

# IT'S YOUR FAIR

## The Oklahoma Free State Fair

### AT MUSKOGEE

#### OCTOBER 4 to 9

A vacation and education combined. Recreation and information for the entire family  
The Oklahoma Free State Fair is Your Fair--Planned for you and every citizen of the State. We want you to come.

### The Greatest Fair Program Ever Presented

This Year the Features That Will Interest You Include

A Million Dollar Stock Show biggest and best ever shown in the Southwest.  
Biggest exhibit of farm Machinery ever shown at any Fair in Oklahoma.  
Fine Agricultural Displays.  
Indian Exhibits.  
Wonderful showing of Dairy Products and Machinery.  
Apiary Displays.  
Splendid Women's Department.  
Tremendous Fireworks Spectacle nightly--  
Greatest Naval Engagement of War depicted--  
The Siege of the Mardanelles.

Horses and Auto Races, Exciting Relay Races with Girl riders.

Boys' and Girls' Club Displays.

Lectures and Demonstrations on Home Decoration and Women's Dress, something new and interesting. Wonderful Band Music--The Million dollar Band--the Band that went to France with the 116th Engineers.

Best program of Amusement Acts and Vaudeville--Midway Attractions, and a thousands novel features of interest occupying every minute of every hour of Fair Week.

### REDUCED RATES ON ALL RAILROADS

ALL THE FOLKS YOU KNOW WILL BE THERE  
At MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

The Gate  
Stands Open

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# GOOD ROADS

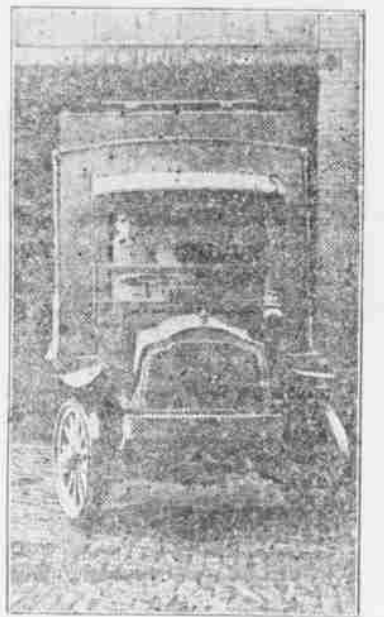
## GOOD ROADS ARE NECESSARY

Problems Involved in Railway Operation Again Bring Improved Highways to Front.

While it is admitted that the railways must necessarily form the nation's long-distance transportation lines, the auxiliary power of the public road, through the development of the gasoline engine and the motor vehicle, is receiving thoughtful attention in official circles.

Public discussion of high-cost problems and the railway situation ran into the country road at two points recently. The first point touched was that the public highway is a potential short-haul freight and express line, and that with a national system of improved roads intersecting each state north, south, east and west there will thus be constructed the basis of a comprehensive nation-wide system of traffic arteries with which state and county systems may connect. With such a system provided the development of freight and express transportation is anticipated far beyond comprehension, says Chicago Tribune. Its advocates assert that the motortruck as it appears on the public highways today is but an infant to what it will be once the public roads are built to permit its enlarged use.

Those who doubt the possibilities of the highway freight and express as factors in the reduction and stabilizing of food costs are told to look back over the development of the railway and note that the beginning was upon



Motortruck is Big Factor in Reducing and Stabilizing Costs.

a basis far less promising as a practical proposition than the basis upon which the gasoline driven vehicle stands today.

Dropping back to the point of short-haul delivery, attention is being called to the fact that the radius of highway shipping is being gradually extended as modern roads are being built. Advocates of a national highway system, the creation of which is provided for in the Townsend bill now pending in congress, have encountered the argument that approximately 50 miles is the maximum of motor delivery. Their answer is that while this may be true, it is true only at the present time because of the flimsy connections and the general condition of the roads.

The same economic conditions which forced railway development are forcing a national development of the public highway, and the advocates of a national highway system assert that each day's discussion of the present economic situation produces additional reasons why the federal government must get down to highway building on a nationwide scale and in dead earnest.

In a sense the legislative mind at Washington seems to be approaching the present phase of economic problems somewhat in a spirit of weariness. "Will we ever get anything really finished?" is a question which seems to express their feelings, since so many problems, like the proverbial cat, keep coming back.

But one fact seems to be making itself very clear, and that is that since the public highway is the first link between the producer and consumer, the logical place to begin cutting down living costs is by eliminating permanently the time-consuming and fuel-wasting roads. To accomplish this purpose the construction of a national highway system as a necessary and logical connection with state and county systems is being looked upon with increased favor.

### PITTSBURG COUNTY FREE FAIR SEPT. 14 to 18

#### THE COUNTY FAIR.

Oh, let us see the county fair--  
(Forget the cost of living!)--  
Everybody will be there  
To see the show they're giving  
The beef-steers broad, the corn-  
stalks tall.  
The windmills humming gaily;  
The meek-eyed Jersey in the stall,  
The races pulled off daily.

We'll go and see the fruits and grain  
That farmers take a pride in,  
And maybe find an aeroplane  
That we can take a ride in.  
We want to see the bread and cakes  
And what the high school teaches;  
Examine all the plows and rakes,  
And note the blushing peaches.

