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of some improved road building machinery. At that time our county had only one grader of any value, adn that was a horse drawn machine. It took about three men and three teams to operate it. We purchased a tractor, a scraper and a rooter. A little later we purchased two other motor graders. We immediately went to work and soon our poorer roads were greatly improved. We constructed the first and quite a number of hard surfaced roads in Davis County, other than the State Highway.

While I was the chairman of the county commission, we built the Memorial Court House at Farmington, or had it well along toward completion. We had quite a battle to put it over, as a faction in the north end of the county tried to enjoin us and as a result, a law suit followed, but the construction went right on.

We had another stormy time when a strong delegation met with the commissioners and asked us to stop the horse races at Farmington race track. The contention was that they were operating illegally. This created quite a commotion in Farmington, as the city had issued them a license. We had to enforce the law, however and a result we got in "Dutch" with a number of our friends and neighbors. This affair caused considerable trouble and expense to me.

When my term as four year commissioner ended, I desired an election as two year commissioner. A group here in town conspired against me, and ran another man who was not acceptable to the county delegates, and as a result the office went to

When quite a young man, I helped organize the North Cottonwood Irrigation Company as an association. Later, about 1897, we incorporated the company under the state laws. I was one of the incorporators and served on the board for many years. A good deal of the time I was secretary or president. I was a director in the Haight Bench Irrigation Company. I made out the incorporation papers for the Spring Creek