

COUNTRY ROADS.

WHAT AGITATION IS DOING.

Farmers' Institutes Discussing the Question.

State Legislatures Beginning to Move.

Governor Altgeld's Views.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

National League for Good Roads.

The good effects of the agitation for the improvement of country roads are visible all over the length and breadth of the land. In the East, the National League for Good Roads, is also doing excellent work, and is receiving the endorsement not only of the press, but commercial bodies, as well as the people. The committee on Internal Improvements of the Chamber of Commerce, New York City, to whom the subject "The National League for Good Roads," was referred, reported, "they had given the subject their careful consideration, and heartily endorsed the purpose of the League."

The National League has disavowed and discouraged all schemes for offices, ask for no legislation, except to create a commission of enquiry to gather information and to provide for proper exhibits and means of instruction at the World's Fair in Chicago.

The Press shows no signs of lack of interest in the subject of good roads. Farmers' Institutes are making the discussion of the subject, one of the most prominent features of their important, interesting and profitable winter gatherings.

Already state legislation is beginning to take some definite shape on the subject and bills are being introduced, whose aim and object is to help us toward a system of better roads. No one who has taken any part in the agitation of this question has any reason to be discouraged, but on the other hand, encouraged. There is every prospect that the time is not far distant when we shall see practical evidences of the fruit of our labors. In a very great measure, the educational work, I think, has been very largely accomplished.

What we now need and the end to which our energies ought to be directed, is, first in the organization of state and county Road Leagues, then in securing the passage of such laws this winter, at our state legislatures as will give us better highways and the burden of taxation as far as practicable be equally divided.

Let us see what is being done over the country in the lines which we have indicated.

The state supervisors of Illinois, have recently held a convention in this state. Prof. I. O. Baker read a valuable paper on methods and laws looking to the improvement of highways and bridges. He urged upon the supervisors that they should do all in their power to assist the National League for improved highways in securing a National road exhibit at the Columbian Exposition. The address referred to urged our state to create a highway commission to consolidate the laws relative to its construction and improve the roads and public highways of the state. Also to consider the advisability and practicability of the state, assisting in the construction of same with power to prepare legislation and maintenance of high class roads.

At a recent meeting of the Indianapolis State Board of Agriculture the question of good roads was thoroughly discussed. The legislature will be asked to tax all railroad property within two miles of any road for improvement. The board took a stand against any increase of tax for good roads.

There is a growing feeling in Southern Illinois, that stone be prepared for country roads by convict labor and it could be hauled by railroad companies at a small cost. Counties in turn to determine the allowance between each township in accordance with the taxation and population.

School Notes.

Through an oversight of some one the names of the pupils neither absent nor tardy in the week intermediate department, was not published last week. They are the following: Silas Mickelson, Minnie Hatting, Lawrence Wilson and Tony Kauden.

The new book case in the high school room aids the appearance very much. The list of new books for it has been completed and will soon be in order ready for use.

A report has reached the school that several books from the library are scattered about town where they have been borrowed and not returned. This is a sad state of affairs, as the books have disappeared in the past two years, as the record shows. If there should be any in the homes and the people will be kind enough to see that they return, the school will be greatly favored.

A new plan of recesses has been adopted for the cold and, by and by, the muddy weather. It is to have, instead of one recess each session, two five minute ones. The plan is that followed in many leading cities and will doubtless be an improvement in our schools, when one in good working order. The recesses are at 10 and 11 a. m. and 2:05 and 3:15 p. m. By this means the children are largely prevented from playing in the cold, getting their feet wet, catching cold, getting sick, staying out of school, etc.

Arrangements have been made with the Northern Indiana Normal School whereby our graduates and other pupils taking grades signed by Mr. Wilson will be accepted without further question. This should be considered as a great encouragement as grades from no college or Normal school in the United States will be accepted there. Arrangements will be made with other colleges and perhaps universities as soon as it is thought best to apply for such admission.

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Death of H. J. Oakes.

The death of the above gentleman took place last Tuesday at his home in Blackstone, at the age of 63 years. Mr. Oakes is an old settler and a highly respected man. He had been postmaster at Blackstone for a number of years and held that position at the time of his death. The funeral took place there Thursday and was largely attended. Mr. Oakes was a step-father to Mr. R. D. Gregg, of Dwight, and leaves five children, three girls and two boys, and hosts of friends to mourn his loss.

Card of Thanks.

It is with feelings of heart-felt gratitude that I take this method of publicly acknowledging my thanks to the friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and sympathy shown during the illness of my wife and children. It is at just such times that an individual most truly appreciates what the term friendship implies. I especially desire to thank the firm of McWilliams & Smith, Dr. Barr and Mesdames French, Snyder and Jacobson, for special favors shown us.

Yours truly,

J. D. BEVANS.

Installation.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. installations took place Tuesday evening. We clip the following from the Pontiac Leader regarding the affair:

Mrs. Blackmore went to Dwight Tuesday evening and installed the officers of the corps. The Dwight ladies had made elaborate preparations for the occasion. The officers of Gardner corps and other visitors were present to witness the installation. At the close of the work the Post and Sons of Veterans were in vited o partake of coffee and a sumptuous lunch. A large number responded and all were royally entertained by the Corps ladies.

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No. 5, express freight, 4:30 p. m.

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