



## ROAD IMPROVEMENTS CHIEF DISCUSSION NOWADAYS

### Petitions to Make Market Roads of Bond Roads Presented to Court

#### SYSTEMS CRITICIZED

County Judge Cross and Others Exchange Views on Different Systems Now Employed

At the noon dinner at the Commercial Club room last Tuesday there was general discussion on the various methods of road building now employed in Clackamas county.

After a committee consisting of Messrs. Dinick, Henderson, Latour, Johnson and Toole had reported on the Monitor-Barlow road, Judge Cross discussed the penetration system of surfacing. He expressed doubt as to the wisdom of putting down this kind of pavement and declared that the stretch of road from Harding station to Monitor thus built was not satisfactory to the county court. And he hesitated to recommend spending the taxpayers money on this type of pavement at this time.

L. A. Morris agreed with the speaker in regard to the value of the penetration system. Phil Hammond reported that there is a statute in Oregon which allows the residents of road districts to bond themselves for road construction without reference to bonds or other provisions.

T. W. Root, former roadmaster in this county spoke of his experience in laying hard surface and advised that at times along the road in order to carry off surplus water which collects at points under the surface and causes chucks holes and disintegration. Others took part in the general discussion, the general sentiment being to continue the road program in the county.

Judge Cross reiterated his former statements that the bond road building is still impracticable under the law requiring the districts to lay the base and the top to be made at for \$11,000 a mile. He also held to the belief that all the bond roads of the county should be made market roads at one time.

Judge Anderson in an interview later agreed with the suggestion that it would be wise to make the bond roads market roads but was inclined to the belief that the present time and conditions are not very encouraging for the rapid completion of the road program laid out under the bond plan.

C. E. Spence welcomes a vote on the recall of the bonds and final settling down to definite procedure.

J. W. Exon, B. F. Watts, Coleman Marks and others urge that bond roads be made market roads and construction be continued without delay.

### Health Drive Is on in County

At a meeting of the Estacada Parent-Teacher association Tuesday evening, Dr. Fitzall of Portland will give an illustrated lecture on dental hygiene, Miss Hilda Morris, Clackamas county public health nurse, will discuss the parent's responsibility in public health.

One hundred and forty bulletins, reprints from Help to Check Influenza and Pneumonia, issued by the New York city health department, were mailed to every school in the county, from the office of the Clackamas county public health association.

### Womans Club Talks Natural Resources

A general discussion of natural resources, forestry, water power, scenery and the greatest national highways entertained and instructed the Woman's club Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Jeanette Fairclough Scott outlined the general direction of the Lincoln, Roosevelt and Dixie highways, the Columbia River, Washington and Olympia roads, with glimpses of their construction and plans of parking with trees indigenous to the regions through which they pass. Mrs. H. E. Straight discussed forestry and its influence on the fate of a nation, and Mrs. Rosina Fouts-Evans predicted the future of water power in heating, lighting and warming the world.

So great was the interest that one after another arose to relate personal observations along the Oregon coast where magnificent views have been watonly slashed away and in California where sawmills are rushing in to cut up the redwoods. It was declared that Willamette falls were not what they once were and the people yet living remember a greater Niagara falls. General approval was voiced for Governor Olcott's demand that no more forests be destroyed along the highways.

## CIVIL WARFARE IS GOING ON UNDER IRISH RULE

Sein Feiners and Ulsterites Continue Fighting, Necessitating Presence of English Troops.

When the terms of the Irish Free state were accepted by Ireland and Great Britain the world breathed easier in the hope that the former would speedily adjust herself to a republic can form of government for which she has been striving for centuries. It was hoped that north and south Ireland, the Ulsterites and Sinn Feiners would unite in an effort for free government even submerging in this endeavor their religious differences.

Great Britain proceeded to grant an open field for the operations of the new government. She granted amnesty to Irish prisoners even to those awaiting death sentences for murder. She began at once and has continued to withdraw her troops from the Free State. And the Free State leaders are free to go on with the work of the government. Many of them are going about this work in a way which if given cooperation would mean peace and success.

There are others whose opposition to the new government gives encouragement to the elements now in clandestine or open warfare against law enforcement and continued peace.

