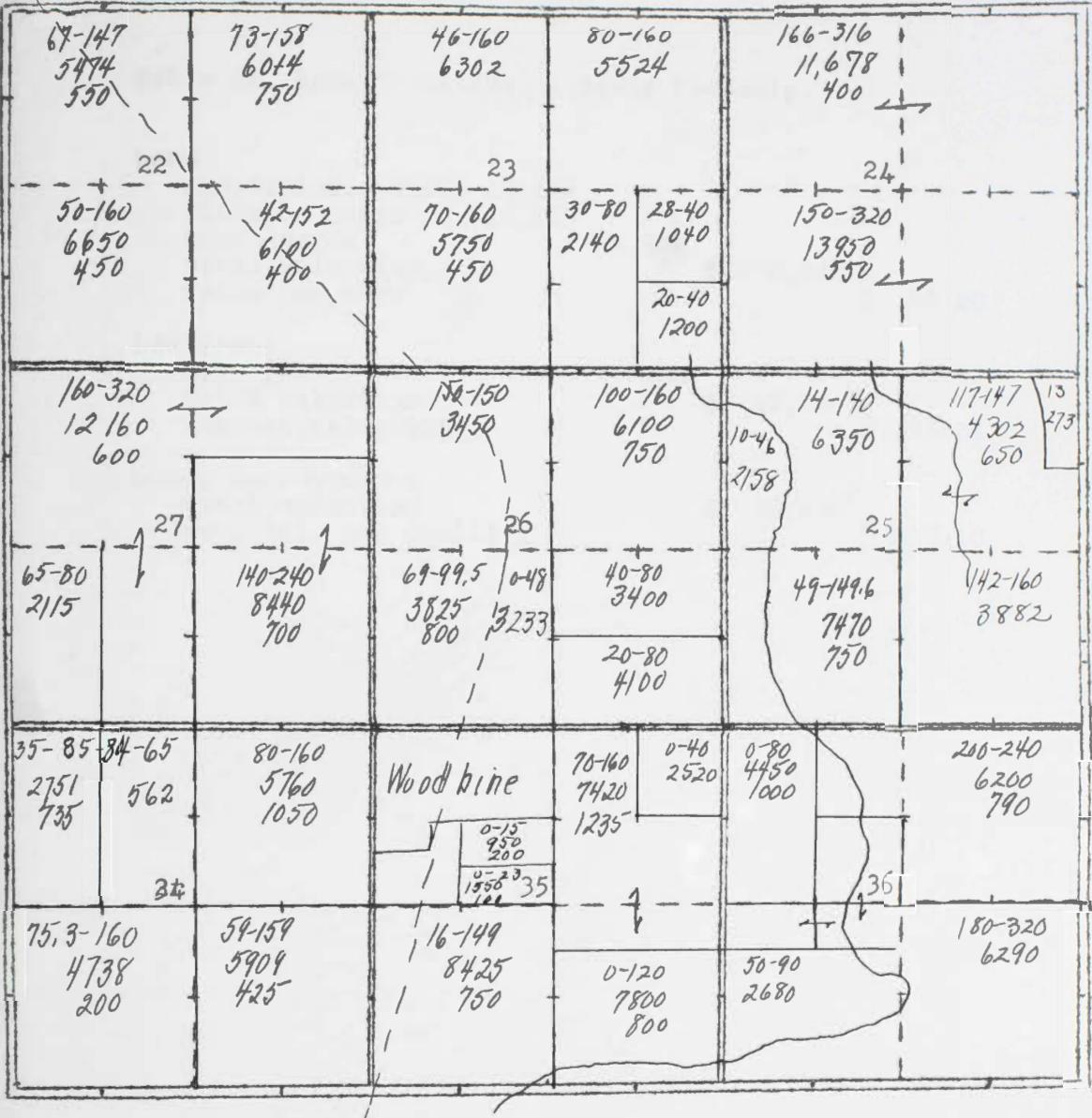


Figure 22-e. Assessment Map. Liberty Township (S.E. nine sections) Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 22. Recapitulation. Liberty Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	13,847
tillable acres	13,989
total acres	27,836
total valuation	\$ 979,896
value per acre	\$ 35.20

Dwellings

number	108
total valuation	\$ 37,294
average valuation	\$ 345.31

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 35,435
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 328.10

