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CLUB DISCUSSES PAVING FIGURES

Lents Improvement Club Meeting On Monday Night Considers Many Community Problems.

FREIGHT SERVICE POOR

Constitution and By-Laws at Length Adopted—Factories Find Lents Labor Market Satisfactory

That the estimate prepared by Commissioner Dieck's office on the cost of improving 88th Street from 65th Avenue to Foster Road was entirely beyond reason, and nearly three times as high as was to be expected, was the unanimous opinion of those in attendance at the weekly meeting of the Lents Improvement Club Monday night. W. P. Hardesty, Chief of the Bureau of Surveys and Drafting of the Department of Public Works of Portland, at the request of Commissioner Dieck has furnished the Club with figures estimating the cost of installing cement sidewalks and curb, and grading and macadamizing 88th street (Fourth Avenue) from 65th Avenue (Mt. Scott Street) to Foster Road. Mr. Dieck had reported that the average cost in other parts of the city was about 90 cents a lineal foot for cement sidewalks and a curb. Mr. Hardesty's estimate figures out at \$2.65 per front foot for sidewalks and a macadamized street. Portions of his report read as follows:

Grading, (original) 4200 cu. yds.	@ \$0.30	\$1260.00
Grading to subgrade, 1200 cu. yds.	@ \$0.40	480.00
Embankment (assumed as covered in the excavation above):		
Sidewalk on straight parts, 3540 Lin. ft.	@ \$0.60	2124.00
Sidewalk in corners, including short pieces on Woodstock Ave., 940 sq. ft.	@ \$0.10	94.00
Curb, 3670 Lin. ft.	@ \$0.32	1174.40
Crosswalks and box gutters, 100.00		
Crushed rock macadam (7-8-9)		
1325 cu. yds.	@ \$2.80	3710.00
Total		\$8942.40
Add 5 per cent		447.12
		\$9389.52

Probable Assessments to be levied on certain typical lots if 88th street S. E., be improved as called for in report and estimate dated March 12, 1917.

Lot 1, block 3; Arleta Park addition No. 2, assessed value, \$135; probable assessment, \$105; difference, \$30.

Lot 8, block 3, Arleta Park addition No. 2, assessed value, \$110; probable assessment, \$105; difference, \$5.

Lot 16, block 2, Arleta Park addition No. 2, assessed value \$145; probable assessment \$122; difference, \$23.

Lot 23, block 11; Arleta Park No. 2, assessed value, \$120; probable assessment \$105; difference, \$15.

Lot 16, block 11; Arleta Park addition No. 2, assessed value, \$105; probable assessment, \$135; difference, \$30.

Lot 1, block 4; Mt. Scott Park addition, assessed value, \$520; probable assessment, \$292; difference, \$228.

The cost per front foot of property on each side averages \$2.65.