Strikers have taken forcible possession of the railroad terminals at Cork and 200 miles of track over which they run trains on the coast. And during this danger period, De Valera instead of yielding to the majority, which is the first essential in a republic, continues to fight and stir up discord through his position in the Dail Eireann.

The border between North and South Irish Free State is the line of disturbance, fight and kidnapping between Ulster and Sein Feiner adherents. And Great Britain has been obliged to dispatch troops to the interior to prevent more rioting and bloodshed.

### Frogpond Grange Enjoys a Social

Miss Myrtle Aden was a Portland visitor Thursday of last week.

Miss Dora and Mildred Oldenstadt and Myrtle Aden spent Sunday evening at the home of Smith Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Turner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scherner and family, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Turner Sunday.

Miss Ida Turner spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scherner.

Miss Dora Oldenstadt and brother George, were among those attending the pie social at Hazelia Saturday night.

Miss Myrtle Aden and Frances Randall spent Tuesday evening with Miss Nila Turner.

### Family Recovers From Scarlet Fever

Councilman I. C. Bridges and family are recovering from a siege of scarlet fever. Four of the five children and Mr. and Mrs. Bridges were all sick. Mr. Bridges and two of the children at one time. And before they were up the father was taken down with it.

Mrs. Bridges, who was very seriously ill is now able to sit up. Quarantine will probably be lifted Sunday.

### Suit in Dissolution Of Partnership Filed

Suit is on file in the circuit court to enforce the claim of Joseph Justin to a fifteen per cent interest in the local clothing business of Joe Swartz.

The complaint states that Justin purchased this interest in March, last year, and that this partnership was dissolved the first day of this month; that the purchase agreement provided that in case of dissolution, Justin was to receive fifteen per cent of the invoice value of the concern; and that this settlement has been refused.

Judge Campbell has issued an order restraining the sale of the property except that which is necessarily sold in the regular course of business until the rights of the parties at suit are determined.

### Gladstone to Act On Important Matters

On February 23d, the Gladstone city council will consider two important matters—an ordinance appropriating \$500 for repairs to the water reservoir, and the franchise for the P. R. L. & P. railway through the city.

A County Investment.  
The report of R. E. Wagy, traffic officer, operating under the direction of the county court, shows collected in fines and fees while he was traffic officer for the county, \$1035.14, which is \$35.05 over and above salary received. This showing does not include possible fines from accused whose trials have not yet been held.

## BARLOW-MONITOR FOLK URGE MARKET ROAD IMPROVEMENT

### Petition County Court to Make Bond Road a Market Thoroughfare

#### "GO AHEAD" IS SLOGAN

Local Good Roads Enthusiasts Offer To Purchase Bonds in Order To Continue Improvements.

One of the many problems now before the county court is that of completing the bond road extending from Barlow to Monitor. Owing to discord within the area affected the district last fall failed to vote special taxes for road purposes; the expense of preparing base to conform to the improvement under the bond plan is too large for the districts involved; and, hence, a petition containing 271 names has been presented to the county court urging this body to make this bond road a market road and by applying a portion of the market road money to this section, and, by permitting the sale of bonds, to complete the same. A committee representing those who desire early completion of this road declare that local residents will buy sufficient bonds for this purpose if given the opportunity.

Last week a committee came to Oregon City and urged the Commercial Club through the Live Wires to appoint a committee to view with them this Barlow-Monitor road and to give such help as it could in case the improvement proposal met with favor. This committee went over the road on Monday. Its report explains the situation as it found it:

Committee Report.  
Oregon City Live Wires of the Commercial Club, Oregon City, Ore.:  
Gentlemen:

Your committee, having obeyed your instructions to view the Monitor-Barlow road with a committee of farmers living near and interested in said thoroughfare, beg to report.

This thoroughfare has been set down as a bond road.

From Barlow to 91 school house, a distance of approximately 5 1/2 miles, it is graded and rocked. With the exception of a short stretch over Bear Creek, it is in fairly good condition for travel. From 91 school house for a distance of one mile to Cemetery road, there has been no grading. This stretch of road is in a very bad condition with deep mud holes and is almost impassable for horses or automobiles. From Cemetery road to Snyder's Corner, grading is complete but not rocked. From Snyder's Corner to Harding station, the base is laid for hard surface.

