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### GOOD ROADS AND BAD.

The difference between good roads and bad roads is the difference between profit and loss. Good roads have a money value far beyond ordinary conception. Bad roads constitute the greatest drawback to internal development and material progress. Good roads mean abandoned farms, sparsely settled country districts, and congested populated cities, where the poor are destined to become poorer. Good roads mean more cultivated farms and cheaper food products for the toilers in the towns; bad roads mean poor transportation, lack of communication, high prices for the necessities of life, the loss of untold millions of wealth, and idle workmen seeking employment. Good roads will help those who cultivate the soil and feed the multitude, and whatever aids the producers of our country will increase our wealth and our greatness and benefit all the people.

Good roads mean progress and prosperity, a benefit to the people who live in the cities, an advantage to the people who live in the country, and it will help every section of our vast domain. Good roads, like good streets, make habitation along them most desirable; they enhance the value of farm lands, facilitate transportation and add untold wealth to the producers and consumers of the country; they are the milestones marking the advance of civilization; they economize time, give labor a lift, and make millions in money; they save wear and tear and worry and waste; they beautify the country, bring it in touch with the city; they aid the social and religious and the educational and industrial progress of the people; they make better homes and happier hearth sides; they are the avenues of trade, the highways of commerce, the mail routes of information, and the agencies of speedy communication; they mean the economical transportation of marketable products—the maximum burden at the minimum cost; they are the ligaments that bind the country together in thrift and industry and intelligence and patriotism; they promote social intercourse; prevent intellectual stagnation, and increase the happiness and the prosperity of the producing masses; they contribute to the glory of the country, give employment to idle workmen, distribute the necessities of life—the products of the fields and the forests and the factories—encourage energy and husbandry, inculcate love for our scenic wonders, and make mankind better and greater and grander and broader.

### REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

Rogue River today is on the crest of the wave of great development. Enterprises not dreamed of a few years ago are under both consideration and consummation. Land values are, with the immense showing being made from the orchards, bound to increase, and the real estate agent will play a very conspicuous part. Hence the great requisite required is honesty or a square deal between buyer and seller. No knocker can knock as hard as the unscrupulous real estate agent, who tries to put his itching fingers into the wrong pocket by overloading or padding the price or hooking onto a deal with no right to exact a commission. So flagrant has it become in northern places, Yakima and Wenatchee, that prospective buyers refuse to listen to any real estate agent except the property was vouched for by the commercial clubs of those cities. Now we believe that most of our real estate agents are honorable, yet there is some complaint against exorbitant commissions and holdups. Once let it be known abroad that the purchase of Rogue River property is liable to "law suits," then goodbye capital. Every square deal real estate dealer owes it to himself and the community in which he lives to see to it that the crooked ones are brought to the light and exposed. Root out the crooked ones, or they will be the means of rooting out the square ones.

### GOVERNMENT BUILDING NEEDED.

The postoffice.  
 The forestry service.  
 The federal court.  
 The land office.  
 The fruit experts.  
 The weather bureau station.  
 Uncle Sam should get busy and furnish Medford with a government building in which to house them.

County Judge Neil and Commissioner Patterson are to be commended on their decision Monday to appropriate \$100 towards fitting up an office for Professor P. J. O'Gara, pathologist of the department of agriculture. The office is as important as a school building, and similar in many ways. There the orchardists of the valley will gather when seeking a better understanding of the manifold perplexities which confront the successful grower of fancy fruit.

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