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GOOD ROADS.

Bulletin No. 2.

It is worthy of remark that no community ever began building good roads except after a bitter local fight, and success usually did not come until after there had been some one or more defeats.

There is only one ground of opposition, and that is taxes. Every one appreciates a good road, but many think they cannot afford to have them. Nearly every progressive farmer is constantly at work to improve his farm, to make it worth more money; it does not matter whether he wishes to sell or not. He tills, fences, builds new barns or improves those he has; plants orchards and shrubbery, puts out some shade trees, gets a windmill, and in two or three years has changed the whole character of the place. Usually the intelligent expenditure of a thousand dollars in such improvements will add two thousand to the value of the farm.

The same is true of good roads, with this difference, that every dollar wisely expended upon building a permanent road, one good every day in the year, will add at least five dollars to the value of farm property served by it. Wherever good roads have been built there has been on a sharp increase in the value of farm lands, which all agree is due to the good roads. The increase ranges from 10 to as high as 50 per cent in some cases, the average being about 25 per cent.

If a man were to go into any community to buy a farm and be found two that would suit him (they were as like as two farms could well be and there seemed to be no choice between them); one was located five miles west of the county seat, with a good gravel or stone leading to town; the other was five miles east upon an earth road; every one with any experience in such matters knows the owner of the west farm would make a strong point of the fact that he can go to town every day in the year and haul a full load and trot the horses all the way. The result is he gets the preference and more money for his farm, and he will find the extra money would have paid his good roads tax several times over, and that he had made more money on the road than he did on his land in proportion to the cost.

Good roads are a benefit in dollars and cents to every one, whether they live in town or country. Besides the

money benefit, think of the pleasure of a good road!

Under the plan of State and national aid, good roads can be built within ten years all over Illinois, even in the corn belt, with a total tax not exceeding eight mills, and usually it can be done with a six-mill tax. The present tax for mud roads is often as much or more than this.

If the reader questions this, let him write the Farmers' Good Roads League, Chicago, for full particulars. Give the assessed value of his township or road district, and exact figures will be sent without expense to him.

NOTICE

DOWNERS GROVE 13 NONP gg . . . *
T. H. Slusser, Attorney, Downers Grove, Ill.
Estate of Olaf Erickson, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of Olaf Erickson, deceased, are summoned and requested to attend and present such claims to the Probate Court of Du Page County, Illinois, for the purpose of having the same adjusted at a term of said court to be held at the Court House in Wheaton, Illinois, on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1908, being the 6th day thereof.

Dated Chicago, January 28th, 1908.
NELLIE ERICKSON, Administratrix.
T. H. SLUSSER, Attorney.

State of Illinois, County of Du Page--as
In the Circuit Court in Chancery to the
March Term, 1908.

Walter E. Lent, Alice Lent, his wife,
Lillian M. Morse, Lewis Morse her hus-
band, Complainants vs. Elgin E. Lent,
Alice Lent, his wife, Edwin E. Lent,
Katie Lent, his wife, George W. Lent, Katie
Lent, his wife, Minnie H. Hehn, William O.
Hehn, his husband, Gertrude Longmeyer,
James F. Longmeyer, his husband, Alex-
ander Thompson, Robert Thompson, Mary
Pease, Roy Pease, his husband, Adam
Thompson, Pearl Thompson, his wife, John
White, Fred White, his wife, John
White, Fred White, and unknown creditors,
if any, of Ella White, deceased, Defendants.
Bill for Partition.

The requisite affidavit for application
having been filed in the Clerk's Office of the
Circuit Court of Du Page County, the
affidavit is hereby given to said Gertrude
Longmeyer, James F. Longmeyer, Edwin
W. Lent, Addie Lent, Mary Pease, Roy
Pease, John White, George W. Lent, Katie
Lent, Elgin E. Lent, Crilla Lent, Adam
Thompson, Pearl Thompson, Minnie H.
Hehn, William O. Hehn, and the unknown
creditors, if any, of Ella White, deceased,
that the above named complainants here-
fore file their bill of complaint in said
court on the chancery side thereof, and that
a summons thereupon issued out of said
court against the above named defendants
will be directed to be served on the Clerk of
the Circuit Court of Du Page County, to
be held in the Court House in Wheaton,
in said Du Page County, on the first Mon-
day of March, A. D. 1908, as is by law
required, and which suit is still pending.

T. M. HULL, Clerk.

BUNGE & HEARTZ
Attorneys for Complainants

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of
Local Improvements of the Village of
Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois,
did at its meeting of January 27th, A. D.
1908, adopt a resolution providing for the
construction of the following improvement:
That Main street from the north line of
Warren avenue to a point 20 feet north
of the south line of Chicago avenue, Foot-
way from the north line of Belmont
street to a point 20 feet north of the
north line of Chicago avenue, Saratoga
street from the north line of Belmont street
to a point 20 feet north of the south line
of Chicago avenue, Oakwood avenue
from the east line of Oakwood avenue to
the west line of Highland avenue, except
the intersection at Highland avenue, and
Prairie avenue; and the intersection at
Franklin avenue and Prairie avenue, and
Prairie avenue heretofore provided for;
Lincott avenue from the north line of
Franklin street to a point 20 feet north
of the south line of Chicago avenue, except
the intersection at Franklin street and
Highland avenue, and the intersection at
Footway and Franklin street, and the inter-
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