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## COST OF BAD ROADS

What do bad roads cost? The usual question is, "What do good roads cost?" Statistics show that they call for an expenditure of from \$4,000, depending upon circumstances and conditions.

What do bad roads cost? That is looking at the problem from the other end. They cost this country more than one billion dollars annually. This loss constitutes a tremendous economic question, and the conservation of such an amount of money is one of the most important matters before the people today.

The average cost to haul one ton of farm produce one mile in the United States is 23 cents. In Europe it is just 8 cents. If our roads were good roads like those of Europe, the saving in transportation of farm produce in the United States would amount to \$250,000,000 each year.

It costs 3.8 cents per bushel to transport wheat from New York to Liverpool, but it cost the farmer 5.4 cents per bushel to haul the average of 9.4 miles from his farm to the railroad shipping point nearest him. The agricultural production alone of the United States for the past eleven years amounted to \$70,000,000,000, but it cost more to take this product from the farms to the railroad stations than from the same railroad stations to the American and European markets. The saving in moving this produce over good highways instead of bad ones would have yielded enough money to build a million miles of good roads, according to official estimate.

The waste caused by bad roads is incalculable. There are many considerations and saving that cannot be estimated in figures. To spend money on bad roads is to sink it so that no return can come from it; to spend money on good roads is to get results and to secure a permanent investment.

Good roads are the cheapest in the long run. Look at the question from both sides and no other conclusion can be reached.—Richmond Times Dispatch

## For Aged People

Old Folks Should be Careful  
in Their Selection of  
Regular Medicine.

We have a safe, dependable and altogether ideal remedy that is particularly adapted to the requirements of aged people and persons of weak constitutions who suffer from constipation or other bowel disorders. We are so certain that it will relieve these complaints and give satisfaction in every particular that we offer it with our personal guarantee that it shall cost the user nothing if it fails to substantiate our claims. This remedy is called Rexall Orderlies.

Rexall Orderlies have a soothing, healing, strengthening, tonic and regulative action upon the bowels. They remove all irritation, dryness, soreness and weakness. They restore the bowels and associate organs to more vigorous and healthy activity. They are eaten like candy, may be taken at any time without inconvenience, do not cause any griping, nausea, diarrhea, or other disagreeable effect. Price 25c. and 10c. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store. Kelly Drug Company.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has become famous for its cures of coughs, colds, croup and influenza. Try it when you need it. It contains no harmful substance and always gives prompt relief. Sold by Enterprise Drug Co.

## FARMERS

Should Have Pamphlet That  
Treats of "The Use of  
Lime on Land."

Washington, D. C., Oct. 21.—A pamphlet containing information which should be of the greatest interest and practical benefit to the farmers of the South and which may be had for the asking, has just been issued by the Land and Industrial Department of the Southern Railway. The pamphlet treats of "The Use of Lime on Land," and tells of the great benefits to be derived in this way. Quotations are given from agricultural authorities and from bulletins issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and various state departments, telling on what kind of land lime should be used, for what crops it will bring the best results, and how it should be applied.

For improving our soils such as are found in many parts of the South, agricultural authorities agree that there is nothing so beneficial as lime, since with the aid of leguminous plants it enables the soil to draw from the atmosphere the nitrogen so necessary as plant food. The large deposits of lime in the various Southern States make the use of lime for agricultural purposes inexpensive.

A copy of the pamphlet on "The Use of Lime on Land" may be secured by addressing a request to M. V. Richards, Land and Industrial Agent Southern Railway Company, Washington, D. C., or copies may be had on application to any freight traffic representative or local or station agent of the Southern Railway.

## ISAAC WRIGHT SHOT

Isaac Wright, the only son of the well known and prosperous farmer, J. D. Wright, of Rye Cove, was found last Saturday in an unconscious condition, being wounded by the accidental discharge of a double barrel shotgun. On examination of the surroundings where he was lying it was found that in crossing a log he had accidentally discharged both barrels of the gun and received the contents in his right arm, shoulder and face, the shot tearing most of the flesh from the arm just above the wrist. He was carried home and is being attended by Drs. Fugate and Lyons. He had gone out hunting just after noon, and as he did not return at the hour expected a search was made for him and he was found about 8 p. m. in the condition above stated. The report of the gun was heard about 12:30, and he had lain where he was shot from that hour until 8 p. m. He is yet in an unconscious state and his wounds may prove fatal.—Gate City Reporter.