40-80 30 80 1000	55-80 2665	62-162 5336 1000	50-78 3140	0-160 4747	140-160 4100	160-160 4000
			8-38 1846			
			5-38 1937	2		1
30-40 1220	15-80 2890	79-159 5330 450	54-117 5394 500	0-80 2375	140-160 5100	120-160 4460
20-40 1260 600			42-117 5394 500			
62-80 2366 100	94-154 5152 900	9-154 8218 1100	140-160 4800	170-320 9880 1000	60-160 5500 1800	
65-80 2390 600	10		11			12
65-160 5430 1100	80-154 5565 800	20-80 3440 800	20-80 3440 1000	107-159 5335 1100		90-160 5320 1100
70-160 5220 700	64-152 5664 825	85-160 5780 900			146-200 5740	95-160 4940
		85-160 5680 1500	14			
15						13
66-156 6235 1100		11-39 1741 75	155-220 7160 900	0-40 1440		95-160 5035 1000
95-151 5628 2000		10-40 1950	4		10-80 2770	

Figure 23-a. Assessment Map. Union Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

320.7 + 635.7 26658 1000	62-165 5664 875	92-162 5250 1000	79-164 6115 650	34-124 4800 1000
1 - 6 - 1 -	5		4	22-40 1278
	84-159 5050 1200	25-162 6600 1000	222-320 10560 750	
60-154 5375 800	85-160 5700 800	175-320 13,375	95-160 4610 500	5-80 3300
7	135-240 8400 1400	8		20-80 2840 1200
9-74 3045			40-160 4980	104-160 5568
80-155 5090 1200	79-159 6212 800	109-159 4943	120-160 4840 1000	75-160 6055 1000
18		17		16
56-78 2404	41-80 2786	80-80 2400	70-160 5380 1000	50-80 2600 500
10-78 3000 500			104-199 6522 1200	10-40 1510

Figure 23-b. Assessment Map. Union Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

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77-80 2436 825 92-157 5362 1100	100-160 5600 80-160 5280 500	40-120 4180 30-40 1200 20	103-160 5050 950 95-160 4840 1100	150-160 4200 500 78-160 5300 1000	23-78 2725 90-160 5110 100
67-79 2392					
120-154 6160	90-160 5680	30-80 2740 400	40-80 2880 700	10-80 2940	70-160 5520 90-160 5180
59-159 5152	2580 2680 5-40 1515 600	60-80 2440 750	80-160 5280	120-160 5320	70-160 6380 1000 80-160 5280 1000
61-80 2230	139-239 7690 900	88-160 4960 525	85-160 5080 1200	120-120 4440	70-160 5260 900 30-40 1543 33
88-160 5120 1000	50-80 2550 40-40 1100 15-40 1375	130-160 4540 350	107-159 5075 100	120-120 4440 350	70-120 4210 900 30-40 1545

Figure 23-c. Assessment Map. Union Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

			70-120 4710 350	65-80 2390	1280 3352
136-236 9780 900			122-197 6772 1000	24-80 2728	25-80 3120
257-357 13,210 800	22	22-40 1502	110-190 6920 800	116-160 4440	115-160 4545
				26-80 2996 1000	
60-160 7780 400		159-234 7293 900		40-80 3240	112-160 4865 25
85-160 6335	27				117-160 4995 350
5-40 1680		160-280 10480	94-160 5046	86-154 5382 1000	80-156 5050 750
8-40 1680 1150		30-80 3500	40-80 2520 400	79-154 5382 1000	80-156 5050 750
5-40 18-40 1955 600	34	74-119 3635 1400	40-60 1720 5-20 670	35	77-152 4705 880
92-160 6035		70-160 5650 1175	90-160 5040 600	76-142 5230 1000	26-73 2575 300
					54-79 2410
					122-160 4540

Figure 23-d. Assessment Map. Union Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 23. Recapitulation. Union Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	12,662
tillable acres	10,240
total acres	22,902
total valuation	\$ 789,950
value per acre	\$ 34.55

Dwellings

number	98
total valuation	\$ 45,800
average valuation	\$ 467.35

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 39,390
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 401.95

