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VOTE FOR ROAD BONDS ON AUGUST 9

(This article taken from the official organ of the Pampa Board of City Development and Chamber of Commerce).

Qualified voters of precinct 1, 2 and 3 of Gray county will vote August 9 on a bond issue to pave the principal roads in what has been designated as special road district 5.

The polling places in these precincts will be the same as in the first Democratic primary.

The only argument that can be made against the road bond issue is the question of taxes. The question, then to be decided, WILL THE ADDITION TO MY TAXES BE SO GREAT THAT IT WILL OVERCOME ALL THE ADVANTAGES OF GOOD ROADS?

The future Pampa will depend much upon the development of a good transportation system. Pampa, today, is the second largest trading center of the Panhandle. What does that mean? Simply this: considerable of our prosperity depends upon the ability of people within a hundred miles to get here to spend their money. When the merchants are prosperous, the whole city is prosperous.

Amarillo, our main competitor, is getting a system of highways into every section of the Panhandle. That means much to the Amarillo merchants. Should we fail to vote the bonds next Saturday? We'll be sitting here, and no place to go. And worse than that, it will be easier for people in this territory to go elsewhere.

The plan that we are voting on, is the result of much study and work by a large committee. It is not perfect. It may not be your idea of the best plan. But it's the one we are voting on, and it now seems to be the only hope we have for a system of good roads.

At the meeting of the commissioners' court when this election was ordered two of the commissioners were against us. It was necessary for Judge Duncan to vote off the tie. When the new court assembles next January, there will likely be three commissioners against a precinct issue, and WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BRING UP THIS ISSUE AGAIN FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS AT LEAST.

Shall we sit here for years, without good roads, and allow Pampa to lose its leadership? For the next 15 to 20 years, the oil companies will pay a very large part of the road tax. The majority of the companies are for this bond issue. They state they are willing to pay their part of the tax, for it will save them many times in their hauling.

You may think that these oil values will go down, and the tax be thrown upon others. The history of Eastland county 13 years after oil was discovered, and when the daily production has been below 10,000 barrels for eight years is that values stay up. For Eastland county's values this year is \$36,000,000 and they are reducing their tax rate this year.

Pampa will be on U. S. highway 60 (State 33). This highway will be of vast importance to Pampa, as it will be a thoroughfare from the east to west coast. This means that thousands of tourists will pass through Pampa, when the road gets advertised. Every tourist means some money spent. Should we vote the bonds Saturday, it means that there will be a strip of paving from Higgins northeast, clear to Canyon southwest. But if we don't vote them a break from Roberts county to Pampa—and much adverse advertisement. Sixty will also be paved to Enid.

Pampa will have a paved road from Shamrock, through Wheeler and Mobeetie, to the Carson county line towards Borger. This is a very important highway for Pampa. An enormous amount of business comes from that territory. This highway may be extended through to Dalhart also.

State highway No. 88 from Pampa, south to the Donley county line, is worth much to Pampa. Today we are losing much business in that direction because of the bad grades.

Also, unless we get 33 and 88 paved, we are very apt to lose designations on both, which would throw maintenance back on the county.

Highway 66 (State 75), will give us a connection with territory that cannot be reached.

The Lefors road is of such apparent value to Pampa, that there is no argument. Whether we get the Denver railroad or not, there will be a railroad into this territory. For the Santa Fe will have permission to build the Heaton branch, if the Denver doesn't build. WE MUST HAVE THAT HIGHWAY BUILT.

Some question has been raised about the road north to the Roberts county line. The issue calls only for the building of approximately one-half mile, to the top of the next hill from the present paving. The committee decided that, inasmuch as Roberts county will pave only a light constructed road to the line, that it would be better to meet them with the same type of road, especially as we are working a state designation. These two miles were put on the Lefors road, to reach more of the oilfield.

IF PAMPA WANTS PROGRESS IT MUST VOTE THESE ROAD BONDS. It is up to the business men and citizens to put it over for Pampa. Each individual can well afford to work every minute until the polls close. The excuse, "I'm busy," is a mighty poor excuse. The building of these paved roads is worth more than any business you may have the next day or two. For it will bring you more business.

GET OUT AND WORK AND VOTE FOR PAMPA!

