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GOOD ROADS PROBLEM.

The talk that County Judge Dunn gave at the good roads meeting Friday night gave an idea of his attitude toward the good roads movement. He is evidently sincere and has the welfare of the county at heart, but his total lack of the knowledge and science of road building and his inability to grasp the problem presented convinced his hearers that criticisms are well grounded.

This paper has no personal fight with any one. It is the duty of every up-to-date paper to express an unbiased opinion on public matters. Public officers are public servants, and in choosing men to represent the interests of the county the question of whether they are good fellows or respected is not all that is to be considered. The problem of paramount importance is the question whether aspirants are capable of filling intelligently the offices for which they aspire. In re-selecting Judge Dunn, is Jackson county securing the right man for the job?

One would think that as long as Judge Dunn has been in office he would have at least observed some practical ideas in regard to road building, but his remarks brought conviction on two things: First, his sincerity; second, his absolute lack of knowledge on the subject of highways. He stated that there is from \$20,000 to \$30,000 being expended annually for roads in Jackson county, which will build two or three miles of such roads as you propose.

Does the judge pretend to say that it costs from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a mile to build highways? He spoke of the long distance that suitable material had to be hauled. There is rock at Ashland, Jacksonville, Gold Ray, Table Rock and Rocky Ayr; all of which are the best of material for road building. Crushers should have been established at some of these points and work going on during the winter season when labor is cheap.

It appears that somewhere back in the dim past there must have been a county judge who secured his position by divine right, and each succeeding incumbent has been, as it were, an older son that fell heir to the throne, and with this inheritance has gone certain unchangeable principles, which the present judge adheres to most tenaciously. A professor, Judge Crowell, made the statement that it would require twenty, fifty, yes, a hundred years to build roads in Jackson county, but after all the judge's remarks were consistent, as his knowledge was based upon past experience.

What we all want is up-to-date men who will employ up-to-date methods; and secure good highways for the present generation, that can be enjoyed in this life. Because grandpa went to bed with a candle is no reason we should use candles today, and because our good cousins in the east have put up with bad roads for generations is no reason we should continue to waddle in the mud, or confess ourselves unable to solve the simple problem before us.

What Jackson county has done in times past is no criterion of what it can do today, what it should do, and what it will do. There are twice as many people here as five years ago, and there will be twice as many more in another five years.

No problem is too great for an energetic people to solve, and if necessary to violate all precedents in Oregon to secure good roads, they will be violated and the highways secured, no matter how.

The lethargy and inertia that have blighted Oregon's development and kept her at the tail of the procession of progress are things of the past in this community. We are awake and alive and have the ingenuity and brains to seize what we go after and to grasp that which is needed.

Is Judge Dunn the man for the occasion? He stands upon his record, and the public can judge of his road building at first hand.

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Henry Bates, the genial tonsorial artist, has recovered from his indisposition and is on a deck again.

WANTED TO DRAW DRAFT UPON J. PIERPONT MORGAN

About a week or ten days ago a young man of about 30, representing himself as a resident of Alabama, presented himself to the First National bank and requested a sight draft on J. P. Morgan amounting to \$10,000. Since this incident he has also been making further queer requests and strange statements, although no action on his part has as yet developed any attempt to defraud. He has talked of land investments and of dealing with Harriman and other leading magnates; also claimed that he was the originator of the automobile, contending that the name was derived from the word Mobile (Alabama), to which he prefixed the word "auto." He gave his name as J. M. Austin, and is a well appearing young fellow. Yesterday he was examined before the county judge, and ordered committed to the state hospital for the insane, and is being held pending the arrival of a messenger from the hospital.—Tidings.

ASHLAND FAMILY LOSE HOME FROM BLAZE

Charles Cowan and family, who resided in a small cottage on upper Granite street, a short distance above the junction with Mill street, in this city, were burned out of house and home shortly after noon Thursday.

The family consists of Mr. and Mrs. Cowan and four children. The father and mother and elder girl were in the garden at work, leaving a boy, aged 6, with the smaller children, aged 3, and 1 1/2 years, respectively, in the house. The boy attempted to kindle a fire in the stove with kerosene, spilled the inflammable fluid about and when he struck a match the flames shot up all around him and enveloped the room. He had the presence of mind to grab the smaller children and make for the door, though, and a neighbor, rushing to the house, helped to rescue the children, otherwise there might have been more serious results from the fire, which, as it was, consumed the house and all its contents, the total loss being about \$300.—Tidings.

MEDFORD POSTALS TAXED AS WORKS OF ART

J. G. Smith of East Medford recently sent some souvenir postal cards of Medford and the Rogue River valley to some friends in Sweden. He has had a letter from them stating that they had to pay duty to the amount of \$1.10, as the custom-house official said that these cards were "works of art" and the duty was necessary.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the regular monthly meeting of the city council of Medford, Oregon, May 5, 1908, for a license to sell malt, vinous and spirituous liquors in less quantities than one gallon, at lot 7, block 21, in Medford, Oregon, for a period of six months. MURPHY & DOWNING.

Buy Tickets by Wire.

Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be furnished at the same time.

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For any further information call on A. S. ROSENBAUM, Local Agent. Or write to W. M. MURRAY, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Portland, Oregon.

Wise Talks By the Office Boy



Pa says a rose by any other name would be just as expensive back east this time of year. I sometimes think he pines for the piney woods in old Penobscot, Frappe County, Maine, where he was raised—but that's one thing yours truly never years for. The good mountains and the good old ocean and nice old Oregon atmosphere are good enough for m'. But it's all in how you were raised. Pa likes clam chowder and corn on the cob, and harvest apples and a lot of things that a kid who was born this side of the snow sheds hasn't had much chance to get acquainted with. Those who have lived on both sides of this great country and lived long enough to know what's what can get all those things just as nice one place as another, if you know where to buy. We've got clam chowder from Boston that is just as nice as any you ever ate on the sand, and lots of other things that have that "Down East" taste. MILLER & EWBANK

Land Owners, Attention!

There are hundreds of acres of land in this valley that will be planted to fruit this fall. The demand at the nurseries for young trees is enormous. The volume of orders is without precedent. Are you one of the many who intend to triple the value of their land by starting an orchard? If you are expecting to wait till summer to place your order with the nurseryman you will certainly be disappointed. The stock of really first-class trees is limited—and will soon be gone. Don't delay, but place your order early and obtain the best nursery stock the market affords. C. F. COOK, the nurseryman, with an office opposite Hotel Moore, handles only the very highest grade trees. He carries a full line of ornamental trees and shrubs as well. Be sure and see him at once.

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