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ADAMS ANSWERS ANTIS.

Besides answering hostile objections to the road bonding bill, Highway Commissioner E. J. Adams in his address before the Oregon good roads rally in the Multnomah hotel, Portland, explained some points that have not been clear in the public mind. On width of paving and mileage that can be constructed from the \$4,000,000 bonds he said:

"The hard surface placed upon these roads should be of sufficient width to accommodate all of the traffic demanded of that particular section of road. In some parts of the state a nine-foot road will be ample, in other sections the traffic will require a sixteen foot road. The average width the state over will probably be about twelve feet. A good hard surface road, either of concrete six inches thick, or some bituminous mixture, and placed on crushed rock where the soil conditions are suitable, can be laid for approximately \$1.20 per yard. But, estimating as a matter of safety, that this road will cost an average of \$10,000 per mile, you readily see that the funds available from this bond issue will lay 550 miles of hard surface road. There are some 970 miles of road designated in the bill as hard surface roads. Some of these roads are optional hard surface, and much of the optional road will not need hard surfacing now.

"Then, again, there are many miles of macadam and good gravel road, particularly in the valley, upon which the annual cost to maintain is not equal to the interest on the cost to place a hard surface upon it. Therefore, these sections, as a matter of business economy, should not be hard surfaced until the traffic increases to a point where the annual cost to maintain exceeds the interest on the cost of a hard surface plus the annual cost to maintain the hard surface. For this reason we may deduct from this total mileage many miles of gravel and macadam roads, leaving approximately 600 miles out of the 970 that should now be improved with a hard surface. You can see, therefore, that the funds available from this bond issue will practically hard surface every mile of road designated in the bill and on the map as hard surface road that now demand such a surface."

Prices of most commercial fertilizers are present are high. Potash is almost unobtainable. Only by most scrupulous conservation of stable manure, and an increased use of legumes as green manure, and of ground rock phosphate, can the commercial fertilizer shortage be met, even temporarily. There remains one thing, however, that may be done to increase yields, which costs no more now than it did before. It may safely be said that if all sources of artificial chemical fertilizers failed, our total farm output in many sections could not only be maintained, but even increased for a considerable time simply by the application of lime to acreages that now are low in yield or lying fallow because they are too sour to grow profitable crops. Lime can and should be put on all over land. By a plentiful use of lime we can, figuratively speaking, make our "war bread" of stones.

A bootlegger paid two hundred dollars into the city's cash register for the privilege of disposing one bottle of booze to a thirsty customer. The profit on this transaction seems to have been diverted into the proper channel. Now if a few local "stars" could be "corrals" and pulled over the counter the city would soon have a fat surplus in its exchequer.

A pacifistically inclined friend of ours are against universal service because it will take all the poetry, all the art, all that is fine, out of war. Granted, if you please; but it will also take away all that is unfair in the volunteer idea, which is sufficient compensation. The burden of war should be laid upon all, old as well as young. Assign to each citizen a task and his self-respect, as well as the nation's will be preserved.

Every reasonable effort should be made to induce men in every walk in life to add to the total of food production. The entire country would get the benefit, even if the individual producer operated at a loss. Every assurance should be given the producer, therefore, that he will not be penalized for his industry and enterprise.

This is a new one on us from the Medford Sun: "Ship ahoy! According to the Roseburg papers Miss Alice Pitchfork is leader of the Red Cross in that community." This back-yard and vacant lot gardening is going to get some of those Medford editors, if they don't look out. They're getting their farming implements mixed.

The Northern California Editorial Association has gone on record as opposed to the use of grain for the manufacture of liquor during the pendancy of the war, and in favor of conscription. Where two or more men meet in these days of real conservation John Barleycorn gets a jolt in the ribs.

If the United States pledges its word that it will stay in the fight to Prussian autocracy is overthrown, Prussian autocracy may as well begin winding up its affairs. What-over Americans may be, they are not quitters.

Did you ever notice that advertisements displaying clothing invariably picture a long, lean, hungry-looking individual? Even the tailors do not "love a fat man."

Roseburg looks decidedly better after a general clean-up. We are now ready for tomorrow's circus—with the possible exception of the price.

This is "better babies" week—but some of the youngsters don't seem to realize the fact—judging from their daily tactics.

There is no alternative—you have your choice—either go to work or go to war.

Hysterical hoarding is on a par with hysterical spending.

Spring is "wringing" in a day—every now and then.

An early crop of blistered hands and lame backs.

SCOUTS SET RECORD FOR MOBILIZATION

The practical training of the boy scout was fully exemplified last night in a practice mobilization of the local organization. Scout Master R. S. J. Hamilton had given the boys no inkling that he would call them and consequently they were scattered throughout all parts of the city. Less than one-third of the troops have telephones and from the armory they were notified by wire. Inside of 30 minutes they had carried the message to every member of the troops, and every boy, with the exception of one living at Dixonville, was in his place.

Such results are accomplished only by the most thorough training and the ease with which the mobilization was accomplished is conclusive evidence of the ability of the officers. There are sixteen boys in the local troop.

They have taken up the matter of gardening and are making preparations this week to plant two acres of beans on the property owned by Joe Micoll and situated near the river in the southern part of the city.



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Live-Wire Doings of the City

Leaves for Silverton.

W. S. Kline, of the Soldiers' Home, left this morning for Silverton where he will visit for several days with friends and relatives.

Departs for Ranch.

J. G. Hodges left this morning for his ranch at Scotts Valley where he will spend a few days looking after his interests.

Spend Day Fishing.

J. Yokum and wife and Mr. and Mrs. A. Eckman, left this morning for Winchester where they spent the day fishing.

Returns Home.

