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## Kansas Trail Markings Blaze Way For Tourists

Blazoning the ways with daubs of paint, the pioneer good roads builders of America were the enthusiasts, who planned a trail and boosted it into an existence more tangible than paper markings. Tho it takes more than signs on telegraph poles and lines on a map to make good roads, yet it is to these men with a vision that is due much credit for the popularity of the good roads idea today.

### Meet Efficiency Need.

Altho the state highway systems do not in all cases follow the original trails, the hard surfaced roads, for the most part, cleave to those lines laid out when the ideal in road maintenance was the use of the drag after every rain.

Now roads are being built to answer the demands of efficiency. The market centers and the centers of population are connected by red lines on the map which shall some day be links in the county-state-federal system, which has come because of the trail makers of a decade ago.

### The Principal Roads.

The principal roads of Kansas and their location:

No. 1.—King of Trails: Thru the southeastern part of the state thru Johnson, Franklin, Anderson, Allen, Neosho, and Montgomery counties.

No. 2.—Corn Belt: From Atchison, west thru Atchison, Jackson, Nemaha, Marshall and Washington counties.

No. 3.—Kansas White Way: Thru the northern part of the state thru Cloud, Clay, Washington, Marshall, Nemaha, Jackson and Atchison counties.

No. 4.—Old Santa Fe Trail: Across the central part of the state, thru Johnson, Douglas, Osage, Lyon, Morris,

Marion, McPherson, Rice, Burton, Pawnee, Edwards, Ford, Gray, Finney, Kearny and Hamilton counties.

No. 5.—Jefferson highway: Along eastern boundary thru Cherokee, Crawford and Bourbon counties.

No. 6.—Golden Belt: Central part of the state, thru Wyandotte, Leavenworth, Douglas, Shawnee, Pottawatomie, Riley, Geary, Dickinson, Saline,

Ellsworth, Russell, Ellis, Trego, Gove, Logan and Wallace counties.

No. 7.—Fort Scott to Wichita road: Thru Sedgwick, Butler, Greenwood, Woodson, Allen and Bourbon counties.

No. 8.—Rock Island Highway: Farthest north of Kansas trails from east to west thru top tier of counties from Doniphan to Decatur counties, then thru Sheridan, Thomas and Sherman counties.

No. 9.—Kansas City to Fort Scott Short Line: Thru Bourbon, Linn, Miami and Johnson counties.

No. 10.—The Cannon Ball. The south central part of the state, thru Sedgwick, Kingman, Pratt, Kiowa, and Ford counties.

No. 11.—The Red Line. Combination of Midland and Golden Belt roads from western Kansas to Kansas City.

No. 12.—Marshall County Road System.

No. 13.—The Capitol Highway. From north to south thru Brown, Jackson, Shawnee, Osage, Coffey, Woodson, Wilson, and Montgomery counties.

No. 14.—The Ozark Trail. Thru Labeite, Montgomery, Wilson, Allen, Anderson, Franklin, and Johnson counties.

No. 15.—Southwest Trail. From Atchison to Council Grove. Thru Atchison, Jefferson, Shawnee, Wabunsee, and Morris counties.

No. 16.—The Meridian Road. Thru Republic, Cloud, Ottawa, Saline, McPherson, Harvey, Sedgwick, and Sumner counties.

No. 18.—Oil Belt Route. Thru Neosho, Labeite, and Montgomery counties.

No. 19.—Carrie Nation Highway. From Cullison south thru Pratt, Barber, and Harper counties.

No. 20.—Midland Trail. Thru Wyandotte, Leavenworth, Douglas, Shawnee, Wabunsee, Riley, Clay, Cloud, Mitchell, Osborne, Rooks, Graham, Sheridan, Thomas, and Sherman counties.

No. 21.—The Blue Line. Thru Sherman, Thomas, Sheridan, Graham, Rooks, Osborne, Russell, Lincoln, Ottawa, Saline, Dickinson, Geary, Riley, Pottawatomie, Shawnee, Jefferson, Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties.

No. 22.—The Scenic Route. From



Omaha to Kansas City, thru Wyandotte, Leavenworth, Atchison, and Brown counties.

No. 23.—The Scenic Route. Same as Capitol Highway.

No. 24.—The New Santa Fe Trail. From the old Santa Fe Trail at Edgerton, thru Franklin, Osage, Lyon, Chase, Marion, Harvey, Reno, Stafford, and Edwards counties to Kinsley.

No. 25.—Bee Line. From east to west in central part of the state, thru Greeley, Wichita, Scott, Lane, Ness, Rush, Barton, Rice, McPherson, Saline, and Dickinson counties.

No. 26.—The Great Plains. Thru Rawlins, Thomas, Logan, Scott, Finney, Haskell, and Seward counties.

No. 27.—Hockaday. No specific route; markers are found on all principal roads indicating turns, danger points and distances.

1	KING OF TRAILS BLACK LETTERS ON YELLOW	
2	CORN-BELT WHITE-YELLOW-WHITE	
3	KANSAS WHITE-WAY BLACK-WHITE-BLACK	
4	OLD SANTA FE TRAIL "OCEAN TO OCEAN" RED-WHITE-BLUE	
5	JEFFERSON-HIGHWAY "FROM PINE TO PALM" BLUE-WHITE-BLUE	
6	GOLDEN-BELT BLUE LETTERS ON YELLOW BAND	
7	FORT SCOTT-WICHITA ROAD YELLOW AND BLACK	
8	ROCK ISLAND HIGHWAY PIKES-PEAK OCEAN TO OCEAN HIGHWAY RED-WHITE	
9	KANSAS CITY-FORT SCOTT SHORTLINE WHITE-YELLOW, BLACK ON WHITE	
10	CANNON BALL BLACK ON WHITE BLACK BANDS	
11	RED LINE RED-BAND	
12	MARSHALL COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM WHITE-BAND	
13	CAPITAL HIGHWAY BLACK ON WHITE	
14	OZARK TRAIL GREEN WHITE GREEN	

15	SOUTH WEST TRAIL BLACK ON WHITE	
16	MERIDEN ROAD WINNIPEG-GULF BLACK ON WHITE	
17	WHITE-CROSS WHITE CROSS ON BLACK CIRCLE	
18	OIL BELT ROUTE BLACK ON WHITE	
19	CARRIE NATION-HIGHWAY BLACK AND RED	
20	MIDLAND TRAIL ORANGE-BLACK-ORANGE	
21	BLUE LINE BLUE BAND	
22	SCENIC-ROUTE OMAHA-KANSAS CITY BLACK LETTERS ON WHITE BAND	
23	SCENIC-ROUTE WHITE LETTERS ON BLUE BAND	
24	NEWSANTA FE TRAIL BLUE-WHITE	
25	BEE-LINE WHITE-BLACK-YELLOW	
26	GREAT PLAINS	
27	HOCKADAY RED ON WHITE	