

Cutting Daffodils

"Hundreds of thousands of King Alfreds are shipped out of Brookings, Ore. in February each year, as cut from the open fields overlooking the ocean."

In the crisp cool air of a February morn
She wended her way in the early dawn,
To the gray green fields where Daffodils grow.
And up and down through row after row
She bent her back to each nodding flower
And many were the buds she cut in an hour;
As she placed them so neat in her fat little hand
And fastened each bunch with a snug rubber band.

And hour after hour she toiled away,
For she worked alone in the field that day,
Counting each bud as she bent to the ground
'Till twenty-five blooms in her hand she found.
Hour after hour down each long row
She was razed along by the song of a crow;
Caw! Caw! Caw! in his harsh old way—
And she had to take it the whole long day.

Next day she said, "I'll have time to play"
But the field was ripe with buds next day,
And she hurried along o'er many a clod
Out in the field alone with her God,
Surrounded by beauty on every side
From the rocky shore to where mountains ride
High, high up against the sunlit sky,
She wondered why men should have to die.

In a beautiful, beautiful land as this,
Where the sky and the seashore seem to kiss,
That o'er others' mistakes and petty strife
These young men must go and give their life.
But down through the years it has always been,
That some one must pay for another's sin,
And suffer and die on the battle field
'Till the vanquished foe is made to yield.

As she cut the Daffodils one by one
She noticed each face had turned to the sun—
Have we forgotten God in this land of ours
And forgotten to bow as do the flowers?
But He's promised to hear if we are humble and pray
And turn from our wicked and sinful way;
To forgive our sins if these we'll ban,
And to hear from heaven and heal our land.

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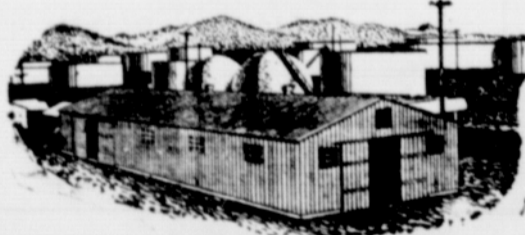
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**Motor Club
Hails Release
Of Road Funds**

The new appointment of Federal aid to Oregon for highways heralds a great stepping up in efforts to bring road fatalities into line with the requirements of modern traffic it was said today (July 13) by Ray Conway, manager of the Oregon State Motor Association, when it was learned that the aid would commence six months earlier than originally planned.

"The actual start of putting funds to work in Oregon is welcome news to not only those who live in the State and use its highways both for pleasure and business, but for those who will benefit by the mounting tourist trade which is one of the major industries of Oregon," Conway said.

The total federal aid Oregon is to receive \$12,889,469 and the earlier release of the funds has enabled the Oregon State Highway Commission to start programming and contracting at once. The amount granted exceeds by \$3,427,658 the \$8,661,811 allotted to Oregon for the preceding year, the highway commission points out. The program has been a major project of the Oregon State Motor Association and the American Automobile Association, with which the club is affiliated.

Mr. Conway said that the new road act, involving the largest two-year sum ever provided for the first time a really substantial amount of approximately \$300,000,000 for the all-important 40,000 mile national system of interstate highways. The funds are partially matched by the state on a ratio of 40 to 60 of the

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The Oregon interstate highways comprise U S-99 and U S-30 between Portland and the Idaho State line, which will take \$2,330,696 of the federal funds. Of the remaining \$10,558,773, the sum of \$1,387,166 goes to primary highways in urban areas having populations exceeding 5,000; \$5,398,620 to primary highways in rural areas; and \$3,772,987 to highways in the federal aid secondary highway system.

of your Princess.

Harry Lindgren, who has been Livestock Specialist for the Extension Service at Oregon State College, and who has just recently taken part time retirement is here for 10 days to assist the 4-H Livestock Leaders in Curry County to groom their animals for showing at the Curry County Fair.

Mr. Lindgren, took Gold Beach Livestock club members, Katherine Remy, Carol Ferguson, Fay Stump and Vernon McCall with him to the Northern Curry County 4-H Livestock Club which met at Clyde Wagner's farm up the Elk River Sunday, July 25th.

Two other such meetings at Brookings and Pistol River are also scheduled.

NOTICE

**REUNION OF 16th SEABEES
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