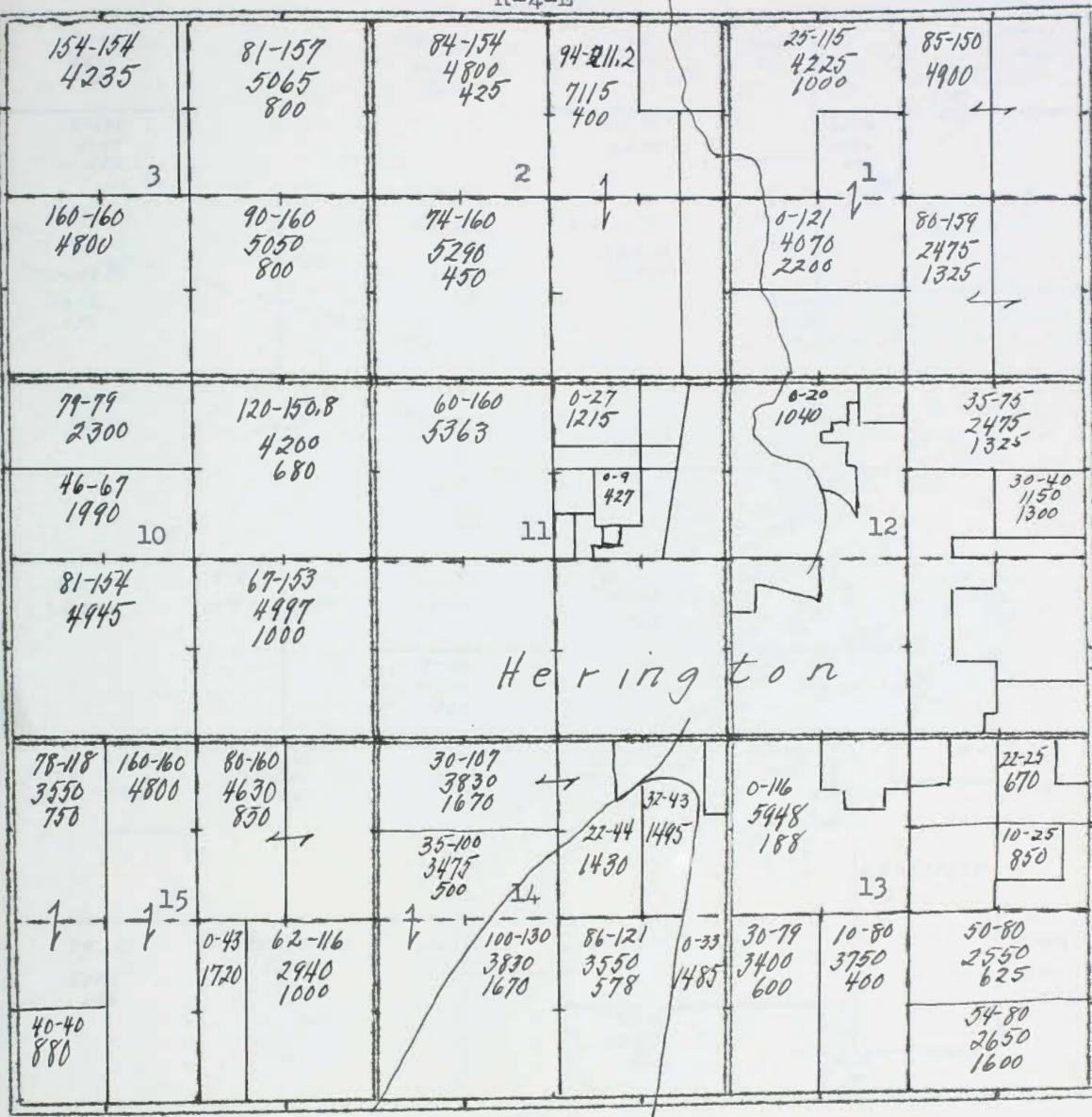


Figure 24-a. Assessment Map. Lyon Township (N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

12-78 2464 1057		70-160 4850 900	65-80 2275	50-60 1900		100-194 8900 1025	0-40 1760
61-134 4745 450	6		65-80 2275		40-90 3850 900	4	
72-158 $\frac{3}{4}$ 4600 880		50-152 4340 1150	77-157 $\frac{3}{4}$ 5125 600	20-60 2400	30 1350		
93-144 4890	97-157 4425 775	10-40 1450 725	80-154 4500 830	60-160 6800 1025			76 $\frac{1}{2}$ -148 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4730 1650
50-150 5500	0-80 2300	40-80 2300	40-74 2510	80-160 6000 1150	89-154 6125 1080	9	130-140 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4300 720
73-73 2160	0-41 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1281	80-200 6800 760	95-160 5300	135-240 10350 850	34-40 1040		0-45 $\frac{11}{12}$ 1714
79-152 4895 450	90-160 5050 453	110-160 4750 650		89-156 4705 1100	16	RESERVOIR	67-95 $\frac{3}{4}$ 2420 643
			34-80 2610 510				
				8-30 860			

Figure 24-b. Assessment Map. Lyon Township (N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

92-152 4100 580	187-240 6160 500	45-110 3725	0-50 2200	271-280 6395 1600	0-40 1760	127-160 4495 1075	43-143 3875
19			20	1		21	
33-153 4425 615		12-87 3300 900			0-80 2200	50-80 2450	54-160 5405 895
	80-80 2200	0-40 1760	23-33 975				
83-233 6575 1200	0-80 3597	32-119 4280 600		231-231 1 6930	0-75 2625	40-148 6400 1912	
30			29	1		19-79 2875	28
23-66 2325 500	20-80 2900	75-160 5675 1075	111-111 2775	54-159 5275 850	90-160 5280	60-160 5500	
140-320 9400 1200		150-150 4500		80-160 5040 660	113-160 4800	76-160 5160 1035	
31			32			33	
1 40-135 3400 600	20-40 1300 450 19-39 1175 600 18-68 2625	73-160 5145 500		58-160 4920 780	49-80 2465 34-80 2690 700	182-132 3300	727 1200