Miss Ina Irvine, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Guy Gordon left this morning for her home at Newport.

Goes Back to School.

Mrs. James Stokes, who has been visiting with Mrs. W. H. A. Williams left this morning for her home at Portland.

Dance at Riddle.

The Red Cross Society at Riddle gave a dance last evening at that place. Ott's orchestra of this city furnished the music. An enjoyable time was had by all present.

Arrive in Roseburg.

Schiller B. Hermann and wife, of Portland, arrived in this city today accompanying the body of Mrs. K. L. Miller, who died in Portland at midnight Tuesday.

Returns From Portland.

F. J. Blakeley returned this morning from Portland where he has been spending several days visiting with friends and attending to business matters.

Leaves for Eugene.

O. C. Baker, proprietor of the Roseburg Steam Laundry, left this morning for Eugene where he will spend a few days looking after business affairs.

Returns Home.

Dr. K. A. Miller returned to his home in this city last night after attending his wife during her illness. The body of Mrs. Miller was brought to the city this morning.

Operation Performed.

Delmer Morgan, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Morgan, yesterday underwent an operation at the hospital for the removal of an abscess behind the ear. The operation was performed by Drs. Seely and Shoemaker.

Returns From Eugene.

J. M. Judd returned last night from Eugene where he has been spending a few days attending to business matters. While there he purchased four acres of land situated near Summit field Junction.

Returns From Oakland.

S. S. Schell, who has been spending a few days at Oakland attending to business matters and visiting with friends returned to this city today. Mr. Schell is the contractor in charge of the Myrtle Creek hill improvement.

Returns from Portland.

C. M. Stebbinger returned this morning from Portland where he consulted with the architect in regard to the Soldiers' Home hospital. Mr. Stebbinger has the contract for the construction and expects to start work next week.

Property is Sold.

The residence property belonging to John Spangh, of Looking Glass, and situated in Alexander's park, was sold yesterday by the G. W. Young & Son real estate firm to R. L. Randall, a local blacksmith. Mr. Randall takes immediate possession.

Will Make Survey.

Floyd Frear left this morning for Myrtle Creek where he will set grades for the construction work on the Myrtle Creek hill improvement. The road is rapidly nearing completion and it is expected that it will be finished in a couple or three weeks.

Will Arrive This Evening.

Lewis Irvine Thompson, of Portland, architect of the hospital for the Soldiers' Home, will arrive in this city at 5:15 this evening according to word received at the Umpqua hotel this morning. He will take up the sub-contract work while in Roseburg and will probably confer with several local contractors.

Car of Broccoli Arrives.

A car load of broccoli for canning was received by the Eugene Fruit Growers' Association this morning from Roseburg. Broccoli is becoming one of the chief articles of canning at the local works. Spring vegetables have not yet begun to come in extensively. However, the canners have been running for several weeks on local vegetables. Rhubarb and broccoli have been, thus far, the only articles put up.—Eugene Guard.

Passes Examination.

Leland Brown arrived in this city last evening from Salem and will spend several days here on business. He recently was examined for the officers' reserve corps in Portland and states that he passed the tests with little difficulty. He will probably receive a call for the training during the August term of the camp. He is very enthusiastic over the prospects of being called and says that it will be necessary for him to receive a discharge from the local company so that he will be able to attend.

Klamath Falls People Here.

Mr. and Mrs. McCoy, of Klamath Falls, parents of J. W. McCoy, of this city, arrived here today for a short visit. Mr. McCoy, Sr., is a retired land owner and speculator of his section.

Here on Business.

J. E. Nash, president of the Garden Valley Fruit Union, was a business visitor in the city today. The growers in that section have organized for better fruit, and among other things of a progressive nature have had some fine stationery printed for their union, which will have the effect of impressing business correspondents with the fact that the Garden Valley fruit growers are an important factor in Douglas county.

Clifford Barker Enlists.

Clifford Barker yesterday joined the medical department of the United States army and will leave this city Friday with the other recruits that were signed this week. Mr. Barker is one of the best known young men in this city and has for some time been a member of the hospital detachment located in this city. He only receiving his discharge a few days ago which enabled him to sign with the regular army. He will be placed at Vancouver for a short time and from there will be stationed at some point, probably on the Atlantic coast.



R. GOLDMAN—Ex-Jewish Rabbi. who will speak at the Christian Church Sunday afternoon and evening.

His subject for Sunday at 3 o'clock will be "The Covenant." Sunday night "The Fall of the Russian Kingdom." Monday night, "Jewish Loyalty for the United States and their Patriotism."

AT THE HOTELS.

Arrivals at the Umpqua.

The following are registered at the Umpqua: W. E. St. John, Sutherland; Rachael Chenoweth, Oakland; E. A. Taff, Portland; R. E. Morton, Eugene; Harry H. Hogue, A. A. Pim, San Francisco; Ralph Westphaler, Vancouver; L. V. Toole, New York; M. S. Geary, Joe Wilson, J. W. Crockett, Portland; M. E. Root, Modford; R. E. Town, Roy Page, San Francisco; Ray E. Glass, Eugene; J. H. Brown, Los Angeles; A. J. Hudson, Grand Ronde, Ore.; W. C. Leachrest, Wm. T. Plauke, Jolin F. Byrne, Clair B. Baker, Portland; G. DeBernardi, Crescent City; C. Burkoyne, H. A. Clodette, Fred L. Tuttle, Portland; L. N. Stover, San Francisco; Roy B. Wallace, Chicago; W. T. Fisher, C. M. Moore, Portland.

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