## FOR \$50,000,000 STOCK

Norfolk & Western Meeting  
Passes Upon Big Issue.

Roanoke, Va., Oct. 20.—The annual meeting of the Norfolk and Western Railroad was held this week. About 80 per cent. of the stock was represented. The present board of directors was re-elected and was authorized to acquire the property of Big Stony Railway Company and make a contract for the use of the terminal facilities of the Norfolk Terminal Railway Co.

An increase of \$50,000,000 in the common stock was voted, as well as authority for the creation and sale from time to time of convertible bonds to the aggregate of \$50,000,000. Provision was made that in the event of the sale of the bonds a sufficient amount of common stock be reserved to provide for their conversion. The directors re-elected the present officers.

## RAILROAD AND MINING NOTES

The Bluefield Leader says: According to the present indications the Wolfe Creek section of Bland county, only a few miles South of the city, is likely to become the scene soon of an important coal operation. Edward S. Farrow, consulting mining and railroad engineer of New York, who is now in the city, has two engineering crews making an examination of the Wesendock estate lying on Wolfe and Nobusiness creeks, including about four thousand acres with a view, if the report is favorable, to the outright purchase by a big New York insurance company.

So far the examination, Mr. Farrow says, has proven very satisfactory. The borings have revealed a vein one and a half feet in thickness near the surface, and another six feet thick thick forty feet below. It is thought that deeper investigation will show other veins. While there has been no chemical analysis of the coal made, Mr. Farrow says it very closely resembles the Pocahontas product and he thinks it belongs to the same measures. On a part of the estate the formation is much broken up and he believes that in this locality anthracite beds will be encountered.

In addition to the coal Mr. Farrow says there is an excellent deposit of iron ore running as high as fifty-nine percent in metallic product on the surface. There is also an immense quantity of marketable talc.

A third crew of engineers will be placed on the estate within a few days and the report on which the deal will hang will be completed as soon as possible. The transaction will involve between two and three hundred thousand dollars. The acreage has been rendered valuable by the completion of the new railroad from Narrows to Rocky Gap, which was finished only a short time ago. Coal development on the area would require the building of a short spur which it is understood the railroad company has agreed to do.

## A LITTLE TAFFY

With honeyed words a man will make his way;  
With vinegar no flies are caught, I wot.  
Politeness costs no money and will pay.  
A little taffy helps things out a lot.

—Exchange.

## Make This Test

How to Tell if Your Hair is  
Diseased.

Even if you have a luxuriant head of hair you may want to know whether it is in a healthy condition or not. 98 per cent. of the people need a hair tonic. Pull a hair out of your head; if the bulb at the end of the root is white and shrunken, it proves that the hair is diseased, and requires prompt treatment if its loss would be avoided. If the bulb is pink and full, the hair is healthy.

We want every one whose hair requires treatment to try Rexall "93" Hair Tonic. We promise that it shall not cost anything if it does not give satisfactory results. It is designed to overcome dandruff, relieve scalp irritation, to stimulate the hair roots, tighten the hair already in the head, grow hair and cure baldness.

It is because of what Rexall "93" Hair Tonic has done and our sincere faith in its goodness that we want you to try it at our risk. Two sizes, 50c. and \$1.00. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store. Kelly Drug Company.

## PROGRAMME

Wise County Teachers' Association, Norton, Va., Oct. 28th and 29th, 1910.

10:00-10:15—Opening—Rev. Burton.  
10:15-11:15—How can we best teach according to the Revised Course of Study?

(a) Primary. By first Primary teacher of Big Stone Gap.  
(b) Grammar. R. L. Counts.  
(c) High School. By H. H. Young.  
(d) Rural School. By C. M. Kennedy.  
General Discussion.  
11:15-12:00—(a) Characteristics of a good disciplinarian. By R. M. Dougherty.  
(b) To what extent and when is corporal punishment justifiable? By J. H. Ashworth.  
General Discussion.

