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Road Law Enforcement.

The great weakness of the government of the United States as compared with other countries is its defiance of law on one hand and a lack of enforcement on the other. We have a certain class of people, notably managers of large corporations, whose main study in life is to learn how to keep out of the clutches of the law. They think laws are made simply to be evaded. Then we have another class, officials who have no objection to hold office, but serious objection to discharging its duties. Among these are many officers of our public highways. Attorney-General Byers of Iowa has taken the matter of law enforcement of that state in hand and has written a letter to the various county attorneys, calling their attention to the fact that road improvement is largely a matter of law enforcement, that this duty belongs to the officers of the law; and asks them to join with his department and the state highway commission in order to put in operation some of the laws which are mandatory in form and give promise of producing good results.

Among these laws the attorney-general mentions Chapter 101 of the Acts of the Thirty-third General Assembly, which makes it the duty of the township trustees to provide for the use of road drag. This provision is mandatory and covers all main traveled roads and mail routes. The rate shall not exceed 50 cents per mile traveled in dragging, and compensation shall not be allowed unless the work is authorized by trustees. If, therefore, the trustees do not see to it, that the roads are dragged and the farmers not allowed to do it, the result is bad roads. He asks the county attorney to see that this provision is carried out in the future.

Chapter 96 makes it the duty of the board of supervisors of each county to call the trustees and road supervisors together between November and April of each year for a school of instruction. The object of this law is to promote uniformity and more efficient methods of road work in each county. They are authorized to call in persons who can give expert instruction; and it is part of the official duties of these officers to attend these meetings. They are paid for the same, and the attorney-general asks the county attorneys to see that these conventions are held and properly attended.

Attorney-General Byers calls the attention of the county attorneys to the fact that Chapter 183 of the Acts of the Thirty-second General Assembly forbids any county or township officer to act as local agent for culvert companies, bridge companies, road machinery companies, or furnish any supplies which in any way return the commission to him personally. It is his understanding that this law has been evaded, and he asks the county attorneys to see that it is enforced to the fullest possible extent.

This is one of the best of many good things that Attorney-General Byers has done. Farmers have complained to us within the last year that they have been forbidden by the trustees to drag the roads adjoining their farms, and that the trustees themselves have not seen that anybody else dragged them. Many a time a farmer would gladly drag the road for nothing, if the trustees did not forbid it. Such a trustee is manifestly unfit for his office, and the quicker his attention is called to the fact that he can not have the honors that belong with the office unless he discharges his duty, the better for him.

Should any case of this kind occur next year, the proper thing to do is to go at once to the county attorney, call his attention to the fact, and that it is his business to see that the law is enforced; and if the county attorney does not attend to his business, then report it to the attorney-general.

We are spending several millions in each state for good roads, and one of the reasons we do not get them is simply because road officers are either incompetent or unwilling to discharge their duties. They are probably elected because members of the political party having the majority, and the politician must have tid-bits to distribute according to the size and importance of his constituency. There should be no politics in township government nor in city government, nor in county government. As soon as we get over the custom of electing men to office because they belong to a political party of some kind, the sooner we will get the sort of our money we pay out in taxes.—Wallaces' Farmer.

In connection with the above article concerning the road laws of the state, we wish to call attention to a provision of the road law which may be taken advantage of by a township in which the one district plan of work seems objectionable or undesirable. A new law provides that the trustees of a township shall at any regular meeting, on a written petition signed by 65 per cent of the voters of the township outside of incorporated towns, divide the township into two or more road districts, to take effect the succeeding January. Electors in the districts so succeeding general election elect a road superintendent for a term of two years. Townships may after a trial of two or more years, return to the one district plan by properly petitioning the trustees.

A Novel Introduction.

The Dr. Howard Company have entered into an arrangement with P. A. Clemmer's drug store, by which a special introductory offer will be made of 25 cents on the 50 cent size of their celebrated specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia.

So remarkably successful has Dr. Howard's specific been in curing constipation, dyspepsia and all forms of liver trouble, that P. A. Clemmer will return the price paid in every case where it does not give relief.

