

TOLD OF CLACKAMAS ROADS.

Judge Ryan Addresses Good Roads Convention at Grants Pass.

In its report of the meeting of the Oregon Good Roads Association held at Grants Pass last week, the Observer had the following to say of County Judge Ryan's address in which was detailed his experience in practical road building in Clackamas county:

"The first address was by Judge Ryan of Oregon City. Clackamas county was the first county in Oregon to take up the good roads work and now has 245 miles of improved roads, of which the mileage is about equal in macadam, plank and gravel and the Judge said they were building from seven to eighteen miles more each year. Last year \$38,000 was expended upon the roads, of which \$12,000 was contributions. The Judge stated that over \$7,000 had been contributed so far this year and that they expected the amount to reach \$20,000 for the year. The gravel roads cost on an average of \$1600 per mile, the plank roads \$1400 and the macadam \$1300 per mile. The plank roads were built of 2x10 inch plank, eight feet long laid on 2x12 stringers 4 and one half feet apart. The road is first brought to an even surface and then the stringers are embedded level with the surface of the ground, and then quite as much on the earth as on the stringers. They are not spiked down, but are held in place by earth scraped over the ends, which enables teams to go off and on readily and the earth prevents the planks being ruined by sun-checking at the ends. For farm traffic these plank roads last from 12 to 14 years, but last but six to eight years under heavy traffic. The plank lasted an average of four years longer by being laid flat on the ground. Judge Ryan was much in favor of gravel for road building, if all earth and sand is removed and it is screened so that the coarse rock may be put, on the bottom and the fine on the surface. Judge Ryan stated that his county had found steam far cheaper than horse power for grading and was even doing much of their plowing by steam power. Tractor threshing engines were used. No road grade was permitted to be above 7 1/2 per cent and roads having heavy

grades were relocated and put on easy grades, but if the adjoining property holders would not permit the county to make the change then no money was spent on the road thus forcing the objectors to consent to the betterment of the grade. Judge Ryan strongly favored the state granting counties the right of eminent domain so that roads could be forced on practicable routes as are all railroads. Judge Ryan's address dealt with the practical side of the road question and was one of the ablest delivered before the convention."

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S. L. & J. Co. to P. Swanson, lots 2 and 3, in blk 36, Oak Grove, \$332.50. M. L. Church et al to E. L. Thompson part of Geo. Willis Ct. in 1-1, E.; \$6000. Bank of Oreg on City to W. B. Shively part of lots 5 and 6, Blk 129 Oregon City, \$460. Mr. Jones et al to F. Freeman 11.83 acres in Sec. 26, 2-1, E.; \$1770.50. Santa Fe Pacific R. R. Co. to Wm. A. Cunningham N half of NE quarter of N half of NE quarter of Sec. 10, 4-4, E.; \$320. C. K. Thomas to O. A. Kaun lots 6 and 7, Sec. 2, 6-1, E.; \$250. W. C. Brown to A. Frank, E half of N quarter of Sec. 2, 2-4, E.; \$825. A. Frank to O. Eagerline NE of NW of Sec. 3, 2-4, E.; \$412. J. E. Poolock to W. W. Pollock one-third interest in S half of SE quarter of Sec. 10, 3-4, E.; \$200. B. F. Preston to H. J. Preston 7 A. in Cl. 44, 2-2, E.; \$100. J. Castro to S. L. Castro, 29 acres in SW quarter Sec. 25, 1-2, E.; \$600. Chas. Roberts to R. J. Goodfellow, part of lot 1, blk. 53 Oregon City, \$150. S. S. Dallas to Wm. R. Dallas, 31 A. in secs 4 and 9, 2-3, E.; \$190. R. E. Lovelace to J. W. Norton half acre in Sec. 9, 2-5, E.; \$100. M. P. O'Brien to A. J. McIntosh one-third of 75 acres in Claim 56, 2-2, E.; \$1,000. C. D. Beatty to R. Hatton, 2 acres in Section 24, 1-2, E.; \$250. M. Samson to R. Hatton 13 acres in section 25, 1-2, E.; \$2350. Chas. Morris to M. Samson 1 acre in section 25, 1-2, E.; \$100. J. P. Forriester to J. McConnell, S half of NW quarter, N half of SW quarter, Section 28, 2-4, S. of Sandy road, containing 102 acres; \$5000. T. F. Ryan to H. B. M. Binearson lots 1, 2, 13, 14, 15, 16, block 4, Dawson, \$1. Wm. R. Davis to B. Hillier 120 acre in section 2, 4-3, and 24 3-3, \$3500. W. B. Keen to Syndicate Invt Co. S half of NW quarter, NE quarter of SW quarter Sec. 6, 2-5, E.; \$500. F. Shink to C. S. Fuge lot blk. 27, County Add., \$125. H. L. McClellan to N. Hoodman S half of NE quarter of SE quarter of Sec. 35, 1-3, E.; \$300. E. L. Hunter to P. A. Hunter half of NW quarter of the NE quarter section

31 1-3, E.; \$1. P. A. Slight to Bell a Slight lots 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20, S half of 16, Prunelands; \$100. F. A. Slight to F. T. Griffin 57 and 58 Prunelands, \$1.00. Wm. Gibbs to O. Thompson, 23 A. in Cl. 37, 2-3, E.; \$1,500. W. H. Hollingshead to G. E. Loder, lot 1, blk. 1, Green Point; \$650. E. A. McCoy to A. R. Parment, 3 A. in Geo. Willis Ct. 1-2, E.; \$250. A. F. Peterson to W. Roseman, 10 A. in Sec. 2, 2-5, E.; \$500. H. B. M. Binearson to T. F. Ryan lot 18, blk 13, Gladstone, \$1. M. K. Gibson to H. M. Elliott S half of Sec. 20, 2-3, E.; \$1. B. E. Little to N. E. Godfrey, 17 1/2 A. in Cl. 59, 2-2, E.; \$1750. G. Hansen to G. Engelhart 40 acres in Cl. 53, 2-2, E.; \$2750. J. Kraker to R. Rutherford NE quarter of NE quarter of Sec. 2, 4-2, E.; \$200. P. H. Mulloy to M. Foumal, 31 57 A. in Cl. 58, 2-1; \$475. M. Robbins to A. M. Anderson, SW quarter of NW quarter, Section 20, and roadway in Sec. 19 5-1; \$1400. C. D. & D. C. Lataurette to N. Stone SE quarter of Section 6, 4-5; \$750. T. C. Meehan to A. O. & L. C. Miller, 420 A. Cl. 44, 6 1/2 A. Sec. 24, 1 1/2 Sec. 25, 5-1; \$1550. Oregon Iron & Steel Co. to G. Schaber, 19 A. Secs 23 and 22, 2-1, \$1. Oregon Iron & Steel Co. to E. E. Scribner, Tract B, Saffarans Peninsula, \$100. G. Deardorff et al to J. A. Stoll, 100 acres Sec. 6, 2-3; \$5000. E. Neill to L. H. Whalley, S half of NE quarter Sec. 26, 1-4; \$1000. E. M. Howell to J. E. Boyer, 98.100 A Oregon City Cl 2-2; \$249.

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appearance on the staff) would not be very glad to do so, though the teacher and pupils wish to have the flag in the school room, I do not think it would concern anyone else. It would perhaps be better for the respondent to bear in mind one of Benjamin Franklin's proverbs, 'I who attends strictly to his own, has seldom time to attend to the of others.' TEACHER

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