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The Hillsboro Independent errs again in regard to the improvement of Washington county roads by state aid. it says "Our east end friends who still insizt that the place to begin permanent improvements of Washing ton county roads is at the Mult nomah line and argue that thereby the greatest number of tax payers would be benefitted might shed a little light upon the subject and lend weight to their argument by explaining how the bulk of Washington county taxpayers are to reach the road to make use of it." Such expressions as that are almost foreign to the real question under dis cussion. State aid is not intended for by-roads leading to the designated state highray The purpose of the state levy is to hely improve a main trunk road through the county, that would certainly benefit all the people of the county, unless some few happened to reside in an isolated district. If the state will build a permanent road through the center of Washington county, $2 s$ is proposed, the county levies can be used for improvement of the by-roads leading to this main road. It must be understood that if Washing. ton county ever has good by roads it must prepare to build them. The state is not going to meet that expense. Certainly there is no taxpayer in the county who would dispute that the im provement of the designated highway would not benefit all the people of the county. Simply because such a road might helf Portland in a way, by providing a better means of travel to our citizens, is no argumeut that our taxpayers would not also be benefitted. Argument that is not based on facts will fall of its own weight. Why use the name of Portland to prejudice our people against their own best interests?

The Forest Grove News-Times
in its last issue, under the heading "Why Not Co-operate?" comments at considerable length on the road improvement problem in this county, and ends up with the folluwing proposition to the business men of Beaverton: "When you want to toost any proposition that will build up and develop Washington county, let us know. We will always lend a hand. We are for Washington county firsi, last and all the time. We only ask for the western half of the county its fair share of the appropriations made for roads or other public work." That's the right kind of spirit in wirich to deal with this complex problem. That's what The Times advocated in the first place, which is theonly way anything tangible may be accomplished for better roads-all getting together and work in harmony. We are sure Beaverton business men will heartily join in co-operation with Forest Grove business men, and as well with Hillsboro if its business people will join with ours. Beaverton stands for improvement that will benefit Washington county under the most favorable conditions for the taxpayers to be had. The Times extends congratulations to the NewsTimes for its stand for justice and right in this better roads movement. It is a big problem and can only be worked out by fair play. The zewspapers can largely influence a sentiment in the county for ro:d improvement if they will work together along sane and just lines. But if they let petty jealousies rule their utterances little can be accomplished. Facts can't be controverted by stibterfuge. Here's with you for better things for Washington county.

## Executors' Notice.

Notice is hereby gives that we, the undersigned, have been by the County court of the state of Oregon, for Washington coumty, duly appointed executors of the estate of Caieb C. Hoopes, deceased, and have duly qualified as such.
All persons, having claims against said estae, are hereby notified to present the same to us with the proper vouchers, eitther at the residence of James I. Hoopes at Beaverton, Or.,or at the law office of W. N. Barrett in Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.
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