P. A. Clemmer has been able to secure only a limited supply, so everyone who wishes to be cured of dyspepsia or constipation should call upon him at once or send him 25 cents by mail, and get 60 doses of the best medicine ever made, on this special half price introductory offer with his personal guarantee to refund the money if the specific does not cure.

Notice.

Having disposed of my implement business, so all persons knowing themselves indebted to me by account or past due note, will please call at once and settle. Respectfully,
D. A. LYONS.

Real Estate Transfers

The following transfers were filed with the County Recorder for the week ending Feb. 26th.

W. C. Breedlove "widower" to Josephine A. Breedlove, n 155 ft. of w 35 ft. lot 5, and n 155 of e 15 ft. lot 6 blk 13, Baldwin's add to Cresco, \$1 and love and affection.

Herman Ruesink to W. J. Milen, e 1/2 ne 1/4 s6-100-13 \$ 5080

D. J. O'Donnell and wife to H. L. Spaulding and wife, e 1/2 se 1/4 and sw 1/4 se 1/4 5-97-13 11000

Thomas Bohan and wife to Geo. W. Barkhurst se 1/4 se 1/4 and ne 1/4 sw 1/4 21-99-14 10080

J. L. McHugh to Orvine McHugh s 1/2 se 1/4, 30 also ne 1/4 and e 1/4 nw 31-99-12 1

Anton Neubauer and wife to A. J. Owens, w 1/2 ne 1/4 15-98-12. 5000

John Rathert and wife to C. P. Nash, nw 1/4 7-99-11 and n 1/2 ne 1/4 12-99-12, \$1 and other consideration.

Easter Supper.

The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold their annual Easter Supper and Apron sale in the W. O. W. Hall, (over Kellow's store) on Easter Monday, March 28. Sale of aprons all the afternoon—supper from 5 o'clock until all are served. Supper 25 cents.

MENU.

Cold Boiled Ham, Veal Loaf, Potato Salad, Salmon Salad, Rols, Baked Beans, Boston Brown Bread, Baked Beans, Deviled Eggs, Fruit Salad, Assorted Cake, Jelly Tarts, Tea, Coffee.

Farmers and Land Owners.

Now is the time to list your farm with us providing you wish to sell. We are getting out 26,000 copies of "Luers Land Lists" and will distribute some where they will do the most good, free of cost to you. As heretofore, listing your property with us does not cost you a cent. If your farm is for sale come to our office and we will show you our plan, which same we consider an equitable one.

LUERS LAND AGENCY,
Cresco, Iowa.

Oh! My!

Day says, but the student was green. He said "Doctor, what did you operate on the patient for?" Doctor said: "For \$300." "I mean, Doctor, what did he have?" "Oh, \$300." A place to earn something to put in the stomach is better than one to have an empty one cut out.

DAD.

P. S. Now is the time to buy Dai's Cresco property as he wishes to sell if possible before the hospital is located here. Call, write or wire.

Attention Farmers!

As spring is coming on now I would advise you to bring in your old rubbers, copper, old iron, rags, etc. as we pay cash for the goods and allow you for the work of hauling it to my place of business. SAM FELDSTEIN.
Phone N. I. No. 376. 53m2

The Farmers' Home.

A \$1.00 a day house. Especial attention paid the farmer trade. With more stable room I am prepared to give farmers better accommodations than ever. J. W. WENTWORTH.

J. C. Webster was a Le Roy visitor last Saturday.

Mrs. A. Rush was down from Austin on business yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Hughes spent Sunday in Lime Springs.

O. G. Wanless came down from Anoka, Minn., last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Stinger returned to Cresco on Saturday last.

N. A. Blackburn, Lawyer; office opposite the National Bank.

Dr. J. L. Scripture was over from Clarksville, Iowa, on Friday last.

WANTED—Man to work on the farm. MYRON CONVERSE.

An elegant supper and apron sale in W. O. W. Hall, Monday, March 28.

Hand colored sepia work, many designs for Easter. M. M. Graf.

