

Every member of the legislature voted for the Highway District Law. The representative of the United States Office of Public Roads has declared it to be the best local road law in the United States.—Statesman.

If the citizens of the proposed Jerome Highway District desire to continue spending their money on roads that will tend to advance the price of land adjoining them, which is held by some foreign speculator, they will of course vote down the proposition. If, on the other hand, our taxpayers feel that the speculator should bear his equal share of the burden in the building of good roads, they will vote in favor of the measure. The whole proposition lies within your power.

We cannot fully understand why any citizen of the incorporated village of Jerome should oppose the formation of the proposed Highway District on the grounds of placing the management of the district in the hands of three Commissioners. While, as a village, we constitute a portion of this district, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction whatever over the roads and streets within our incorporated limits, as this power is wholly vested in the hands of our village trustees, who will have entire supervision as at present over our streets and alleys.

The opponents of the Highway District law lay great stress upon the assumption that the new law takes the power of issuing bonds away from the people and places it in the hands of the Commissioners. Such statements are misleading, to say the least. The constitution of the State forbids the issuance of bonds creating new indebtedness without a two-thirds vote of the people, and the same provision is plainly written in the Highway District Law. Section 63 of the present law says: "\*\*\*\*it being the intent of this act that bond issues shall rest upon the consent of the taxpayers, and that the credit of the district shall not be injured by the cancellation of securities when issued."

#### THE GREATEST "HIGHWAYMAN."

(Richfield Recorder.)

If the state of Idaho would stop growing long enough to realize how heavy a tax is being paid for maintaining bad roads, there would be a genuine revolution in the highway system of the state. Come to think of it, the term "highwayman" of atrocious memory must have to do with the making and use of bad highways; no robber baron, footpad thug, hold up, pick-pocket, strong-arm bandit, Black Bart, Dick Turpin or all of them put together under the general classification of "highwayman" ever stole as much money from the people as the bad-roads enthusiast. It would surprise almost anyone to find how true this is. Just figure the time lost on the roads, to and from anywhere; the cost of purchase and maintenance of the extra horses; the small loads and the high cost of transportation; the wasted lives of the far-from-markets; and the appalling waste of perfectly good temper—and on reckoning them up one will be ready to believe that the bad-roads man is the sum total of all the thieves that ever were or will be.

The people of Ada county have just succeeded in killing the new proposed highway district; for reasons which are local and not general. They need the roads as badly as any section; and perhaps they will get them through some other channel.

Three sections of Lincoln county are preparing to vote on this question of highway districts. Richfield should be the fourth. Whatever may be objectionable over in Ada county, where the farmer wouldn't stand for a good road even if it were given him free, because it would please the honk-honk and the devil-wagon drivers too well, the new law offers relief from the old bad-roads system. Vote it straight when the question comes up.

#### NOW PUSHING WORK.

##### Actual Operations Have Begun Again On the O. S. L. Cut-Off.

So many rumors have been floating around regarding operations on the Rupert-Bliss line through here, which could be traced to no practical foundation, that it is a source of pleasure that we can authentically state that a large force of track layers are working this way from Bliss, and we may expect to see the track into Jerome before the end of the month.

County Commissioner Dilatush of Hagerman, passed through here yesterday, enroute to Shoshone, and he assured us that he witnessed a large force at work in the vicinity of Malad, laying track toward Jerome at a rapid rate. This is truly good news for this section, and it is stated that the construction department has announced that the entire line would be completed within 60 days. Maj. Reed signifies his confidence in the line by offering to wager that the track would be laid into Wendell before two weeks. Let us hope all delays have now ceased, and that the sound of the locomotive will soon be heard.

A dispatch in the Statesman of yesterday, from Bliss, says:

Work was resumed to-day on the Bliss end of the Bliss-Rupert cutoff.

A crew of 150 was moved in on Saturday evening, and with the help of a tracklayer, the gang laid a mile of track today. 28 miles remains to be built, and as some delays are anticipated on account of crossings over irrigation canals it will probably be 40 days before the steel is all down. The officials expect to run trains over the cut-off by August 15th.

#### Surprises for Everybody.

As a stranger is driven over the tract it is a very common thing to hear from his lips exclamations of surprise and exclamations over the vast amount of work that has been accomplished within a space of two short years, and the very substantial improvements in residences and farm buildings that have been erected. But when these same expressions emanate from one who has been on the scene since its beginning, we sit up and begin to wonder what the next two years will develop.

Mr. Wm. Wagner had occasion to make a business trip the first of this week, in the interest of his Implement and Commission house, and while "Bill" has always been considered a booster, his trip revealed to him conditions that the most enthusiastic would hardly dream of.

His errand took him toward Hillsdale, and as mile after mile of waving fields of alfalfa and grain was passed, he could only sit up and wonder if he was dreaming, or if it was a reality.

