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The laws of the state of Oregon now permit the bonding of counties for the construction of permanent roads. The method of so doing has been prescribed by the legislature and it is now up to the counties to carry into effect what has been asked for and demanded for a number of years. All the provisions of the law are not yet known to the people, and will not be until the session laws are printed and distributed, but enough is known that the bonding system is now a law, and taken on the general proposition of bonding for road building we are going to ask for opinions from our readers on the matter. If a number of tax payers and farmers from the several localities in the county will give an expression of opinion it will be a good way to start the discussion among all the people, and so we are going to ask for letters on the subject. We will print a few of them from each locality and probably all of them, if not too long. As soon as we can ascertain the provisions of the law it will be given, but in the meantime let us hear from the people on the general idea of bonding the county for road building.

At the council meeting last Monday night a claim of \$10 was put into the city by J. W. Hunt for the breaking of a pair of crutches on an old sidewalk in the business part of the city, which claim was promptly allowed by the council. Immediately following the allowance of this claim an order was made that all old sidewalks should be repaired. This action of the council is certainly to be commended and should be carried out strictly. All the old sidewalks in the city are in a dangerous condition and no patchwork of a temporary character should be allowed. It is important for the safety of the public that good walks be placed wherever walks are at all, and every effort should be made to see that new walks are built where there are dangerous places. Let the good work continue.

Branded logs, escaped from the owner's boom and floating down the river, do not become abandoned property and are not subject to be salvaged by outside parties. This is the decision gained by the Log Salvage Association, yesterday in the courts at St. Helens. The association regards the decision as one of the greatest importance to the mill owners and loggers of the state.

The association is composed of all the leading firms handling logs on the Willamette and Columbia rivers. It maintains stations and watchers along the rivers at various points to pick up floating logs. The logs are sorted out according to brands and turned over to the owners. The action which has just been decided was brought by the association on behalf of the Peninsula Lumber Company and the Oregon & Washington Lumber Company to reclaim from Martin Hoven and C. E. Hoven of Gobel, a quantity of branded logs which the defendants had picked up in the stream. The defendants refused to surrender the logs without pay. An action in replevin was brought and the Judge decided that the defendants had no claim on the logs or for their services, and made an order turning over the logs to the companies owning them.

The decision is founded on the provisions of the state law relating to branded logs. An act passed by the Legislature this year makes it a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$300 or imprisonment not to exceed one year, for anyone to interfere in any manner with branded logs. This statute, however, will not be in force until the end of the 90 day term. — Telegram.

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