

WASTES MILLIONS ON ROAD BUILDING

Report of Good Roads Commission in Illinois Creates Stir—Says Local Authorities Do Not Know How to Better Highways.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 14.—Asserting that more than \$10,000,000 is wasted annually in Illinois by township road commissioners and intimating that petty graft and politics play an important role in the alleged wasteful expenditures, the report of the Good Roads commission created by the best legislature, is before the house for action today.

The report says in part: "So long as the present system of leaving the sole and exclusive control of the highways to local communities and their township or road district commissioners continues, the present system of petty graft on the part of these commissioners and their satellites will continue. The commission recommends state control."

GETS TAB ON SPEED OF SMALL MOLECULES

CHICAGO, Ill., April 14.—Following his important discovery of a way to measure the speed of molecules which compose all material substances, R. A. Millikan of the University of Chicago said today that he expected soon to be able to announce the speed of molecules in practically all common substances, such as iron, wood and glass. In announcing his discovery Millikan said that he had ascertained that the gas molecules are in rapid motion constantly.

Millikan's discovery is the second important one to be made by members of the physics department of the university; the other being a method of measuring the speed of light made by Professor Michaelson, for which he was awarded the Nobel prize.

Celebrates Birthday BY GIVING COIN AWAY

CHICAGO, Ill., April 14.—D. K. Pearson today celebrated his 21st birthday by giving \$100,000 to the American board of foreign missions; \$100,000 to Berea college in Kentucky; \$25,000 to Doane college in Nebraska and \$25,000 in smaller gifts.

With the gifts today Pearson's donations to colleges and other institutions reached the total of \$6,000,000. After making public his gifts today, the millionaire and philanthropist announced that he would make no further donations.

MARTIAL LAW IS DECLARED IN IOWA

MUSCATINE, Iowa, April 14.—With the arrival here today of two companies of militia from Davenport and Washington, Iowa, martial law was declared in Muscatine. Rioting was general here during the night and many persons were injured and much damage was done by the outbreaks of the striking button-makers.

INDICTMENT AGAINST KETTENBACH IS DISMISSED

ROCHELLE, Ill., April 14.—The indictment against William Kettenthaler, former president of the Leavenworth National bank, who was charged jointly with Frank Kettenthaler with abstracting funds from the bank was dismissed today on motion of the counsel for the government.

The indictment was dismissed following a ruling by Federal Judge Basch that the government could not legally indict Kettenthaler on account of the statute of limitations.

William Kettenthaler already stands convicted of falsifying reports to the comptroller of the currency and is under sentence of five years imprisonment in Leavenworth federal prison.

The ruling of the court does not affect the case against Frank Kettenthaler.

SMUDGE POTS DRIVE FROST AWAY

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of the valley as low as 25 degrees, the battle with the frost king was a great success. None of the orchards of the valley report losses today.

The cold spell started in the early hours before dawn and continued until 6 o'clock. Smudging was general.

The coldest weather was experienced near Central Point, where 25 was touched. About Medford and in the valley toward Ashland it was about 25.

Smudge pots were fired at an early hour and were kept burning until after sunrise. Temperatures in the orchards were raised from five to eight degrees.

Some smudging may be needed tonight. Watch for warnings.

Would disenfranchise Negroes.
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—The disfranchisement of the negro is the object of a bill introduced in the house today by Representative Hardwick of Georgia.

Hardwick's measures propose that the following amendment be submitted to the state legislature for ratification:

"That the 14th amendment to the Constitution of the United States be and it hereby is repealed."

Haskins for Health.

To Attend Conference



DAVID J. FOSTER.

David J. Foster of Vermont, Charles F. Scott of Kansas and Victor H. Olmsted, statistician of the department of agriculture, have been selected by President Taft to serve on a delegation to attend on the part of the United States the international agricultural conference at Rome, which begins May 14.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor: I was rather annoyed when in last night's Tribune I read the interview Mr. Steenstrup had with a representative of the evening paper. As a progressive citizen of Medford I have my home town and would do anything in my power to further its progress and activity. Together with all patriotic and progressive living citizens of Medford, we half the new car which Mr. Steenstrup plans to run between this city and Jacksonville as a distinct gain to our community. The reason given for the putting on of the new car, however, does not reflect much credit upon the projector of the enterprise. The trips to Jacksonville will be for the purpose of "taking care of the business men who are only awaiting transportation before making their homes in that section and doing business in Medford."

Mr. Steenstrup evidently believes in making his money here and spending it elsewhere and would have others follow in it if possible. My friend, I think you are misjudging the sterling qualities and character of our people and we are

willing to forgive you as you are quite new in these parts. Medford's citizens are too patriotic and too loyal to their town to be guilty of the outrage of making their money here and spending it elsewhere. If Medford is good enough to do business in it should also be good enough to live in. I do not believe in boycotts or any such violent methods, but if I did I would advocate them as a means to bring those to their senses who believe in "making their homes in that section and doing business in Medford."

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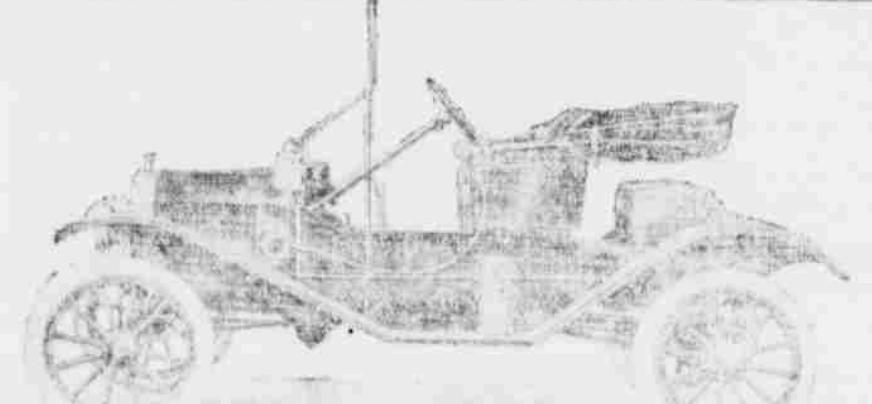
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