

ARE UNCLE SAM'S ROADS TOO WIDE?

German Roads Are Much Narrower,
but Are in Better
Condition.

The following information concerning the superiority of the highways of Germany, as compared with those of the United States, is furnished by Robert J. Thompson, consul at Hanover:

German roads are perhaps subjected to a hundred times more traffic than similar roads in the United States. These roads range from 20 to 30 feet in width, while in our middle and western states, where traffic is comparatively light, we take land of an average value of \$100 per acre and cut it up with roadways 66 feet in width; practically two-thirds of the same being given over to weeds, which furnish an inexhaustible supply of seeds for the adjoining farm lands. The farmer in Germany who has conquered the weeds, on his ground need have no thought of them being started again from undercultivated or unweeded land along the roadways. There are no weeds, no mud, no chuckholes, no sand stretches in the roads.

One of the simplest and most practical measures that could be taken for the betterment of roads in the United States would be to reduce their width from one-third to one-half of what they now are.

In the United States public highways in the states given below may be estimated as follows: Minnesota, 80,000; Wisconsin, 60,000; Michigan, 80,000; Iowa, 70,000; Kansas, 70,000; Nebraska, 50,000; Missouri, 80,000; Indiana, 70,000; Ohio, 80,000; total, 700,000. Reducing the width of these public highways, which now average 66 feet, to 36 feet would give back to the farmers of these states for cultivation 2,500,000 acres of generally tillable land, which at an average valuation of \$100 per acre would mean the restoration to the producing values of the states named of \$250,000,000.

NO MORE CERTIFICATES ACCEPTED AS PAYMENT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—The secretary of the interior has decided not to approve any more certificates issued by the reclamation service in payment for work done on reclamation projects and which heretofore have been received as part payment on entries under these projects. The decision was made on advice from the attorney general.

You haven't read all the news unless you have read the ads—some interesting items for your purse in every issue.

ALBANY ARRANGING FOR THIRD ANNUAL APPLE FAIR

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 11.—Active preparations are being made for the third annual Albany apple fair, which will be held in this city October 27, 28 and 29, 1909. The association is sending out printed premium lists to all apple growers of western Oregon north of and including Lane county, accompanied by letters soliciting exhibits for the event.

The premium exhibit is for the best county exhibit (Lane county barred), consisting of 29 boxes of five or more varieties, for which the first prize will be a \$100 cup and \$50 cash; the second prize, \$50 cash; and the third prize \$20 cash. Other prizes range from \$50, \$30, \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$5 and \$2 cash, besides numerous cups and other valuable articles.

The railroads will grant a rate of one fare and a third for the round trip, which ought to bring a large attendance from all points in the territory of the fair.

CROWDS FILL LAKEVIEW FOR LAND OPENING

LAKEVIEW, Or., Sept. 11.—Representatives of contract holders in the Oregon Valley Land company's sale of the old Oregon military road grant continue to pour in, much delay having occurred, owing to makeshift transportation facilities which were the only way possible for bringing in the crowd. The railroad line from Reno north is completed only to Alturas and is still 50 miles from Lakeview. Big delegations arrived tonight from Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and Ohio.

The crowd numbered over 1500 today. Trustees Rankin of Nebraska, Withers of Oregon and Wyatt of Missouri, who were elected the morning session, took charge of the business of the opening session.

KLINE OF CORVALLIS CROSSES GREAT DIVIDE

Simon L. Kline, one of Corvallis' prominent business men and leading citizens, died Thursday after a short illness of one week, of an attack of pleurisy, the result of illness.

Mr. Kline was president of the State Grocers' association and Oregon Merchants' association. He recently organized the Medford Merchants' association. He was prominent in politics and a candidate for governor. He was also chairman of the water commission of the city of Corvallis, upon which he has served since the original act creating the same, and was named by the legislative assembly. He was a 32d degree Mason and a member of the Woodmen and A. O. U. W.

MARRIED.

HUMPHREY-PATCH—In Jacksonville, on September 9, by Judge J. R. Neil, Abe Humphrey and Grace Bell Patch.

OPENING Fall Millinery

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Saturday, September 11, 1909

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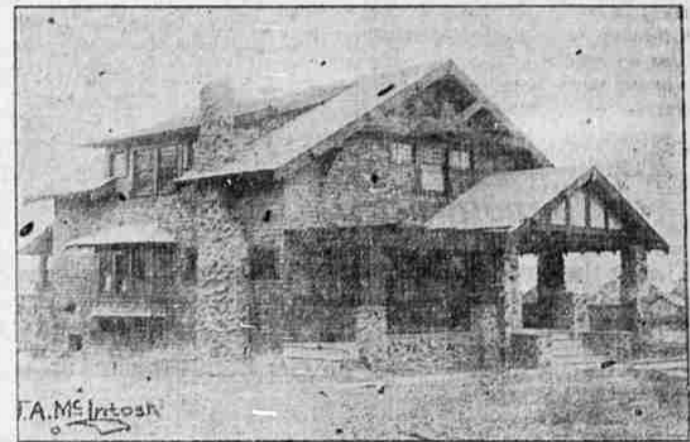
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RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved, by the city council of the city of Medford:

Every property owner of the city of Medford is hereby required within thirty days from this date to cause every building within said city used for residence purposes past which sewer and water mains have been laid to be connected with said sewer.

The city recorder is hereby directed to cause this resolution to be published in the daily papers of said city for three days.

The foregoing resolution was passed by the city council of the city of Medford on September 7th, 1909, by the following vote: Welch, Merrick, Eifert, Demmer, Wortman, aye; nays, none.

Approved September 7th, 1909.

W. H. CANON, Mayor.

Attest:

ROBT. W. TELFER,

150 Recorder.

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