FOR RENT—Two houses with barns. Enquire of JAY WATROS.

Remember the Easter Sale at the M. E. church, Saturday, March 26th. House for rent. Enquire of L. BARNES.

Miss Winnifred Webster is home from the University at Madison, Wis.

Dr. W. T. Daly, physician and surgeon; office over Glass's restaurant.

FOR SALE—A four-year old horse. Enquire of LLOYD LATHROP, Howard Center.

Chas. T. Millard, of Storm Lake, Iowa, was a Cresco business visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen and daughters left yesterday for their new home at Bunt, S. D.

Go to Ondrasek's at Schley for bargains in groceries, shoes, hardware and tinware.

The best supper you ever ate at W. O. W. Hall, Easter Monday, March 28. Don't miss it.

If you want a farm loan at a low rate of interest, see American Loan & Trust Company, Cresco, Ia.

Mrs. C. B. Laub has returned from the millinery markets where she went to study the new ideas.

LOST—In Cresco, last Saturday, an ebony clarinet mouthpiece. Finder will please return to John Kakac.

FARM FOR RENT—80 acres about six miles east of Cresco. Enquire of GEO. BREEDLOVE.

Hundreds of Easter novelties, new ideas, all worthy of your attention. M. M. Graf.

If you want to buy or sell Real Estate call on Geo. H. Owens. Office over First National Bank, Cresco, Iowa.

The penny Easter cards are the finest we have ever shown. M. M. Graf.

Frank Ondrasek returned yesterday to Lisbon, N. D., after spending nearly all the winter with relatives at Schley.

Miss Alice Fairbanks who is now in St. Paul has been engaged as trimmer for a millinery firm in Algona, Ia.

C. E. Farnsworth left yesterday for Des Moines to attend the annual convention of the hardware men of the state.

If you want first-class oak wood, leave your order or phone Copeland lumber yard office. Prompt delivery by JAMES GREEN, apr 1st.

Leave your orders for Tankage with F. A. Glass. Nothing on the market equal to Tankage for brood sows, pigs, or fattening hogs.

Miss Pierce who has been studying the latest creations in millinery has returned and will assist Mrs. C. B. Laub the coming season.

Wm. Frost is visiting at the home of his daughters in Cresco, arriving last Friday from a visit with his son, Fred, at Whittemore, Iowa.

The horse Epernon, owned by the Clover Leaf Horse Co., was sold at auction [Saturday] to Dr. P. G. Button for a consideration of \$450.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework on farm. No children. Good wages paid. Enquire of Mrs. W. E. HOWARD, Cresco, R. D. No. 6.

If you want correct abstracting done and cheap prices too, it will pay you to see the American Loan & Investment Co., before ordering your abstract.

FOR SALE OR RENT—A five room house with one acre of land, with good improvements. Enquire of MAX THUERK.

FOR SALE—My six roomed cottage with good well and barn, two blocks from public school. Ask to see it. O. W. CLARK.

WANTED—A good man to represent the W. T. Rawleigh Med. Co. Howard county. Address T. H. JOHNSON, Decorah, Iowa.

Several farmers have moved to Cresco or are arranging to do so soon. P. M. Banning is occupying the Gillmore residence, M. W. Drew has moved into Amidon residence, W. J. Webster has rented the Geo. Richards home and J. J. Korbel has also become a Cresco resident.

HOUSES FOR SALE—From \$500.00 to \$3,000.00. Ask to see them if you are thinking of buying. O. W. CLARK, the Insurance Man.

Mrs. Maggie Haubrich and little daughter of Carroll, Ia., who has been visiting Mrs. Kaupel and other relatives went to Cresco Tuesday.—Ossian Bee.

The Decorah ladies orchestra has been engaged by the M. W. A. Forester team to play for the Easter dance to be given in the Armory, Monday, March 28.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold an Easter Sale on Saturday, March 26th, of aprons, towels and other articles. A 25c supper will be served in the dining room of the church.

