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GASOLINE ROLLERS VS. STEAM ROAD ROLLERS

Gasoline road rollers at their best are in an experimental stage. Can the county or municipality afford to spend the money of the people as well as valuable time in experimenting?

Steam road rollers have been on the market and in constant use for twelve to fifteen years under most exacting and severe conditions of strain and use and the leading machines on the market today have been brought to a point close to perfection.

While the first cost of a first-class steam roller is a little more than the gasoline machine, the first cost ends sooner or later, while the cost of maintenance of gasoline rollers goes on forever, and the cost of repairs soon brings the amount up to a figure far in excess of the cost of a first-class steam machine, and valuable time wasted on account of break downs and delays can never be regained.

During the season of 1908 the city of McMinnville arranged for the use of a gasoline road roller owned by Yamhill county and known as the "Yamhill County White Elephant."

The records of the city of McMinnville show that while they had the use of the machine for nearly three months they were able to operate it only forty-three days on account of delays caused by break downs. During this forty-three days they were able to roll only about three-fourths of a mile of street. If it takes this gasoline machine forty-three days to complete three-fourths of a mile of street it would require at a relatively swift progress, fifty-seven days of actual service to complete one mile.

In practical macadam construction using a first-class standard steam roller, one mile per month is considered a fair average, while instances are known of double that amount being constructed. Theoretically speaking a white elephant is something whose cost of keeping is far in excess of the results of the services rendered.

If the results of this gasoline machine while employed on the street work of the city of McMinnville represents the best there is in it, the charge of being a white elephant is not far amiss.

Judge Bird, of Yamhill county, admits that after moving the roller from McMinnville to Newberg, the cylinders had to be sent to Portland and be bored out and new pistons and rings fitted, this in addition to

two new sets of rings that had previously been put in the engine since it was purchased two months before. In view of the fact of needless delays caused by the break downs of this gasoline machine, the city of McMinnville has this season purchased for their own use a steam road roller of standard make.

The experience of Washington county, Or., who also purchased a gasoline roller was similar to that of Yamhill county. One of the supervisors who had charge of the work stated that the roller was not in working order six weeks altogether during the whole season.

The city council of Aberdeen, Wash., in deciding recently on the purchase of a road roller specifically specified that they would not, under any conditions, entertain a proposition for a gasoline roller, as they have had experience enough with gasoline engines in the motor boats and automobiles.

The city of Portland, Ore., uses the Buffalo steam roller exclusively, as does the Warren Bros. Construction Co., one of the largest paving concerns in the United States, having over one hundred machines in almost constant operation in different sections of the country.

The city of Hoquiam, Wash., during the season of 1908 purchased a gasoline road roller, but its work proved so thoroughly unsatisfactory in every particular that they absolutely refused to accept it.

The city of Grants Pass has caught the White Elephant fever and now has one of these gasoline rollers and are trying it out on their street work. It was first tested on the rock crusher, as it was guaranteed to have ample power to operate same to its fullest capacity, but when put to the test it failed absolutely, and an important casting on the roller was broken before it reached the quarry. What can be expected of such a machine when it is put to a severe test in actual construction work?

All kinds of sprinklers at Hair-Riddle Hardware Co's.

A Growing Table.

Medford is now advertising the wonderful possibilities of the "Rogue River Valley" in a new way. It is stated that C. F. Reichsten, the wood yard man purchased a stand and placed it in his residence. In spite of the fact that the stand was varnished it is claimed it is now shooting forth sprouts and is rapidly growing. We have heard of a man in the Rogue River valley who, after building a rabbit-proof fence discovered in the course of a few weeks that the lower strand of wire had raised several inches, the result of the posts having taken root and rapidly growing. The reader may make his own deductions.

Not to be out done by Medford, Grants Pass also has a sprouting table at the home of A. Jackson, linotype operator at the Courier office. For some time past Mrs. Jackson has been picking off the sprouts as they appeared through the varnished surface of the table, but Mr. Jackson finally advised her to let them grow in the hope that they might be able to have an abundance of shade during the summer.

