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Public Roads Are Neglected.

It is now a dozen years since the good roads campaign was begun; perhaps in no other particular has our country been so far behind the rest of the civilized world as in the matter of highways, especially in the country districts. Started by the popularity of the bicycle, this movement has been helped powerfully by the increase in the use of motorcars. The only sure way to insure success is in educating the mass of the people, and this may be said now to have been accomplished, since the farmer is as fully awake to the necessity of good roads as the city dweller, and the question of expense has now become the most important one. In this matter we may probably take a lesson from the Old World. With our American readiness for doing things on a large scale, when roads were laid out we took a generous width of land for them. Of course a wide grass strip on each side of a well-kept street, with shade trees properly cared for, is a thing of beauty, but how often is this realized? Instead the average country road is a poorly built and poorly kept affair.

As regards the trees, there are now many local improvement societies that are bettering their condition, but it is too great a financial burden to care for most roadsides as they should be kept. In France and Germany, where the traffic is immensely greater than in this country, a road width of 60 feet is found ample; our roads are more than twice as wide. This extra width usually serves as a nursery for weeds, whose seeds are blown into the fields on both sides. In ten western states the figures show that there was 70,000 miles of road with an average width of 66 feet; if they were reduced to 38 feet it would restore to productive use land worth \$50,000,000; interest on this sum would yield \$12,000,000 a year, which would in a few years give these states a road system the finest in the world. Figures are not at hand for New England, but the same would undoubtedly hold true.—Boston Globe.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received at the office of the County Clerk of Cass County, at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, up to noon of Saturday, June 12, 1909, for one Fifty (50) foot reinforced concrete arch, located about four (4) miles west of Mynard Cass County, Nebraska, and one Fifty (50) foot reinforced concrete arch located one-half (1/2) mile east of Elmwood, Cass county, Nebraska.

Specifications may be seen at the County Clerk's office. Bidders may also bid on their own plans and specifications.

Bids required on each job separate and each bid must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of \$500 made payable to the County Clerk.

Bids will be opened June 15, 1909.

W. E. ROSENCRANS,
County Clerk.

Seed Bed For Alfalfa.

I have had about twenty years of experience seeding alfalfa, and have never missed getting a stand even in the driest seasons. My experience is that you must have the ground in fine tilth and well packed. My way of seeding for spring sowing is to disc the ground thoroughly, then harrow and plow shallow. Follow with the harrow and if soil is dry use a heavy float. When through plowing, harrow until the surface is thoroughly pulverized and sow one and one-fourth bushels of barley or oats—barley preferred—either with drill or broadcast, then harrow the ground again. Now, take a fiddle bow or any broadcast seeder and sow twenty pounds of alfalfa seed to the acre. Give a light harrowing. Your field is now as fine as a garden and not only that but you have a seed bed that will hold moisture for the making of the nurse crop.—George M. Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Anderson returned Friday from their visit to Seattle, Wash., where they spent several weeks. They were well pleased with their trip and are enthusiastic in their praise of the country and enterprise of the people.

How We Got Pure Food Law.

The people of this country were eating poisoned food. The president, the secretary and the treasurer met, discussed the matter and the Pure Food association greatly to be sniffed at by the entrenched forces of culinary poison, began its work. It had no money. It had no newspapers. Newspapers and magazines ten years ago were taking millions of dollars in advertising from manufacturers of improper foods. But the pure food shows began to appear in American cities and towns just as the tuberculosis exhibit is moving over the country today. The people learned the truth. The wholesale Grocers' association took up the fight, and in spite of all the money behind the manufacturers of the adulterated and poisoned food, the pure food and drug act passed Congress and became a law. The sacrifice of hundreds of men and women who were willing to give their time, their service and their names to the cause of pure food for the masses was more potent than all the legislative machinery, all the lobby of retailers, all the flood of telegrams from growers and all the forces of selfishness.

Henry Lehnhoff's Will Probated.

The will of the late Henry Lehnhoff was filed for probate in county court yesterday afternoon. To his widow he left \$5,000 in cash and a life estate in 240 acres of land in Cass county. Of this land 160 acres is to go to the son, William, and eighty acres to the daughter, Minnie, upon the death of their mother. Minnie is also to receive all of the personal property and William is to pay to his sister, Julia Frampton, \$800; to his brother, Henry, \$500 and to the surviving children of a deceased sister, Emma, \$300. No inventory of the personal property has been filed.—Lincoln Journal.

Germany Grants Big Subsidy

The Germany Reichstag passed the first reading on May 1, of the bill granting an increase of \$125,000 in the annual imperial subsidy to the North German Lloyd Steamship Company for the establishment of a 4-weekly service between the German protectorate of New Guinea, Japan and Australia.

The under secretary of state quoted statistics to show that the development of the new mail steamship lines had given very satisfactory results since 1886. The total tonnage on the East Asian and Australian lines of the North German Lloyd had risen from 83,447 in 1888 to 283,333 in 1906, the total value of the cargoes from 74,500,000 marks (1 mark equals 23.8 cents) to 369,000,000 marks, exports of merchandise from 33,000,000 to 156,500,000 marks, and the number of passengers carried from 12,253 to 35,948. The exports to China had increased in value from 24,200,000 marks in 1880 to 61,100,000 marks in 1907; those to Japan from 18,500,000 marks to 102,000,000 marks in the same time, and those to Australia from 21,000,000 to 67,100,000.

