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COST TO THE FARMER.

A CORRESPONDENT from the Eagle Point section, lacked the courage of his convictions sufficiently to sign his name, writes protesting the road bond issue, saying:

"This far off district must help pay for a road far away, when it needs a road so badly at home to get produce to market.
 "The road in the valley is a fine thing for the country, but we need roads to get to it. Our increased land valuation is no benefit to the farmer if he has to pay taxes for the automobilist when he cannot get anywhere in the winter with his horses and wagon.
 "Give the farmer what he needs. Four-fifths of the voters are along the proposed route but are four fifths of the taxpayers and four fifths of the taxable property?
 "Give us roads and plenty of them and let each district fix its own. This is talked in outlying districts.

It is unfortunate that we cannot improve all county roads at the same time. But the state contribution hedges us with limitations regarding highway indebtedness. We can, however, make a beginning, and it should be made where it will benefit the greatest number, that is, between centers of population.

Lateral lines to connect with the main highway will come after its construction, but the main line must be constructed first. The sooner the trunk line is built, the quicker will the laterals follow. The money spent on the maintenance of this road now, will then be available for the more distant roads.

The farmer is benefited more than the automobilist by the highway, for it effects a direct reduction in the cost of the transportation of his produce and supplies. The interests of the farmer and automobilist are identical. What benefits the one, benefits the other. Indeed, the autoist is really the farmer's best friend, for he is the agitator of good roads. Besides the farmer is rapidly becoming the automobilist, and with the promised reduction in the price of autos, every farmer will soon be the owner of one.

The farmer is not the greatest taxpayer. The bulk of the taxes are paid by the timber owners, who reside outside the state, by the cities, by the Southern Pacific, California-Oregon Power Company, and other foreign corporations. The farmer, orchardist and arable land owner only pays about 25 per cent of the taxes.

In rough figures, the assessed valuation of Jackson County is \$36,000,000. The timber is assessed at \$11,000,000, the cities of Medford and Ashland at \$9,000,000, the farms, orchards and arable lands, improvements and livestock, \$9,500,000, the railroad, power companies and smaller towns, \$6,500,000. Thus nearly half the taxes of the county are paid by the non-resident and the farmer gets the benefit.

Each district can fix its own roads if it wants to by voting special road levies, but only a few districts have done so, and only in one or two localities have the farmers voted to fix their own roads, and the anonymous letter writer does not live in a district that so voted.

How the Bond Issue Looks to Portlanders

(From the Portland Journal.)
 Jackson county will vote next Tuesday on the issuance of \$500,000 of road bonds for the construction of Oregon's first link in the Pacific highway. Thus Jackson county voters have the opportunity to set the pace in Oregon's race with progress. If the bonds are authorized, 45 miles of paved highway will be constructed in the immediate future. This stretch of good road will connect with the California state highway on the south; pass through Medford, Ashland and Central Point, thus adding five miles to the total mileage; cross the Siskiyou mountains at easy grade, and terminate at the Josephine county line. But this terminus can be only temporary, for once Jackson county sets the example, Josephine and other counties will fall in line. Good roads are built by money, but they are multiplied by good example.

The Jackson bonds should carry by a large majority. Two years ago that county, by a majority of four to one, voted \$1,500,000 in bonds, but the proposed issue was invalidated because there was no enabling act. The legislature removed this handicap, and now Jackson is again to the front. Good roads mean something more than talk in Jackson—they mean actually improved highways, greater prosperity for the farmer, larger growth for the cities and villages, more wealth in the county.

It is noteworthy that Jackson county has combined sound financing with other progressive ideas. The bonds are to be serials; \$100,000 will be paid at the end of 10 years, and the remaining \$400,000 will be retired in equal installments at five year intervals. Thus the bonds will all be paid during the life of the improvement, interest will be saved, and no

excessive burden will fall upon taxpayers at the end of 30 years.

The present highway over the Siskiyou mountains has a 33 per cent grade in places; grades on the new highway will not exceed six per cent. The new road will pass through each market place except two. Jackson county was given 25,000 population by the census enumerators; the new highway will serve 19,000 of the people who live either directly on or close to it.

In the past much money has been wasted on roads. That day is passing. Jackson county's new highway will be constructed under direction of the state highway engineer. Jackson county taxpayers will get value received for the bonds they vote, and the dividends returned by good roads are tremendous. They exceed bank stock dividends.

