What Is the First Law of Nature?

"Self preservation is the first law of nature," answers Johnny Jones.

Correct, Johnny. Go right up to the head of the class. This law applies to a community as well as to an individual. Under the severe operation of this law a town that does not take care of itself, that does not look after its own interests first, that does not look out for Number One, soon falls into a bad way.

That's just as sure as shootin'. It's the law.

We must obey the law or take the consequences. If



we in this town and community do not work together for our own good, the mutual good of all of us, in all lines of business, we have only ourselves to blame if the place slides down the inclined plane instead of climbing the golden ladder of prosperity and progress.

For instance, if we do our retail trading with big city stores that have no interest in us except to get our money and keep it, local trade must suffer and shrink, town property values and farm land values must decrease - and there you

Johnny Jones, who knows the law, is a wise lad, but how about his papa and mamma?

Do they obey the first law as applied to the old home place? If they don't, Johnny may have to apply the law to himself when he grows up. He

may have to go to the city to make a living. Let's all think it over.

The "Barbara Fritchie" Incident. In the Woman's National Daily, a at historic old Fredericktown Among sher noted places, mention was made waying it above her head, resisting the of "Barbara Fritche," and a picture of soldiers who attempted to take it. A her alleged home was given. At the prominent officer, seeing what took same time, the statement was made that place, gave a quiet order, and as he not only throughout the country, but in passed, raised his hand saying, "I sashe town itself much skepticism pre- lute you, madam, nor the flag." Somevailed as to there ever having been a time later the new poem was brought to Barbara Fritchie; but if so, how could Mrs. Quantrell's attention, whereupon she have taken the part ascribed to her, she wrote to Whittier, giving the facts as the house said to be hers was across a as they occurred, telling him that Barcreek in an obscure part of town, far bara Fritchie was an old woman, living away from the line of March of Stone in an obscure outskirt of town, far from wall Jackson's army.

schools today, doubtless had their blood | tify the mistakes of the poem and give stirred and were thrilled with patriotism her the credit. Whittier replied in his as they read or declaimed the poem of gentle Quaker style that he was sorry days ago a chauffeur was heard to re-"Barbara Fritchie," at school exhibi- he had been misinformed so as to do her mark, "I have driven over all kinds tions or literaries of forty years ago. It injustice; that he had based the poem may be of interest to the young people upon Mrs. Seuthworth's representation to give some recollections gathered from of the incident, and it had been so widepublications of that day.

sponsible for the poem. Whether she letters from Australia and other foreign told the tale as it was told to her, or, be- countries in regard to it, and kindly ading impressed with the name "Barbara vised her to let it go as it was, Fritchie," and with the novelist's license, founded the legend upon it, is not

aggressive in her love for the Union as men and women. her guerrilla brother-in-law was active on the Confederate side. Her home was on a street through which Stonewall Jackson's army marched, and with her little daughter she stood at her gate watching them as they passed. The child had a small Union flag waving, when a soldier stepped up and siezed it. Another was produced and still another

soldier captured it. With that Mrs. Quantrell was so aroused, she rushed stort time ago, was an interesting sketch into the house, secured a larger "stars and stripes" and returned, defiantly the line of march, and so deaf she could The parents of the pupils in the not hear at all. She asked him to recly circulated it would be impossible to Mrs. Southworth, the novelist, is re- recall and change it, as he had received

It is hard for the iconoclast to shatter all our idols, but it seems the legend of recorded, but she sent her version to the the "poet-created Barbara Fritchie" poet, Whitter, suggesting that he write must go with William Tell shooting the apple on his son's head, Washington's But there is another story. At that hatchet and cherry tree, and other tratime, there was living in Fredericktown ditions so dear to the young hearts of a Mrs. Quantrell who was as ardent and those who are now old white-headed

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GOOD ROADS APOSTLE.

Charles Thatcher Advocates Highway From Ocean to Ocean.

Preaching the gospel of good roads, Charles Thatcher, a resident of Wheeling, W. Va., is now traveling from city to city endeavoring to interest the highways and primarily one or more great arteries for vehicle travel from ocean to ocean, says a Bloomington ter Ocean. While he was in Blooming- section line, thence east eight rods to section ton his curbstone talks to the audiences, attracted by the unique outfit accompanying him, were marked by earnestness and enthusiasm. He is not working any grafting or advertising dodge. No one is asked for money, and he has nothing to sell. For ment.

the far west he became imbued with the idea that the absence of good roads leading from the east to the west was a serious handicap to the latter and that the possession of good automobiles and assist in developing missioner in Danbury village. the country. He decided to travei from city to city and not only try to arouse interest in the movement, but to secure signatures to petitions asking the president and congress to take some action. He will reach Washington base this year and will lay his petitions before President Roosevelt and ask him to use his influence to introduce a res olution in congress to investigate the project. Thatcher travels in a light buggy and is attired in regulation cowboy costume. His outfit is pulled by two western burros, and when he reaches a city he is always sure of an audience. He aims to attend all meetings in the interest of good roads.

