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COUNTY MAY DO AWAY WITH ROAD ENGINEER IN 1915

KNIGHT AND MATTOON REPORT- GOVERNORS OF CLUB DESIGNATE SIGNATURE OF SECRETARY OF ED TO OPPOSE EMPLOY-MENT OF EXPERT

DEFINITE ACTION IS EXPECTED BY COURT BEFORE END OF MONTH

Oregon City Business Men May Try Purchasers of Tickets Will be Pre- Plans of War Department Concerning to Influence Commissioners to Retain Road Engineer or Appoint Roadmaster

After a trial of one year, the county court may abolish the office of road was officially designated Wednesday approved the deed to the locks here engineer and resort to the former night by the board of governors of method of handling road matters the Oregon City Commercial club as through the county judge and commis a day for the welcoming of the rest in a short time, according to word

Definite action has been delayed by Judge Anderson that in all probability to traffic last week. it will be settled at a meeting next week. The report was current a week ago that a decision would not be reached before 60 days.

It is reported that while Judge Anderson favors continuing the office of road engineer or even appointing a roadmaster, under the state law, both Commissioners Matteon and Knight are opposed to it. Road Engineer Hobson has been cleaning up unfinished business in his office during the last two weeks, preparing to turn the work over to the court.

Just who would take over the mass of detail connected with road work is not certain. When asked if it would be left in the hands of the county court, Judge Anderson replied that he was already crowded for time and that he could not devote much more energy to the county's business. He said that if the office were abolished, and one of the commissioners could prove his ability in road matters, he would

be willing to approve such a plan. Road work during 1914 was carried on under the direction of Mr. Hobson who bore the title of road engineer The legislature several years ago created the office of roadmaster but made the appointment of such an office optional with the county court. Only a

Mr. Hobson was appointed in the several of the county's best highways have been laid and he superintended

plants at New Era and at Bolton. efforts of the supervisors but would that will be provided. have much influence in the spending of money in the general road fund, as the big paper mills and the woolen

engineer or appoint a roadmaster.

COURT IS PETITIONED TO KEEP ROAD EXPERT

TIVE MEN CALL ON COMMIS-SIONERS WEDNESDAY

In an attempt to induce the county mittee composed of John Risley, A. A. women the right to sit upon juries Price, T. W. Sullivan, M. D. Latour- This action was taken after one of the ette, J. W. Moffett, Harvey E. Cross most protracted debates of the sesand Harvey Starkweather, appeared before the commissioners Wednes-

Although the matter was thoroughly discussed, no decision was reached. It vote of 19 to 10, the senate recalled is expected that the court will employ the bill and decided to reconsider it. either a roadmaster or remove Road Today the bill was killed by a vote Engineer Hobson before this term expires. The members of the committee were not united in their opinion whether the county should have a road judiciary committee, which brought in engineer or a roadmaster, who would a majority and minority report. Senhave all the power vested in that office ator Butler alone signed the minority by the state law, but they all recom- report. mended strongly to the commissioners that an expert should direct road the bill was the provision giving wo-

building. Many routine matters of road re pair and construction were brought ors. The vote was as follows: before the court Wednesday, the first day of the regular February term. Bishop, Burgess, Butler, Cusick, Day. The chair was sustained. The court will probably be in session Hawley, Kiddle, La Follett, McBride, the remainder of the week.

Salem Journal: Begins to look like the Salem-Stayton railroad was rell. Garland, Hollis, Kellaher, Langgoing to be built at last-and we all Every new enterprise of this kind brings more development of the country, and construction operations just at this time will do won- Secretary of the Navy Daniels officialtic talk and signs of coming prosper- of the Panama canal would be postity which abound on every hand. poned until early in July.