Figure 24-c. Assessment Map. Lyon Township (S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

100-160 4900 900	47-97 2375 600	185-320 9900 350	74-230 7890 700	178-318 8740 500	5-80 3500
22	25-77 2185	23			50-80 2000 950
75-75 2065	28-78 2200				19-74 2675
5575 2175	30-80 2250 670				27-80 2530
160-160 4400	160-160 4400	39-80 3005 900	80-80 2400	34-80 2690 50	0-80 2085
27			26	185-320 4000	53-80 2245 400
80-80 2000 660	80-80 2000	40-80 2600	75-160 4815 1250	133-175 4813	64-160 4660 1200
					70-80 2640
180-320 9100 1350	160-160 4400	183-343 8875 1193		60-11½ 3540	100-156 3856 1346
34	75-160 5275	35	86-86 2400	36	62-160 4490 825
			86-86 2393		104-160 4975 250
					80-80 2200
					5-80 2375

Figure 24-d. Assessment Map. Lypn Township (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$)
Dickinson County, Kansas. 1938

Table 24. Recapitulation. Lyon Township.

Land

non-tillable acres	11,634
tillable acres	9,556
total acres	21,290
total valuation	\$ 681,023
value per acre	\$ 31.99

Dwellings

number	127
total valuation	\$ 59,535
average valuation	\$ 468.79

Other improvements

total valuation	\$ 47,893
ave. val. per dwelling	\$ 377.11

Table 25. Assessment Summary, Dickinson County, Kansas.
1938. (Townships arranged as to average value of land.)

Ave. Value of Dwellings	Name of Township	Ave. val. of land per acre	Range of values per acre
\$ 205.49	Holland	\$ 27.67	\$ 22.50-38.50
217.41	Flora	30.01	19.00-45.00
269.49	Banner	31.25	20.00-40.00
310.71	Wheatland	31.30	25.00-45.00
313.71	Lyon	31.99	25.00-51.00
345.31	Fragrant Hill	33.31	28.50-42.00
364.50	Hayes	33.47	25.50-38.20
376.55	Willowdale	33.70	27.00-39.00
379.59	Sherman	34.04	25.60-45.00
393.87	Rinehart	34.43	20.60-63.70
430.80	Union	34.55	25.50-45.00
431.10	Ridge	34.58	32.25-37.35
441.93	Median	34.67	
453.77	Logan	34.76	27.25-43.70
459.26	Newbern	34.78	22.50-41.50
467.35	Liberty	35.20	16.00-49.00
468.79	Jefferson	35.30	31.00-41.75
473.24	Garfield	36.01	29.20-45.00
547.57	Center	36.10	18.00-60.00
569.89	Cheever	36.12	23.12-45.00
600.16	Hope	36.73	26.10-42.50
615.00	Buckeye	37.92	27.30-41.00
634.25	Lincoln	40.34	15.00-58.00
679.31	Noble	40.42	25.30-60.00
762.91	Grant	47.58	25.00-60.00

In the first column above is shown the average value of dwellings in each of the twenty-four townships of the county. These averages are arranged in ascending order. Lines are drawn from the amounts to the townships to which they apply.

The third column gives the average value per acre of all land assessed in each of the townships.

The fourth column indicates the span of valuations per acre in each of the townships. The first amount is the lowest value per acre on any piece of land in the township and the second amount is the highest value per acre placed on any piece. The size of the parcel of land was not considered.

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Variations in Assessment Ratios by Townships

From a study of the assessment map and of the tables of summaries following, variations appear which are not equitable. One of the outstanding differences has to do with a disagreement among assessors as to what constitutes non-tillable land. Instructions from the Commission on Revenue and Taxation to the county assessors defined non-tillable land as that which might or might not be under cultivation but which was unfit to be used for planted or cultivated crops. Evidence seems to show that some local assessors classes as tillable all pastures and meadows that could be put under cultivation on the theory that such land was as valuable or even more valuable than some tracts that were less fertile because of many years of crop production. Others classes all pastures and meadows as non-tillable.

Ridge township has listed only 272 acres of non-tillable land while Hope township which adjoins it on the south has 5,670 acres, Logan township on the north has 5,721 acres, Jefferson on the west has 3,563 acres and Union on the east has 12,662 acres. The first named township has only a little more than one

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percent non-tillable land and the last named township has more than fifty percent so listed. It appears evident that there is much difference in the opinions of the men who assessed the land as to what the classification should be.

