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Width of Roads

Compared with the highways abroad, and particularly those in Germany, the public roads of the United States, are much wider and the latter is a phase of road making in this country which has not received the attention it should. The generally bad condition of the roads in the United States is attributed in large part to this extreme width, the cost of maintaining a roadway sixty to seventy feet in width, being nearly double that of a thirty-five foot road.

In Prussia the average width of the roads is thirty feet, and this has been found to be ample for all purposes. Some figures showing the loss due to the wider roads are startling. Wisconsin and Michigan have each 60,000 miles of roads. Iowa, Kansas and Indiana 70,000 each; Nebraska, 50,000; Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Missouri 80,000 each, or a total of 700,000. Reducing the width of these highways, which now average sixty-six feet, to thirty-six feet, leaving them still much wider than the roads of Prussia, would give back to the farmers of those states 2,500,000 acres, generally tillable land, which at an average of \$100 an acre would mean the restoration to the producing value of the states named of \$250,000,000. This huge sum has an annual interest value of \$12,500,000, an amount which might be recovered, and if applied to the proper scientific construction of roads in the United States would in a few years give us the finest and most extensive road system in the world.

Montana county commissioners and those interested in good roads would find a great deal of light on the subject of roads in the issue of the daily Trade and Consular Report under date of May 4.

Probate Court

The following business was disposed of in the probate court for the week ending July 1:

In re estate of Mary J. Percival, petition to sell real estate granted.

In re estate of Elizabeth Butler, deceased—final receipts filed and estate closed.

Estate of Martha J. Brown deceased—petition to sell personal property filed and allowed.

Estate of Mary Z. Percival, deceased—hearing of petition to sell real estate continued until July 29 at 10 a. m.

Guardianship of Loraine Maud Mullig et al, minors—report of sale of real estate approved.

Estate of Richard Enes, deceased—final account set for hearing August 2 at 1 p. m.

Estate of Oliver S. Pickens, deceased—report of sale of real estate set for hearing July 19 at 10 a. m.

Estate of Eleazar Kimball, deceased—estate admitted to probate; Mallinda Ann Kimball appointed administratrix; bond filed and approved letters to issue; Vincent Thompson, Charles Hubbard and Oliver E. Daniels appointed appraisers.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. F. A. Huston will preach at the Baptist church in this city next Sunday, July 11, both morning and evening. Everybody invited to come and hear him.

At Calvary Presbyterian church next Sunday the regular services will be held at the usual hours, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. At the evening services, Mr. Aldredge will sing a solo.

Rev. I. N. Mulkey will preach at the Christian church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. There will be Sunday school at 10 a. m. All are cordially welcome.

At Sherwood of Willamette University will occupy the pulpit at the Methodist church in this city next Sunday the pastor being absent.

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LOOKING AFTER NEW QUARTERS

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the commercial club Tuesday evening was not very largely attended, notwithstanding several matters of importance came before it for consideration, the most important of which was the report of the committee appointed to look after the securing of a permanent home for the club, for a term of five years, the upper story of the new brick block now being erected by him on the west side of Main street, adjoining the Cooper block, at a rental of \$25 a month; that he would finish up four rooms in the front of the building in any manner desired by the club, the rear portion to be converted into a meeting or banquet hall 40x80 feet.

It was the opinion of those present that the offer of Mr. Campbell would be accepted and that the club would soon be located in its new quarters as soon as possible. Dr. Butler, the president of the commercial club, was requested to inquire into the legal status of the organization entering into a contract. Discussion brought out the opinion that before a contract with Mr. Campbell could legally be entered into it would be necessary for the club to incorporate under the state law and each member to be given a stock certificate covering the amount of his membership fees. Definite action was deferred until the next meeting which will take place Tuesday, July 20, at which time all the necessary information on the question will be placed before the members.

The report of the secretary showed that at present there were about fifty names enrolled on the membership books of the association, a large portion of whom were behind in their monthly dues. It was decided that in the future the bills for the collection of dues would be presented to each member the first of the month, provision having been made for the employment of someone to make it a special business of looking after the financial end of the club. The secretary could not spare the time that it would require to do this work.

It was thought that when the club was installed in its new home renewed interest would be taken by the citizens and that within a short time the membership could easily be increased to 50 or a 100. Three applications for membership were received which will be acted upon at the next regular meeting at which it is earnestly requested that there be a full attendance.

Buena Vista

The writer wishes to correct an error that occurred in one of the Buena Vista items last week. The item referred to should have read as follows: Ed Launer of Newberg has been assisting Floyd Woodward in painting the G. A. Wells residence this week. When Floyd read the Buena Vista item he was as mad as a wet hen when he discovered that a Newberg painter was about to carry off all the honors of being the only first-class painter on the job, but we will venture the assertion that if the job had not been first-class in every particular Floyd would have kept as mum as a clam.