The subsidizing of the company had thus, according to the under secretary of state, being highly advantageous to Germany. He said, however, that the lines from New Guinea, Australia, and Japan could not be maintained without the increase in the subsidy.—Daily Consular Report.

STRAYED—Brown horse, bob-tailed, white around nose. Has halter on. Last seen going south. Phone information to Pete Hansen, No. 331. 11-2

The Ladies Aid Society of Eight Mile Grove church will give an ice cream and box social on the lawn of Watson Long, Saturday, May 29. Everyone invited.

W. H. Stewart, of Wymore, Neb., was the guest of W. H. Newell several days last week.

Advertised Letter List.

Remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Plattsmouth, Neb., May 24, 1909.

Mrs. Chas. Farrell, Messrs C. Carpenter, Oscar Sampson and D. M. Stanley.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office June 7, 1909, if not delivered before. In calling for the above please say "advertised" giving date of list. C. H. SMITH, P. M.

Everyone is invited to attend the ice-cream and box social to be given on the lawn of Watson Long, Saturday, May 29, by the Ladies Aid Society of Eight Mile Grove church.

E. W. Pitman of Shelby, Ia., purchased a number of thoroughbred Red Polled cattle from Wendell Heil Thursday. Mr. Heil has a very fine herd.

Promotion for Clement

J. F. Clement, a brother of R. W. Clement of this city has recently been promoted to the position of General Superintendent of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad with headquarters at Richmond, Va. A few years ago he was a lad on the streets of this city. He had no "pull," but has demonstrated what a young man with energy, determination, and application to business can do. Young man take a lesson from J. F. Clement, do not idle away your time.

Sues For A Divorce

Nebraska City, Neb., May 22.—Mrs. Maud Moran, wife of William F. Moran one of the leading attorneys of this city, created a sensation here by filing a petition in the district court praying for a divorce from her husband on the grounds of cruelty. She retained a Lincoln firm of attorneys to bring the suit. Mrs. Moran is a daughter of W. T. Canada, claim agent for the Union Pacific railway.—Lincoln Journal.

Delegates Appointed.

To Attend National Irrigation Congress to be Held in Spokane.

W. J. Furse, private secretary to Governor Shallenbarger, announces in a letter to R. Ininger, chairman of the board of control of the National irrigation congress that the following delegates have been appointed to represent the state of Nebraska at the seventeenth sessions in Spokane, August 9 to 14:

D. Clem Deaver, Henry T. Clark and E. A. Cudahy, Omaha; W. S. Lorlan, McCook; Grant L. Shumway, Scotts Bluffs; A. M. Morrissey, Valentine; Charles Coffee, Chadron; James B. McDonald and J. G. Bealer, North Platte; Adna Dobson, Lincoln; C. A. Edwards, Kearney; H. O. Smith, Lexington; Page T. Francis, Crawford; M. B. Smith, Bridgeport and W. A. Sharp-wack, Alma.

"The delegates from Nebraska will come among friends on their arrival in Spokane," says Mr. Ininger. "Many of them are well known to our people through trade and other relations, and they will meet some of their former acquaintances who are now residents of the Inland Empire and other parts of the Northwest.

"It may be a bit of news for the Nebraskans to know that we shall have United States Senator Jonathan P. Dolliver, of Iowa, with us at one or more sessions of the congress, also that Mayor A. L. Fugard, of Pueblo, Colo., is arranging to bring a party occupying a special train to Spokane to capture the 1910 congress for his city.

"Another distinguished visitor will be Professor Liberty Hyde Bailey, director of the college of Agriculture of Cornell University, who headed President Roosevelt's farm life commission last year. We also have reasons to believe that President Taft and several members of his cabinet will be attendants."

High Quality Clothes and Your Money's Worth is Our Policy

Department stores in large cities advertise suits at \$15 and say they are "made to sell for and actually worth \$20.00 to \$25.00." This is a misrepresentation on its face. Don't be deceived.

They offer suits at \$11.95 and say "not one of them worth less than \$15.00 and up to \$20.00." Will you be deceived by such bare faced deception?

We will sell you a suit for \$10.00 even money that we dare say is in every way equal to the so-called \$15 or \$20 suits which they sell at \$11.95. These suits were just received by express. 30 days ago the cloth was in the mill. They are made with fancy cuffs, fancy flaps, peg trousers and all the modern improvements. The material is a new shade of green, very stylish.

They offer suits at \$7.00 and say they "should sell at \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00;" you know this is a false statement. They think you are an "easy mark."

We actually sell suits at \$5.00 which we challenge comparison with their \$7.00 suits. Our clothing is worth every cent you pay for it. We don't try to deceive you.

We guarantee every suit we sell to be exactly as we represent it to be or WE REFUND YOUR MONEY. Our Quality line ranges from \$20 to \$35 and is equal to the best custom tailors.

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