It is difficult to determine just what effect this had upon the actual valuation of the parcels of land for whether or not the assessor called the land tillable or non-tillable, when it came to fixing a value he used his own opinion of what the value should be. It does make it more difficult, however, for the boards of equalization to make adjustments when eighty acres of land listed as non-tillable might be eighty acres of fertil meadow or eighty acres of rocky hill top.

Perhaps the greatest assessment variation between townships is found in the assessment of the improvements. Some of the assessors who made the 1938 assessment in Dickinson County seem to believe in the theory that improvements on farm land should not be taxed because they are largely non-productive. Not being able to leave them off the assessment rolls entirely they placed the valuation very low. Other assessors seem to think of the improvements as an investment having a value equal to the cost of re-investment

placement and assess the improvements accordingly.

The board of equilization is handicapped in making adjustments in this instance for they cannot know the approximate value of the improvements without careful personal appraisel of each house and barn and silo. The board often raise the assessor's land assessment values a given percent when they find that the values are much below that of other townships adjoining but no evidence has been found of a case where the assessor's figures onimprovements have been scaled either up or down.

The assessment map shows a wide range of assessment averages on improvements. Dwellings in particular are subject to much variation. In Cheever township the dwellings have an average assessed valuation of \$ 205.49 and in Banner township the average is \$ 762.91 (see Table 25). There is no apparent reason for this difference except the personal view points of the assessors responsible for fixing the values. The land valuation in Cheever township is sixth highest and of Banner township is third lowest of the twenty-four townships. The county clerk and one county commissioner gave as their opinion that in general the homes in Cheever township were just as

good if not a little better than in Banner township. Yet, the average valuation in the one case is three and one-half times as much as in the other. It would seem that in a county in which there were no communities of decidedly different racial or religious groups, that improvements would compare in value about in the same order as the land valuations. But as is shown in the table there appears the greatest of irregularity that could be imagined. The same inconsistency appears in the comparison of the average value of all improvements with the average values of land in the townships.

Variations in Assessment Ratios by Individual Pieces

Referring again to Table 25 the fourth column lists the range of values per acre in the twenty-four townships. The first amount indicates the lowest average valuation per acre of any parcel of land in the township and the second amount gives the highest average valuation per acre of any parcel within the township. In nearly all cases the low average was on a piece of land that was classified as non-tillable, which might mean pasture or meadow land, and the high average was on a piece of land that was classified as tillable. In most of the townships

the span of averages indicates that there was a definite tendency for the assessor to select some fixed value for land and scale up or down from that in determining the valuation of a piece of land as it seemed to be somewhat better or poorer than the average. The assessor then, perhaps through fear of dissatisfaction and protest on the part of the land owners who were his friends and neighbors, did not venture far from the average in either direction.

The span of averages is much more restricted in the case of the same size pieces of land having the same number of acres under cultivation. In almost any part of the assessment map can be found quarter section after quarter section with exactly the same valuation. There is little variation even in cases where the parcels of land lie far apart in the township or where one quarter section lies adjoining a town and another some distance away from the town or from surfaced highways.

The same tendency is observed in the assessment of pasture land. If it is pasture land it is assessed as pasture land and poor or good makes little difference in the valuation.

There is no marked variation in the assessment of large or small parcels. In most cases the land is

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assessed by quarters even though one man may own the four quarters of the section. Using a fixed value per acre as a basis and assessing the land at an amount equal to the fixed value times the number of acres in the parcel eliminates the tendency found in some other studies in which a large farm was scaled down and a small farm up in value. Only in the case of very small parcels of land close to towns was there evidence of the size having anything to do with the valuation. Occasionally a one-half acre tract might be assessed for two hundred dollars while the quarter section from which it had been cut was assessed at about thirty-five dollars per acre.

The same close span of valuations appear also for improvements except that the average valuation is much lower in proportion to the cost than is the case of land. For example, new improvements were placed on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 9, township 16, range 2 just before the first of March, 1940. These improvements cost well over \$ 8,000 and were listed on the assessment rolls at \$ 3,300. In other cases improvements costing more than \$ 10,000, only a few years old and in good repair, were assessed as low as \$ 1,370.

In the first example given above these improvements were the highest in the township which had the

highest average for dwellings in the county. A similar set of improvements in Hope township was valued at \$ 1,700 and another in Ridge township at \$ 1,565. The highest valuation on improvements in Hope township was \$ 2,050 and in Ridge was \$ 1,565.

These figures and other comparisons indicate that, while the rural real estate in Dickinson County, Kansas is assessed at 60.3 per cent of the sales value¹, the improvements are assessed at about 30 per cent of the replacement cost.

