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OUR ROAD REPRESENTATIVE.

When Governor West appointed Dr. M. K. Hall as a member of the state highway board he made no mistake. Few men have more interest in good roads than physicians, and in Dr. Hall's case it happens that he rides about this county often and knows something of the practical end of making roads. His association with the Motor club also brings in the opinions of every member of that organization which assist him to arrive at conclusions usually correct in his recommendations.

The highway commission can be a very useful instrument. There is always room for work on the roads, but the important point is to get practical work. With this idea in mind Governor West has selected such men as Dr. Hall from Union and Jay H. Dobbin from Wallowa counties.

It always seemed to us that the Portland good roads men who came into Eastern Oregon were out of their latitudes—that they were talking about building roads in a country they knew little of. We do not believe any Eastern Oregon man would assume to go to the Willamette valley where the rain is heavy and suggest how the people there should construct highways. And that is why the present movement looks sensible to us—get some men interested in pushing this affair and we will soon begin to see results.

One of the things that is of intense interest to Union county is the automobile tax. If the tax collected for running machines could be used on our own highways it would be gladly paid by machine owners without a complaint along with a great deal more each year, but when the fund is used to pay an army of clerks and employees about Salem, auto owners here pay the tax with some regret. We know of no better man to dwell on this particular phase of the matter be-

fore the governor and the powers that be than Dr. Hall and the Observer is pleased that the good roads situation of this county has been placed in his hands.

TO THE FOOTHILLS.

Now that La Grande is reaching out in all directions with her residence district, claiming lands that here-ofore had been vacant and where many people thought there never would be occupancy, it occurs to us that the popular move will be to the foothills. Those settling the town in its early history did as everyone else would have done—stayed closely to the railroad track and the business district for men do not like to walk very far.

It is different now, however, and the time has arrived when it is a question of valued lands upon which to build. Some contend the thing to do is to stick to the lower ground, but there is quite a sentiment in favor of the foothills for residence districts. One of the best illustrations of conversion to the higher land is Dave Steward. He had lived on Adams avenue for a long and was more or less prejudiced in favor of a close in residence, but this summer he went to the foothills where he owned some property. He fixed up his home comfortable and after a few weeks' trial neither himself nor family would under any consideration give up the high ground. There are many things in its favor, which can only be appreciated by trying the experiment.

There will be more try it each year and La Grande's future residence district is going to be in the foothill country.

A man from across the valley writes "I was on the road when Walsh made his flight Monday night. It was the finest thing I ever saw and I enclose you a dollar to assist in paying the expense." This is certainly the right spirit to have.

THE EXCEPTIONAL EMPLOYEE.

Mr. Carnegie says: "The most valuable acquisition to his business which an employer can obtain is an exceptional young man. There is no bargain so fruitful."

By the exceptional young man, Mr. Carnegie means the one who is always looking out for his employer's interests, the young man who keeps his eyes open, who is always trying to make suggestions for improvements in the business, who is always studying for some better, simpler, more efficient way of doing things.

The exceptional boy or young man is the one whose main ambition is to help along the business, to further his employer's interests in every possible way; the one who stays after hours during the busy season to help out wherever he can. The exceptional young man is one who when any emergency arises in the concern, has a valuable suggestion for its solution. The exceptional young man is the one who settles difficulties among the other employees without rapture, who is

always trying to avoid friction, to keep peace and harmony in the firm. He encourages the dull boy or the boy who can not seem to get hold of the business; he is always ready to give a lift whenever needed, gives a word of cheer to the discouraged. The exceptional young man is the one who is always on the alert for business, who is so polite and attentive and obliging to his customers that everybody wants to deal with him; who makes friends for the firm, who adds to the dignity of the house.—Orison Swett Marden in Success Magazine.

SUPPRESS THE "GUN-TOTER."

There has been vigorous and long-drawn out agitation in the state of New York over the subject of "gun-toting." So much crime has resulted clearly from the sudden impulse of those given to carrying concealed weapons that there has developed a strong public sentiment favorable to some effective regulation regarding the purchase of weapons and the right to carry them. This has resulted in the passage of a law by the New York legislature that makes it a felony for any person to have such weapons in his possession without being able to show a license from the police magistrate of the district in which he lives.

By reason of this law we shall hardly expect much diminution of crime traceable to this evil habit. Without any question it would be extremely difficult to frame any law that would reach the evil so effectually as it ought to be reached; but that law, if it ever is enacted, must reach the dealer in small arms. It must forbid the sale of those arms to any one except those legally authorized to purchase, and even at that it would be difficult if not impossible to govern the subsequent disposition of those weapons.

Universally, and for a long time, has it been a criminal offense to be found carrying concealed weapons, but the practice has increased rather than diminished under that policy. This shows that the habit, bad as it is, is difficult to control, though every now and then we are forcibly reminded that it ought to be controlled. The problem of even reasonable regulation is a difficult one to solve, and the lawmaking body that reaches a solution which will be anywhere near effective will be entitled to the unqualified thanks of the entire American public.

Perhaps some day we may conclude that we do not need the small arm and cease to make it, in which event we will have a solution, the effectiveness of which no one can question.—Portland Telegram.

NORTH FIR STREET.

The people owning property on North Fir street should lose no time in petitioning for a macadam roadway. It will mean everything to them for that is the logical route to the new park. And the new park, by the way, is to be the permanent breathing spot for La Grande's population. Maybe it is a little way out, but transportation will in time be provided so that

drawback will be overcome completely. At present there is no well defined route to the park simply because one road is as good as another and none of them are extra good after the paved section is left behind. A good macadam

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dam highway on North Fir would establish the route permanently and it would increase valuation of all property along the line.

This is something for the property owners to consider in that part of the city.

"THIS IS MY 43RD BIRTHDAY."

Eugene Duquesne, the architect of the French government who recently was appointed professor of architectural design at Harvard university, was born in Paris July 13, 1868. He received his professional education in the National School of Decorative Arts and in the School of Fine Arts, receiving high honors in both institutions. In 1890 he received a first mention in the international competition instituted by Roumania for a palace for the senate at Bucharest. In the two succeeding years the grand medal of the Central Society of French Architects was awarded to him. Mr. Duquesne was superintendent of construction of the most important buildings at the Paris international exposition of 1900. In 1908 he was appointed government architect in charge of the restoration and repairs of the palace and gardens of Versailles and the Trianon, a position which he held until his appointment to the Harvard professorship.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- July 13.
- 1619—First legislative body of Englishmen in America met at Jamestown, Va.
- 1787—Slavery abolished in the territory north of the Ohio river.
- 1854—Captain Hollins, in the American sloop "Cyane," bombarded San Juan de Nicaragua.
- 1863—Fierce riots in New York City against the conscription.

1866—The "Great Eastern" started to lay the third Atlantic cable.

1867—Francois Ponsard, celebrated French dramatist, died. Borne June French dramatist; died. Born June 1, 1814.

1878—Signing of the treaty of Berlin, settling the international disputes in regard to the Balkan states.

1881—Gen. John C. Pemberton, who commanded the confederates at Vicksburg, died in Pennsylvania. Born in Philadelphia, Aug. 10, 1814.

1890—Gen. John C. Fremont, soldier, explorer and statesman, died in New York City. Born in Savannah, Ga., Jan. 21, 1813.

1898—Admiral Cervera and the captured Spanish prisoners arrived at Portsmouth, N. H.

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