

Center Township

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Bassett

CENTER TOWNSHIP--TOWN NO. 9, RANGE NO. 15

Also all of town No. 8, range No. 15, embraced in Buffalo County.

1871— 24

George N. Smith – In 1889 was nominated to run for the Senate [state or national??]

H. Hillficker,

R. Kilgore, [J. B. Kilgore owned property east of Kearney in Sec. 28 in 1919]

B. F. Bengsloe,

John Blanchard,

A. H. Brundage,

H. D. Smith,

W. A. Hunter,

Wm. Smith,

George Hoge,

George Enderly,

J. H. Miller,

George Flehearty,

J. H. O'Neil,

S. A. Mack,

A. Shovel,

T. M. Faddis,

I. B. Wambaugh,
H. Comstock,
H. T. Faddis,
C. A. Smith,
John Davis,
A. W. Tabor,
A. L. Ketchum,
F. Moore.

1872— 33

W. H. Killgore,
J. Hillficker,
J. Wood,
John Mahan,
L. D. Forehand,
G. M. Hively,
John Hively,
J. Enderly,
J. Loverin,
J. N. Loverin,
Mary A. Smith,
A. P. Mitchell,
J. Gabriel,
A. B. Richardson,
J. C. Pierce,
I. L. Cuttler,
H. S. Guy,
J. McClure,
G. W. Kern, Jr,
S. I. Asterheid,
C. I. Asterheid,
D. B. Marsh,
S. Brandal,
A. Row,
W. S. Spooner,
J. Crinyan,
H. Worden,
W. M. Brookover,
C. Parry,
J. Hively,
A. Henderson,
T. Garland,
C. T. Weldin.

1873— 19

J. M. Frantz,

N. D. Brooks,
George Grabach,
A. W. Hanson,
D. Bean,
W. Troop,
Robert Haines,
A. Scott,
Maria J. Sadler,
Mary A. Smith,
J. M. Thomas,
J. Thomas,
H. V. Westhoven,
H. W. Morse,
J. S. Harrington,
J. B. Ingram,
J. A. Waters,
G. W. Clem,
John Hoge.

1874—7

B. Fancette,
L. Troop,
J. Scott,
J. Troop,
E. A. Hartman,
C. Lee,
P. D. Keys.

1875—3

J. Hormel,
D. Clelland,
A. A. Brown.

1876—6

F. E. Babbitt,
B. F. Vandyke,
S. Van Scyoc,
C. C. Black,
F. Reynolds,
A. H. Edwards.

1877—4

J. Trumbull,
Wm. Schranm,
L. Korecek,

C. Osterheid.

1878—48

W. T. Scott,
F. J. Switz,
H. Burritt,
Mary A. Vance,
L. M. Brigham,
E. C. Calkins,
M. Saville,
C. A. Westervelt,
A. Bessie,
Samuel L. Savidge,
C. E. Paist,
A. B. Clark,
I. Henthorn,
J. Layton,
J.A. Harron,
J.E. Lund,
M. F. Martin,
S. H. McNutt,
A. D. Randall,
M. O. Riley,
H. J. Mack,
E. Mathews,
G. W. Mecum,
M. M. Martin,
D. Allen,
J. M. Chism,
R. W. Russell,
S. Landis,
C. D. Ayers,
H. C. Sams,
W. H. Salisbury,
S. Wenzell,
D. Webbert,
W. L. Nash,
J. S. Sizer,
S. J. Waldron,
L. W. Zook,
P. Ford,
W. E. Hawley,
J. Eaton,
J. W. Winslow,
T. T. Clelland,
J. McKain,

M. M. Allen,
M. Henthorn,
T. McBride,
James Evans,
Rosa Grant

1879—5

W. B. McBride,
B. H. Goulding,
R. H. Eaton,
J. Anderson,
E. D. McCalve.

1919 Atlas

Schools – at least 6 schools

[Mack School – Union Valley School] – On road between Sections 8 & 9 half way down -
Intersection of 92nd Road & Cherry Ave – 1 ½ mile south, 2 miles east, north side of Wood

[Center School] – Center of Section 14 – 78th Street, between Poole Ave and Imperial Ave –
south side of Wood River

[Snyder School] – Intersection of Sections 20 & 21, 29 & 28 at Intersection of Cherry Ave &
56th St.