1. Kansas State Planning Board. Relation of Assessed Value of Kansas Real Estate 1933-1937, Inc. p. 7. July, 1939.

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WEAKNESSES IN THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF ASSESSMENT

The Commission of Revenue and Taxation of Kansas has general supervisory powers over assessment but its other duties and responsibilities are so extensive that little attention has been given to organizing and training county and deputy assessors for their task. Once each two years the county assessors are called together for a conference and some problems are discussed and instructions given to be passed on to the local assessors. Short tenure in office, lack of adequate financial support, and failure to secure information through research in the field are other weaknesses of the organization.

The county clerk of Kickinson County has many duties other than that of county assessor. The duties of either position are extensive enough to require the full time of an individual. It is impossible for him to devote much time to the training and supervision of his deputy assessors. He has no power in selecting qualified individuals as assessors and he lacks sufficient financial support to make it possible for him to do anything in the way of research in his county or of study of modern methods of assessment as practiced in other localities.

The local assessors come into their duties by the process of being elected as trustees of their respective townships. Little attention is given by the electors to the matter of qualifications for this office. Usually the office is not sought after for the work is seasonal and the remuneration is small. The outstanding qualification that the local assessor usually has is that of being well acquainted with the local conditions, which may prove a disadvantage, for the assessor often does not wish to set a higher valuation upon the property of his own friends and neighbors than is necessary. The lower he is able to keep the assessments in his township the smaller will be the percent of the state and county taxes his township will have to pay. The greatest weakness from the standpoint of the local assessor however, appears to be the almost entire lack of training received to meet probably the most vital problem of the taxing system, that of equitable assessment.

The assessment unit is the township and is too small in most cases to adopt modern methods of assessment that would insure a higher degree of accuracy in fixing values. The local assessor in Dickinson County works about fifty days a year. Under such conditions

it appears impossible for him to be well trained and well informed in the field. At best the job of assessing is apt to be nothing more than a sideline providing an opportunity to add a small amount to the individual's yearly income from his usual vocation.

REMEDIES FOR ASSESSMENT WEAKNESSES

Advancement has been made in several of the states in the matter of property assessment. The general trend of improvement seems to have been to grant more authority of supervision to the state tax commission, to provide for the carrying on of research in the field, to install a staff of experts to visit the counties and work with and train the local assessors, and to compile detailed information concerning various elements effecting the valuation of the units assessed.

A number of experiments have been worked out in Kansas by individual county assessors. One of the outstanding experiments was devised by Worden R. Howat, County Clerk, Trego County, Wakeeney, Kansas².

Mr. Howat first established the value of an average acre of tillable land and an average acre of non-tillable land by calculating the average investment return on each, through crop production in the one case and cattle raising in the other. A ratio

2. Howat, Worden R. New Assessment Plan used in Trego. (In Kansas Government Journal. Vol. XXIV-No. 11, Nov. 1938, P. 22).

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of tillable land to non-tillable was established at 15 to 6. He next zoned the county by ranges from east to west, making the middle range the norm and deducting 2 per cent for each range to the west and adding 2 per cent for each range to the east. He then used the nearness to market as a basis for zoning and established 12 zones, the sixth being the norm. He added 3 per cent for each zone toward the central market and subtracted 3 per cent for each zone out from the sixth. This gave him a range on a normal valuation of \$ 1000 of \$ 820 in zone 12 to \$ 1150 in zone 1. Previous assessment figures were entirely disregarded and a new set of values set up.

The plan was studied by the Commission on Revenue and Taxation and by the Committee on Taxation of the Legislative Council. Both groups indicated that the plan appeared to be feasable and adaptable to other counties in the state.

In connection with the above plan, Mr. Howat prepared an assessment map showing the valuation of each piece of real estate in the county and a card index file of information by which he was able to show to each tax payer the method by which each valuation was arrived at. On the whole the plan seemed

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to meet with local approval and although some adjustment was necessary, rather satisfactory results were obtained.

A Proposed Plan for Kansas

A model assessment plan for Kansas was constructed by Howe and Miller¹ which seems to provide for the correction of many of the weaknesses of our assessment system. While the plan may be somewhat idealistic it has several features which could easily be put into use and should provide for a much more equitable system than we now have.

According to this plan the State Tax Commission would be given even more authority than it now has in the control of assessment throughout the state. Sufficient financial aid would be granted the Commission to enable it to carry out the duties it now has as well as the additional powers to be granted it. A Taxation specialist would be employed to direct a research department under the supervision of the

1. Howe, Harold and Miller L. F. Assessment and Collection of Farm Real Estate Taxes in Kansas. Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin. 1939. p. 52.

Commission and with authority to demand information needed for such research work.

The commission should also have the authority to employ supervisors on a district basis, who would perform the twofold duty of directing and assisting the county assessor, and preparing an intercounty equalization. Howe says, "By building up county valuations on an objective basis, supervisors of assessments would promote the movement toward full value assessment as well as make effective a more uniform assessment throughout the state."

