

# WAYS, SAYS STATE SHOULD BE OWNED

### Regulation First, Acquisition Later, of Public Utilities Urged by Governor.

## ROAD WORK IS DESCRIBED

### Speaker at East Side Business Men's Luncheon Also Says People Should Know Appropriations Needed, in Advance.

Regulation first and acquisition afterward, of public utilities, insurance and maintenance of good roads by convict labor and the publication in advance of the meeting of the Legislature of appropriations that will be needed, for information of the public, were the subjects discussed yesterday by Governor West at the luncheon of the East Side Business Men's Club at the Hotel Sargent. There were 150 business men present.

### Regulation First Wanted.

"We have two telephone companies in this state," said the Governor, the Home and the Pacific telephone, or Bell system. The Home Company operates mainly in Portland and Albany. I believe that we should acquire these public utilities as fast as we can and as fast as we are able to take care of them; but I favor regulation as the first step, and then acquisition. We are moving in that direction.

"Before the establishment of the Interstate Railroad Commission we knew little about the railroads, but now through the operation of the Interstate Commission we know all about the railroads and how they are operated. When we know any city, undertake to acquire a piece of property it must pay several prices for it. I believe that the assessed value with 25 per cent added, should be the price paid for public property. So in the acquisition of public utilities we should know the real value, without water.

### Bulletin to Tell Needs.

"The heads of the state department and these will be issued in a bulletin for distribution in advance, in October, and every citizen can know in advance what will be called for at the next session of the Legislature. This bulletin will tell what the asylum or other state institutions, will require. It will be placed before the people of the state to approve or disapprove the prospective appropriations, and it will be up to the heads of the state departments to show the reasons for the appropriations asked. This will be in the direction of economy.

### Convict Road Work Upheld.

"The plan of using convicts in road construction is working out successfully. When those who have opposed convict policy get crushed rock for 20 cents where they had been paying \$1.00 and more, they become converts. Other convict camps will be established throughout the state where road material will be turned out at small cost.

### Oregon Roads Better.

County Commissioners Return From King County.

### Roads Better.

A comparison of conditions relative to county administration between King County, Washington, and Multnomah County would give Portland considerably the better of it, according to the report of County Judge Clifton and Hart, on their return Sunday night from Seattle, where they investigated King County affairs. The investigation of the County Commission and the invitation of the company interested in the manufacture of "Warrents," a hard surface paving that has been used to some extent here.

more to construct the roads there, however, he points out, and that the rate is higher than in Multnomah County. The total tax levy there this year is 33 mills, while that in Multnomah County is 24.1 mills.

The maindard road in King County, he says, are constructed at a cost of about \$10,000 a mile, while in Multnomah County they are built at a cost of from \$2000 to \$2500 a mile, and he thinks Multnomah County roads are in better shape. The high cost of road construction in the Sound country, he attributes to the fact that the work there is under the supervision of a county engineer, instead of under a road supervisor, as here, and that the engineer has about 40 assistants, at salaries ranging from \$5 to \$150 a month. Furthermore, all road work is done by contract, which brings the cost considerably higher than it would be if done directly by the county. Natural conditions also tend to make roadbuilding in that section extensive, says Mr. Lightner, as the gravel and road material have to be hauled considerable distances before it is available for roadbuilding purposes, while in Multnomah County the gravel and road quarries are practically adjacent to the roads. King County has about 1000 miles of road, and Multnomah County about 400 miles, but King County is several times larger than Multnomah County. For road funds this year the Northern state county has \$150,000. The members of the County Court were pleased with the result of their investigations of the new paving, although they do not think that said in King County has been thoroughly tested. It has been down 14 months and thus far has given good service. Fourteen miles are in use. Travel on King County roads is about as good as that on the Multnomah roads, says Mr. Lightner, as the country about Seattle is not the farming kind of that about Portland, where the roads are usually in use by farmers hauling their products to the city, while such is not the case around Seattle. Light automobile traffic forms a large portion of road travel in the North.

### SNOW AIDS INTERIOR

DR. CALVIN S. WHITE SAYS HE FOUND CONDITIONS GOOD.

### Health Officer Investigates Condition of Water in Canal at Pilot Butte.

Dr. Calvin S. White, president of the State Board of Health, returned yesterday from Eastern and Central Oregon, where he spent an investigation into the conditions of the water supply for the people of Pilot Butte. The water supply is obtained from a water system which will depend entirely upon the canal. Dr. White found the charges to be true and took steps to remedy the conditions.

