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HOW PAVED HIGHWAYS BENEFIT THE FARMER.

In the current issue of the Oregon Voter, published at Portland, much space is given to an article by Senator Robert N. Stanfield in reference to the construction of public highways and some interesting and authentic data is presented from a financial standpoint.

In his summary of highway construction Senator Stanfield deals largely with the benefits to be derived by the farmers through efforts directed at better and permanent road building, showing the waste resulting from poor and unkept roads and the profits to be gained by hard surfaced thoroughfares.

To those persons in Douglas county who are adverse to issuing bonds, especially the farmer, the following excerpts from Senator Stanfield's good roads program, which is discussed from a national standpoint, but very aptly applies to an individual county or community, is herewith given for their careful and unbiased consideration. Mr. Stanfield says:

"Based upon observations made a few years ago in New York and some Southern states it was found that the cost of hauling farm products to market was about 33 cents per ton mile over unimproved roads, and 16 cents per ton mile over improved roads, saving 17 cents per ton mile by having and using improved roads.

"It has been estimated by statisticians that the average length of haul the country over is about ten miles, a saving of \$1.70 per ton if our roads were all improved. It must be also remembered that about 80 per cent of the tonnage is hauled over about 20 per cent of the roads, thus the improvement of 20 per cent of the aggregate mileage will save 80 per cent of this enormous annual loss.

"The Bourne joint congressional committee in 1912 after investigation estimated the total tonnage of farm products transported to market was approximately 700,000,000. This is now probably 1,000,000,000 tons per year.

"At \$1.70 per ton this means an annual loss to our producers of \$1,700,000,000, or the opportunity to save \$1,700,000,000 per year to our producers of farm products by the improvement of the highways of the country to accommodate traffic properly.

"This enormous waste has no compensation and the producers who suffer it receive no benefits whatsoever. The total mileage of public highways in the United States is computed at 2,500,000. Of this mileage 25,000 miles are the most important state and interstate roads. The roads that carry a very large proportion of the farm products, and practically all of the manufactured products. They are the backbone of the highway transportation system and now absorb a large part of all the available funds, state and county, in an attempt to maintain them under the heavy traffic. They will cost by far the largest sum per mile to construct in a substantial and adequate form to carry the traffic.

"About 225,000 miles are slightly less important state roads which may be described in the system as the ribs and limbs, and 2,250,000 are county roads of all degrees of importance.

"The amount of money wasted annually in using unimproved roads, which may be properly called 'a mud road tax,' is sufficient to pay 11 per cent per annum on the entire cost of constructing the entire system of 2,500,000 miles as above estimated.

"In addition to the direct monetary benefits to the producers of farm products alone we may add the following benefits without expressing the value in dollars:

- (a) A very large saving in transporting manufactured articles from center to center over short hauls;
- (b) Opportunity of producer to haul his products to market any day in the year; when farm work is slack, when markets are not congested or when the prices are favorable;
- (c) Better schooling conditions for the rural districts;
- (d) Increased efficiency of producers, increased production and corresponding decreased cost to consumers;
- (e) Greater efficiency and more pleasure for 35,000,000 users of automobiles;
- (f) Less expense in maintaining and operating over 9,000,000 motor vehicles;
- (g) Increased land values, increased taxable property, decreased tax burden."

Thus it may be seen at a glance the important value of good roads to people living in the rural districts. A county with the resources at its command such as Douglas county harbors can ill afford to throttle its road program by overthrowing the bond issue to be voted on next Tuesday. The defeat of this measure spells disaster. Statistics show that of all the counties in the state Douglas county is rated the lowest for good roads, outside the jurisdiction of the Pacific highway, and failure to successfully carry out the plans proposed and embodied in the good roads measure appearing on the ballot next Tuesday will practically throw this county into the dark ages, so far as constructive and permanent road construction is concerned.

The News-Review does not believe the progressive farmer of Douglas county harbors the thought of doing anything that would retard the growth of the county as a whole, and for this reason will devote his efforts to supporting a measure which is of vital interest, not only to his own personal welfare, but that of his neighbor as well.

Good business judgment commands the farmer, as well as the business man, to lend all possible encouragement to this very important issue.

REMEMBER OUR BOYS.

