

OREGON COURTS NOT CRAFTERS

HAZELL DOES NOT COMPARE NEW YORK HIGHWAYS AND THOSE HERE

GOOD BASE IS BIGGEST SECRET

Road Properly Built Will Last for Many Years, But Present System is Wrong and Needs a Change

OREGON CITY, Feb. 2.—(Editor of the Enterprise.)—G. A. Schuebel and Charles E. Spence, the writers of two letters which were recently published in the Enterprise, seem to be opposed to good roads. I believe it would be a safe assertion to say that both these men are in the kindergarten class; at least so far as road building is concerned. I note that Mr. Schuebel's letter is largely composed of abusive matter and I assume that he has done this in order to cover up his ignorance in road building. Mr. Spence's communication seems to be a little more polished, but neither man hit the question squarely. It is not my purpose to go into personalities. I will however endeavor to discuss the road question without venom or malice as I believe that much good can be accomplished by an unbiased discussion of facts, together with a genuine desire to accomplish something. I am therefore out to lend a helping hand to ACCOMPLISH THAT SOMETHING.

Mr. Spence seems to be fearful of GRAFT. He speaks of New York state spending fifty millions of dollars on roads and then voting a like sum for the same purpose. Quoting his own words they are as follows: "The first roads built did not last five years and I think rightly that the face of the macadam is sucked up and blown away much faster than it was under the old steel tires of the wagon and horse period. Therefore the macadam faced roads under existing conditions and in thickly populated districts soon become full of small holes which to an Oregonian would seem like marble bubbles of our childhood days."

It is unfair to attempt to draw comparisons between the state of New York and that of Oregon. If you will stop to consider the small population of Oregon compared with a territory of equal size in the East, I am sure you will admit that the thing for us Oregonians to do is, profit by the mistakes of the East and improve on their methods. When one considers that Oregon is larger than the combined area of the State of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Connecticut, Vermont, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, in which territory there is a population of over seven million and in our own Oregon there is not yet one million people, I say it is unfair to compare us with such large populated states as that of New York, and it is an insult to our regularly elected county officials to suggest that they cannot be trusted to put a genuine road scheme into effect without graft.

What should be done, above all things is to build a solid base or foundation having every regard for proper grades and drainage. A Telford base ought to be built in about the following manner. After grades are established cut out to a depth of about 15 inches and to a width of 16 feet in center of road. Fill in the bottom of trench with cobble stones of about 3 inches on longest side, being careful to place the largest end down; then fill in the voids between the stones with the dirt previously taken from the cut or trench. Be particular to flood the dirt with plenty of water and cover the top of cobble stones with about one inch of dirt. When the above is done then take a heavy steam roller, of ten to fifteen tons weight, the heavier the better and roll over the dirt until an even surface appear. Follow this course with that of cracked stone of about three inches laying same about four inches in thickness; also with plenty of dirt and water and steam roller as in first course. Then follow with cracked stone of about one and a half inches and also with dirt, water and roller as in previous courses taking care to have a proper crown in center of road. When a base has been laid as above stated it should be strong enough to hold up, at any time, a load equal to the weight of the steam roller. Thus the importance of a heavy steam roller. The method of a few years ago on roads having a base as per above, was to finish them with a macadam surface; this method in the older states seems to be rapidly changing to that of some hard surface. Experience is teaching them that, with the advent of the automobile and auto truck, something more lasting than macadam face is necessary. It is therefore for us to learn from the experience of the older states and not waste money on a surface that will not hold up. Above all things let us build proper foundations and then as the population increases and the necessity arise a hard surface can be placed on the foundation previously made. In the meantime in certain localities macadam or some substitute can be used for surfacing. A fixed policy should be established, and that policy should be on all main and heavily traveled roads leading to the coast, a HARD SURFACE. Surely Mr. Spence and also you, Mr. Schuebel, will admit that a road with a foundation built on such lines will last. Then why raise your voice or pen against a genuine desire to better the road conditions of Oregon. How much more appropriate it would be for both of you to meet the men you are trying to abuse and work and co-operate with them in their earnest and genuine efforts to better the conditions surrounding the community in which they and you live.

