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THOMAS COUNTY

Thomas County is the first county near Colorado and Nebraska in the northwest part of the state. It has 4,415 inhabitants. Colby is the county seat. Topography is moderately rolling and along streams where water is found for the most part, you find more or less, where the soil is good and enough fertility. In the year of 1890, we find seven Czech families possessing 1140 acres of land and they are as follows:

<u>Name and postoffice</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>S.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>R.</u>	<u>Village</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>County</u>	
Levante:									
Jos. Hess	NE	160	31	7	35	Vodokrty	Prestice	Plzen	
Brewster:									
Jos. Frost	NW	160	30	9	36		Prestice	Plzen	
Colby:									
Fr. Roupec	NE	160	1	7	35	Mikulovice	Trebic	Jihlava	
Aug. Roupec	SW	160	36	6	35	Mikulovice	Trebic	Jihlava	
Vin. Tomek	NW	160	5	7	34	Hodosin	V. Bytes	Jihlava	
Ant. Kovar		Harness Maker					Presovice	Hrotovice	Znojmo

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DECATUR COUNTY

The county lies near the border of Nebraska and is third county east of Colorado. Oberlin is the county seat and governs the fertile land. It has 7759 inhabitants, among them, are 36 Czech families possessing 7997 acres of land. The value of county land is the sum of \$1,480,352. The public debt is \$81,016. Topography is gently rolling, for most part a proportion grows wild. Soil here is exceedingly fertile, but only if it receives the valuable moisture, which sometimes here is lacking. Piece of land here is from \$5 to \$12 per acre. There is no government land, most land without inhabitants is found owned by Eastern money loaning companies. Water is 100 to 150 feet deep, has good taste and is healthy. Czech settlers settled in the southeast part of the county in the beginning. Mr. V. Rohana, a band of family by the name of Blecha came to this place from Richardson County in 1873. A number of them left this area later. So from the first settlers until now came Mr. Jos. Cilek and Mrs. Rohana. The later frost and production were important to the Czech settler, and they settled at the head district center of Jennings and Kanona.

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Jennings:								
Vac. Prachyl	SW	160	2	4	27	Libice	Podebrady	Caslav
Vac. Prachyl, Sr.	SW	160	4	4	27	Libice	Podebrady	Caslav
Fr. Petracek	NE	160	6	4	27	Trtice	Nove Straseci	Praha
	NW	160	17	4	27			
Vac. Petracek	SE	160	6	4	27	Trtice	Nove Straseci	Praha
Jan Petracek	NW	160	8	4	27	Trtice	Nove Straseci	Praha
	NNE	80	7	4	27			
	NNW	80	7	4	27			
Jos. Petracek	S	320	8	4	27	Trtice	Nove Straseci	Praha

Czech Settlers - Decatur County, Kansas - cont'd
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Jennings:								
Mat. Petrasek	SE	160	7	4	27	Pisk. Lhota	Podebrady	Caslav
	SE	160	20	4	27			
Jos. Petrasek	E	320	18	4	27	Pisk. Lhota	Podebrady	Caslav
Jos. Pavlicek	N	160	7	4	27	Trtice	Nové Strásečí	Praha
Mat. Kaspar	Blacksmith					Kalis	Prestice	Plzeň
	N	640	9	4	27			
Fr. Kumbova (lady) (Kumba)	NW	160	10	4	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice
Pavel Bartos	SW	160	11	4	27	Hostivice	Unhost	Praha
	NW	160	33	3	26			
Jan Simek		640	16	4	27	Zaric	Ml. Vosice	Tabor
	NW	160	15	4	27			
	SW	160	33	3	27			
Vac. Flaska	SE	160	17	4	27	Chudenice		Plzeň
Jos. Vacura	NE	160	20	4	27	Horovice		Praha
Jan Dvorak	NW	160	21	4	27	Hosin	Hluboka	Budejovice
Vac. Netik	NW	160	22	4	27	Char	Kolin	Ml. Boleslav
Fr. Mazanek	NE	160	28	4	27	Strazek	Bystrice	Jihlava
Fr. Simek	Butcher					Zaric	Ml. Vozice	Tabor
Kanona:								
Fr. Tacha	N	320	5	4	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice
Ant. Tacha	S	320	5	4	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice
Teod. Tacha	SE	160	31	3	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice
Fr. Tacha	E	320	33	3	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice
Voj. Janousek	SW	160	31	3	27	Susice		Pisek
	SW	160	6	4	27			
Vac. Janousek	SW	160	30	3	27	Susice		Pisek
Jos. Urban	WSE	80	24	3	27	Trtice	N. Strásečí	Praha
	WNE	80	25	3	27			
Vilem Holman	SE	160	25	3	27	Do not know		
	SSE	80	34	3	27			
Vac. Rohana	SW	160	25	3	27	Sobeslav		Tabor
(Inherited) Rohana	SSE	80	26	3	27	Sobeslav		Tabor
	NNE	80	35	3	27			
Fr. Henryova (lady) (Henry)	Mid	160	26	3	27	M. Lhotka	Kostelec	Kr. Hradec
Jiri Koldsky	NE	160	27	3	27	Ruda	N. Strásečí	Praha
Jos. Cilek	SE	160	27	3	27	Sobeslav		Tabor
	SSW	80	26	3	27			
	NNW	80	35	3	27			
	EE	160	3	4	27			
Alzb. Stephen (lady)	NE	240	34	3	27	Sobeslav		Tabor
Anna Krizek	SE	160	28	3	27	Ruda	N. Strásečí	Praha
Fr. Krizek	NW	117	34	3	27	Ruda	N. Strásečí	Praha
Fr. Machart	SW	200	34	3	27	Malesice	Hluboka	Budejovice
Marie Danemark	N	120	32	3	27	Trhové Sviny		Budejovice

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