[Buda School] – North of Highway 30 at Poole Road

[Stone School] – Intersection of Cherry Ave & Coal Chute Road on north side of Coal Chute

[Anderson School] – Intersection of Poole Road & Coal Chute Road, south side of Coal Chute
Center of Section 12S, west side of 100th Road on Kilgore Island

Genweb schools in Center Township in 1907

Center 28 NW ¼ 6 Snyder

Center 26 SE ¼ 11 Buda

Center 14 SW ¼ 28 Center

Center 8 NE ¼ 29 Mack - Union Valley

Center 1 SW ¼ 34 Hartman

Center 32 SE ¼ 36 Stone

Center 2 (South) NE ¼ 38 Anderson

Genweb – Nebraska STATE GAZETTEER Business Directory, 1890

Buda, a station on the U.P. Ry., in the southern part of Buffalo county, five miles east of Kearney, the
county seat. Population, 25.

Gasdell J C, agl implts.

Hubbell J, justice.

Leonard T, blacksmith.

Sammon W C, sta agt, postmaster.

Genweb – Township Officers, 1890

CENTER -

Assessor, J. L. Tool

Clerk, J. Shovel

Treasurer, A. P. Leonard

Justice of Peace, L. H. Bond

Constables,

M. H. Donaldson

J. W. Cheedle

Road Overseers:

district 5, A. A. Nash

district 17, L. Leonard

district 23, D. E. Snyder

Center Township

Name – Don't know

Existed in 1875 – included in list of precincts

Township was organized on March 20, 1884 at Buda After state law establishing township system was passed in 1883.

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Location –

East of Kearney between Ave N and 100th Road which is a mile east of Poole Road
From Platte river to 115th road
6 x6 section plus three rows of sections south or parts thereof along the Platte

Geography –

Wood River winds through the north part of the section
All cultivated to Wood River. Some grazing land on very north edge of township, up out of Wood River valley on north side.

Landmarks –

Airport
Highway 30
Union Pacific Railroad
West end of Kilgore Island

Schools –

District 6 – Snyder in Section 28 NW ¼ at intersection of Cherry & 56th St.
On Snyder property
District 11 – Buda in Section 26 SE ¼ at intersection of Highway 30 and
District 28 – Center in Section 14 SW ¼ in center of the section on 78th Street, between Poole Ave and Imperial Ave – south side of Wood River
District 29 – Mack - Union Valley in Section 8 NE ¼ at intersection of 92nd Road & Cherry Ave on north side of Wood
District 34 – Hartman in Section 1 SW ¼ - one corner of the district in Center Township
District 36 – Stone in Section 32 SE ¼ at intersection of Cherry Ave & Coal Chute Road on north side of Coal Chute
District 38 – Anderson in Section 2 (South) NE ¼ at intersection of Poole Road & Coal Chute Road, south side of Coal Chute

Churches –

Church of the Brethren [building now at T & R] on Snavelly property 5 miles northeast of Kearney in Center Township
Presbyterian in Buda about 1907 – 1909 and was there for several years before going to Kearney

Cemeteries –

Poor Farm in Section 2 four miles north of Highway 30 on Poole Road, west side of road

Towns –

Buda – one of two stations in Buffalo County when UP was built
Large town platted
On Ft. Kearny military reservation
First called Kearney Station, then Shelby for a couple of years, then Buda
1890 population 25

Anti-Horse Thief Society

\$1 dues up to \$2 /year

Value placed on animal by committee of three disinterested members who were acquainted with the horse or mule.

If found, animal belonged to the society

Brand – half circle

If sold – branded with half circle the other way to make a circle

1879-1885 then disbanded – one horse thief pursued

The Jealous Husband Murder