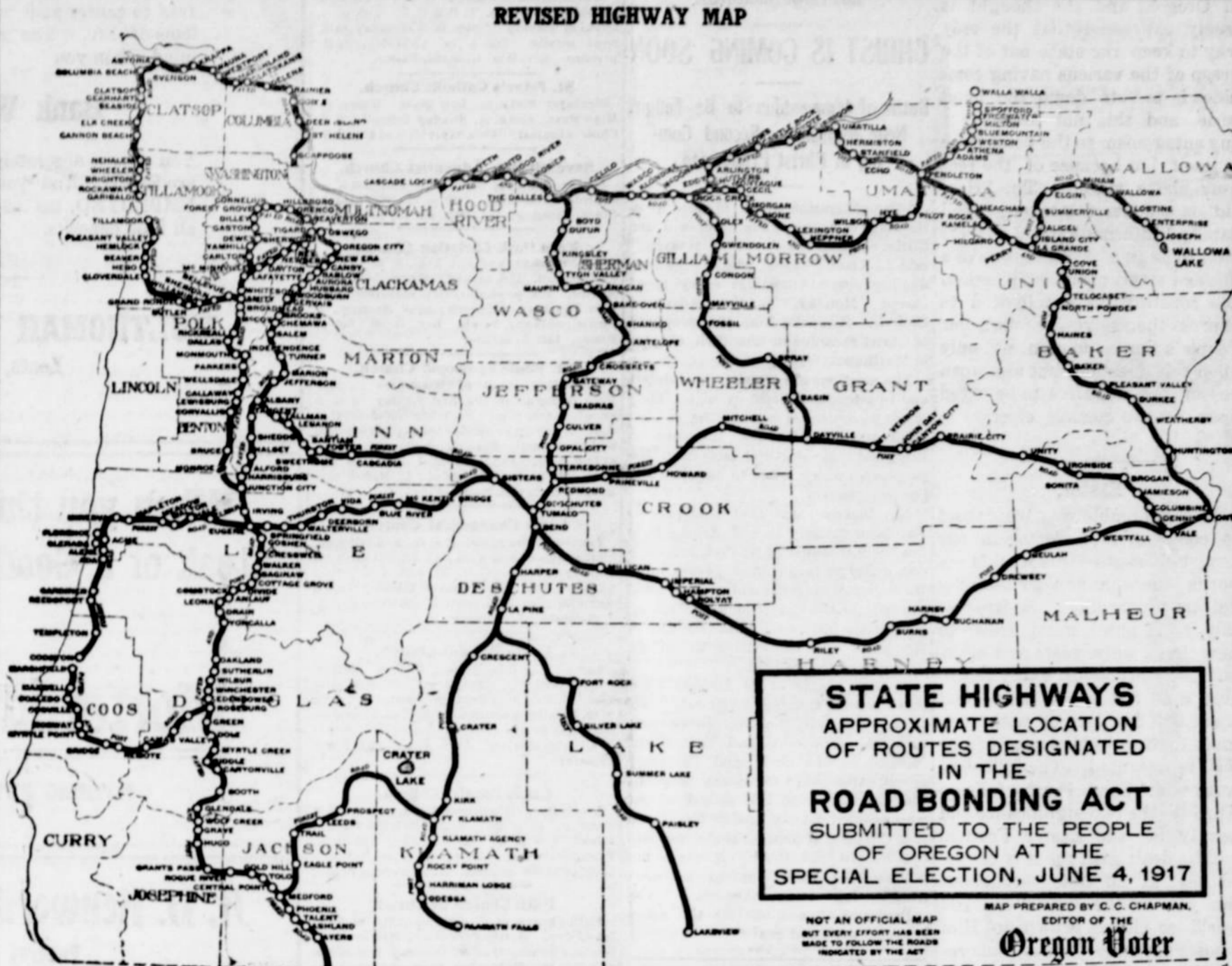
The above figures should enable anyone acquainted with this class of work to ascertain just where the trouble lies. The matter will be taken up again at next meeting of the Club—Monday.

Another subject evoking considerable discussion was the freight situation, Mr. Tussey pointing out that the freight on a barrel of oil would cost \$16 from the Union Depot to Lents, while he could go and call for it and deliver it for 50 cents. It was pointed out that such a situation must be remedied to enable this community to offer inducements to factories. With reference to the latter it was stated that a certain factory which was considering locating in Lents stated that a great attraction to them was the readily accessible labor market offered by this closely settled district.

Other matters claiming the attention of the Club were the adoption of a constitution, a report of a letter written to the State Highway Commission relative to a road from Sandy to Lents, and another to Roadmaster Yeon with reference to improvements to 65th Avenue.

The next meeting of the Club will be Monday night, the 26th, at 8:00 p. m., in the Fire Hall. A feature of last meeting was that there were some ladies present.

Henry S. Westbrook, Grand Master of 20,000 Oddfellows in Oregon, has sent out a proclamation to all the subordinate lodges in the state calling for the display of the American flag in every lodge room and demanding of the members a loyalty to the flag and the country it represents.



Map Showing What the State Will Be Like From a Public Highway Standpoint if the Road Bonding Act Passes.

GOOD ROADS ARE COMMITTEES AIM

Legislative Committee of Eight Has Opened Campaign and Ask For Contributions.

NO PAVING COMPANIES

Information Will Be Given Concerning Mileage, Sources of Revenue, Money Available, Etc.

The good roads campaign has been launched. The Legislature's Committee of Eight—three senators and five representatives—has taken charge. Contributions of \$10.00 each were made by each member of the committee and the request was made that the press of the state open their columns to subscriptions for funds for the campaign, the only restriction being that no subscriptions be taken from any representative of a paving company. All subscriptions are to be made payable to Senator E. D. Cusick, treasurer of the committee. County campaign subscriptions are to be handled entirely by local organizations. The action of the new Highway Commission has had a tendency to create confidence quite generally over the state. They have come out with a statement that no preference will be exercised to favor one section of the state over another. It has also been made clear that the commission intends to cooperate with all the counties of the state instead of only with a few. Another statement given out by the commission which has helped to inspire confidence is that if contractors' bids for paving and other road construction is too high, it will purchase machinery and do the work by day labor under the supervision and direction of the state engineers. No selection of State Highway Engineer has been made as yet. This will be deferred until after election as a different type of engineer would be needed in case the bond issue failed to pass.