It may be that residents living off the new highway will vote against the bonds. If they do they will vote against their own interests. Jackson county has been spending an average of \$100,000 a year in taxes on roads, and the greater part of the money has gone on the highway it is now proposed to permanently improve. Remove that money sink and annual taxes can go toward improvement of outlying roads. The money will go there, for one good road will demand other good roads. That has been the experience everywhere.

Jackson county is to be congratulated on her ambition to become Oregon's southern gateway. The 53 miles of improved highway should be completed before the San Francisco exposition opens. Visitors from all parts of the world should be given visual demonstration that Oregon is a progressive state—and there could be no better demonstration than 53 miles of first class highway in Jackson county.

J. S. Howard Makes Correction,

To the Editor:
 In your publication of yesterday, Sept. 1, in relation to the locating of Fort Klamath Judge Colvig says that the mile square composing the fort ground was surveyed by General W. Odell, which is a mistake for I went with Colonel Drew when he located the fort ground and surveyed it at his request and I have the original field notes in my office. I also surveyed a lay reserve at the same time. I also took the bearing from the flag staff location to many prominent mountain peaks. Mt. McLaughlin bears S 45 degrees W (please note that it was not known as Mt. Pitt at that time.— Mt. Shas-

ta bears S 7 degrees 30 minutes W. We went out by the old emigrant road across the mountain thence along the west side of lower Klamath lake to the head of "Ling river" where we swam the horses and the Indians took us across in their canoes thence along the Indian trail east of upper Klamath lake to Williamson river where we were again put across with the help of the Indians, thence along west of Wood river to Fort creek, where the fort was located.
 Yours for ancient history,
 J. S. HOWARD.
 Bessie Abbott and Jeff De Angelis will head the cast of "Rob Roy."

"Back Precinct" Voter Urges United Vote for Good Road Bonds

To the Editor: I want to say a word to the voters of the back precincts concerning the special election to be held September 9 for the purpose of issuing bonds to the amount of \$500,000 to build one permanent road (a section of the great Pacific Highway.) I believe the building of this road to be of great importance and if built will be of inestimable benefit to the whole country and I am confident the measure will receive a majority vote in every precinct, though I understand there are some voters in the back precincts who object to the measure for the reason that the whole fund is to be expended on one road and it located through the most populous section of the county. Now I think that is one very strong point in favor of the measure. Why not build one good permanent road across the county located where it will be of the most benefit to the greatest number. We certainly want and must have the Pacific highway pass through our county and we of the back precincts

will derive nearly as much benefit from such a road as will those residing in the main valley and along the line of said road. There is hardly any end to what might be said in favor of this road, but I will write only briefly and say further that as a local proposition alone the road will be of immense benefit to all sections of the county.
 Of the multitude of tourists who will annually pass over the road many will make side trips into the back precincts all of which have much of interest to attract. Now let us all take a broad view of the situation and work together for this most desirable permanent road and trust that many others will follow.
 We of the back districts may well be proud of our beautiful valley, the fine farms and orchards, the splendid cities and towns and they in turn are deeply interested in our development and prosperity.
 Very truly yours,
 S. S. AIKEN.
 Prospect, Sept. 1, 1913.

Tuesday, November 18, Nation-Wide Day to Eat King Apple

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 2.—If you don't eat an apple Tuesday, November 18, you will be one of the few people in the United States that fails to celebrate.

Let it be known far and wide that Tuesday, November 18, is apple day all over the country. Some places will celebrate but one or two days, but in other sections a whole week will be devoted to special bargain days for the king of fruit.

At the same time you are made aware of the date for the second national apple day, you are notified that the best way to celebrate and the cheapest will be to buy the product by the box. Those in charge of the apple day campaign urgently request the average man or woman to refrain from becoming a "piker" by failing to celebrate.

No less a national authority than Dr. Wiley, former head of the pure food bureau of the government, has made the statement that the eating of apples is the best possible method of preserving the health of the nation.

A national health food, has been the title that has been given the apple. It grows in most sections of

the country and in fact the world, although to be sure, its greatest perfection is reached west of the Rocky mountains.

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H. S. STINE

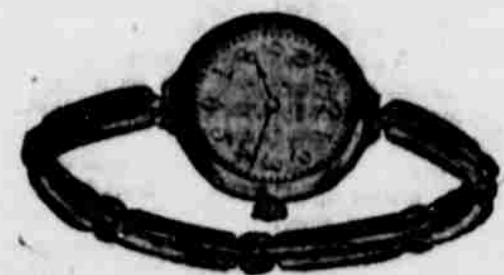
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