OREGON CITY TO HAVE OPEN HOUSE ON FEBRUARY 22

"WILLAMETTE VALLEY SOUTHERN DAY"

ALL LIVING ALONG NEW LINE INVITED TO COUNTY SEAT TOWN

sented With Coupons Entitling Them to Many Forms of Free Entertainment

"Willamette Valley Southern Day" dents of Clackamas and Marion coun- which was received here Saturday ties living along the route of the new from Washington. the court but now it is assured by electric line that was formally opened

> Monday, February 22, is the date for the big affair. This date is Washington's birthday and the governors have deed was sent to Secretary of War determined that they will urge the Garrison for acceptance. This practibusiness interests of the city to cooperate with the officers of the club in open-handed hospitality to the residents of the recently opened territory and it is now necessary only for the between Oregon City and Mount An- secretary to affix his signature and regel, covering 33 miles of the richest quest the secretary of the treasury to country in Oregon.

The project to extend a real welcome to country residents adjacent to their trade center, and with this idea in mind it has proposed that the city lic. should arrange for a day of welcome incident to the fulfilment of the long cherished plan of the construction of a railway from Oregon City into the interior of the county. It remained only for the Commercial club to put these tentative plans into execution. and the board of governors placed the matter into the hands of the club's committee on entertainment and reception, consisting of M. D. Latourette, H. A. Vernet, B. T. McBain, L.

As the name indicates, the welcome the construction of the rock crushing on Washington's birthday will apply only to those who ride into the city authority that Mr. Hobson might be appointed roadmaster with all the around trip rate of one and one-third of 1913 relinquished all claim to and appointed roadmaster with all the a round trip rate of one and one-third power granted the office by statute. fare for the day, and all purchasers of If this were done, he would have com. tickets will be presented with coupons plete control of road work during the which will entitle the holders to share year and not only would direct the in the various forms of entertainment

The visitors will be shown through mills, and will be given steamer rides The appointment of Mr. Hobson fol- to the falls, and will be treated to othlowed a petition presented by Oregon er forms of amusements. The affair City business men to a previous court. will be exensively advertised all along It is possible that these same interests the line from Oregon City to Mount may take a hand in attempting to con- Angel and it is expected that at least lature appropriated \$200,000 to help vince the court that it is to the best in- 2000 people will spend Washington's the Willamette Falls Canal & Lock terests of the county to retain a road birthday as the guests of Oregon company build the locks, with the un-City's business men

SENATE KILLS BILL

PASSED FIVE DAYS AGO ENDS IN DEFEAT

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 30 .- The senate court to retain a road expert, a com- today killed the Langguth bill giving sion.

Five days ago the senate passed the bill by a vote of 24 to 6. Then by a of 17 to 12.

The bill had been re-referred to the

The chief point of attack against men the right of option as to whether they should accept services as jur-Against the bill-Barret, Bingham,

Ragsdale, Smith of Josephine, Stewart, Strayer, Wood, Mr. President. For the bill-Clarke, Dimick, Far-

Coos, Vinton, von der Hellen. WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.-Today

guth, Leinenweber, Moser, Smith of

GOVERNMENT AT LAST APPROVES

WAR ALL THAT IS NOW NECESSARY

TRANSFER INVOLVES PAYMENT OF \$375,000 TO POWER CO.

Development of Ship Canal Not Announced at Present Time

The federal government has finally

The examination of the document was made by Attorney General Gregory and his letter together with the cally closes negotiations which have been under way for almost two years pay over the cash.

When the purchase is completed the the electric road was first broached secretary of war will announce the about a week ago, and met with in- policy of the government and it is ex stant favor among the business men, pected that the canal will be immewho realise the immense advantage to diately thrown open for free navigabe gained through close communion tion. Until that time, the plans of be gained through close communion tion. Until that time, the plans of with a good deal of confidence, would hesitate if the punishment was with the people who make Oregon City the war department as to future work that we are upon the eve of a iffe imprisonment. I believe that a

> paid when the deed is signed. As a tion points. will construct a third wall which with one of the canal walls will make a canal taking water to the power plants of the generating plant and the For the purchase of the locks, the

state legislature of 1909 appropriated few counties in the state have taken Adams and C. G. Huntley. The com. \$300,000. A like amount was approadvantage of the law. spring of 1914 and under his direction A. A. Price, L. Adams and George Ban. propriations were made with the understanding that the government was jurisdiction over the lock to the government.