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Grand Jury Commends Sheriff.

The grand jury, which closed its labors on Wednesday and made its final report, was composed of some of the very best men in this county, and their report will be found in another column. It is certainly interesting reading. It is commonly remarked upon the streets that the present grand jury have done more hard work and accomplished better results than any other grand jury of the past. They found 36 indictments, 18 of which were liquor cases.

The grand jury commends the county officials and especially Sheriff Russell, for without his efficient aid the vast amount of work could not have been accomplished. The Courier is pleased to call attention to the well-earned words of praise given the sheriff for he has certainly shown himself to be a faithful county official, and it is with pleasure, therefore, that we add our testimony to that of the honorable gentlemen of the jury.

10c Hose for 8c a foot at Cramer Bros.

Gold for the Exposition.

One of the grand opportunities to get to the front in a substantial manner is through the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. Judge Booth, our commissioner at Seattle, desires to obtain the loan of gold nuggets, gold dust, platinum and other precious minerals of this section to display at the exposition. This will be one of the best advertisements that Josephine county could have, as it will attract the attention of many thousands of people. H. C. Perkins has been appointed by the commission to make this collection. Judge Booth says that all specimens loaned will be insured against fire and theft, carefully taken care of, and the commission will be responsible for their safe return. It certainly is of the highest importance to have the resources of Josephine county brought directly before the vast multitudes who will throng the fair during the six months commencing with June. There is no section of Oregon which has produced more gold than the placer and quartz mines of this county. In the last two years nearly \$100,000,000 in gold has been taken out of the mines of Southern Oregon and the most of this from Josephine county. There are still many opportunities to develop paying mines here and the display of the gold asked for by Judge Booth will be a good way to enlist the necessary capital.

Mr. Perkins will make trips to the various mining sections of this and Jackson county for the purpose of securing these specimens, which are to be shipped to either of the banks here to be transferred to Seattle. It is to be hoped that he will be able to make a big showing.

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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

HARD ON THE FACE.

Do you suppose that any folks
Conversed from day to day
In language such as Shakespeare used
In working out a play?
If they essayed the style he slung
When he was at his best
They'd have to stop from time to time
And give their jaws a rest.

A steady stream of sentences
In hifalutin style
His characters rolled from their
Tongues
And talked it all the while.
They never stopped to chew a word
Nor for a breathing space.
Nor into slang did they descend
Just to relieve their face.

The varlet, knight or roustabout
Who couldn't read a line
Rolled gnarled and jagged language
out

In manner superfluous.
They simply scattered gems of
thought
As colts in spring shed hair
And, were they learned or untaught,
Right with the goods were there.

In battle's fierce and awful stress
Or in the heat of crime
They had their feelings to express
In stilted prose or rhyme.
They may have tossed words in the
breeze
As pictured in the play,
But how I'd hate to have to ease
Myself of thought that way!

The Masher.



"Where are you going, my pretty
maid?"
"To get the copper for you," she said

Engraved or printed calling cards
are supplied by the Courier office.

Bicycle hospital at Cramer Bros.

Holed Out and Pulled the Hole In After Them.



Up to about 1869 the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky was widely advertised by its owner. But the owner died that year and left the cave to thirteen heirs scattered over the country. The lucky thirteen devoted themselves to dreams of spending the big income which the cave had been earning for many years because it had been advertised. But they forgot to keep up the advertising. Now the cave is visited by comparatively few persons instead of by many thousands annually, as in the days when it was advertised. But the great cave conveys a lesson

to every business man. If you quit advertising, your place will be ignored by the public even more than Mammoth Cave is ignored, because you are not even a natural curiosity. See the point?

Garland Stoves and Ranges at Cramer Bros.

COMING EVENTS.

April 30, Friday—Housekeepers' Sale and Social at Presbyterian church.

May 1, Saturday—Dance at Savage Creek hall, tickets, including supper and horse feed, \$1.50.

May 6, Thursday—Spanish supper at Guild hall.

May 7, Friday—Experience Social at the Baptist church.

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