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SO THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW.

As the campaign progresses, under the increasing at the refusal of Judge Hanna and the county commissioners to order an inspection of the books of Jackson county, and the failure of the county officials to expose it.

No reason is assigned for this lack of ordinary business precaution, and no shred of disagreement and shortages in certain offices continue to circulate.

When an expert offers to make an inspection for ten per cent of the amount of money he will save the county, and it is positive that he will make a month's salary each day, so is the cost, something is surely the matter. At least it is worth while investigating.

When tax records are in such a condition as to be indicated by Delinquent demands for payment of taxes that have already been paid, and the placing of property upon the delinquent list on which there are no taxes delinquent, and when assessments are in such shape that property owners are assessed for land they do not own and find their own property assessed to someone else or omitted entirely from the list, as is the case, a public auditing by experts is certainly needed.

But this is not all. It is currently reported that there has been an actual shortage in one of the county offices, which is being concealed. If this is the case, the public is certainly entitled to know who got away with its money and the bondsmen called to cash up.

Whether or not there has been a defalcation, these accounts have been so cunningly slipshod methods in vogue in many of the county offices, and a carelessness almost criminal. It is not in ordinary business here—who is to find out what is the matter and straighten things out for the adoption of a better system—which can only be done by employing an expert.

County Judge Hanna has gone on record as favoring an increased tax amount of 60.24 per cent in order to show property owners how much off their assessments are by magnifying the discrepancies. Under the same logic he should order no inspection and multiply the discrepancies by 60.24 per cent so that taxpayers can also see plainly what is going on of the courthouse. But if reports are true, they will not welcome efficiency.

Are these school funds in order and who are responsible? Is the honesty will welcome inspection of the books. There is no harm in being sure. The affair is with the Bank. Who then, do not the county officials Jackson county concerned in employing for inspection report on examination their books? Could they stand a strenuous inspection? Or is it true that an expert's report showing their affairs in good order? Does these county officials mortgage be caused while they work with good bond and spend with a reckless hand?

Are officials careless?

Are there shortages?

Are there defalcations?

Are there discrepancies and a lack of gross carelessness too offended with safe?

Why not settle these questions by appointing the books when experts will do it for a small percentage of money so expended and guarantee to satisfy the county money?

Why not let in the light, unless there is something to hide which will not stand the light?

Who are behind?

DEMAND FOR GOOD ROADS

The demand throughout the country for good roads and a capable system cannot be turned to advantage with News as Tribune.

A market that would be of good on purchase to the citizens of Rock Island and describing country, would be the building of a good highway direct through both counties, or extending at least from Medford to Grants Pass. Talk road, it is now in is the road road Thoroughfare of Southern Oregon and to see that it is the good road is the question is getting it done. The road is always in the most popular and difficult, but it must be done sooner or later. While we are talking about the schedule of our counties, Jackson county of Jackson county, and the Rogue River valley, and the Rogue River valley, and the Rogue River valley