The farmers in the vicinity of Hillsdale all seem prosperous and happy, and are anxiously awaiting harvest time, as their supplies are becoming exhausted. Although they harvested good crops last season the demand for their produce has been heavy, and as a consequence there is no hay or grain left, excepting some wheat, of which Mr. Wagner purchased a good supply, five loads being delivered to him here this week. Potatoes have been bringing \$1.50 per hundred until the supply was exhausted. Though Mr. Woodcock sold 1500 tons of alfalfa the past winter at \$7.00 per ton in the stack, he has none on hand at present, but expects to cut no less than 3,000 tons this season.

Mr. Wagner was shown a young orchard, put out two years ago, with trees hanging full of apples, peaches and apricots, so full in fact that much of it will have to be picked before it ripens. This convinced the witness more than ever of the possibilities of this section as a fruit producing center.

Though the people there have heretofore been without railroad facilities, the Oregon Short Line has erected a commodious and attractive depot at Eden, and are delivering freight and passengers there daily now. They are also drilling a well and making other substantial improvements there. When the cut-off is completed through Jerome it will give our citizens much pleasure to become better acquainted with the people in that section of the county.

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#### CENTRAL IDAHO BAPTIST ASS'N.

##### Their Meeting in Jerome a Very Interesting and Profitable One.

Jerome has had the honor this week of entertaining delegates from different sections of the state to the annual meeting of the Central Idaho Baptist Association, and although our town may not be large in numbers the open hospitality that has been accorded the delegates on the part of our citizens has more than made up for deficiency in population, and the various courtesies extended the delegates have been most favorably commented upon by them.

The program opened Monday evening with a layman's banquet at the North Side Inn. Plates were laid for sixty and a most delicious menu was discoursed, which added another laurel to the efficiency of the Inn under its present management. Around the tables, in addition to the delegates, were seated many of the representative citizens of Jerome, and all seemed to heartily enjoy the affair throughout.

Rev. Wm. Pearce of Shoshone performed the functions of toastmaster. The address of welcome was delivered by M. L. Parsons, who took occasion on behalf of the laymen and citizens of Jerome to bid the delegates a most hearty welcome to our town.

Responses were made by Rev. A. A. Brown of Hagerman, W. R. Jewell of Blackfoot, and W. H. Bowler of Boise.

The topic, "Men and Religion, the Forward Movement," was assigned to Rev. Dr. Cook of Spokane, who proceeded to give various reasons why men were not in the church and what could be done to get them there.

"The Boys" was the topic assigned to Rev. L. G. Clark of Helena, Mont., and his admonishment to the parents present was to conduct themselves in such a manner as to command the admiration of the boys, and in this manner their influence would be much greater.

Rev. W. E. Haney of Twin Falls told the laymen very plainly "how they could be very effective in bringing men into the church."

The various responses were listened to with much interest, but unfortunately they were cut short on account of the lateness of the hour, and after a benediction, all were dismissed.

Devotional exercises were held Tuesday morning at 6:30, the meeting being led by Rev. J. E. Usher, of Rupert. The first business meeting of the Association was called to order at 9:30 by Rev. W. H. Bowler, State Superintendent of Missions. Rev. W. E. Henry, of Twin Falls was unanimously chosen as Moderator, and Rev. A. A. Brown, of Hagerman, as Secretary.

Robert McMahon, of Shoshone was re-elected Treasurer. The Moderator hereupon proceeded to read the constitution and by-laws of the Association. The provisional program was adopted as the official program for the Association meeting.

The enrollment of delegates and visitors showed the following persons in attendance:

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| Rev. A. E. Cook         | BELLEVUE.             |
| Rev. Thos. Packard      | GOODING.              |
| Mrs. Thos. Packard      | Miss Madge Thompson   |
| Rev. A. A. Brown        | HAGERMAN.             |
| Mrs. Carrie L. Justice  | Mrs. A. A. Brown      |
| Mrs. J. E. Middleton    | Mrs. L. A. Parson     |
| Miss Estella G. Justice | Mrs. G. H. Martin     |
| Mrs. Chas. Trippe       | R. L. Justice         |
| Rev. A. E. Cook         | HALLEY.               |
| Rev. J. E. Usher        | Mrs. C. E. Harris     |
|                         | RUPERT.               |
| Rev. Wm. Pierce         | SHOSHONE.             |
| Mrs. R. J. McMahon      | Mrs. E. G. Merrifield |
| Mrs. M. Miller          | Mr. D. W. Yaden       |
| Mrs. C. Bowler          | Capt. H. H. Phillips  |
| Mrs. H. J. McMahon      | P. A. Pearce          |
| Mrs. P. A. Pearce       | Mrs. H. B. Phillips   |
| Anna Hunter             | Della Ivak            |
| Rev. W. E. Henry        | TWIN FALLS.           |
| Mrs. J. C. Beatty       | Mrs. W. E. Henry      |
| Mrs. R. S. Martyn       | Miss Eliza Martin     |
| Mrs. J. A. Woods        | Miss Alice M. Gibbs   |
| Geo. A. Porter          | J. C. Beatty          |
| J. A. Woods             | L. H. Porttine        |
| Hattie Hickman          | Mary Seckman          |
|                         | WENDELL.              |
| R. V. Wilcox            | Mrs. R. V. Wilcox     |
| Robert Moore            | Mrs. Clara I. Watts   |
| Mrs. C. C. Hume         |                       |
|                         | VICTORS.              |
| Rev. Chas. A. Cook      | D. D. Spokane, Wash.  |
| Rev. L. G. Clark        | Helena, Mont.         |
| Rev. W. H. Bowler       | Boise.                |
| Mrs. W. M. Over         | Caldwell.             |
| Rev. W. R. Jewell       | Blackfoot.            |
| Mrs. W. R. Jewell       | Blackfoot.            |