His third road will tap New Orleans and thence via the southern tier of states to California. North and south roads extending from the great cities to the main highways are also planned. He has planned a road connecting Chicago and St. Louis which wil pass through Bloomington and Springfield. He believes that congress should co-operate with the various states in the construction of these roads, thereby keeping the expense divided equally between the states crossed. Thatcher has traveled 7,000 miles in his unique tour of education and believes that he has inaugurated a movement J. W. Hoppe, same..... which will not die.

"Worst Roads In America."

worst roads in America in the November Guting, says: Mr. Charles J. Glidden, the donor of the Glidden auto troautomobile mileage and who has traveled in nearly a dozen countries a dis- follows: tance of more than 60,000 miles, declared that never in all his touring here or abroad had he encountered such execrable mud road conditions as those in Ohio and Indiana on the road to South Bend. Speaking on this subject, he said: "Seventy per cent of the roads encountered on this tour would by any European government be closed to travel and marked 'Use at your own peril.' One of the things that this revealed some of the deplorable conditions of the highways of a prospercus nation. The accidents on the tour were due wholly to the bad roads, which were unknown to the drivers. They were the worst trails imaginable."

Modern Oiled Roads.

It somewhat appears that our whole country is soon to be made available through roads constructed by what some one has dubbed the petrolythic process, says the Los Angeles Times. In riding over a country road a few of roads, but that sausage machine roller beats down the best surface I ever traveled over." Judging by the mileage now under construction by this process, it would appear that the general public heartily indorses the opinion of the driver quoted. .

Cost of Good Roads.

The commissioners of Chester county, Pa., recently received bills from the Pennsylvania state highway department for improvements made on certain public roads in various townships of the county, as follows: Westtown, \$15,008.31; Schuylkill, \$28,863; Vailey, \$11,996.33; Avondale borough, \$7,599.94. These amounts cover the contract price, the extras, the inspection, the engineering and surveying, etc. The state pays two-thirds of the expense, the county pays one-sixth, and the township pays one-sixth.

Automobile Roads In Africa.

Under the direction of the central automobile department the work of constructing special highways in the Kongo Free State has been carried on for more than a year, says the Good Roads Magazine. When completed these roads will be used for automobile freight lines. The longest and most important of the highways on Oliver Jeffries, single, to Edwhich work is being pushed most rapidly is that connecting the Kongo with the Nile at Rejaf, a short distance south of Gondkoro.

Oil Test For Kansas Roads.

It is reported that the board of county commissioners of Wyandotte county, Kan., will oil thirteen miles of macadam roads in the county as an experiment. The cost of the oiling is estimated at \$75 a mile. The roads are first swept, then sprinkled with oil, and after the oil has soaked in screenings are again scattered over the roadbeds. It is proposed to give the roads about three applications of oll during the year.

County Commissioners' Proceedings. McCook, Neb., February 25, 1908. The board of county commissioners met pur-

suant to adjournment, present F. S. Lofton, S.

Premer and C. B. Gray, commissioners, P. E. Reeder, attorney, and Charles Skalla, clerk. The petition of Ephriam Timmons, J. C. King and others asking for the establishment of a public road was read and considered, the board finds that all owners of land along the proposed citizens of the nation in permanent line of road, have given consent thereto in writing, on motion same was granted establishing a public road as follows: Commencing at a point eight rods west of the northwest corner of section twenty (20), township 2, range 26, west 6th (III.) correspondent of the Chicago In- P. M., thence north 160 rods more or less to half

> overseer of highways to open said road. On motion the county treasurer was instruct ed to refund to the following named persons the amount of poll tax illegally assessed to them and paid by them under protest, as follows:

> line between sections 17 and 18, above road to

be 60 feet wide. Clerk was instructed to notify

W. D. Burnett, 1907, \$2.00 being over fifty years o' age. F. D. Burgess, 1907, \$2.00 has been mem this reason he is attracting attention | bor of fire department. C. W. Wimer, \$2.00, has and is winning supporters in his move- been member of fire department. A. G. Clark, \$2.50, assessed in Fritsch precinct, when living After a residence of some years in in Indianola city, and having paid poll tax there. Harrison & Harrison, \$3,00 for 1906, being assessed in Red Willow precinct and living and having paid poll tax in Indianola city.

Claim of J. S. Morgan for refund of poll tax was considered and rejected because he was awfully assessed for poll tax in Danbury preroads would attract tourists in their c'nct and should not have paid to street com-

