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THINK DISPASSIONATELY.

At present it seems that water is on the brain of the majority of us. All sorts of ideas are advanced regarding what had better be done. There is no use to fight over the question, as it is not one of might. A decision must be rendered on a question of vast importance and one that requires the coolest possible head and the clearest possible thought.

In another column will be found an article by Councilman W. G. Emery. This article we were requested to allow space. It is not our purpose to pick flaws in the article, nor could we challenge any of the statements regarding the condition of affairs so far as the water system of Dallas is concerned for the simple reason that we have no data whatever bearing on this particular system.

If one doubts any of the statements it is his privilege to investigate; more, it is his duty to verify or disprove anything that will effect a judgment when it comes to casting a ballot. Bear in mind several things: Above all the necessity must first be reckoned. This point fairly established, the next thing is the cost. Then the matter of cost and necessity must be weighed. Should the necessity prove great enough, cost should cut no figure—in a case of life and death, for instance.

Next must be investigated, in a matter such as our proposed gravity system, the capacity and completeness of the work promised. The man of average intelligence should be able to determine for himself the fitness of the material it is proposed to use; he should be able to form an idea of the capacity of the system.

So far as Mr. Emery and his article goes there is no good reason to disbelieve his sincerity in the stand he has taken. It requires no great stretch of imagination to conceive that a man can be most sincerely against the city going in debt \$75,000 in addition to what the corporation is indebted at present. Any man might be strongly opposed to going in debt on general principles, even if he considered the proposition a legitimate one.

Further, many are of the opinion that the proposed system is inadequate from any standpoint—and they are honest in their convictions. Just as honest in their advocacy of the benefits to be derived are numbers of those who are for the water bill as it stands and for the system as estimated by Mr. Miller, the engineer who recently gave an estimate of cost.

The thing for the right-minded man to do is to secure all data possible from what in his judgment is a reliable source and do his own thinking.

GOOD ROADS CONVENTION.

To be held in Corvallis on the Fourth of July.

A meeting was held Wednesday evening in the Firemen's Hall, under the auspices of the Citizens' League, at which initial steps were taken in a movement which is likely to have a very important bearing on the future development of Benton county. It was a good roads meeting.

W. E. Loucks, organizer for the National Good Roads Association was present as the principal speaker of the occasion and he awakened much enthusiasm over the subject under consideration. The speaker presented in a forceful manner the advantage of good roads in the community. By the term "good roads" he

meant such highways as would meet the demands of traffic twelve months of the year. He presented statistics for several states to show the enormous amounts of money wasted by patchwork in roadbuilding, and argued well for scientific methods. In Oregon he found abundant good material for roadmaking and he learned that the people are not niggardly in respect to road expenditures, but that they ought however, to spend the money in permanent work—a class of work that would last for all time. Mr. Loucks claimed that the construction of such wagon roads as he advocated would reduce the cost of transportation 40 to 60 per cent. He described the material and construction of a good road, within his meaning, and such in this locality would cost from \$1,700 to \$2,000 per mile.

Behind the National Good Roads Association is the United Railway Association of the United States, and the former body is in a measure associated with the Good Roads Department of the Government, but receives no financial aid from that source. But it is hoped that pending legislation in that direction may result favorably. Interest of railroads in the promotion of good roads is prompted by an increased business brought to their traffic centers, and extending through all the year instead of through spasmodic periods, so to speak.

With Mr. Loucks in Oregon is a commission of expert road-builders and organizers, and at the close of the speaker's remarks a motion to extend the commission an invitation to visit Corvallis and hold a good roads convention was enthusiastically carried. The expense of having the commissioner here is to be \$150 for car service. The only date open for Corvallis was the 4th of July. The good roads people will be here on that date for the purpose of giving information and starting us into a permanent road system.

Necessary committees to arrange preliminaries were appointed at the meeting and the members of such committees began work immediately. The Village Improvement Society and perhaps other organizations of ladies are to have a part in the convention.

Committees are as follows: On arrangements: V. E. Waters, R. B. Cordley and J. H. Harper. On finance: S. L. Kline, J. R. Smith, and J. C. Hammel. On invitation: Dr. James Withycombe, John F. Allen, B. F. Irvine, M. S. Woodcock and P. Avery.

The authorities at OAC have taken up the matter in earnest and Dr. Withycombe, in behalf of that institution, is bending all his energies to the furtherance and ultimate success of the movement.

The convention is to be held for the purpose of outlining and adopting plans for the improvement of our streets and the roads of Benton county generally. Following is the program:

- FORENOON, 10 O'CLOCK. Invocation.....Rev. John Reeves Address of Welcome..... Mayor A. J. Johnson Address of Welcome..... Judge V. E. Waters Address of Welcome..... B. W. Johnson President Benton County Citizens' League. Response..... Colonel W. H. Moore President National Good Roads Association Music..... Address: "Legislation"..... Col. T. P. Rixey, Missouri AFTERNOON 2 O'CLOCK. Address—Our Ladies—Their Relation to the Good Road Movement..... Senator A. S. Mann Jacksonville, Florida. Vice President National Good Roads Association. Music..... Address—Practical Road Construction..... Hon. Wm. Bradburn Consulting Engineer National Good Roads Association Music..... Five Minute Talks..... Delegates Address..... Hon. John Craft Mobile, Ala. President Alabama Good Roads Association. Reports of Committees..... EVENING 8 O'CLOCK. Address—Organization..... Hon. Wellington E. Loucks Organizer National Good Roads Association. Music..... Stereopticon Lecture—The Roads of the World..... Col. W. H. Moore

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