This local committee desires, in accordance with the proposed plan, that the court shall make of the bond road a market road and to allow the residents of the district through which the road passes, to purchase bonds to complete same.

Believing this proposition reasonable, workable and just, your committee recommends the favorable consideration of giving to these districts the \$5000 from the market road; and that the sale of sufficient bonds be authorized to complete the plan outlined.

This report was accepted and submitted to the county court for its final action.

## PLANS UNDER WAY FOR PAYMENT OF SOLDIERS' BONUS

Luxuries Pay Small Portion Compared with Gasoline, Parcels Post and Documents.

To cover the two and one-half years over which it is proposed to extend the soldiers' bonus payment, the ways and means committee of the house committee of congress has agreed upon a plan. While \$350,000,000 a year is the sum estimated only \$316,000,000 is provided for under the plan. The first payment will be made January 1, 1923. Under the proposal:

Documentary stamp taxes are doubled. Ditto stamp taxes on real estate transfers. This means that the rate will be \$100 where the sum is more than \$100 and less than \$500 and \$100 for each additional \$500.

The tax on cigarettes will be increased 50 cents on each 1000. Why this tax should not be still more increased and the tax on necessities as on postage and real estate is not explained by the committee. Ditto the only two cents a pound on chewing gum and smoking tobacco. Total amount \$30,000,000.

The present tax on admissions will be increased from 10 to 20 per cent and yields \$60,000,000.

In transfers of capital stock the tax is increased from 1.50 of 1 per cent to 1.10 of 1 per cent; and on documents—\$64,000,000.

### Cope the Humorist Is Coming to City

The next number in the Oregon City Lyceum course is an entertainment by Herbert Leon Cope, the man who makes you "laugh."

He will be here with his rare wit and humor, at the High school auditorium, this month, on Thursday the 23d. It will be a rare treat. Come out and hear him.

"Cope is one of the biggest men in his line, that ever came west and we will miss an opportunity if we do not hear him.—R. W. Kirk.  
Sure, I'll be there on the front seat.—Clyde Moulton.  
And I'll be in the balcony.—M. D. Latourrette.

Six dollars' worth of fun in one evening for 75c.—Bert Roake.

Cope will make you laugh like you never laughed before.—E. L. Pepe.

### Cooking Classes Give Luncheons

The first of a series of luncheons were given Tuesday noon at the Oregon City high school by four members of the Domestic Science class, Evelyn Hampton, Dorothy Draper, Edna Rakel and Helen Crawford had prepared a splendid luncheon to which six of the faculty members were invited. Hand made Valentine place cards and heart-shaped sandwiches were very attractive and appropriate for the day. These luncheons are a part of the regular domestic science work, to give the students practical experience in cooking and sewing.

Vesta Stipp Dies.  
Vesta Stipp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stipp of Molalla, passed away on Thursday of last week as a result of influenza.

The deceased was a student at the Molalla high school where she would have graduated next June. Besides her father and mother, two sisters and a brother are left to mourn her departure. Livi Stipp of this city is her uncle.

## GUBERNATORIAL POT IN DANGER OF BOILING OVER

### Eight Candidates Now in Open and Others in Patient Waiting

#### LOWER TAXES, SLOGAN

"Federated Patriotic Societies" Are Among Influences Desired by Some Candidates.

The gubernatorial pot has begun to boil. In fact it is beginning to boil over. The last candidate to jump into the political cauldron is Louis E. Bean, speaker of the house.

Bean reminds the sovereign people that he has been in the Oregon legislature in both senate and house for fourteen years and that he will stand on his record as a candidate. He declares that if elected governor, he will work for lower taxes brought about largely "through a delirium of public waste and extravagance. That he will enter this high office free from commitment or promise to special interests and would render full measure of justice to everyone.

And in this declaration of principles the candidate shows himself a good judge of public desire; and at the same time he offers to take upon himself one "whale" of a job.

Mr. Bean is the second man to enter the gubernatorial race during the week. The other who beat him to it by a few hours is Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton, an eastern Oregon man, whose equipment for this high office is such as to make him a formidable candidate.

