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### STATEMENT IN REGARD TO THE ROAD SITUATION IN UNION COUNTY

The Market Road law enacted by the people last June will cause Union county to send to the state treasurer, at Salem, Oregon, each year \$25,000. In order to make this money available for roads in Union county, it will be necessary for the tax payers, through taxes levied, to pay into the county treasury \$25,000 additional. Under the law Multnomah county will pay in about \$25,000 each year and can draw out not to exceed ten per cent of the total amount which will not quite reach \$100,000, this will leave available for distribution by the highway commission among outside counties about \$25,000. Union county's proportionate share of this fund should be from \$12,000 to \$15,000. In order to get this money it must also be duplicated by the tax payers of this county, hence it is safe to say that under the provisions of the Market Road law \$75,000 at least will be available in Union county each year for road construction in addition to the amount already levied by the county court. This fund will continue each year until the law is repealed.

Under the \$5,000,000 bond law enacted by the people June, 1917, the highway commission of this state is bound to hard surface any portion of the main trunk roads when the county through which said trunk road passes has prepared the base and bridges for each hard surface.

The road from Kamela in this county to North Powder, is one of these main trunk roads. This road has already been located by the highway commission, and the highway commission must be provided with the funds necessary before they can carry out the provisions of the law. According to recent reports, the funds available under the bond issues, are practically exhausted.

The highway commission has already stated that some of the roads must be made cheaper than they contemplated, and some roads must be cut out altogether. Highway Commissioner Booth publicly stated to the county judges and commissioners recently in convention assembled, that the limit for state bonded indebtedness would have to be raised. The present limit is two per cent of the assessed valuation of the state. The total amount for which this state can be bonded under the present constitution is a trifle over \$19,000,000 and there are now bonds authorized and outstanding to the amount of \$17,500,000. It

can be plainly seen that there is very little money available under the present constitution and authorized bond issues.

The highway commission has recently stated that there will be less than one-half of the distance hard surfaced of the main trunk road from California to the Idaho line by way of Portland. It does not seem possible that there will be any money available for hard surfacing in Union county until the state bond limit has been raised, and future bond issues provided for.

Should the present proposed road bond carry in Union county, we will be bonded three times heavier than any other county in the state for road purposes.

C. P. Strain, county assessor of Umatilla county, Oregon, in a letter under date of September 25th, 1919, states:

"The actual full worth of Umatilla county is \$65,111,879.20 against \$29,739,590.82 for Union county. You can see from these figures that \$1,500,000 for Union county road bonds is very much stronger than \$1,050,000 for Umatilla county. Umatilla's wealth is 2.22 times Union's. \$1,500,000 bonds for Union would be equal to \$3,330,000 for Umatilla, and yet our \$1,050,000 is going to increase our county and state tax 33-1-3 per cent over what it was before we voted the bonds."

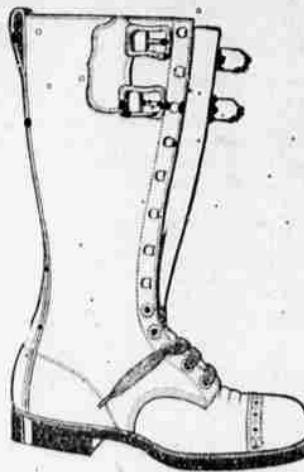
Should this proposed bond issue carry, together with the present Market Road law, the Soldiers Educational law, the six per cent increase allowed tax levying bodies, it will be plainly seen that taxes in Union county outside of the cities will be practically doubled for the next twenty years, and in the cities at least one-fourth added to their already burdensome tax.

Tax payers of La Grande should not forget that they are facing a serious situation in their water problem. Pure water is a necessity. Money must be provided by voting a big bond to be added to the city's already heavy debt. Tax payers of the county should not forget that a court house must be paid for, or a high rental paid for the one we are now using, which belongs to the city of La Grande. No one knows or can estimate, at this time, the amount of the obligation that the state is assuming in guaranteeing interest on bonds for irrigation and drainage projects. This may amount in the next few years to a large amount of money. The law limits this to two per cent of our assessed valuation or practically \$19,000,000. Any deficit must be met by increased taxation.

The tax payers should not forget that under a recent law enacted by the legislature, notes secured by mortgage indebtedness are exempt from taxation. Automobiles will not be assessed after this year. These two exemptions will increase the burden on other taxable property.

Remember that the assistance from the state for hard surfacing is available if there are funds on hand

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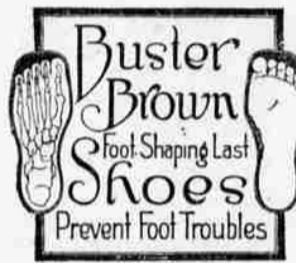
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