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## WE PAY ROAD TAX

### FOR HAVING BAD ROADS

Some Instances Cited In Mecklenburg County, Where the People Are Progressive.

There is no one thing that to a stranger makes a section as progressive and improves it more than the making of good roads. Nothing has added more to the value of real estate or has done more for the development of agriculture in Mecklenburg county, N. C., than the splendid roads that traverse it in all directions.

Here, where I live, there is a smooth shell where once was a deep sandy track. On that road is a farm which my mother and her sister sold to their brother for \$6 an acre, or \$2,400 for the 400 acres. That farm was recently sold for \$75 an acre, or at the rate of \$30,000 for the farm.

Out on another road that is made of stone tarred macadam, and as smooth as an asphalt street, the land on each side for over a mile was bought by the present owner for \$27 an acre. To-day you could not buy it for \$500 an acre. Of course, its proximity to the growing city has had a good deal to do with the increased value, but if the old sand road was still there the property would not be nearly so valuable, for men are buying lots on it and putting up costly dwellings who would never have gone up there had there not been so fine a road.

On this road a horse can walk along with ease with a good ton

load, while he could not have hauled a third of a ton on the old road. On the street in any Southern city one horse hauls five bales of cotton easily while the men who come in from the country and have to haul over bad roads before they reach the hard roads haul one or two bales at farthest. No matter how good the streets may be in town, the farmer's load must be measured by the character of the roads he starts over.

Then there is another tax the farmer pays for bad roads. This is the wrenching and wearing of the wagons and carriages on the bad roads. With a smooth macadam road farm wagons and carriages would last twice as long, and the vigor of teams be maintained more cheaply. There is, in fact, no tax that costs the farmer more than bad roads. Then if he has land that he wants to sell, and the prospective buyer sees that it is on a bad road, it cuts the price that he would be willing to give, even if he would take it at any price, while a good tract of land on a fine, smooth road will find a buyer without difficulty at a far better price than land of equal agricultural value on a bad road.

In one section, near me, where the road was deep sandy, the whole was covered with clay. The sand makes good drainage and the clay packs hard and smooth and can be kept in first-class order with an occasional smoothing with the log drag. Where it is not intended to go to the expense of a macadamized road, very good roads can be made on a clay bottom by giving a coat of sand and draining the

## STOKES CO. FAIR

### OPENS NEXT WEDNESDAY, 18TH

Preparations Being Made To Have the Best Fair Ever Held—Nice Premiums Offered.

The Stokes County Fair opens at King next Wednesday, Oct. 18th, and will continue until Friday, Oct. 20th. The management is very busy now getting things in readiness for the opening.

The premiums offered by the association this year are worth competing for and it is hoped that the farmers will take advantage of the occasion and make a nice display of farm products, etc.

The fair association has worked hard to get up a good fair and they deserve the patronage of the people of the county.

The prospects are that the attendance this year will exceed that of any previous year.

Lame back is one of the most common forms of muscular rheumatism. A few applications of Chamberlain's Liniment will give relief. For sale by all dealers.

roadway well. On the other hand, fine roads can be made where the sand is deep by digging down and getting some of the yellow subsoil for a cover to the road. In many places where the road is deep sandy there can be found binding clay in the ditches on each side. Sand on clay and clay on sand will make good roads if they are cared for afterwards with the log drag.—Progressive Farmer.

## NEWS OF BUSY KING

### A RUNAWAY AND A MARRIAGE

V. T. Grabs Company To Erect Another Factory—W. E. Butner Sells Out To Farmers' Union.

King, Oct. 9.—Farmers in this section are beginning to sow wheat.

The Farmers' Union has purchased the stock of general merchandise formerly owned by Mr. W. E. Butner and will open a union store on the corner of Depot and Main street.

Material is being placed on a site near the Southern depot preparatory to erecting a factory 54x76 feet and two stories high. This new enterprise will do business under the name of the V. T. Grabs Company. The company will manufacture portable sawmills, woodworking machinery and do foundry and repair work. The new concern is incorporated with an authorized capital of \$50,000.

Mr. W. E. Spainhower, of First River, Mo., is visiting his mother, who has typhoid fever. Mr. Spainhower talks interestingly of the West.

While on the way to church yesterday a horse being driven by Messrs Oscar Fulp and Earnest Fowler became frightened and started to run. The animal had run only a few yards, however, when a stump was struck and both occupants were thrown from the buggy. Mr. Fulp sustained a sprained shoulder and two fingers were knocked out of place. Mr. Fowler escaped unhurt, with the exception of a

few bruises. The buggy was almost demolished.

Mr. Coy D. Bennett of King and Miss Gertie Spainhower of Tobaccoville were quietly married here yesterday. Both the contracting parties are held in high esteem and their many friends wish them happiness.

Big preparations are being made for the coming Stokes County fair, which takes place here October 18-19-20. This will be the fifth annual fair and indications at present point to the best fair ever held here. The secretary, Mr. Will R. Kiger, informs your correspondent that many shows and attractions have been booked for the event.

The Stokes County Fair opens at King next Wednesday, the 18th. A number of Danbury people will attend.

### Tobacco Sales Light.

According to reports from the Winston market very little tobacco is yet being marketed. The Winston Sentinel says that from what can be learned from observation the opinion seems to be quite general that the dark grades are selling about the same as last year while the bright grades are higher.

### IT'S EQUAL DON'T EXIST.

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## THE STATE LIBRARY FULL WEEK

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The Docket Almost Cleared By Judge Lyon—Court Adjourned Saturday Afternoon At Five O'clock.

The fall civil term of Stokes Superior court adjourned Saturday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock, after being in session the entire week. Quite a number of tedious cases, some of them of long standing, were disposed of, and almost the entire docket was cleared.

The cases disposed of after the last issue of the Reporter were as follows:

Baker Martin v. Charlie Martin, injunction, judgment for defendant.

Yancey Garringer v. B. W. Garringer and others, judgment for defendant.

J. H. Warren v. J. H. Matthews and others, judgment for defendant.

E. O. Caudle v. W. T. Pulliam and others, judgment for plaintiff.

Jno. W. Kurfees v. Southern Railway, judgment for plaintiff, \$50.00 and costs.

Judge Lyon and the attorneys attending court left late Saturday afternoon for their respective homes.

Mr. J. E. James, who recently purchased the business of Mr. W. F. Bowles, is enjoying a nice trade, and invites all his friends when visiting town to call on him.

# Stokes County Fair

WILL BE HELD AT

## KING, N. C.

October 18, 19, 20.

No where else can you meet so many old friends and get so much enjoyment. Come and bring your exhibits, spend three days at the FAIR and profit by the experience of others. Very cheap excursion rates on all railroads. By all means attend the FAIR. Show your appreciation of a home institution. Pleasure and profit tell the story of a few days spent at the Fair. Special features for entertainment each day. Come and ride the merry-go-round and circle wave. See the three Balloon ascensions, visit the old plantation and moving picture theater. Enjoy a match game of baseball and other pleasing things. Board and lodging at the Hotels and private houses can be had reasonable. For Premium list and other information write

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