A unique feature in state politics and which harks back to the olden days of the convention methods of nominations, is the secret organization known as The Federated Patriotic Societies and whose work is said to be sought by candidates as an ally in the race for office. And it is reported that Lowell and Bean have ignored this source of "influence" while it is held in reserve for other Senator Patterson, Charles A. Hart, George H. Kelly or Judge W. M. Calk. J. D. Lee made his formal announcement several weeks ago. All these candidates are republicans. The silence of Ben W. Olson, thus far not taken to mean that he is not a candidate. It is generally understood that he will be at the "post" when the starter gives the final signal that he is watching with deepest interest the initial "scratch" for favorite place.

So far every would-be-governor declares himself in favor of lower taxes. The one who will put forth a definite workable plan that will accomplish this result will likely soon take the lead in the present public mind.

K. of P. Will Celebrate  
The Knights of Pythias Lodge will celebrate Home Coming anniversary at their lodge room, Odd Fellows Hall, on next Wednesday evening the 22d. At this time, there will be presented a twenty-five years membership jewel. Work in the third degree and a banquet are other features of the meeting scheduled.

Roseburg Will Entertain.  
The annual Retail Merchants' and Shoe Dealers' association will meet at Roseburg on the 29th 21st and 22d of this month.

## TAX COLLECTION IS DELAYED SEVERAL DAYS

Complexities in Records of Road Levies Is Cause. Rolls Will Open On Monday.

With everything in readiness for tax collections to start this week, Tuesday, four errors in road levies were discovered in the extension of the special road tax levies.

In 1921 the legislature passed a law with reference to assessments of special road taxes and whether the budget could be authorized without the passage of a special measure authorizing the tax levy was a question which had to be decided. Distinct changes also complicated and delayed the completion of the road levy assessment sheet.

During the confusion here noted, four districts had been listed as having levied ten mill tax each which was not the case.

It has taken so far this week to correct the tax roll. And the necessity for changing the figures submitted to the secretary of state meant the recall of the county's tax roll from Salem.

The county court authorized the change in the roll by order, on Tuesday. And thus let us hope endeth one long chapter in history of ever changing laws at the court house.

The date of opening for tax collection will be next Monday, February 20.

### Pacific Coast Fire Chief to Visit City

Chief Jay Stevens of the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Pacific Coast will be present and address the Live Wires at the noon hour next Tuesday. Mr. Stevens stands at the head in the ranks of firemen of the northwest.

### Meade Post G. A. R. Observed Lincoln Day

A large and appreciative audience greeted Rev. A. H. Thompson at Willamette Hall on Monday last on the occasion of the 113th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Thompson, who has been a member of the Meade Post G. A. R. for many years, declared the speaker, could have successfully brought the country through the great struggle in which it was engaged. Mr. Lincoln was a man of the common people, and his whole life was devoted to the uplift of struggling humanity. Without disparagement to Washington the speaker believed Mr. Lincoln to be the first American. Preceding the address there was a selection by the drum corps. A reading by Mrs. Walter Bennett and the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Tenting Tonight" by Mrs. Frank Schoenborn and a violin solo by Mrs. Christine Brakel Stone, all of which were enthusiastically received. After the address the Sunday school scholars of Mrs. J. F. Butler of Gladstone, sang America and they were loudly applauded.

### May Pay Income Tax By Checks on Bank

Checks will be accepted in payment of income and other federal taxes, announces Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, only when honored by the banks upon which they are drawn at par, or full face value.

This announcement is made by Collector Huntley on instructions from the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, D. C.

Therefore, where it is known that the bank upon which the check is drawn will not pay the same at par, the taxpayer should remit by bank draft or money order.

### Pneumonia Fatal to J. Jones

Jerry M. Jones died at the Welch apartments on Seventh and Center streets Tuesday morning. After a two weeks illness with pneumonia. Mr. Jones returned to Oregon City with his wife three months ago and has been employed by the Crown-Willamette Paper Company. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alice Jones, who is ill at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Joseph Kenick of Oregon City, a mother Mrs. M. Jones of Payette, Idaho and two brothers, Wallace Jones of Payette, Idaho and F. W. Jones of Estacada, Oregon. The remains were sent to Weiser, Idaho, Tuesday afternoon by the Holman and Pace undertaking establishment, where funeral services will be held, when the remains will be laid to rest by the side of his father, who passed away seven years ago.