Negotiations for the purchase of the locks have been in progress for several years, the power company at first asking \$1,000,000 for the property. The company owned all the land around the locks, which it acquired by purchase from the Portland General Electric company in 1906.

the property in 1870, when the legisnet profits of operation should be paid centage was not paid, which led to a amine their character." long litigation, terminating in 1908 with the decision of the state supreme court that the owners of the locks were bound to pay the percentage.

Oregon City commercial fishermer have been working at Salem ever DELEGATION OF REPRESENTA- RECONSIDERATION OF MEASURE since the fishing bill was introduced. and when it comes up for consideration in the senate Monday or Tuesday the champions of the net fishers will DRYS NOW FAVOR 24 QUARTS INput up their last fight for the industry, and it is certain to be a hot one. The fish and game committee will prob ably report the bill to the senate Mon

TACTICS OF SENATE'S HEAD 'PEEVES' DIMICK

Senator Von der Hellen caused the make a case. bill to be recalled from the house yesterday. Today he moved to reconsider the vote.

that it was too late to reconsider. Sen- two quarts. ator Wood was presiding. He overruled the point raised. Senator Moser appealed from the chair's ruling.

division, but Senator Wood rushed sacramental uses. ahead with other business. Dimick stood at his desk and shook his fist. "I admire ironhanded tactics, but you Representative Hinkle's bill to raise Forest patrol suit me too well," he shouted at the the standard of county school super-

Dimick then turned to Senator Me. It provides that a county superintendly presented the sack of shorts to him. in this state.

COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL BOOST WEEKLY LUNCHEON

While the Oregon City Com- 4 mercial club has declined to take a the weekly luncheons of the Live 4 Wires that for so many years of have proven a popular feature of the city's business and profes-+ sional life, the board of gover + e nors Wednesday night directed + the club's secretary to co-oper-+ + ate with the Live Wires to assist + + in securing a greater attendance # s under the new 25 cent juncheon s * plan. The Live Wires will be ex-* pected to work out its own salva-* tion under the half-rate lunch * SCHUEBEL'S BILL AFFECTING plan. Secretary Latourette of the & Commercial club will today send of to all members of the club return + postal cards urging the recipi-+ ents to attend the luncheons and & * asking for an authorization to be * * placed on the club's telephone * # list. The publicity department's # stenographer will, each Monday, & * telephone to every member that * is placed on the list, conveying a + notification of the weekly lunch 4 e eon on the Tuesday following, & The plan will be tried out for the

PRESIDENT AWAITS

* first time next week

WILSON SPEAKS BEFORE CON-VENTION OF ELECTRIC RAIL WAY ABSOCIATION

* PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29,-Another onfident prediction that the country prise and prosperity was voiced today imprisonment. by President Wilson, in a speech be-Electric Railway association.

mine whether the correct remedy had for the Oregon City fishermen. been applied, he believed the "maze of interrogation points" which had checked enterprise for 20 years had been cleared away.

With a common understang regarding business reached, he said, henceforth nobody would be suspicious of any business just because it is big. He gave some of the "rules of the game" which he thought should be The state acquired its interest in fo lowed, heading the list with public-

"I always maintained that the only way in which men could understand derstanding that 10 per cent of the other," said the president. "I know one another was by meeting one anmany men whose horns dropped away into the state school fund. The per- the moment I was permitted to ex-

HOUSE RAISES BEER **OUOTA TO FULL CASE**

STEAD OF 15 - WHISKY LIMIT THE SAME

SALEM. Ore., Feb. 2.-Additional amendments have been made in the jority report of the committee on prohibition bill now before the house, health and public morals was adopted time this week.