It was the sense of the committee that the county campaigns be left in the hands of the county organizations. The state headquarters will confine itself to the dissemination of literature, information, advertising and such other service as may be required by the county organizations. They will also secure speakers for local meetings to discuss the bonding bill.

Information along the following lines will be gathered as quickly as possible by the state headquarters and be made available for the organizations of the different counties:

Mileage of roads that can be paved

with the funds available under the bill. Cost to the counties of preparing the roadbeds for paving.

Mileage of forest and post roads to be constructed.

Sources of revenue for paying interest and principal on the bond.

Amount of money available for other road construction by the state.

Amount of county taxes released from cost of constructing and maintaining state highways, thus permitting their use in improving county and local roads and laterals.

Other statistical information such as taxpayers very properly require.

NEW CROSSWALKS FORM. SCOTT STREETS

County Road Master York and his efficient workers are putting in crosswalks in the Mt. Scott district during the week which will be a very much appreciated improvement for the various sections benefited. Powell Valley road at 54th street is one of the points to receive attention; also 52nd street at 29th Avenue. This is the stop for Franklin High and a cross-walk there will be a great improvement. As we go to press the walk is being placed on 92nd street, midway between 58th Avenue and Foster road. This crossing is 5 foot in width, 4 inches thick and laid on a 3-inch base, and is positively the best cross-walk in the district. This is said to be the best time of the year for laying walks as far as climatic influences are concerned.

MISSION BAND PROGRAM AT EVANGELICAL CHURCH

A special attraction which will arouse the interest of church going people on Sunday evening next, will be the entertainment given by the Mission Band of the Evangelical Church. A typical children's program will be given at the hour of the regular evening service, beginning at 7:15. The program will consist of recitations, dialogues, instrumental and vocal music. The little playlet, "How Some Dollies Came to go as Missionaries," which has been warmly welcomed on several different occasions, will be repeated. A very special feature of the program will be a pantomime and tableau, given by the Mission Band of the First English Church. This band will appear in several selections. The general public is invited.

Advertised Letters.

Advertised letters for week ending March 17:

Brown, L. P.; Bollano Giovanni; Hunt, Mrs. Myrtle; Sheldon, Mr. L. C.; Turner, Gladys.

MUCH INTEREST IN ROAD BONDING BILL

Revised Highway Map Shows Probable State Paved and Post Road

We present herewith a revised map of the highway routes designated by the road bonding bill. This map corrects many of the errors made in the hastily prepared sketches that were published soon after the Legislature passed the bill. It also shows the cities and towns along the state highway.

While this is not an official map, it has been inspected informally by the members of the State Highway Commission. The Commissioners are precluded by their official positions from expressing any opinion as to exactly where the roads will go, until such time as they hold hearing in the different counties and take such formal action as the law requires in locating and designating the highways permanently.

The kind of road contemplated in bonding act is shown in small type.

"Paved Roads" are those designated to be hard-surfaced after the counties prepare the road beds. This simply includes grading. It does not involve the county in the expense of cement or crushed rock foundation as part of the paving.

"Post Roads," are highways constructed in co-operation with the Federal Government. Any designated highway over which mail is or may be carried is subject to classification as a post road. It is proposed to grade the post roads and put a suitable surface on same, (not a pavement) the funds for this to come from the Federal Government and the state bond issue.

"Forest Roads" are the same as "Post Roads," except that they must be built within or leading to the National Forests. The expense is shared by the Government, the state and the counties.

"Paved and Post Roads" are roads which are to be paved by the state over such mileage as the counties may prepare ready for paving; the remainder of the mileage of those roads would be improved as "Post Roads."

The bonding act would confer full jurisdiction upon the State Highway Commission to make minor changes in location, and the Commission has expressed its policy, which is to learn the facts in each locality before making final locations, so that each state road may be placed where it should be to serve the population of the counties traversed by it. Not until after these hearings have been held in all the counties will it be finally determined where all these state roads will be constructed, so there will

be ample opportunity for correction of errors or changing of such local routings where same may be done to better serve the county population.