### Who Is Joe Jolly?

Much speculation is expressed as to the identity of "Joe Jolly," who writes under the title page "Between You and Me" in the Banner-Courier every week. Some folks say: "He is a woman;" others declare: "He is a man." There are those who believe "Him" a minister and there are those who think "Her" a rising literary contributor. Poor guessers.

Read this week's short, crisp observations on biography, architecture, nature, domestic science and current politics, note the sentiment, the facts and the fiction—and—then—guess AGAIN.

## CLACKAMAS COUNTY BUSINESS MEN HOLD MEET

### Secretary Beattie Elected Delegate to Roseburg Convention

#### PORTLAND MEN SPEAK

Many Matters of Importance to City And County Are Given Attention

The Clackamas County Business Men's Association met at the commercial club on Wednesday night. President Brady outlined the proposed business and Secretary Arthur G. Beattie made a report of the progress of the Association.

Attention was called to the value of the lists of debts to the members of the Association, and the Secretary was elected a delegate to the Retail Merchants' Convention to be held in Roseburg the first three days next week.

Five members of the Grocers Association of Portland were present and gave short talks. Gus Walstrom, president, spoke of the advantages of the Roseburg convention and urged the association to send several delegates. G. J. McPherson, state secretary, J. J. Lane, sales manager Tru Blu Biscuit Co.; D. R. Norton and W. A. Bisbee, all spoke of the values of the association membership.

A resolution was adopted, pledging support of the plan of beautifying the bridge approaches, attention to the plans of the state highway commission relative to the same having been called by Messrs. Jones and Beattie.

In the general discussion regarding things of interest to the city, F. J. Toole called attention to the excessive taxation levied on the local taxes and pointed out the value of this means of transportation to Oregon City and even to the railway lines inasmuch as the taxis offer public service to and from these lines, to West Linn, Mt. Pleasant, and other portions of the community not otherwise connected.

The suggestion that all commercial bodies of the city might profitably combine into one organization was discouraged by the visitors.

### American Legion Hears Major Peake

In the absence of Col. Witworth, Major Albert S. Peake, U. S. A., addressed a large American Legion meeting Monday night at Willamette hall, on the purpose, scope and activities of the U. S. Reserve corps. Col. Witworth, who was scheduled to speak, was unable to come because of a minor operation which he was compelled to undergo. Major Aiken of the Reserve corps also gave a short talk on other phases of the same subject.

Philip Hammond talked on a vital subject to most of the boys present, the present bonus situation in Oregon. According to Mr. Hammond, the appraisers will meet on the 17th and will begin work in the field almost immediately afterward, appraising property upon which loans have been asked. It is supposed that the money will soon be available as the bonds have already been disposed of and much of the red tape eliminated.

The Ladies' auxiliary served refreshments after the program and the balance of the evening was spent in dancing. The floor was not overcrowded however, because of a scarcity of the fair sex. Over 70 members attended but many neglected to bring "auxiliaries."

### The O. C. H. S. Observes Lincoln's Birthday

Lincoln's birthday was observed on Monday afternoon, February 13, with a special program held in our auditorium. The program consisted of the following features:

"Narcissus" (Ethebert Nevin) by the high school orchestra; "One Fleeting Hour", "Somewhere in Naples", cornet solos played by Gerald Babcock; autobiography of Lincoln, read by Dwight Hedges; The Perfect Tribute, a story, read by Miss Doris Miller; patriotic songs, sung by student body, direction of Mrs. Laurance.

### TO SAVE EYES, IS AIM National Campaign of Education Is to Be Launched

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—To eliminate the huge national loss of men and money for which defective vision is held responsible, the eyesight conservation council of America announced today that a nationwide campaign of education would be conducted in schools, industries and professions, and even on college athletic fields.

The eye, it was declared, is involved in 11 per cent of the permanent industrial accidents of the nation, and approximately 25,000,000 persons have defective vision that requires correction.