To see the fair in days of yore  
Was not an easy matter;  
We had to rise at three or four,  
And all was rush and clatter;  
We'd feed and water Ding and Dong  
And hitch them to the surrey,  
But now--"it rambles right along"  
And gets there in a hurry.

#### "Venerable Bede."

The Venerable Bede or Bede was a Saxon churchman of deep piety and great classical learning. He was born about the year 672, at Jarrow in Durham, England, near the mouth of the Tyne. He died in June, 735, just as he had completed a translation into Saxon of St. John's Gospel. His chief original work is his "History of the Anglo-Saxon Church," written in Latin.

#### Steam Never Visible.

Actual steam is not visible. The visible white vapor which is frequently referred to as steam is in reality a collection of fine moisture particles which are formed by the condensation of true steam.

#### Aged Muskogee Preacher Dies

Muskogee--Rev. Thomas Coke Weir 82 years old, died here recently at the home of his daughter. The body has been taken to Starkville, Miss., for burial. Weir had been a Methodist minister for fifty years and rode on horseback more than 80,000 miles in the discharge of his duties. Seven children are left.

#### Chickasha Teacher to East Central

Chickasha--Edward Davis, A. B., University of Oklahoma, has resigned from the Chickasha high school faculty to accept a position on the faculty of the East Central state normal school. Davis left for Ada, home of the E. C. S. N.

#### Former Governor Speaks at Reunion

Watonga--T. B. Ferguson, former governor, and Ben Hennessey, candidate for congress from the Sixth district, both of Watonga, spoke at the reunion of the Blue and Gray at Bridgeport.

#### MUST USE PNEUMATIC TIRES

Norway Proposes Legislation to Prevent Damage to Improved Roads by Heavy Trucks.

Norway is the first country in the world to propose national legislation that will specify that motortrucks up to two tons capacity, must be equipped with pneumatic tires so as to prevent damage to roads and to cut down the excessive cost of highway repairs due to the use of solid tires.

#### Good Roads Fix Prices.

Roads in a large measure determine the character of agricultural activity, the markets its products may reach, which in turn fixes the prices of such products.

#### Plant Deserves Trial.

Biennial sweet clover is a pasture plant that deserves a trial in a small way on every farm.

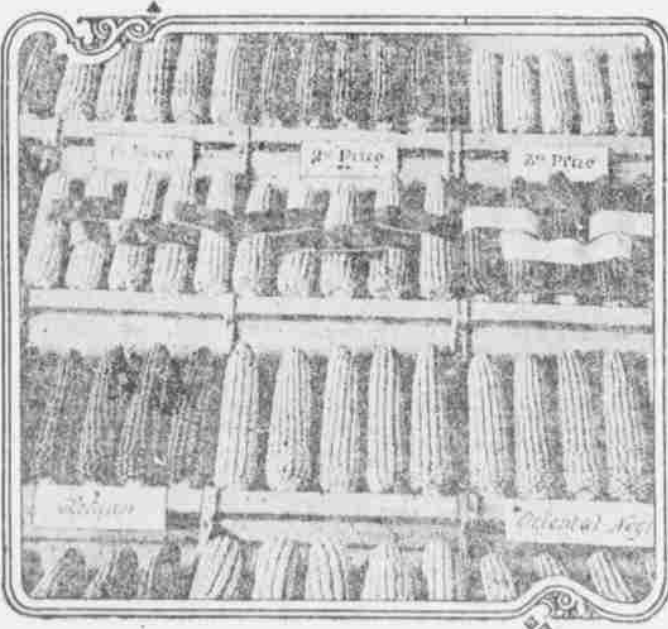
#### Silage for Sheep.

Silage is rapidly coming to play an important part in the feeding of sheep.

#### Change of Tone Tells Much.

Susceptible persons are more affected by a change of tone than by unexpected words.--George Elliot.

How Would You Like to Harvest Two Crops of Corn a Year as They Do in the Philippines?



No, reader, this corn was not grown by one of our local farmers! It wasn't grown in the United States, even. It was grown in the far-off Philippine Islands by Filipino schoolboys. Two fine crops of corn a year are produced in the Islands.

The Philippines are doing some wonderful things in the agricultural line. The Philippine government has fine agricultural schools throughout the islands, and the Philippine legislature, composed entirely of Filipinos, is each year making larger and larger appropriations for this important work.

The staple food of the islands is rice, but corn is coming right along in popular favor. Its use was given great impetus in the last year because of a rice

shortage. Other important Philippine crops are hemp, sugar cane, coconuts, coffee, tobacco and pineapples. Lumber is also an important industry.

There are hundreds of thousands of acres of land lying idle in the Philippines, which have a greater area of fertile land than Japan--this in spite of the fact that the population of the Philippines is 11,000,000 while that of Japan is around 55,000,000. There is every reason to believe that some day the Philippines will have a population as large as that of Japan today. The Filipinos are the only Christian people in the orient, and their young men are working night and day to prepare themselves for the responsibility of citizenship in the Philippine Republic, which they believe to be near at hand.