"At Enterprise, where I was yesterday," said Dr. White, "the temperature was only a few degrees above zero. The trip up to Enterprise Canyon is most interesting. A very fine station has been built at Redmond out of native stone, and an equally fine station Bend out of the same material. Auto and horse buses meet the trains and try to outdo each other in obtaining passengers for the hotels.

### RUPTURE EXPERT IS HERE

Seelye, Who Fitted the Car of Russia, Called to Portland.

F. H. Seelye, of Chicago and Philadelphia, a rupture expert, is at the Multnomah Hotel and will remain in Portland Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mr. Seelye says: "The operations of the Trustees have been approved by the United States Government, will not only remedy any case of rupture perfectly, affording immediate relief, but closes the chronic cases on the average case. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery or harmful injections." Mr. Seelye has documentary references from the United States Government, Washington, D. C. for inspection. All charity cases without charge, or if any interested case will be glad to show the instrument to fit them if desired.

# WELCOME ISSUED

### Governors Are Requested to Attend Rose Festival.

## CONGRESS MAY BE HELD

### Fete Management Urges That Executives of All States West of Mississippi Come to Portland Next Summer.

Personal invitations were sent out by the Rose Festival management yesterday, not only to the governors of the Western states who will head the delegation to the Northwest Development Congress at Seattle just before the festival, but to all state executives west of the Mississippi, asking them to come here as guests of the festival and hold a Governors' congress at that time.

### RESIDENTS ASK RELIEF

#### BOULEVARD LAND OWNERS DESIRE CITY TO ACT.

South Portland Property Holders Object to Delay in Purchase of Necessary Ground.

### SCOUT CAMP TO FORM

ARTHUR EVANS WOOD PLANS ORGANIZATION HERE.

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"Our boys wanted to hear General Baden-Powell," said Mr. Snyder yesterday. "We talked the matter over the night before last and decided to do a body. When we got to the auditorium we found ourselves in the midst of a lot of men, who began hooting and cheering at the speaker. I told the boys I thought it was a good idea to attend, and we started out. It was not intended as a sign of disapproval of the speaker's remarks. I am personally not very much in favor of the scout movement. I am opposed to the military feature of it. In this day and age of the world I don't think we should educate boys along the line. Our boys are organized on a more constructive plan. We take long hikes into the country and study the plants and birds, have campfires and story-telling. I do not think we shall become identified with the movement.

the auditorium, expressed his regret that such a disgraceful exhibition should have occurred here. He deplored the fact that General Baden-Powell should have been subjected to such insults, but even more he regretted that the boys present should have had such an experience. He believed that this had a bad effect. To be successful of the Boy Scout movement, he said, would depend entirely upon the sort of men who were to have charge.

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# Eugene Chafin Will Speak in Auditorium Today—2 to 3 P. M.

### Special Meeting of Cooking Class Today at 3 P. M. in Auditorium

Topic for Discussion—"Philosophy of the Home and Household Economy," by Evelene Spencer—The Public Is Cordially Invited

# Olds, Wortman & King

## Sale of Beds and Bedding

Thrifty housekeepers, who are doing their Spring housecleaning, and those who are furnishing new houses—as well as hotel and rooming-house keepers who are making preparations for the conventions, the Rose Carnival, etc., may realize great savings at this sale. All mail orders promptly and carefully filled.

### Hand-Made Imported Curtains

Imported hand-made Lace Arabian Curtains, in a large assortment of attractive patterns for your selection. Made on the best grade of French net, full width and full length. You should not fail to see them. Prices:

### On the Center Circle—On Main Floor

Women's Muslin Gowns \$1.49. Women's Muslin Drawers \$1.49. Muslim Combination Suits \$1.49. Long Cloth Corset Covers \$1.49.

### Bargain Circle--Main Floor

Women's Vests 19c. Union Suits 45c. Women's Underwear at 1-3 Less. Women's Tights 23c.

### STATE BOARD IS SCORED

Governor West, Secretary Olcott and Treasurer Kay Hit by Unions.

### For The Nervous Woman,

Or the woman who experiences hot flashes nothing is so good to soothe, quiet and calm the nervous system as a pure glyceric extract of native medicinal plants, made without alcohol, which has been sold by druggists for the past forty years and is now favorably known as Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. In younger years, some women suffer from dizziness, or fainting spells, hysteria, headache, bearing-down feelings and pain. All these symptoms of irregularity and female disturbance are relieved by the use of this famous "Prescription" of Doctor Pierce.



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