A 160 acre farm for rent—one of the best to be had—cash rent only. German or Bohemian preferred. Address P. O. Box 641, Cresco, Iowa. Possession will be given at once to the right parties.

Owen Murray has rented his Paris farm to W. J. McConnell from near Bluffton and is moving this week to Lourdes where he will occupy the Guyette building and perhaps put in a stock of goods.

A number of the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoppe gathered at their home last Friday evening and enjoyed a social dance. The occasion being to help [Mr. Hoppe] celebrate his birthday anniversary.

The address at the Congregational mid-week services on Wednesday evening will be delivered by Rev. Hinman. Subject: "Training Children for Church Membership." Special music will be given by Mr. Kakac and his daughter.

FOR SALE—Well located 7-room residence in Cresco, one block from Catholic church and two blocks from German Lutheran church. Good well, dry cistern, barn and woodshed. At a bargain if taken this month. Inquire at this office.

We have a letter from Victor H. Harlow of Spokane, Wash., announcing the death of his father, John L. Harlow, for many years a Cresco resident, at his home in Spokane, on Feb. 22, aged 64 years. Death was caused by neuralgia of the heart.

Everett Smith will have an auction sale at his place four miles north-east of Cresco on Monday, March 14th, to dispose of 9 head of horses, 33 head of cattle, 12 brood sows, machinery, grain etc., on the usual terms. E. P. Farnsworth, clerk, and Finegan, auctioneer.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Katherine Irvine on Friday March 4th, at 2:30 p. m. Topic: "The Freedmen." Leader, Mrs. Lillie Morgan. The roll call to be answered by Negro items. At the close a social tea will be served, to which all the ladies are cordially invited.

Cresco Market.

(Corrected twice a week.)

Wheat.....1.00
Oats.....40c/41
Shelled Corn.....45c/50
Timothy seed per cwt.....2.25c/2.50
Barley.....55c/62
Flax.....1.55c
Clover seed per cwt.....15.00c/15.25
Live hogs.....9.00c/9.25
Beef on foot.....3c/4
Butter per lb.—Elgin Market.....30
Butter per lb.....25
Eggs per doz.....18

Will Raise the Price After April 1st.

We have received notice from the publishers of the Chicago Daily Journal that after the first of April their subscription price will be raised—this on account of the tariff tax which is constantly raising the price of print paper. If you want the Journal, it will pay you to subscribe now for the advance in price will be considerable.

Timber.

I have 30 acres of good timber near Cresco, can be bought at a bargain. Inquire of Geo. H. Owens, Office over First National Bank, Cresco, Iowa.

AT AUCTION!

On Saturday afternoon, March 5th, at H. H. Ruddy's barn, Cresco, three bull calves one a yearling, the others eleven months old. O. H. WOOD.

Instruction in Music.

I am prepared to receive all of my old pupils and any new ones desiring instruction in music. MISS LAURINE M.B.D.

Canada Lands for Sale.

From \$5.50 per acre up, located within 35 miles of Winnipeg. Call on me over Clemmer's drug store for particulars. W. F. MILZ.

NOTICE!

As I am going out of business, all persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call at once and settle. JAMES ONDRASEK, Schley, Iowa.

For Sale.

100 head of Steers one year old, weighing about 650 lbs. Will sell in lots to suit purchaser. Also one span of good work horses. Inquire of M. F. GREEN, Lime Springs, Iowa.

DAJ AVALANCHES IN MONTANA

SIX ARE KILLED BY FALLING MOUNTAINS OF SNOW.

Sixty Miles of Railroad Blocked and Trains are Stalled Throughout the State.

Missoula, Feb. 25.—Resulting from a disastrous avalanche on the west end of this division of the Puget Sound line, three men and one woman are dead and one man is more or less injured. One man, Charles Nelson, was struck by an avalanche near Adair and buried under 300 feet of snow, with three companions, who were employed as section men. The three men crawled out uninjured.

Another avalanche thundered down the hill near the Adair water tank, covering a prospector's shack in which were five men and a woman. Two men named Shoes were killed, together with the woman, who was the wife of one of the dead men.