Church letters were read from various towns belonging to the association, which were listened to with much interest, and the sentiments expressed were of general rejoicing at the splendid showing disclosed by the spiritual, financial and numerical growth of the churches.

Application was made for membership in the association by the recently established Pleasant View Baptist church, which was referred to a committee on membership, who afterward reported favorable on the application.

The Moderator then announced the following committees:

Credentials of new churches, Rev's. Packard, Phillips and Brown.

Obituaries, Rev. Cook, and Mesdames R. J. McMahon and A. S. Martin.

Annual Sermon and place of meeting, R. V. Wilcox, R. S. Justice, Mrs. C. E. Harris.

Resolutions, Rev's. Wm. Pearce, I. E. Usher and Miss Madge Thompson.

At 11 a. m. a conference on Sunday School work was led by Rev. L. G. Clark of Montana, which was most inspiring and encouraging.

Mrs. A. S. Martyn, of Twin Falls, was unanimously elected to the office of Associated Class Superintendent of the Association.

At 2 p. m. the devotional meeting was led by Rev. W. R. Jewell.

At 2:30 a round table conference was led by Rob't. McMahon, of Shoshone. The subject, "Raising the Budget," called forth a discussion that proved very interesting and profitable.

At 4 p. m. a woman's session was held which was led by Mrs. W. M. Over, during which time interesting discussions were indulged in on various subjects. At this time the offering for the budget was taken netting \$32.65.

7:30 p. m. A devotional meeting was held, led by Rev. Packard.

8 p. m. Dr. C. A. Cook, of Spokane, gave an address upon the subject, "Checking up Missions."

The offering for State missions was taken, amounting to \$54.75.

Rev. W. R. Jewell, of Blackfoot, preached the annual sermon, taking for his subject, "The Power of a Positive Conviction," which was listened to with much interest. The evening service was concluded by a solo, "Almost Persuaded," beautifully sung by Mrs. W. R. Jewell, whereupon the session was adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Wednesday's program opened with devotional exercises at 6:30 a. m., lead by L. C. Clark, of Helena. These exercises were continued at 9 o'clock with C. L. Johnson presiding.

At 9:30 a conference of the B. Y. P. U. was held which was led by W. M. Bowler and the subject brought forth a general discussion from the delegates present.

The committee on next meeting place reported the selection of Shoshone as the place of meeting and Rev. W. E. Henry, of Twin Falls was chosen to deliver the annual sermon.

At 11:20 Dr. C. A. Cook, of Spokane discussed the subject "Home and Foreign Missions," which he divided into four sections, and proved very interesting to his hearers.

The committee on resolutions reported; in which they express themselves as follows relative to the reception accorded the association here:

"We desire to convey to the church and friends of Jerome our gratitude for their generous hospitality. Recognizing the success of the banquet on Monday evening, it is our wish to acknowledge our pleasure in meeting the people of Jerome."

Devotional exercises were held at 1:30 p. m., at which time the meeting took the form of felicitous and congratulatory speeches founded upon the splendid success of the convention and expressions of appreciation of the unbounded hospitality of the people of Jerome.

At 2 p. m. a conference on co-operative associational work was lead by Rev. W. E. Henry, assisted by Revs. Johnson, Cook, Packard, and others.

The 3:30 conference was lead by Rev. Bowler, the subject being, "Our Convention Field."

Rob't McMahon of Shoshone was elected to represent the Association at Northern Baptist Convention and Baptist World's Alliance, to be held at Philadelphia the 10th of this month.

Rev. Wm. Pearce delivered an address at 8 p. m., which was followed by the illustrated lecture by Rev. A. Brown of Hagerman, on the "Lights and Shadows of a Great City," which was highly appreciated by all, and which closed the meeting here, all feeling that much profitable work had been accomplished.

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