

Subject Good Roads.

A Good Article by a Marion County Supervisor.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE: I wish to give a few practical ideas on road building to the supervisors of the state. Good roads are the most important things in any state, and the first thing to be considered for it is the basis—the grading. Never plow up the center of the road, leave eight or twelve feet in the center. This is firmer than you can make it, and is a benefit for under-drainage. Where it is possible have the grade slope to the center of the ditch; have no square banks next to the road where it can be avoided; build your grade one foot higher than enough. A grade wide enough for two tracks, eighteen feet, make a better road than one forty feet wide. The eighteen foot grade should have one gravel track and one dirt. You can grade two miles of the two track road and keep it in better condition than you can one mile of the forty foot grade at the same expense. The grading of a road should be done as early as possible, say in March, and not later than April—it will pack much quicker while the earth is damp, and there will be less dust. No gravel should go on a road until it is thoroughly drained and graded, for in time it will be lost by making a grade. Course gravel should be used first on a new grade, and this should be packed well with a roller and then given a coat of fine gravel. Then you will have a road bed for ages. To get the most benefit of your gravel, where it costs \$1.50 per yard, after your grade is finished, use an average tread wagon, drive correctly where you want the track to be, then take a good sized plow and run two furrows eight inches deep, plowing out the wagon track and throwing the dirt to the center. Fill the furrows with gravel. One yard will go as far as three spread in the old way. Gravel never should be spread any wider than the tread of the wagon, where you only want one track. The travel will soon scatter it wide enough. Road builders ought to bear in mind not to gravel permanently hills or hollows, for sooner or later the hills will be graded down and the hollows filled up, and the work will be lost. In regard to culverts and small bridges, they should be put on a level with the surface of the road. If it would cost \$3 to build a wooden culvert and \$15 to build a stone one, the stone would be the cheapest in the end. About dirt roads, where gravel or crushed rock is not to be had grading and drainage is the



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main thing, and while the grading is being done a six or eight-ton roller should be taken over the center of the grade as often as the grader goes. The road should have as much attention in the fall as in the spring. It should be gone over after the first rains and be rounded up with the grader, and the holes filled up and the gravel put back in the center. Clean out your ditches and culverts, then you will get some benefit of your spring work. Two loads of gravel put on in the fall is worth more than three put on in the spring.

I imagine some one will say, "any fool ought to know this much," but show me the man who has backbone and brains enough to put these few thoughts into practice.

B. F. HALL.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank the people of Independence and vicinity for the kindness extended to us at the funeral of our brother and husband. To the minister and choir we are deeply grateful, also to those who covered his grave with flowers.

William A. Scott,
John W. Scott,
Mrs. N. J. Scott.

County Court News.

Observer.

NOTARIAL COMMISSION.

J. C. Adams, of Dallas.

PROBATE.

Guardianship of George L. Gwin, an insane person—S. U. Gwin appointed guardian; bond fixed at \$100.

Estate of John Jeldness, deceased—Oscar Hayter appointed ancillary administrator of said estate; bond fixed at \$3200.

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United States to Lewis F. Jamison, 160 acres, T 8 S, R 6 W, patent.

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Ezra Van Riper to J. R. Conlee, lot 4, block 3, Germantown, \$325.

H. B. Plummer, trustee, to Alfred Haldeman et al, block 4, Highland add to Dallas, \$200.

Wm. Bogue et ux to I. N. Woods, lot 1, block 12, Conkey's 2nd add to Dallas, \$110.

G. L. Seward et ux to J. R. Shephard, 4 acres, T 6 S, R 4 W, \$250.

Sarah E. Peak to Susan C. Bryant, lots in Falls City, \$969.50.

W. I. Clodfelter to C. H. McKinney, 100 acres, T 9 S, R 5 and 6 W, \$1050.

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The Hop Industry.

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debate as to the right and wrong of raising hops and other faults and failings of the industry appear not to have lessened the interests in hops in the vicinity of Buena Vista.

The "sky-scraper" price realized by many growers last fall has given an impetus to the business in those parts and a large acreage of new vines have been put out.

Among those to increase the size of their yards are A. J. Richardson, who has set out 20 acres just across the river from Buena Vista; Fred Stump, 20 acres on his ranch near the Luckiamute; W. P. Bevens about 10 acres; John James a number of acres and Catlin & Lynn of Salem have enlarged the well known Bondsey yard to a very considerable extent. These are, of course, only a few, but they served to illustrate the fact that confidence in the hop industry is not on the wane in this section.

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Leaves Independence for Monmouth and Dallas 11:50 a. m. 6:15 p. m.	Leaves Dallas for Monmouth and Independence 1:50 p. m. 7:30 "
Leaves Monmouth for Astoria 7:50 a. m. 3:50 p. m.	Leaves Monmouth for Independence 9:40 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 2:40 " 5:45 " 8:50 "
Leaves Monmouth for Dallas 11:20 a. m. 6:00 p. m.	Leaves Independence for Mon. 2:05 p. m.

So far, the yards hereabouts looking first class and no have been reported.

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