Section Foreman John Peters was injured in the same avalanche. Not a train will pass over the west end of the Missoula division of the Puget Sound railroad before another day at the very earliest, according to statements made by the local division officers.

Almost the entire line from Haugan to Avery, a distance of 60 miles, is blocked with nearly a solid mass of DAILY—TWO

The result of a long series of avalanches which thundered down the mountain nearly all day Wednesday. Several trains are snowbound by the blockades, one fast silk train being stuck at Falsion, while a train containing 16 cars of hogs for Seattle is held at Alberton pending the ability of the company to open the line.

Passenger trains are coming as far east as Avery, but are being turned at that place. West-bound trains are turned at St. Regis, and sent back, there being no service of any sort between St. Regis and Avery.

BIG FIRE AT NEW ROCKFORD.

Eleven Buildings in Heart of the Business District Burned.

New Richmond, N. D., Feb. 25.—A disastrous fire occurred in this city, entailing a loss of about \$52,000. The fire started from an over-heated stove in the rear of Hudson's confectionery store, and spread rapidly to adjoining buildings. The burned buildings and losses are as follows:

Wenz shoe store, \$1,000; Charles Babcock's residence, \$100; postoffice and fixtures, \$3,000; Rager harness store, \$5,000; Rager's large wholesale house, stored with household goods and stock, \$9,000; Powers' butcher shop, \$2,500; Dundan jewelry store, \$5,000; Hudson confectionery store, \$5,000; Doran varnish shop, \$3,000; millinery store, \$3,000; Bucklin drug store, \$15,000; and Davies' livery barn, \$3,000.

A north wind was blowing at the time the fire broke out, and this, together with the severe weather, prevented the firemen from making much headway in fighting the flames.

Bee Keepers at Winona.

Winona, Feb. 25.—The southwest-ern Minnesota and Western Bee-keepers' association, in session here, adopted a new constitution and set of by-laws, enlarging the organization to take in all of Southern Minnesota and the western tier of Wisconsin counties. The convention is being largely attended. P. D. Ramer, of Harmony, Minn., delivered the principal address.

Clearings Still Increase.

Minneapolis, Feb. 25.—Another increase was recorded in the weekly bank clearings, this being the twelfth successive week of gain over a year ago. The total for the week was \$17,581,217.88, compared with \$13,188,319.24 last year, the increase being \$4,392,898.64.

Publisher of Skandinavien Dies.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—John Anderson, founder and publisher of Skandinavien, a well known Swedish daily, died suddenly. He was 75 years of age, and not in the best of health during the latter years of his life. Besides a widow, three sons and one daughter survive him.

Negro Women Join Suffragists.

New York, Feb. 25.—A negro branch of the Political Equality association has been formed by Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, and 20 men and women who favor the granting of the ballot to negro women have been enrolled as charter members.

Weston Makes 38 Miles.

Albuquerque, Feb. 25.—Edward Payson Weston is at Aurora, N. M., having walked 38 miles in eight hours.

Price of Sugar Goes Up.

New York, Feb. 25.—All grades of refined sugar were advanced 10 cents a hundred pounds.

Connors Still On the Job.

Albany, Feb. 25.—William J. Connors made good his prediction that he would still be chairman of the Democratic state committee after his meeting. In saving his political scalp, however, he lost most of his hair. Chas. F. Murphy, the Tammany chieftain, whose complete mastery of the situation was realized by no one better than by Connors himself, granted the Buffalo leader a brief political reprieve in the interest of the party harmony, after Connors had agreed to resign in April.

ELMA.

Mrs. Mabry and son Robert returned to their home in Elma the latter part of the week after an extended visit with Mrs. Fred Minney at McGregor.

Mrs. Pat McGrane returned to her home in New Hampton Saturday after a few weeks' visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cushman. Her sister, Miss Elizabeth, returned home with her for a few days' visit.

John Mahoney returned the first of the week from Chicago where he has been for the past two weeks. Mrs. Mahoney underwent an operation there the first of the past week and Mr. Mahoney reports her as getting along very nicely. Her many friends wish her a safe and rapid recovery.