Howe proposes that the county be made a unit for assessment and that the county assessor be a qualified full time employee, appointed by the county commissioners subject to the approval of the State Tax Commission. His appointment would be for four years with the privilege of reappointment and his removal would require the joint action of the county commissioners and the State Tax Commission for failure or neglect to properly perform his duties. If one or more deputies were required, these would be appointed by the county assessor subject to the approval of the State Tax Commission and the term of office and provision for removal would be the same as for the county assessor.

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Assessment of real estate would be by adjustment annually on March first, from appraisal data collected by the continuous work in collecting information concerning current sales values of land, new improvements and new community developments which would tend toward changing valuations. Personal property would be assessed about in the same way as it is at the present time except that the county would be the unit and old unit boundaries would be disregarded.

The plan provides also for properly equipping the county assessor's office with all of the aids necessary to efficient and economical administration. These would include assessment maps and charts and files of accurate information concerning the land, its size and soil structure and a detailed description of the improvements.

Howe's plan is scientific and ought to be practical. The major point of criticism that the plan has is that it will take the direct control of the assessors out of the hands of the electors and tend to make the department bureaucratic. This may be a point in favor of the plan for there will be less tendency for the assessors to favor certain individuals if his contacts are not too close.

Part III

SCHOOL FINANCING UNDER PRESENT AND PROPOSED PLAN COMPARED

An equitable distribution of the tax burden for the support of schools is impossible as long as that support comes from property tax and there exists the present unscientific methods of property assessment. This is true whether the taxing unit be the eight or nine sections of a rural district, the county wide unit of high schools under the Barnes, the Tuition or the Community High School laws, or under a state wide unit as has been seriously considered for Kansas. Fixing a common tax rate will not equalize tax unless the property assessed is valued at its true value in money or a fixed percent of its true value. It appears that this is not being done at the present time and while inequalities are not so marked in the small taxing unit as they are in the county unit or would be in a unit of the state, still they are present and non-the-less grevious.

Under our present system of assessment the ratio of assessed value to sales value of real estate has been permitted to vary from 46.2 per cent in Thomas

County to 90.4 per cent in Republic County². If counties with this extreme variation were adjoining and each had territory within a given school district, the tax payers in the one section would pay approximately one-half as much school tax per dollar of actual taxable value as would a tax payer in the same school district but in the other county.

The same condition exists between townships. As is shown in Table 25, the variation of assessments of land and dwellings in Dickinson County appears to be such as to levy twice or even three times as much on the actual value of one piece of property as on one of equal actual value in another township.

From a study of the assessment maps of Banner and Cheever townships and the tables of recapitulation following, the case given below could be an actual one. If improvements having the same actual replacement value of \$ 10,000 were located, the one in Banner township the other in Cheever township, the first would be given an assessed valuation of about \$ 3,600 and the second of about \$ 1,300. If both properties lay

2. Kansas State Planning Board. Relation of Assessed Value to Sales Value of Kansas Real Estate 1933-1937, Inclusive. July 1939. p 8.

in the same high school district having a six mill levy, the tax on the first would be \$ 21.60 and on the other would be \$ 4.80. This certainly is not an equitable distribution of the tax burden. While it is difficult to believe that such extreme variations would be permitted to exist even under our present tax laws, still every evidence seems to bear this out.

Another phase of school financing should be considered in relation to assessment variations and that is tax limitation. Laws establishing tax limits do not accomplish what they are supposed to accomplish. They do not limit the tax to a fixed part of the actual value of the property within the unit.

We have a general state law fixing the maximum limit of levy for a district grade and high school at 14 mills. This is on the assessed valuation, which is supposed to be the true value of the property. But it does not work out so, for let us consider the case for Republic and Thomas Counties referred to at the beginning of this section. Property assessed at 90.4 per cent in Republic County would make a legal limitation of 12.656 mills on actual value and not the 14 mills stated in the law. Property assessed in Thomas County at 46.2 per cent of actual value would have a legal tax limit of only 6.468 mills on actual value.

It appears evident that it is common practice for taxing units to scale up assessed valuations when the maximum tax limit fails to produce the revenue desired. It is not uncommon for the assessed valuation to be raised well above actual sales value of the property and there appears to be no evidence that either a county or state equilization board has done any more about it than they have in equalizing valuations below actual value.

The discussion just given concerning tax limitation applies just as well to limitations on the issuing of bonds. If a city bonds itself to the legal limit, it is a simple matter to increase valuations twenty per cent and then increase their bond issue twenty per cent.

Turning to another phase of school financing we find other problems of inequality arising because of these same assessment variations.