Here's a hunch. When our soldier boys were away serving their country on foreign soil—stacking their blood and flesh against the onslaught of the hordes of German soldiers—giving their all for free America—millions of people watched the terrible slaughter of human lives from a far distance, "sicking" them on to victory, backing the boys up to the very limit in a financial way, praying and hoping for their safe return. Now, listen, thousands of Oregon soldiers were fortunate in getting back, many of them maimed for life, others in apparently robust health. During their long and continued absence there was a material change in affairs at home, and when these soldier boys returned they practically began life anew. They were completely "off their feet," so to speak, and some time elapsed before they were able to

cope with the new conditions thrust upon them. Those many months spent on foreign soil had handicapped them greatly and it was with much difficulty they were able to adjust themselves to conditions at home. Every single soldier who entered the world war did so at a sacrifice. Thousands of young men who elected, rather than go to war, to remain at home drawing princely salaries under the "war essential" vocation, grasped the opportunity to outdistance these loyal and patriotic lads, in a financial way, who gave up their dear ones at home to fight their cause on this as well as on foreign soil.

Now, these very boys who fought your battles come before the people of the state of Oregon asking, not for charity, but for assistance to partially repay them for lost opportunities. They ask the people of this great domain for a nominal loan, every cent of which will be paid back to the state at a fair rate of interest, that they may become home-builders, or receive a small cash bonus in lieu thereof.

This is the text of the measure on the ballot entitled, "World War Veterans' State Aid Fund," and which will be ratified by every red-blooded American citizen within its borders at the special election next Tuesday. Vote 302 yes.

Floyd Romaine, self-confessed murderer of Abe Givens, when interviewed at the county jail yesterday by a News-Review representative, stated, "I do not really know why I killed Givens; the act was done in a fit of anger." Romaine is only 18 years of age and his career has been one not conducive to best morals, murder being a paramount thought in his mind during a greater period of his short life, according to information from those close in touch with his habits. After committing such a dastardly crime, to which he has made complete confession, there is really nothing left for the young man other than to receive prompt justice in accordance with the enormity of his crime. Sane or insane, Floyd Romaine should be promptly dealt with.

Everybody can see both sides of a question if he isn't interested in the question.

Marriage, no doubt, is a sacred institution, but lots of marriages are not.

There are few things funnier than a perfectly healthy man trying to act like he is unhappy.

Today's troubles are tomorrow's bubbles.

Minister Reviews
"Inside the Cup"

By C. H. HILTON

Through the kindness of the management of the Antlers Theater, and by the request, it was the privilege of the writer to last night witness the play, "The Inside of the Cup." Having previously read the book, which was written by Winston Churchill, we were pleased at the opportunity of seeing its portrayal on the screen. We have been asked to give a candid opinion of the play. The writer was raised in a city, and has some knowledge of slum conditions in wealthy city churches and also men like Eldon Parr who make their money by grinding down the poor, and casting aside anyone who stands in his way. There is also the feeling on the part of such that the working classes would not be good enough to marry into the homes of the rich. There are some conditions well portrayed in the play. However, the feeling on our part was that there was some overdraw of some conditions in connection with the church represented. The congregation represented is that of a wealthy Episcopal people in a big city controlled by the millionaire Eldon Parr. They have no place for the poor in the church, but want to reach the rich. They get rid of the old gray-haired preacher, and seek out a young man. In the meantime by his grinding tactics, Eldon Parr entrances himself from both his son and daughter, and they leave home. After the young minister is on the ground awhile, he gets his eyes opened, and in a sermon lays bare the whole hypocritical outfit. His resignation is demanded, but being a fighter, he will not resign. Eldon Parr is eventually shot by one of the men he ruined. There is this danger in the book, and in the play. Because there may be a congregation here and there claiming to be a Christian that acts as this one did, and is controlled by millions, and we believe such may be found occasionally, it would not be fair to draw such a conclusion about all congregations. Most religious bodies are trying to lend a helping hand wherever it is needed, and no conclusion should be drawn that all churches dislike the poor, or that they sanction actions on the part of men like Eldon Parr. It would be only in a big city where a congregation here and there would be found of this type, but it would be unfair to churches and ministers to say that they are catering to the wealthy, and not doing the Lord's work. The records of the church will speak for themselves. We believe people ought to thoroughly investigate for themselves, and not draw hasty conclusions from this book or the play being presented.

It is an interesting play, the parts being well sustained, and the church with its young pastor finally victorious in reaching the multitudes of all classes and conditions. It has a side well worth studying, and church members who see it can take warning from it, not to allow themselves to be led by selfish motives, but to keep clean, and make their work worth while toward reaching the masses.

Miss Katherine Edith Brand, daughter of Hon. Charles A. Brand, of this city, is one of the graduating class of 1921 from Smith College, at Northampton, Mass. Attractively engraved invitations to the events of Commencement week from Saturday, the 11th of June, to Tuesday, the 14th of June, have been received by her friends in this city.