During the past seven years there has been expended on the roads in Clackamas County about one and a quarter million dollars. For this vast expenditure of money, we now have to show 103 miles of so-called macadam; 163 miles of gravel and 91 miles of plank; no Telford base or foundation seems to be in evidence anywhere.

SAYS HE IS OUTLAW

FORMER BEAVER PLAYER GIVES REASONS FOR LEAVING

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 3.—All doubt that Chester Chadbourne would be seen in a Portland uniform has been removed, as the former Beaver out-fitter in a letter received by Manager McCredie stated that he had signed with the Kansas City Federals at the time the dispatches of this event, and explains why he did so.

In his massive Chad states that he held off signing until after he knew that Portland had secured Ruddy Ryan, and that he didn't figure that his absence would weaken the Portland team appreciably.

CATTLE BUSINESS UNUSUALLY WEAK

Receipts for the week have been: Cattle, 748; Calves, 157; Hogs, 5243; Sheep, 6243.

Cattle liquidation has been extremely light this week and business not very brisk. Packers are showing a preference for prime hay and grain fed steers weighing from 1650 to 1200 pounds. Of course, this variety is comparatively scarce and most of the transactions are in medium and heavy bullocks. Beef outlet is narrow. Decreasing receipts have undoubtedly had a sobering effect on prices, but trade is not active as yet. A few good butcher cattle were sold during the week, but the market was slow. Bulk prices were as follows: Prime steers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; prime cows, \$6.25 to \$6.50; heifers, \$6.50 to \$6.75; calves, \$8.00 to \$9.00; bulls, \$5.50 and \$5.75.

Swine prices climbed to \$5.15 Thursday as receipts have been very small since Monday when the second largest run of the year arrived. Buying was brisk all week and prices maintained a strong front. Bulk of choice light hogs brought \$8.00 to \$8.50, but occasional sales were made at \$7.10 and \$7.15. Demand seems to be brisk and to date has taken care of the supply.

The sheepshow experienced a temporary slump this week, as killers drew off unexpectedly, and mutton and lamb sellers had considerable difficulty in disposing of their stock, especially if of quality sheep and lambs graded less than prime. Wethers were unsteady and about 15 cents lower. Ewes fell quarter and lambs an equal amount the early part of the week. A few top sales were made Monday at the same level which ruled here ten days since, but business was dragsy thereafter. Bulk price on Friday were: prime yearling, \$5.50 to \$5.75; prime ewes, \$4.50 to \$4.75; prime grain fed lambs, \$6.50 to \$6.75. Poor quality mutton had to move at any price.

Table with columns: Wt., Price. Lists various livestock items like Steers, Cows, Calves, Hogs, Sheep, etc. with their respective weights and prices.

SPUD DEALERS TRY OLD GAME AGAIN

The weakness in the potato trade all along the coast is very intense at the moment. Efforts of some San Francisco dealers to talk of higher prices in order to keep Oregon growers from selling their product at this time, is considered one of the old games of the southeners.

It is stated that one San Francisco house has recently purchased very liberal supplies in the Yakima section at a low price. After this purchase, it was stated, the buyer came to Portland in the hope of influencing producers here to ask higher prices, thereby stopping shipments to California for awhile. In the meantime the buyer would be able to unload his low-priced stock on a high-priced market in the south by keeping out all outside shipments.

COUNTY GROWS; VALUES RISE

FIGURES IN HANDS OF CLERK SHOW WONDERFUL GAIN IN TWELVE YEARS

ASSESSMENT ROLLS TELL STORY

Prices of Property and Increased in Population Are Shown by Comparison of the Books of the Assessors

From a valuation of \$4,000,000 in 1902 to \$30,000,000 in 1913 is the story of the growth of Clackamas county in the past twelve years.

During several of those periods of assessment, the county has risen in valuation by leaps and bounds. These sudden rises have been due to various causes but have shown in general the rapid growth of the county, and the fact that values have increased with the increase in the population of little more than a decade.