The official bonds of S. W. Stilgeboner and W. H. Smith as members of the soldiers' relief commission were examined and on motion approv-

ed.	
The following claims were audited and	
ed and the clerk was instructed to draw	war-
rants on the county general fund, levy of 1	907,as
follows:	
R. W. Devoe, fees in case State vs. Cooper	\$ 6 80
H. H. Berry, same	4 05
H. I. Peterson, same	8 55
Claim for witness fees, for both plaintiff	
and defendant in Cooper case rejected.	
R. W. Devoe, fees in case State vs. Boyle	3 70
H. H. Berry, same	5 50
H. I. Peterson, same	4 20
J. R. Pence, same	3 45
W. R. Starr, Same	1 10
Henry Winans, same	1 10
Robert Simmons, same	1 10
Viola Ballew, same	1 10
Carrie Peterson, same	1 10
W. H. Smith, service on soldiers' relief	
commission	8 93
C. E. Osborn, special deputy work for	
sheriff	2.00
H. I. Peterson, sheriff salary, January	
W. H. Campbell, carpenter work	11 75
R. W. Devoe, balance due in State vs.	
Boyer et al, claimed at \$3.50, allowed at	1.50
Wm. H. Ackerman, service as special bail-	3
iff	
Chas. W. Kelley, surveyors' supplies	
U. G. Etherton, appraising damages on	
road No. 416	4 10
W. B. Downs, sa ne	

Hilmar Rasmussen, work on Spaulding M. Worth Colwell, writing on the F.S. Lofton, services as commissioner ... 10 80 C. B. Gray, same And on the road fund of commissioner district No. 1, as follows: phy, who holds the world's record for | C. G. Wilhelm, 5 days road work 15 00 And on the county bridge fund, levy of 1907, as

On motion the clerk was instructed to draw warrants on the county general fund as follows Claudia B. Hatcher, to help defray expenses of county institute and junior normal 50 00 Petition of Wm. Brinkman and others asking for the establishment of a public road was read and on motion laid over until the next meeting. The petition of H. C. Shouse, W. H. Smith and others, asking for the establishment of a public road was read and considered. The David S Farnhan et ux to Chas board finds that all the requirements of law tour has accomplished is that it has have been complied with and that the public good requires it and on motion same was granted and road established as follows:

J. L. Gentry, bridge work.

Commencing at the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of section twelve (12) in township 3, north of range 28, west of the 6th P. M. thence east along the half section line to the west side of the Indianola cemeteries, said point being about 34% rods east of the southeast corner of said northwest quarter of said section 12, so much of proposed road as is situated east of of said southeast corner of said northwest quarter to be two rods wide, more or less, to correspond with width of street through said

On motion the clerk was instructed to notify overseer of highways to open said road. On motion damages were allowed on above road as follows:

J. W. Dolan on north half of south west quarter section 12, claimed \$200, allowed . \$75 00 F. M. Carpenter, on south half of northwest quarter of section 12, claimed \$250,

And overseer of road district was directed to pay the same out of any funds belonging to the district as the law provides. On motion board abjourned to meet March

F. S. Lofton, Chairman. Attest: Charles Skalla, Clerk.

Real Estate Filings.

The following real estate filings have b en made in the county clerk's office since our last report:

William H Ackerman et ux to L D Vanderhoof, wd to und hf int ne qr 25-3-28.....\$ 1 00 L D Vanderhoof et ux to William H Ackerman, wd to und hf int nw qr 25 3 28..... United States to Samuel Graham, pat to se qr 3-1-28..... United States to Samual S Graham, pat to sw qr 2-1-28... Lincoln Land Co to Con Miller, wd to pt blk 42, Indianola...

Erick O Bergman et ux to H E Lindgren and G A Colson, wd to sw qr, w hf, se 34-3-26 8400 00 ward Hanshaw, wd to lot 4, blk 4, n McCook 400 00 Frank W Hoobler, single, to John S Hoobler, wd to e hf,

George A Conrad et ux to B J Lane, wd to lot 6, blk 13, 1st D Burnett, jr, wd to lot 9, blk 15, 1st add McCook 2300 00

nw gr, lots 1,2 30-1-26 5000 00

A G Dole to S A Dole, wd to ne Conrad Amen et ux to Conrad Liebsack, wd to pt ne qr, ne gr 32-3 29...... 550 00

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w hf, ne qr 32 3-27..... United States to Balthazur Lehn, pat to ne qr 1-1 27..... Philip E Lemasters et ux to William W. Lemasters, qed to lots 7,8,9,10, blk 35, Bart-

ley 875 00

CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Christian-Bible school at 10 a, m Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m. All are welcome to these services.

CATHOLIC-Order of services: Mass, 8 a. m. Mass and sermon, 10:00 a. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. Every Sunday. WM. J. KIRWIN, O. M. I.

Baptist-Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Evening service at 8:00. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to worship with us,

E. Burton, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE - Services, Sunday at 11 a. m., and Wednesday at 8 p. m. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Meetings held in Diamond block. Room open Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 2 to 4 p. m. Science literature on sale.

Episcopal-Preaching services at St. Alban's church at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. All 75 (0 are welcome to these services. Celebration of the Holy Communion at the morning service.

E. R. EARLE, Rector.

Congregational-Sunday school at 10 a, m, Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor. Junior C. E. at 3 p. m. Senior C. E. at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:45 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all these services. G. B. HAWKES, Pastor.

McCook 1350 00 Methodist-Sunday school at 10 a.m. Sermon by pastor at 11, followed by Holy Communion. Junior League at 4. Epworth League at 7:45. Union temperance meeting at night at Baptist qr 27-1-30...... 1090 00 church. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7:45. You are welcome and made glad at the church.

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