held another meeting this evening at draft. which the maximum limit on the quantity of malt liquors that a resident of SALEM, Ore., Jan. 30.-Senator the state can import within an 30-day Dimick's sack of shorts had short period was raised from 15 quaits to shift in the senate this morning. His 24 quarts. This was for the purpose bill standardizing the weight of a sack of conforming with the methods now of shorts was passed by the senate, in use in handling beer, as 24 bottles

The quantity of distilled or ferment ed liquors that may be shipped in as an alternative to the 24 quarts of beer Dimick raised the point of order has been unchanged. It remains at

men may have it shipped into the divided into the following items: a viva voce vote. Dimick demanded a make affidavit that it is to be put to

> SALEM Ore., Jan. 30 .- (Special)intendents passed the house Saturday

BILL TO LESSEN **MURDER PENALTY**

FIGHT FOR HEAVIER SENTENCES

ALIENS KILLED IN THE HOUSE

Representatives Desire to Steer Clear of Possible Foreign Entanglementa-Six-Day-Week Bill Defeated

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 3 .- (Special)-Dimick's fight on the Langguth bill changing the sentence for second degree homicide from life imprisonment to a term of from 20 to 30 years today, caused the bill to be rereferred to the committee on the revision of laws.

Languth's bill making punishment for first degree homicide life imprison-FRA OF ENTERPRISE ment passed the scale of the amendat Oregon City and the other ment abolishing capital punishment the law to remain as it is. ment passed the senate. The author there had been no penalty for first degree murder and the district attor- for a deadline at the bridge as a comneys to obtain convictions had slayers indicted in second degree.

Senator McBride, chairman of compunishment of second degree should not be as severe as for the first degree, and the committee thought 20 to 30 years in prison was about right.

"The deterrent effect is not the OF CHEER IN SPEECH + same," said Dimick. "It would give enterprising governors an excuse for It seems to me that I can say, + paroling and pardoning, when they near this city will not be made pub
new era of enterprise and of pros
person who kills another without jusperity. Enterprise has been tification should be hanged, but the The transfer of the locks involve a most 20 years, because men were payment of \$275,000 which will be moving in a mane of interroga an excuse for letting out dead beats * checked in this country for al- * people willed otherwise. I do not beand thugs and playing this four-flushing game. I think this bill would be putting a premium on that kind of

will enter upon a new era of enter- and second degree homicide be life

fore the convention of the American Oregon City tonight, said he thought sons suing for damages. the fishermen would win their fight to Speaking to business men and keep the river open to net fishing. feat amendments to the law creating to purchase, enlarge and reconstruct through them to the world of business Schuebel is one member of the com- a weights and measures department, the locks and operate them toll-free. general y, the president outlined what mittee to confer with the committee but was unsuccessful. He introduced the river bank where the logs are The war department, which has the Democratic congress has tried to from the Washington legislature recharge of such matters, has its plans accomplish through its trust legislater garding fishing and control of the Co-abolishing such a department. The

Constitutional enactments looking to the exclusion of aliens from the rights of holding property were summarily sat upon in the house this morning when Representative Schuebel's two joint resolutions placing the subject upon the ballot were voted down. Only six members voted in fa-

eigners Littlefield challenged the proposal as an infraction of treaty rights between the United States and other lands, and Eaton interposed two objections, one being the far-reaching effect of such a measure at a time when world affairs are sadly embroiled, and the other that the legislature should

not overload the initiative ballot, Schuebel had insisted that the legislature is not committing itself to the policy of excluding aliens, but Forbes retorted that such an interpretation would be put on the resolution by every foreign nation affected, and Olson echoed the same idea, citing the close watch that consuls and diplomats pay

to legislative proceedings. Representative Horne's bill, No. 174 calling for one day's rest in seven, was killed this morning when the mabut the measure now is ready for final Horne renewed the fight he has been consideration and doubtless will be making on the floor for legislation to made a special order of business some protect labor. The minority report recommended amendments making The committee on alcoholic traffic the bill more rigid than its original

