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**Notice to the Public**

All notices of entertainments where admission is charged or where there is a money consideration; all cards of thanks and resolutions of condolence will be charged for at the regular advertising rate—5 cents per line.



**Road Work in California.**

Surveys of roads to be improved in Riverside county, Cal., by the \$1,125,000 county bond issue recently voted are now being made by three corps of engineers. One corps under Engineer Fullmer is surveying at the San Diego county line near Temecula, another is under Engineer Loucks, and the third division, which is under Engineer Warren, is working from the Orange county line to Corona. According to a statement by Commissioner Campbell, it will take between two and three years to complete the proposed highway system.

**Better Than Macadam.**

The abandonment of macadam as a road pavement is recommended by William Elbring, highway engineer of St. Louis county, Mo. Mr. Elbring states that rapidly increasing traffic has made various forms of macadam road construction inadequate and urges the construction of permanent pavements of brick or concrete costing from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per mile. The report shows that \$372,161 was expended on maintenance during the past year, an increase of nearly \$12,000 over the previous year.

**The Worst Quarter of London.**

What is the most disreputable bit of London? A writer in the London Sketch asked this question of a policeman the other day. He said, "The quarter round about the Harrow road." It appears that there are byways in that region in which no policeman dare venture unless accompanied by a brother officer. Bermondsey, too, is pretty bad. But Wapping, once the haunt of hooligans, has become comparatively respectable of late.

**Pigeons' Eggs.**

The two eggs laid by a pigeon almost invariably produce male and female. Some curious experiments as to which of the eggs produces the male and which the female have resulted in showing that the first egg laid is the female and the second the male.

**Our First Cent.**

The first American cent was struck off and put in circulation in 1783. Previous to that date pattern pieces had been made, but they were experiments only and were never put in circulation. The so called Washington cents, which existed previous to the date above given, were not issued by the government and were, therefore, only medals. The cent of 1783 was very similar to the large copper cents of later date, with the exception that the face of Liberty was turned to the right and the legend "One Cent" was inclosed in a chain of thirteen links.

**ROADS OF DIRT  
NEED OF FARMERS**

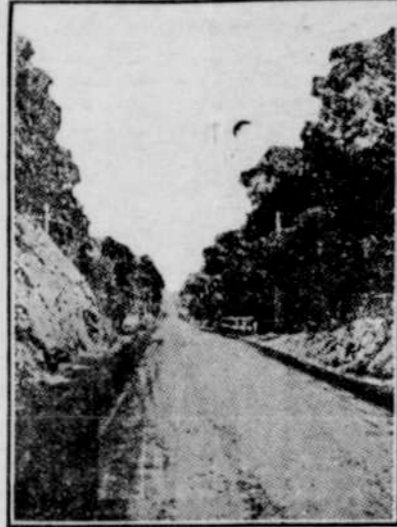
**Must Remove Mud From Earth Highways.**

**THE PROBLEM IN MISSOURI.**

Rome in her glory buldied great highways which lasted through ages, writes W. G. Hutton in the Farm Progress. Augustus adding to the great Appian way until no less than twenty-nine surpassing highways radiated from the seat of government. Cheops, the Egyptian king, held 100,000 men in road service ten years. Nations of old and nations modern have constructed systems of highways which have been strands of communication across their length and breadth for big purposes, but the men of the farm who are not so fortunate as to abut these arteries of trade have long wallowed in the mud and the mire a considerable number of the twelve months of the year.

Missouri purposes lifting these men of the hinterlands out of the mire or, more properly, the people of Missouri, who are the state, purpose lifting themselves out of the hub deep situation. And they are going to do this in the only practical way possible—by alienating the mud of the highways and byways, by proselyting, as it were, by a miracle, by turning mud into dirt.

The citizens of Missouri, in common with all the deep soiled states of the agricultural west and south and north



GOOD EXAMPLE OF A DIRT ROAD.

and east, have been straining and struggling through excellent roadmaking material ever since they had the strength to struggle against anything.

And now Missouri men have banded themselves together to bring about a reversal of masterhood. What has so long held the upper hand is to be subdued and made to serve. Mud is to be transformed into dirt—and, be it known, dirt makes good roads.

Mud, so far as its service on the highways is concerned, is to be banished, transformed. We change trees into furniture, and they are known among men as trees no longer; transform sand into glass with no earmarks of its ancestry; rags into paper which bears no hint of the beggar, so why not mud into good roads?

But this transition is not to be the work of a moment nor in response to the passing of a wand over impassable highways. It is to come as a result of work, and largely community work at that.

I was present at a gathering of heterogeneous interests at the Missouri state capital the other day at which farmer and factory owner, merchant and mechanic, banker and barrister, engineer and editor, automobilist and alderman, teacher and preacher fraternized; a meeting at which country, community, city and commonwealth interests were discovered to be identical. It was a meeting of widely different callings, trades, professions and interests in a common cause for a common good.

At this meeting was organized the Missouri Better Roads federation, an organization which will have for one of its chief duties the bettering of all the roads of the state, from back township to city gate. The organization is not dedicated to any special highway or road project, but is largely for the purpose of educating the people of the state in the possibilities of the earth roads of the commonwealth.

One of the chief notes on which the sustaining pedal of the federation's organization will be kept at work will be the possibilities of the earth roads of the state. Governor Elliott W. Major, who addressed the meeting, asserted his firm belief as to the destiny of the dirt road in the future of better highways.

"Dirt roads," declared the executive, "are the real roads of the people. Bad dirt roads are a liability; good roads an asset."

In every community in the state where effective work has been done on the dirt roads the local commercial club seems to have had an active hand in the enterprise, and it is through these organizations that the greatest progress of the future is expected.

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**To the Trade**

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Thanking all those have extended us such a liberal patronage in the past, and soliciting a continuance of their valued patronage, we are yours for a "live and let live" policy, prompt service and highest quality goods and the lowest possible cash prices.

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**When Buying Remember the  
Merchant Who Advertises**