The figures in the hand of Will L. Mulvey, county clerk, tell vividly the story of the development of the county the growth in business, the rise in the values of the property that is assessable, and the increase in population.

One of the first rises in values came in the year 1903 when the assessment jumped from four millions to nine millions of dollars. The next year indicated normal growth with a slight increase in the valuation. In 1910, the property rose another million, taking a shoot of two million the following year. In 1908, the values almost doubled, the rolls showing twenty-two million. In 1910, it went up to 24 million, twenty-six million in 1911, 28 million in 1912, and 30 million in 1913.

Following are the official figures showing the growth of business and the rise in the county values in the decade: 1902, \$4,000,000; 1903, \$9,034,377; 1904, \$9,364,000; 1905, \$9,608,045; 1906, \$10,549,571; 1907, \$12,934,017; 1908, \$22,850,635; 1909, \$22,087,132; 1910, \$24,234,017; 1911, \$26,325,239; 1912, \$28,402,844; 1913, \$30,521,327.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Clackamas County. Evaline Knorr, Plaintiff, vs. George Andrew Knorr, Defendant. To George Andrew Knorr, above-named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit by the 20th day of March, 1914, as prescribed by an order of Court for publication of this summons, which said date is more than six weeks after the date of the first publication herein as ordered by the Court in the above entitled suit, and if you fail to appear and answer the complaint filed herein in the above entitled suit on said date, plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, which said relief is for a decree of the Court forever dissolving and setting aside the marriage contract heretofore and now existing between plaintiff and said defendant; for a further decree for the restoration of plaintiff's maiden name and for such other and further relief as the Honorable Court may deem meet with equity.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable J. U. Campbell Judge of the above entitled Court, and said order was duly made and entered in said Court on the 3rd day of February, 1914.

W. C. CAMPBELL, Attorney for Plaintiff. Date of first publication February 20th, 1914. Date of last publication, March 20th, 1914.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Clackamas County. Muriel Orvin, Plaintiff, vs. J. H. Orvin, Defendant. To J. H. Orvin, above-named defendant:

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TOO MANY POTATOES THROWN ON MARKETS

Extreme weakness caused by the reason glutting of the market is noted in the potato trade, according to buyers. Reports from various shipping points show the California market is in the same condition as are those of Oregon and that the northwest is generally suffering from too many potatoes.

Chickens are showing firm, on the other hand, and few hens are offered on the market now that the laying season is opening up in earnest. Opening of communication through the state with the California markets has brought in many shipments of vegetables to the coast points and from there inland. Butter is holding steady on a firm, and cheese prices are higher.

PRICES HIGHER AND TONE IS STRONGER

Conditions in the butter market are unstable and show a fluctuating tendency which leaves one unable to guess which way it will jump. Chickens are high, receipts great, and the demand strong.

TO COLLECT NOTE

Suit for the collection of a note and the foreclosure on the held as a mortgage security was filed in the circuit court Tuesday by O. C. Yocum against Elijah Coalman. The first note is dated September 6, 1912. The plaintiff asks for a total of \$1734.94 on notes.

A Little snow storm or two doesn't make a hard winter.

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The complaint recites that they were married in Seattle, March 15, 1907, and that on March 15, 1911, the defendant left her and refused to provide for her necessities or assume his position as the head of the household. She also asks the restoration of her maiden name, Evaline Ross, there being no children or property rights involved.

AMBASSADOR REFUSES JOB HE IS OFFERED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Henry M. Findell of Peoria, Ill., today declined the St. Petersburg ambassadorship. There has been much controversy over his appointment.

HELPFUL WORDS

From an Oregon City Citizen. Is your back lame and painful? Does it ache especially after you sit? Is there a soreness in the kidneys? These symptoms suggest weak kidneys.

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"There are a lot of people in Oregon City, especially women, who think I was faking the whole story. They didn't believe then and they don't believe now that anybody came up there or that I had those calls. I believe that the robber who was killed in Portland was one of the men sent down to the undertaking parlor there to get a look at him. I agree that he was one of the men— I saw on the hill that night when they were walking down the street with a nod criticized me for turning on the alarm when the calls came in."

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