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notice in this paper. By so doing
they will be at no more expense than
elsewhere, and will do us a great
favor.

THE GOOD ROAD QUESTION

The sentiment in favor of the
million dollar bond issue for the
construction of good roads is growing
rapidly, and it is conceded that
the proposition will carry by a good
majority at the coming spring
election.

There is little doubt that the
great majority of taxpayers will
rejoice at the prospect of changing
to a plan that promises a compar-
atively quick completion of the
roads, accompanied by a lower tax
rate than the two mill tax levied
the past two years.

There is a wrong idea in some
parts of the county regarding the
proposition. It is thought by some
that if the proposition carries the
taxes will be in addition to the
present two-mill tax. This is a
mistake, however, as the present
tax of two mills would be discon-
tinued and a one mill tax substi-
tuted.

In a speech at Clio recently Gov.
Ferris is quoted as follows:

"A few years ago the farmer
criticized the improved highways
and declared that they were all
right for the city people with their
automobiles, but were a burden for
the farmer. That has passed
now. What is good enough for
the city people is good enough for
the farmers and they have come to
realize it in the improved highways
of the state.

"Improved highways are no
longer looked upon as a boon for
one class of people and an expense
to the other.

"I have gone through three polit-
ical campaigns and each time I have
been convinced of the need of im-
proved roads in Michigan. There
can be no sacrifice too great in
order to establish permanent roads
throughout Michigan. They will
reduce the cost of the farmer's
transportation by half. They will
open a new channel for the church,
school, village, city and country to
develop that has never been known
before. Why not make Michigan
the best state in the Union by ex-
tending these highways into every
corner of the state?"

In putting the question of bond-
ing up to a vote of the people the
supervisors did not act in a hasty
manner. A study of the road
system mapped out indicates that
the most careful consideration has
been given to the matter by the
road committee of the board, by the
county road commissioners and by
the individual supervisors. The
completion of the entire system
means that no farm will be more
than two miles distant from an im-
proved road leading to his market
town and connected with the county
seal.

The same care is evidenced in
the precautions taken by the board
to safeguard the interests of every
township and give positive as-
surance that the roads will be built
in accordance with the map and
schedule. Money cannot be divert-
ed from one township to another
until the scheduled roads in each
township have been completed.
The attempt to divert the funds will
be an illegal act, easily stopped by
injunction.

In compiling the estimated costs
of the various roads, the board of
supervisors has exercised extreme
conservatism. The actual cost of
roads built during the past two
years has been used as the standard
of possibilities under the bonding
plan, to avoid over-estimating the
number of miles of road the county
will obtain by the proposed change.
No member of the road commission
the road committee or the board of
supervisors has expressed the
opinion that the cost per mile will
not be very materially lowered by

the building of continuous roads
instead of isolated miles. More
bidding and lower bids can be ob-
tained on five or ten-mile contracts
than has been possible to obtain on
one-mile road projects. As a
matter of fact, the commissioners
have learned that many of the most
successful contractors will not bid
on one-mile jobs on account of the
expense of moving and installing
their equipment. The elimination
of this obstacle and consequent
lowering of costs should give the
county more miles than the super-
visors have estimated in their
schedule.

There are now four aspirants for
the nomination for governor of
Michigan on the republican ticket,
at the August primaries. The latest
to get into the race is Lieut. Gov.
Luren D. Dickenson, of Eaton
county. The other candidates are
Garrett J. Diekema of Kent county,
Washington Gardner of Calhoun
county, and Albert E. Sleeper of
Huron county. Good men, all of
them. Take your choice.

A most pathetic feature of every
day life is a man in a barber chair,
with about 14 hairs on his "bean"
unfortunately directing the tonsorial
artist which side to brush 'em on.

The planet Mars is now relative-
ly near the earth, but no great
alarm is felt, as it is still out of air-
ship reach.

A successfully preserved neutral-
ity is of far more value than a
victory in war.

February has been a brief but
busy month.

JUST HUMOR



Bill—it must be awful to be ter-
pedeed.
Jill—It is.
"Why, were you ever?"
"Sure."
"Where?"
"Up in the country."
"In the country?"
"Yes, by a bee."

Singularly Inappropriate.
Mrs. Jones—Dis hyah new min-
ster am a fine preachah, but he am de
leastest an' skinniest young man I eb-
ber see!

Mrs. Black—Yes, an' he done told
mah husband, what weighs 240, to be-
ware 'les he should be weighed in de
balance an' foun' wantin'!—Puck.

Charge Explained.
Judge—What's your charge against
the prisoner?
Complainant—Burglary. He stole
\$5 from me at the station.
Judge—But for burglary there must
be a breaking.
Complainant—Well, your honor,
when he took the five he broke me.

Somewhat Different.
"Marriage," remarked the old bach-
elor, "is but a lottery after all."
"That's where your wheels skid," re-
plied the man who had been trotting
in double harness for many years. "If
you draw a blank in a lottery you get
throw away the ticket, and that's the
end of it."

In Danger.
"I have often stood in a slaughter
house," observed the fleshy man from
Chicago, "while the butchers were
killing hogs on all sides of me."
"Oh," exclaimed the tender hearted
but tactless New Haven girl, "weren't
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