Alex In Wonderland



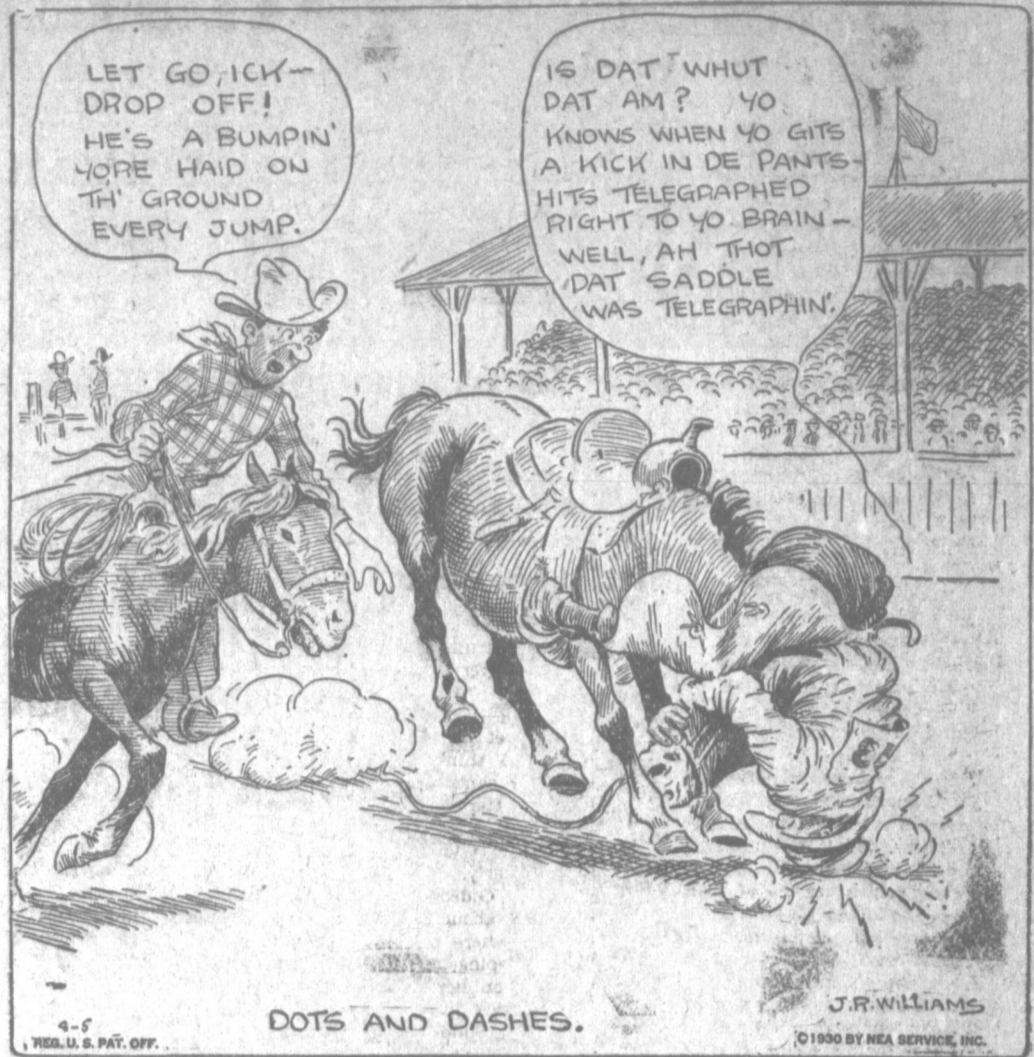
"And When the Pie Was Opened The Birds Began to Sing!"



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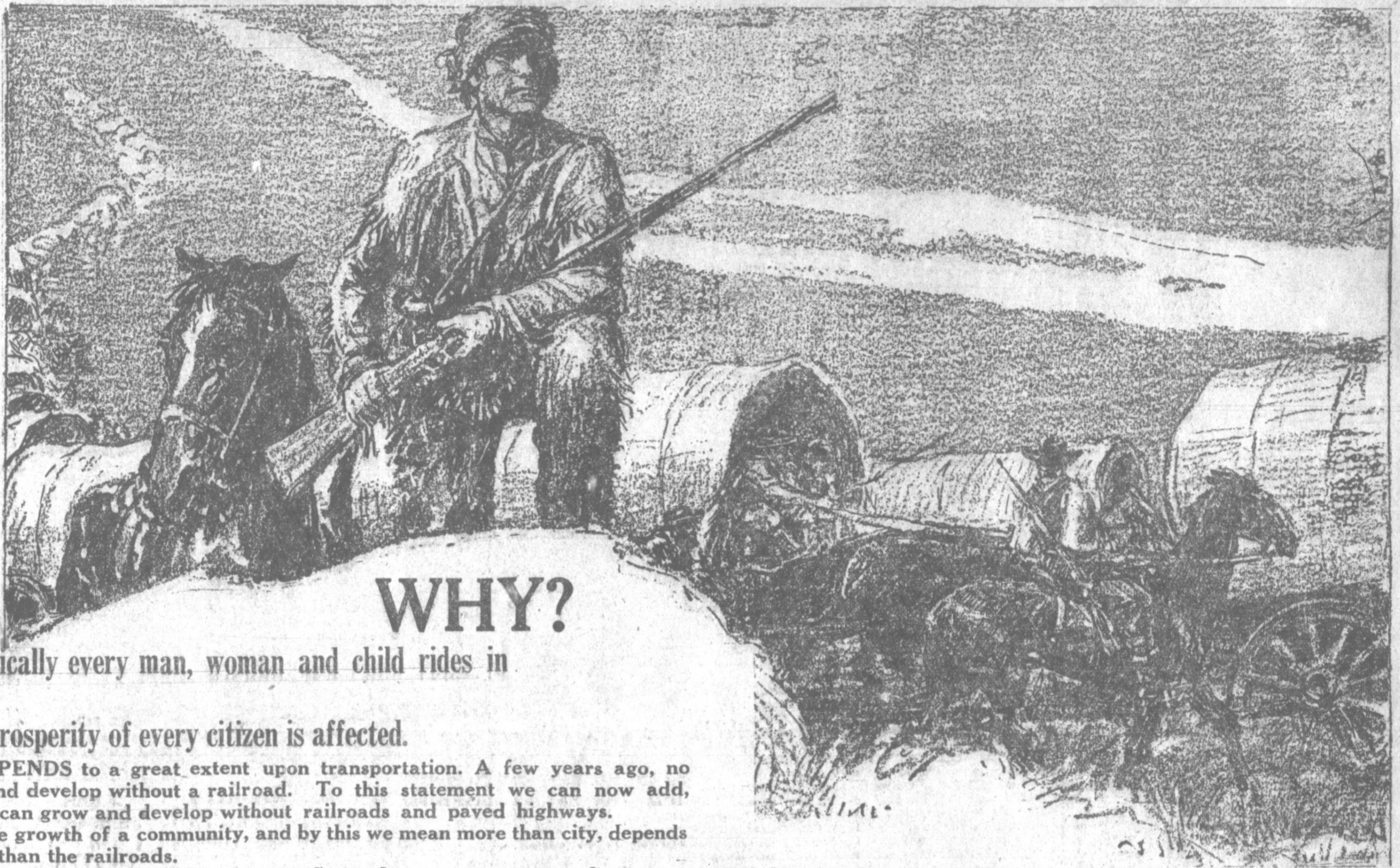


FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS - - - - - By Blosser



Is Gray County Going to Drift Back to the DAYS OF '49 OR WILL SHE PROGRESS?????

Community
Wide
Interest
Should Be
Manifested
In the
Road Bond
Election
Next
Saturday



VOTE FOR THE BONDS

WHY?

BECAUSE practically every man, woman and child rides in automobiles.

BECAUSE the prosperity of every citizen is affected.

PROSPERITY DEPENDS to a great extent upon transportation. A few years ago, no town could grow and develop without a railroad. To this statement we can now add, that no community can grow and develop without railroads and paved highways. In some respects the growth of a community, and by this we mean more than city, depends upon the highways than the railroads.

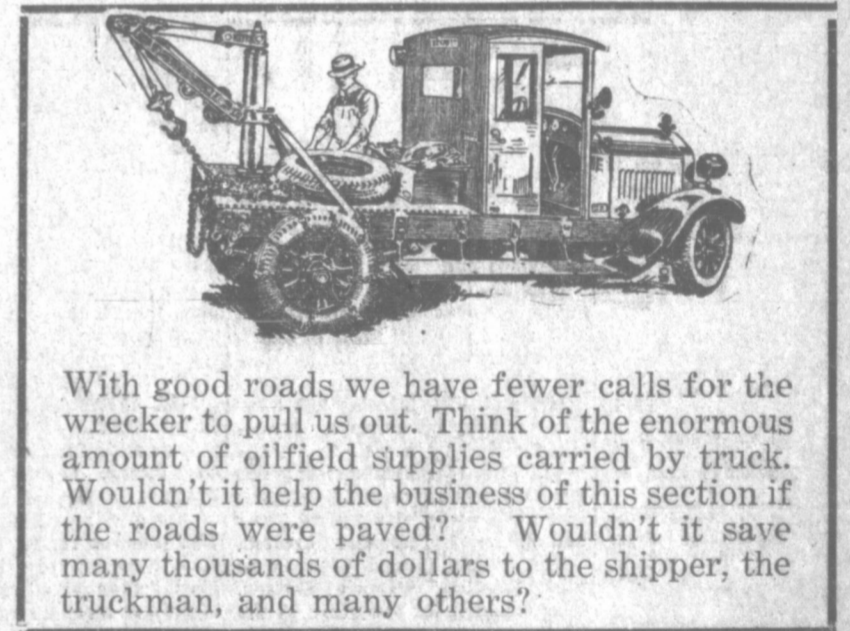
REMEMBER, a vote for the road bonds next Saturday, means a vote for greater development!



Conversation at a West Virginia service station: "How're the roads to the West?" "Hard surfaced until you get to Gray County, Texas, If it is raining when you get near there, you had better go around."

Leave Gray county with dirt roads for the next 10 years, with paved roads all around and you will see many of the advantages that we now have, disappear, and some other community will take our place.

Today, a large percentage of people travel by auto. Today, a considerable portion of our foods and other articles of daily use come to us by auto.



With good roads we have fewer calls for the wrecker to pull us out. Think of the enormous amount of oilfield supplies carried by truck. Wouldn't it help the business of this section if the roads were paved? Wouldn't it save many thousands of dollars to the shipper, the truckman, and many others?

Estimated That Average Labor Cost On A Mile of Road Is One-Third of The Total Cost, or \$10,000, or \$870,000 of The Bond Issue Goes To Labor To Be Spent In Gray County

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