Will Forry came over the first of the past week to repair the telephones in this vicinity that were put out of commission by the rain and sleet of the previous week. Many of the poles in the country were broken off by the weight of ice on the wires.

C. Unger, of Alta Vista, was a business caller in Elma Friday.

Merle Gaughan visited with her grandmother, Mrs. Christ Erion, in Alta Vista, a few days last week.

Mrs. George Scholz and Mrs. J. C. Hastings, of Alta Vista, were business callers in Elma one day last week.

Walter McGrane, of New Hampton, visited a few days last week with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Con Shields came down the first of the week from Albert Lea, Minn., for a few days visit with their many friends and relatives in Elma.

John Weers was a business caller in Alta Vista, Saturday.

Will Irvine was a business caller in Elma, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whelen left here Saturday for Lawler where they will make an over Sunday visit with Mrs. Whelen's parents.

Jim Roche, who for the past few months has been visiting with his mother in Anoka, Minn., returned to Elma the latter part of the past week. He says his mother is well and also Mr. and Mrs. Gene Speed.

Frank Clark and Ed McAvoy, of Corvallis, were business callers in Elma last Saturday.

Mrs. Tom Young, of New Hampton, is here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Church.

Winnifred Sullivan spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clem. Cushman.

Gene Keefe came up the latter part of the week for an extended visit with his parents.

Mrs. Will Whelen entertained the Lace Club Wednesday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. Ruby. The afternoon was spent most pleasantly in visiting with Mrs. Ruby who will leave the first of the week for her home in Dakota. A dainty luncheon was served. Many new members were added to the club.

Sandy Smith has been on the sick list since the latter part of the past week. It seems that this month must have a grudge against many of our townspeople since so many of them have been numbered on the sick list.

Ellen Corbett was down the first of the week from McIntire visiting with her cousin, Miss Elizabeth Jordan, who is attending the I. C. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Casey were in town Saturday and Sunday, visiting with Mrs. Casey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Keefe.

There was an entertainment and box social at the Afton school house last Tuesday evening. A large crowd was present and a very interesting program was given. Miss Nellie Richardson is the teacher and it is to be praised for the training and the interest of her pupils.

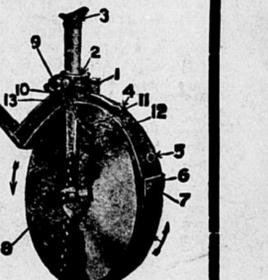
The I. C. C. will meet on next Thursday afternoon at the home of Gus O'Donnell.

John Condon and wife visited with relatives near Devon the first of the week.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Stops itching instantly. Cures piles, eczema, salt rheum, tetter, itch, hives, herpes, scabies—Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

THE MONITOR DOUBLE DISC DRILL



Note the seed dropping from the tube—it falls in front of the bearing with downward turn of the disc, which action of the disc aids in carrying all the seed to the bottom of the furrow which is wide and clean and free from trash.

All other disc drills drop the seed back of the bearing with the upward turn of the disc, which action of the disc interrupts the fall of the seed and lets the dirt and trash fall into the furrow before the seed does, thereby depositing the seed at an uneven depth and covering it with an unequal amount of earth. The Monitor Drill catalogue explains results. Ask B. R. EVANS for it.

Going! Going! GOING!

AT AUCTION---YOUR OWN PRICE



A ROUND OAK CHIEF STEEL RANGE—the finest range in the world, will be sold and delivered to the highest bidder on SATURDAY, MARCH 12, at 3 o'clock, at our store. We want yours among them—SURE.

See The Coupon Below.

Fill in your bid—sign your name—with address. Mark the envelope "RANGE BID"—seal and leave it at our store.

If the coupon is not available—write us just the same. Try the new method once. Let's see how liberal the successful bidder is.

COUPON

My bid on the Round Oak Chief Range is.....

Name

Address

All bidders must be present at the opening of the bids or have authorized representatives,

Lomas & Farnsworth

Cresco, Iowa