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A GENERAL ROAD MASTER.

Umatilla county court has appointed one general road master instead of forty district supervisors, and it is a very common-sense move. The action was taken on request of the good roads association.

The plan has been tried and found to work successfully in the east.

There seems to be no subject on which there is more general ignorance in Oregon than on road building. Every district supervisor has a method all his own, and the result is that there are few good roads or roads constructed on the right methods in the state.

In Jackson county the favorite method of building roads consists of dumping stone and gravel in a narrow pile in the center of the highway, thus rendering it impassable until necessity forces the leveling of the humps of gravel by passing teams. The horses and vehicles of those using the roads hammer them into some sort of shape in a few months.

A road was built near Central Point this autumn. Gravel was hauled in wagon loads a mile or more and dumped in the center of the roadbed. No attempt was made to make a smooth surface and the highway was practically impassable for months. Now that the rain is making other highways impassable, teams are forced to tug through the piles of sand and stones, probably three feet high, so narrow that teams cannot pass or turn out without danger of capsizing.

Last summer a road was built toward Sam's Valley. Large stones were laid in a layer on the ground. Then dirt was thrown on top of them. Gravel was hauled a long way and dumped. Water was hauled a mile or so in a wagon and the surface wet. This road was left with a smooth surface, but the roadbed was so shallow that the surface had been cut to pieces inside of a month by travel and the road was worse than before a graded road was attempted.

A road expert in charge of Jackson county roads, so that uniformity and scientific construction would take the place of helter-skelter building, would be the best thing that could happen. Jackson county spends enough money, if it were rightly spent to soon have a good system of highways, but ten times the present expenditure under present methods will not yield satisfactory results.

REPORT OF LUMBER OUTPUT IS MADE

The report of the lumber output for the year 1907 has just been completed, and estimates for 1908 are just being received at the office of the Oregon & Washington Lumber Manufacturer's association. During that year Oregon produced nearly \$18,000,000 worth. In this state there were 490 mills in operation. The unusual weather conditions in this state for the last few days are referred to in the report, and estimate given of the effect the snow will have on the output.

The report as furnished yesterday is in part as follows:

Statistical reports on the cut of 1908 and general conditions are coming in slowly and indicate that very few mills in Oregon are running on account of the unprecedented weather conditions, and understand from a lumberman just returned from a trip to the sound that the same conditions prevail in Washington.

It is evident that on the basis that the fire cut represents, on a conservative basis, a weekly average output in Oregon of 30,000,000 feet and in Washington of 50,000,000 feet. Such a complete shutdown for one week in both states reduces the output 90,000,000 feet and will have a material effect on the market.

The few mills operating are doing so under pressure of demands of cargo shipping requirements to be ready for vessels due to arrive and at a tremendous disadvantage.

Lumber manufacturers are beginning to realize that the prevailing storm is absolutely paralyzing the coast lumber and logging industries and is effecting an enforced curtailment that will have a tremendous bearing on future lumber values. The past week of storm with its snow and ice has prevented approximately 10,000,000 feet of the lumber being manufactured.

Two week's curtailment (closing next Monday) equals 150,000,000 feet. Some of the values are governed by the law of supply and demand; for stocks at the mills are low, the storm is holding down the current demand, a string of winter, with a cessation of lumber will certainly increase the result.

MACK TRIAL ENHAUSTS FIRST VENUE OF JUROR

GRANTS PASS, Jan. 15.—Examination of nearly 40 jurors and the exhausting of the regular and one special venire with another venire issued is the record of the trial in the State of Oregon vs Will Mack, who was indicted by the recent grand jury for the murder of Miles Carter, on December 4, in this city.

Out of the jurors examined a goodly number were excused because they were prejudiced to the statutory defense, that of being intoxicated at the

time of the net upon which the defendant hopes to escape the death penalty. Ten men have been accepted by the defense and state.

Much interest is being manifested by the public and the court room is crowded until standing room cannot be had. This interest is probably due to the fact of this being a dry county and the defense is based partially upon the ground that the prisoner was intoxicated when the crime was committed.

Throughout the day Mink made a studied conclusion of each jurymen as the attorneys applied their questions in search of bias or prejudicial answers. Seated within the bar and on the opposite side of the room from the defendant sat Carter's sister, an interested spectator in the proceedings.

REDMEN PLANNING A BIG MINSTREL SHOW

The Redmen of Medford have secured Miss Dorothy Bruce of Portland, Ore., to help in the big jubilee minstrel to be given at the Angle opera house Thursday evening, January 21. The degree team of the Redmen will be seen in a special act arranged for them with Mr. Fitzgerald in the lead as the big chief dancer. This alone will be worth the admission, as the big chief will give the Indian snake dance as it was given by him in San Francisco a few years ago. Don't miss this.

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