In 1937, the Kansas Legislature passed a law guaranteeing every elementary school minimum financial support. By this law each such school was to be granted sufficient money out of state funds, which, added to the revenue derived from a three mill levy on property within the district would make \$ 675. per

teaching unit. Of course, the lower the assessed valuation of the district could be kept the less money a three mill levy would raise in the district and the more money would be received from the state equalization fund.

For example, suppose that a school district has property within its limits with an actual value of \$ 220,000. If the property were to be assessed for that amount a three mill levy would raise \$ 660. and the state would grant \$ 15. to provide the minimum teaching unit. If the property were to be assessed at 80 per cent of the actual value, a three mill levy would raise \$ 528. and the state's share would be \$ 147. If the property were assessed at only 50 per cent of actual value, the three mill levy would produce \$ 330. and the state would pay \$ 345.

It is easy to see why assessment officers do not assess property the same. Because they are so often untrained inequalities arise which are unintentional. Because the local assessor is assessing the property of his own neighbors and friends, inequalities arise through an attempt to set valuations to best satisfy these neighbors and friends who may on occasion desire high valuation but usually desire that it be as low as possible.

The conditions mentioned in the preceeding paragraphs and the weaknesses discussed in a previous section can and do exist under our present assessment system. Even though our present laws on taxation would permit of much improvement from the stand point of the State Tax Commission, there is little chance that much can be done in this direction until a drastic change is made in the method by which local assessors are selected.

The modern assessment plan proposed by Mr. Howe and reviewed in this thesis, should provide a sound foundation for a thoroughly scientific system of assessment. Certain modifications, adjustments and extensions would most likely need to be made but the principles involved appear to be fundamentally sound. Although the plan would cost more to operate, additional receipts obtained through tax on property now escaping the tax rolls should more than offset the additional cost. But of greatest importance would be the result of the establishing of equity in assessment.

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Part IV

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The present laws on assessment have been in force with little change since 1869 when township trustees became the assessors of real and personal property. No provision was made at that time for the county clerk to be the county assessor but he performed supervisory duties similar to those assigned to him by law in 1907 when he was legally designated county assessor.

The methods used in the early history of the state, while fairly satisfactory at that time, are not adequate for present needs and never have been equitable. The establishing of a State Tax Commission in 1907 failed to improve the system as much as one might expect. Research in the field during the past ten or fifteen years has brought certain defects to light and has more forcefully brought others to the attention of the people that were already arousing some dissatisfaction, but still little has been done toward correcting the evils of the system.

In Dickinson County, inequalities of assessment seemed to exist which included the following; (1) inequalities in the assessment of individual parcels

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of land in the same taxing unit, (2) a much lower assessment ratio on improvements than on land, (3) a general tendency to assess all property close to a median with little range between poor and good land, (4) a general policy on the part of local assessors to keep assessed valuations as low as possible in order to reduce the amount of money that a particular township would have to pay toward the support of state and county expenditures, and (5) a difference in the ratio of assessments to sales value in the various taxing units.

These inequalities of assessment were found to have a marked effect on the financing of schools in the following ways: (1) they caused dissatisfaction on the part of the tax payer which lead to protest and criticism of the tax supported institutions of which the schools are important members, (2) they made it impossible for laws on tax limitation and bond limitation to function properly, and (3) they caused serious difficulty in the application of the recent school equilization law, and may defeat further attempts to extend that law to the secondary schools of the state.

It is evident that changes should be made in the assessment laws to provide greater authority of super-

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vision, increased financial assistance with a resultant increase in the personnel of the State Tax Commission, that the office of county assessor be made a full time appointive office, and that the actual assessing within the county be done by the county assessor and expert assistants as a continuous process with annual adjustments on March, first. Assessment is the fundamental basis of our property tax system and it is necessary that a scientific basis be established for accurate and equitable assessment before anything approaching an equitable distribution of the tax burden is possible.

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EDUCATIONAL IMPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

From the standpoint of educators and of others interested in school finance it should appear highly important that the necessary steps be taken to carry on extensive and thorough research in the field of property assessment, and if the results show these wide assessment variations to be general, a program should be developed by which the people of the state could be shown the defects of the system and laws passed that would overcome the defects as far as that should be possible. It is highly important that this be done now for rapidly increasing taxes, new taxes and the revision and adjustment of tax laws are now attracting much attention.

It is the opinion of the writer that our attention has been directed too much toward finding new sources of wealth to be tapped for the support of schools and not enough attention toward making the principal source as fair and equitable as possible. Certainly the schools have a good source in the property tax and the taxable wealth of the country is so great that little need might arise for tapping other sources if a thorough and a scientific job of tapping the source they now have, were developed.

Perhaps much criticism of schools becoming too much of a tax burden would be averted if the sore spots of our property tax system could be healed through an reassessment plan such as has been discussed in these pages.

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