12:00-1:30—Dinner.  
1:30-2:00—Legal points that concern Teachers and Trustees. By Supt. J. N. Hillman.  
2:00-2:30—Contagious diseases and school hygiene. By Dr. R. P. Carr.  
2:30-3:15—What are the best methods of teaching English Grammar?

(a) In Grammar Grades. By M. W. Remines.  
(b) In High School. By R. C. Young.  
General Discussion.

3:15-4:00—School Improvement Leagues. By W. E. Frealey.  
General Discussion.

### FRIDAY NIGHT

8:30—Educational Address. By E. E. Worrell.  
8:15—Address. By J. S. Thomas.

### SATURDAY

9:00-9:15—Opening Exercises. By N. M. Watson.  
9:15-10:30—Principals' and Graded Teachers' Conference.

(a) The Backward Pupil.  
(b) Tests and Examinations.  
(c) The Honor System.  
(d) Duties of a Principal.  
(e) Latin in the High School.

9:15-10:30—Conference of Rural Teachers.  
(a) Athletics.  
(b) Grading.  
(c) Consolidation.  
(d) How can Domestic Science be Taught?

10:30-12:00—General Meeting.  
(a) Moral and Religious Instruction in the Grammar and High School. By G. M. Elam.  
(b) What should a Teacher expect from his Trustees and Superintendent. By H. C. Williams and Ira L. Warner.

General Discussion.  
Miscellaneous business.  
12:00—Adjournment.

HUGH L. SULFRIDGE,  
President.

## HOW TO GET ON IN THE WORLD

Most of our successful men began life without a dollar. They have won success by hard work and strict honesty. You do the same. Here are rules for getting on in the world:

1. Be honest. Dishonesty seldom makes one rich, and when it does, riches are a curse. There is no such thing as dishonest success.

2. Work. The world is not going to pay for nothing. Ninety per cent. of what men call genius is only a talent for hard work.

3. Enter into that business or trade you like best, and for which nature seems to have fitted you, providing it is honorable.

4. Be independent. Do not lean on others to do your thinking or to conquer difficulties.

5. Be conscientious in the discharge of every duty. Do your work thoroughly. No one can rise who slights his work.

6. Don't try to begin on top. Begin at the bottom and you will be surer of reaching the top, some time.

7. Trust to nothing but God and hard work. Inscribe on your banner: "Luck is a fool; pluck is a hero."

It is in time of sudden mishap or accident that Chamberlain's Liniment can be relied upon to take the place of the family doctor, who cannot always be found at the moment. Then it is that Chamberlain's Liniment is never found wanting. In cases of sprains, cuts, wounds and bruises Chamberlain's Liniment takes out the soreness and drives away the pain. Sold by Enterprise Drug Co.

## POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Under the Exclusive Management of the Republican Campaign Committee.

## Mr. Bede Speaks For Mr. Slemp.

Everybody feels better for having heard him.

When announcement was made at the school hall Saturday night that Mr. Slemp had found it impossible to get here, there was much disappointment, but after hearing Mr. Bede speak, all went away thoroughly glad that they had come anyway. Mr. Slemp did his best to get here, but he was in Buchanan county, a long way from the railroad, and he was unable to make the connection.

At the meeting, Hon. H. C. L. Richmond delivered the first address, and made a strong personal appeal to the people of this vicinity to support Mr. Slemp, both as their neighbor and as their congressman who has brought so many substantial benefits to us. "Uncle Jack" Goodloe introduced Mr. Bede, and put the audience in the best of humor, of course, with his neat speech and radiant earnestness.

The spirit of candor, the common sense, the excellent optimism and the wholesome humor that shone forth throughout Mr. Bede's entire speech were the dominating features that impressed themselves upon every listener. No one could have gone away without feeling the better for having heard him, and all who failed to hear him for any cause are losers, in an appreciable sense.