(The editor of the Enterprise would rather that the name of the Newberg painter were not printed in this paper. His name was omitted for that reason. Not so with Floyd Woodward.)

W. J. Steele and wife were transacting business in Independence Saturday.

J. D. Winn, the real estate agent, sold the T. P. Oglesbee property to J. P. Campbell of Montana one day this week.

Henry Smith and wife of this city left for Riverside, Washington, Monday where they will visit for a few days. From there they will go to Iowa for an extended visit with old friends and relatives.

T. D. McClain who has been visiting with relatives in Woodburn, returned home Monday.

W. W. Wells of Hopdale was transacting business in our city Monday.

There seems to be quite an attraction somewhere in Buena for Bob Hornbuckle, judging from his regular visits to our little city. There is going to be something doing one of these days or we miss our guess.

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General News Items

North Yakima—Two men asked Police Judge Wedne to give them a jail sentence for 30 days to give them a chance to stop drinking. One of them said that he had kept from drinking for two years after straightening up in the lockup at Wenatchee.

Olympia—Applications for railroad rights of way have been filed in the state land office by the Northern Pacific covering parts of four sections in Grant county and by the Grays Harbor & Columbia River road covering nine tracts in Wahkiakum, Chehalis and Pacific counties.

Tacoma—The United States government has purchased through a local firm 200 acres of land on Whidby island, near Greenbank, for \$9000. The land was purchased for additional fortifications to the entrance to Puget Sound, which, it is said, will be erected there at once.

Seattle—Reunited for the first time since the death of their father, 49 years ago, six children of Edson Gilman met at the A.-Y.-P. Exposition last week and enjoyed a jollification such as probably no other family has had here since the exposition opened.

Spokane—In a terrific revolver battle between Deputy Sheriff J. T. Logan and George Sweet, seven miles west of Spokane, about dusk Friday night, Bascom Wallace, alleged cattle thief, 30 years old, who lived on a homestead near Berry, Douglas county, was shot and killed by one of the deputies.

Walla Walla—Practically the entire student body of Whitman College, the faculty and a large number of the alumni made their annual pilgrimage to Walla Walla Saturday morning, the occasion being the yearly picnic, which is always given at the scene of the Whitman massacre.

Centralia—T. A. Talcott, deputy state highway commissioner, states that he will at once put a survey party at work on the line of the proposed state road to cross the strait and end at Willapa Harbor. The party will do its first work west of McCormick, where, for a strip of 12 miles, there is no wagon road leading to the harbor.

Seattle—Hiphouse Jahns and J. A. Strong thought they were beset by footpads and in making a getaway Jahns tripped on the street curbing and fell heavily. After ascertaining that his leg was broken, he found that the footpad bugaboo was a false alarm and that he had been frightened by a woman, who nearly died of fright herself.

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Remember that Saturday is the last day of this sale.

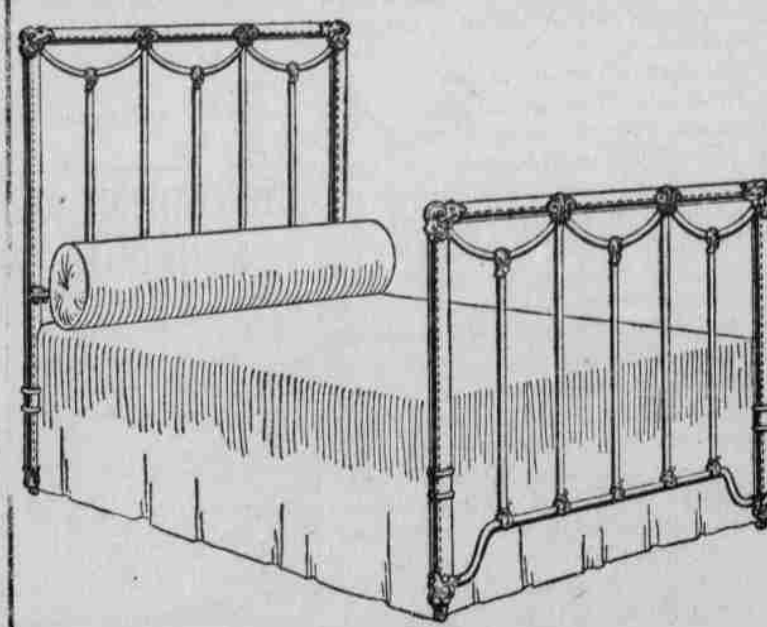
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