\$784,377.64, TOTAL OF COUNTY'S TAXES

according to the figures prepared by Police Shaw. The limit on the amount of wine J. O. Staats who Saturday night comthat may be imported for sacramental pleted his two-month task of extend- morning but soon after her arrival, it was his intention to attempt to purposes has been removed. C'ergy ing the tax roll. The total amount is was excused for the day on the marry the girl. He had asked Mr. The motion to reconsider was put to state in any desired quantiti if they State and county tax \$661,940.15 parents were notified and Papa Smith, over a month ago and had been re-Special school 108,644.14

Special high school 64.012.21 town. Special roads Cities and towns 47,716.94

fer and Nell Richardson.

DELAY ALL THAT SAVES GILL BILL: DEFEAT PROBABLE

DIMICK MAKES A SUCCESSFUL NET FISHERMEN HAVE OPPO WILLAMETTE VALLEY SOUTH-NENTS ON THE RUN IN SENATE

DIMICK, HUNT AND SCHUEBEL WILL ACCEPT NO COMPROMISE

Amendment to Compensation Act Is Passed by House-Text Book Repeal Only Needs Governor's Signature

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 2 .- (Special) --Oregon City net fishermen have the advocates of the Gill bill on the run first trains into the towns by the falls and would have won the fight in the senate today had not Moser succeeded in having the action postponed .

After a meeting this morning the committee on fisheries agreed to submit two reports- one prohibiting net in the state, while the other, an extenfishing above the suspension bridge at Oregon City and the other to allow

The Gill men spoke of the proposal in West Linn with Oswego, promise and it is reported that members of the house who voted a few days ago to make the mouth of the mittee on the revision of laws, said Clackamas river the deadline are fa- 6:40 o'clock Saturday morning owvorable to it.

Senator Dimick and Representatives or substation, but arrived in Oregon Hunt and Schuebel, who are doing all City almost on time. The road was they can for fishermen, however, will well patronized on its first day of opagree to no such compromise and de- eration. clare the bill, no matter how amended, will be defeated. It was made a spe- lished early in the week, as soon as

Compensation Act Passed. @ Schuebel's bill, amending the compensation act, passed in the house by a vote of 55 to two, indicating that the members will not give favorable consideration to the senate bill which Agents will probably be named at Oresubstitutes the Michigan law. This law gives casualty companies the right to write compensation insurance.

Schuebel's bill provides 16 classifications for contributions according to the degrees of hazards. Under the old bill slightly hazardous occupations were charged as much and in some cases more than extra hazardous. The Schuebel, just before starting for bill removes all chance of injured per-

Dimick made a strong fight to dea year each.

Text Book Law Repealed. Only the governor's signature to H. B. 152 is now needed to repeal the ton. free textbook law. The senate passed

the bill this morning. a bill will come up to provide for free ern Pacific.

public schools. He moved to indefi- the Willamette. nitely postpone the bill. His motion against it.

textbooks in public schools only.

had been advised by the chairman of tween here and Portland. the house judiciary committee and Mr. vicious and should be repealed.

TWO NEW ROADS IN COUNTY BEGIN SERVICE, ONE DAY

ERN AND P., E. & E. RUN FIRST TRAINS

RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT THOUGHT TO OPEN NEW ERA IN CLACKAMAS

Line on West Side Will Bring 60,000, 000 Feet of Lumber Yearly to Mills at Palls of River

Two electric railroads, both completed within the last week, ran their

The longer of the two, the Williamette Valley Southern, is considered among the highest grade electric lines sion of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern, connects the paper and polp mills

The first train on the Willamette Valley Southern left Mt. Angel a few minutes behind the scheduled time of ing to difficulties at the Monitor pow-

The freight service will be estabcial order for Monday afternoon at 2 the locomotive, which was slightly damaged several days ago, is repaired. The passenger trains will make three round trips a day.