Scouts Leave For
Camp This Morning

A detail composed of six boy scouts left this morning with camping equipment and supplies for the scout camp to be established about a mile and a quarter up the North Umpqua from Rock creek. The camp pitching detail is in charge of Scoutmaster Lintott and Scoutmaster Miller will leave tomorrow morning with the remaining 28 scouts who are to attend camp. Scoutmaster Miller will be in charge of the camp. A number of citizens have donated autos which will take the boys to Rock creek tomorrow. The detail which went out today had a hard trip as the truck conveyed the supplies only to Rock creek and the transportation of the outfit for the remaining distance was a most difficult task. The boys expect to make the best camp this year they have ever had and are expecting to spend a very enjoyable two weeks.

This Drive Sounds
Fine to the Editor

SALEM, May 30.—Having devoted columns of space to boosting "weeks" set apart for just about every cause imaginable, G. B. Nunn, editor and publisher of the Wheeler Reporter, thinks it is now time for the newspapers of the state—daily and weekly—to blow their own horns for a while. Accordingly Nunn has written to Governor Olcott suggesting that a "subscribe for your local paper week" would be highly appropriate.

"There is much merit in what Nunn has to say," declared Governor Olcott, in commenting on the editor's suggestion. "People generally have little realization of the numerous requests that are made of this office for the issuance of proclamations setting aside certain days or weeks for certain purposes. I will go Nunn one better by suggesting that every week be designated as 'Subscribe for your local paper week.'"

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends who so kindly helped during the trying time after the death and during the burial of our brother, Abe Givens.

ROBT. PETTIT AND FAMILY.

Finds Surprising
Growth In City

Louis Barzee, formerly an attorney residing at Roseburg and who is now an instructor in the Benson Polytechnical school at Portland, was greatly surprised by the improvement made in Roseburg during the twelve years of his absence. He stated that he was astonished to see the amount of traffic going through Pass Creek Canyon, which at the time he was a resident of Douglas County was one of the worst sections of the road in the state. He mentioned the growth of Sutherlin, Wilbur, Drain and other localities with which he was familiar, and especially the growth of Roseburg, which has added paved streets, new buildings and many improvements since he was resident here. He said there should be more local advertising by Roseburg merchants as his trip here was forced by his inability to secure the name of a Roseburg dealer with whom he wanted to do business.

Variety Is the Spice of Spring Millinery



The style of hat that is most fashionable this spring can be found by discovering what is most becoming to one's self. In other years there has been some diversity in spring styles, but never before has there been such a variety of shapes and sizes, colors and materials. The small hat, the large hat, the medium size hat are all to be seen and none is chosen as being further ahead of the mode than the rest.

Ostrich feathers are very popular as trimmings but they are not all the short uncurled or oiled plumes. The new hats have feathers that are long enough to cover the crown and some of the plumes go farther than this, ending in a streamer effect at the sides or back. Dorothy Dalton's hat of Mrs. Harding blue, shown in the lower right hand corner, is trimmed with a long

plume of this sort in a matching shade.

Lillian Tashman, the beautiful young actress who is playing the role of "Pleasure" in George Fitzmaurice's Paramount production of "Experience," also selected ostrich feathers for the trimming of her spring hat. This is shown in the center photograph. The feathers are very long and uncurled, falling down each side of a becoming little toque of tulle trimmed with rows of jet beads.

In contrast to the sophisticated style of this toque is the simple little hat of smoke gray horsehair in the top left hand corner. The uneven brim, bent in an irregular line is especially becoming to the ingenu type of face, and the jade green ribbon provides a simple trimming in character with the hat itself.

One of the striking features of spring fashions is that in the usual straw and silk materials, rest finds a charming way of dressing in a chiffon shape, they blue lace-trimmed as a complete covering. This little hat, bent up at the back to a high peak, is an especially coming and popular shape; and the size of it compared to the other models shows again that the spring fashions in hats go by no fixed rule as to dimensions.

Gloria Swanson proves this again by wearing in the place of her usual small hat, a very large sailor shape of benna, bound with large ribbons at the edges and trimmed at the side with a taupe wing. This hat is sketched at the lower left hand corner.

COOKED FOOD SALE.

The Women's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, will hold a sale of delicious home cooking, Saturday, June 4th, at Pickens Bros. store.

That business or property can easily be disposed of through the columns of the News-Review.

PRESENTED WITH FLAG

The eighth grade class of the Rose School have presented the school with a large and beautiful American flag purchased with money raised by their own efforts. The presentation speech was made by Hall Seely. The class is very patriotic and the act was much appreciated by the school.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO THE

maps, water bags, compass, maps, carriers, rear truck action, carriers, extra tools, and more. Remember to take extra gas and an extra gallon of oil and a A. Lockwood Motor Co.

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