The "Oregon Voter" in its issue of the 17th inst. devotes several columns to extracts from newspapers of the state both for and against the road bonding measure. Ninety-five quotations are given, representing the press of every county in the state. Of these, nineteen are openly hostile to the bond issue; six are cautious, refraining from committing themselves until further investigation has been made. The remaining seventy are whole-heartedly in favor of the measure, although several of them voice a feeling of distrust, mostly of the paving companies into whose hands the contracts are likely to be given.

LAFALOT CLUB HAS ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

The Lafalot Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. C. W. Cone, 7028 80th Ave. S. E., on St. Patrick's Day. The general color scheme was green as were also the table decorations.

Eleven members were present, only one being absent. Mrs. Dickson, of California, mother of Mrs. Dr. Tidball, was present as a guest of the Club.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Howe.

BABY GIRL IS BADLY BLISTERED BY OIL

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Daniels of 53rd Ave. tipped over a dish of kerosene which Mrs. Daniels had put some shears in to remove the rust on Friday. The child's clothing was saturated. Mrs. Daniels removed the outer garments, not realizing that the under garments were also saturated. When the discovery was made later the child was so badly blistered from the oil as to necessitate medical attention.

Mrs. I. F. Coffman, of 92nd St., accompanied her sister, Mrs. M. J. Irvin, to Seaside this morning. She will remain about a week. Mrs. Irvin has gone for the purpose of putting her cottage in shape for the Summer.

PUPILS DECLARE WAR ON H. C. OF L.

Base Ball Team Rejoices In Recent Victory Over Woodmere—Foster and Hesse Star.

EXHIBIT BEING PREPARED

Alumni Organization Effected—Home Gardens Started by 300 Pupils.

Lents School Alumni was organized last Thursday evening at the meeting which was held in the school auditorium. Sixty-eight charter members were secured. William Knecht, of the class of '14 was elected temporary president; Ruby Woodworth, of the class of '14, secretary; and Fred York, of the class of '13 sergeant-at-arms. Milton Katzky, chairman of the committee on constitution and by-laws, submitted a report and the constitution was adopted as presented.

Meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month. There are nearly 500 graduates during the past ten years and it is anticipated that many of them will become members of this organization, the object of which is community as well as personal betterment.

Prof. Hershner supervised the organization and will request the Parent-Teacher Association to take the same under their jurisdiction.

Home Gardens

A recent canvass has been made of the pupils of Lents school with the object of ascertaining how many of the children were planning on cultivating home gardens this season. Two hundred and ninety reported as having gardens under contemplation, or already started. This number will be augmented by several of the primary children who are planning on doing a little gardening in a small way. About 100 pupils are interested and engaged in caring for poultry.

Miss Frances Smith, teacher of the 4th grade, is supervising the school garden and nature study work of the entire school. Miss Smith is enthusiastic in the work of this important department. George Rayburn, one of the students is specializing in this line and is assisting Miss Smith in the work. He will have charge of the class work under the direction of Miss Smith.

Annual Exhibit

The annual exhibit of the Lents school will be given on April 27th. This exhibit will consist of school work, manual training, sewing, cooking, but the part most appreciated will be the home industry showing. This feature will consist of various kinds of housework including cooking, sewing, bird houses and many other items made by the boys and girls in the home.

Every pupil of the school agrees to do something for this exhibit, which will be the 6th annual event of this character. The Lents school was the first school of the city to give exhibits of home industry work, the initial exhibit being given six years ago. This school also gave a poultry exhibit four years ago which attracted much attention. Under this department the interest of the boys and girls in home industry has been developed to a note worthy extent. Credit is given them in school for this work, four things being emphasized in the school credits—scholarship, home industry, personal conduct and physical development for the best citizenship.

Base Ball Season Opens.

The base ball team of the Lents school are very active these days and are certainly an enthusiastic bunch of sports. A dozen span-fired new balls have added to the fervency of their enthusiasm. On Wednesday of last week they played a game with the team of the Woodmere school, which they won with a score of eight to three. The same teams crossed bats again on Saturday, Lents scoring another victory, the score being six to nothing in their favor.

The star players of Lents are Harry Foster, pitcher and Harold Hesse, first base.

PLEASANT EVENING SPENT AT CARDS

The Five Hundred party given by the Rebekahs of Lents at their Lodge rooms on Friday evening was a very successful affair. The attendance was all that could be desired and a splendid social time was enjoyed. The gentlemen's prize was won by Mr. Bluhm, while Mrs. Bluhm walked off with the ladies' prize. This was evidently the Bluhm's lucky night.