The station agents on the new line have not yet been named and fares are collected by the conductors. gon City, Beaver Creek, Molalia, Monitor and Mt. Angel and after a few months at Mulino. Stations are to be

erected at other points along the line The extension of the Portland Eugene & Eastern is about four miles long and will carry 60,000,000 feet of lumber a year. The northern terminus of the line is just south of Os wego where a large electric derrick has been installed to load the cars. At this end of the line, the road runs a short distance south of the falls on dumped into the river to be floated

down to the paper plants. The new road on the west side of the river is an extension of the old deputies for them at salaries of \$1200 Willamette Falls railway which runs from Willamette to Bolton through West Lian. The Oswego end of the line is about four miles north of Bol

The two roads are considered material evidences of prosperity in Ore-Chief opposition to the repeal of the gon City and Clackamas county at a law came from those interested in pa- time when industry is crippled and vor of the measures, the opinion be- rochial schools, which, under the law, the financial condition of the country ing expressed that this is a most un- are entitled to free textbooks when a is strained. The Willamette Valley propitious time for the launching of school district votes for free books Southern was built with local capital any radical principles affecting for the same as public schools. Fear was by local men while the road across the expressed that if this law is repealed river is practically a part of the South-

> Four roads now run into Oregon Senator Dan Kellaher declared this City and West Linn. The main line would be the result if the present law of the Southern Pacific, the Portland is repealed. He said Representative Railway, Light & Power company, the Schuebel now has a bill pending be- Willamette Valley Southern and the fore the house judiciary committee Portland, Eugene & Eastern all serve that provides for free textbooks for the two towns located at the falls of

> There is a possibility that the road was seconded by Perkins. On roll to Oswego may connect with the call the motion was lost with 18 votes tracks of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern which are now laid to Oswego so Senator Dimick then said that he that a third line would operate be-

> The extension of the Portland, Eu-Schuebel that if the present law is gene and Eastern follows the right-ofrepealed his bill, now before the judi- way which was bought when it was ciary committee, will be withdrawn, announced that the main lines of the Senator Day said the present law is road down the valley would follow the west bank of the river.

Cruel Papa Conspires With Stern Officials To Spoil Elopement

A romance between Roy Hill, 22-| came suspicious and called up the par-In Clackamas county this year then was broken up Friday afternoon phone. \$784.377.64 will be collected in taxes, by the girl's irate father and Chief of

Total\$784,377.64 the county seat. Before departing for ed to runaway with her, he had bet-Treasurer Dunn announced the fol- Portland or Vancouver, where the ter stay away from my place." stores. At one the proprietor be press a charge against him.

year-old farm hand, and Gertrude ents of the girl to learn that her Smith, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. father was already on the road to the and Mrs. N. H. Smith of the Fisher county seat. "He'll gallop all the way." Mill district, reached its climax and announced Mrs. Smith over the tele-Hill, who has worked for Mr. Smith

for the last year, was taken to the The girl left for school Thursday police station where he confessed that grounds that she was ill. Later, her Smith for the hand of his daughter suspicious as soon as he received fused. "I told him that none of my 1,752.66 word, mounted a horse and started for girls would marry until they were at In the meantime, the girl and her me," declared Mr. Smith. "I said if lover has borrowed a horse and buggy he would wait four years I might confrom a neighbor and had arrived in sider him. But after he has attempt-

Bride, who said he knew all about ent must have at least 27 months ac lowing deputies who will serve under youth confessed they would attempt Hill agreed to leave the community ders toward backing up the optimis ly announced that the formal opening shorts, as he had milked a cow since tive teaching experience, 12 months Tax Collector Harrington: Misses Jes- to secure a marriage license, the two and to stop paying attentions to the he was 7 years old, and grandlloquent of which time must have been served se Paddock, Ona Renner, Mary Con- determined to visit several local girl, and the girl's parents will not