He made a strong appeal for patience and the application of plain common sense in the working out of the many problems of a great nation and a great people, pointing out the fact that the Republican party has already done a vast deal along this line, and are doing more and more all the time. Also that the fact of our nation being the greatest on the globe, and our people the most prosperous and progressive, is undeniable proof of the great and good work that the Republican party has done, since our nation has actually progressed to its present splendid conditions under Republican policies. He paid a high compliment to Mr. Slemp's marked ability as an efficient and successful congressman, and a like tribute to his high character as a man. He predicted that it will not be long until Mr. Slemp is made Senator from Virginia, and at that suggestion the audience went wild with enthusiasm. There was no mistaking the fact that Mr. Slemp's home people are fully appreciative of his already exceptionally high attainments, as well as the great future that is before him, as a man who is still young.

Mr. Bede's rational and kindly humor should do much toward allaying any partisan bitterness, and cause everyone to consider these matters more on the basis of actual conditions and facts that on what may well be termed mere trivial partisanship.

Hoarseness in a child subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given at once or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Contains no poison. Sold by Enterprise Drug Co.

## MR. SLEMP ENDORSED

Prominent Insurgent Republican Expresses Strong  
Hope for Mr. Slemp's  
Re-election.

The whole purpose and effort of the Democratic campaign in the Ninth district has been an endeavor to lay stress upon so-called insurgent republicanism, and identify their party with that wing of the republican party as against Congressman Slemp. These democratic pretensions were given a terrific jolt when Colonel Roosevelt paid to Mr. Slemp the splendid personal tribute that he included in his non-partisan speech at Bristol on October 7th. On this point, The ATLANTA GEORGIAN (democratic) said in its issue of October 8th:

"So far the wielder of the big stick has shown no signs of using that weapon on his Southern jaunt. He has not dropped into politics at all, save when at Bristol he publicly endorsed Congressman Slemp, the republican candidate for re-election."

Now, Mr. Slemp has received the following letter from one of the most prominent insurgent republican congressmen in the present Congress:

—Dodge City, Kans., Oct. 15, 1910.

Hon. C. Bascom Slemp,  
Big Stone Gap, Va.

My Dear Friend:

I sincerely hope you are assured of re-election. If your constituents understand the value of your services in the House as do your fellow members, I have no doubt of your return by an increased majority. Virginia and the country needs men like yourself in Congress who labor conscientiously for what they believe to be right.

Very sincerely your friend,  
E. H. MADISON."

Judge Madison represents the Seventh Kansas district, and was one of the insurgent leaders in the last session of Congress. He heard of the misrepresentations of insurgent republicanism by the democrats in the Ninth district, and promptly sent this splendid expression of his good wishes and good will to Mr. Slemp.

These evidences of the recognition nationally of Mr. Slemp's absolute integrity and conscientious devotion to his duties, and that which he believes to be right, is a source of gratification to his host of loyal friends, but they do not need the assurance of others along this line. They know full well his entire honesty, faithfulness and sincerity, and that is the reason for the absolutely remarkable personal demonstrations of good will toward him that occur at each and every point that he speaks. They do, however, absolutely confound, and put to shame, the partisan misrepresentations and attempted political vilifications of this entire democratic machine of Virginia, which is so malignantly arrayed against him.

## Repudiators.

Honest Men Cannot Vote For  
Man Who Repudiates  
Promises.

In his speeches, Stuart does not ask Democrats to vote for him. His whole appeal is to the Republicans. Obviously he does not want the Democrats to vote for him, else he would appeal to them in his speeches for their support.

Democrats will feel keenly the slight which Stuart thus gives them. He doesn't want them. If he did, he would certainly pay some attention to them. But all of his talk is for Republicans—who care nothing about it, and know it to be false doctrine.

His great authority along this line is Senator Beveridge, and according to the Senator's public utterances no Republican or honest Democrat can vote for Stuart.

Senator Beveridge says the Democratic party is a party of repudiation, and points out the constant instances wherein that party's leaders repudiated its promises and pledges, especially with regard to the tariff. That Stuart is one with the other repudiators is all.

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