# SYSTEMATIC ROAD POLICY IS URGED

Lack of Definite Highway Building Plan Is Declared Costly.

### ROAD LAWS NEEDED

State Engineer Lewis Points Out Deficiency of Present System Outlines Plans for Practical Programme.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 16 .- (Special.)-Lack of a definite road building policy and a chaotic mass of road laws, is costing Oregon the loss of thousands of dollars annually, according to John H. Lewis, State Engineer, in charge of the State Highway Department.

There is need for a general over-hauling of road laws of the state, Mr. Lewis declares, so that responsibility for road work may be fixed definitely upon responsible officers.

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to \$6,000,000 annually on about 37,000 miles of road, but that the manner of expenditure is haphazard, disorganized and backed by no intelligent plan.

System is Cumbersome.

The task of expending this great amount of money on the roads is in the hands of 105 County Judges and Commissioners, 35 county surveyors, four roadmasters, 862 road supervisors and

roadmasters, 862 road supervisors and the State Highway Commission.

"In general these men are honest," Mr. Lewis says, "but they are disorganized. Frequent changes in office, occasional recalls, and reorganizations make it very difficult for the public to profit by past experience. Many unnecessary disputes occur between state and county officials, due to the indefiniteness of existing laws. Valuable time thus is wasted. thus is wasted.

'Having only limited powers and wi-hout any substantial policy to ad-here to, these state and county officials here to, these state and county officials are dragged around by interested property owners, enthusiastic citizens having pet projects, or by designing contractors and material men, and forced to spend public money on small, disconnected, hastily considered, inadequately financed unrelated projects, without regard to the larger plans of interest to the whole nearly

gard to the larger plans of interest to the whole people.

"There is thus need for a general overhauling of road laws of Oregon to the end that responsibility for road work may be fixed upon responsible officers. The laws are cumbersome, conflicting and indefinite. With over 1000 state, county and district officials acting more or less independently in road expenditures, conditions could not be otherwise than chaotic.

### Pacific Highway Strategic.

"One of the most important roads from the standpoint of the Federal Government for immediate construction is the Pacific Highway. This road extends from Canada to Mexico, through Western Washington, Oregon and Cali-fornia. It would be of great strategic value in case of an invasion of our Coast line. It connects the principal cities of the three Coast States with the most populous and producing agricul-tural sections. In addition, it is of great interest to the tourist as it con-nects many of our most interesting Na-tional parks and opens up scenic spots

of unrivaled beauty. "The Pacific Highway in both Washington and California is about 50 per cent complete, while in Oregon we have scarcely made a beginning. Out of 350 miles, we have only 26 miles paved.

There are a number of steep and dangerous bills in Josephine and Douglas group of Abraham Lincoln.

The was a survivor of the distinguished group of New York journalists which included Charles A. Dana and Whitelaw Reid. He was a personal group bills in Josephine and Douglas group of Abraham Lincoln.

Columbia Highway Important.

"The Columbia River Highway, ex-tending from the Pacific Ocean, along the south bank of the Columbia River through Portland and Pendleton to the Washington line near Walla Walla, is another road of interest to the people of the entire Northwest. This road is approximately 355 miles in length. It is only partially completed. A dirt road on state standards is largely completed through Clatsop and Columbia Counties. It is payed hyperser through Malleton.

in that it will open a great undeveloped section of the state to auto truck traffic, in addition to shortening the through route about 100 miles. This will bring new settlers and increased taxable wealth.

Connecting Roads Necessary.

"Both these routes when completed will afford communication between the great agricultural districts of Eastern and Western Oregon. With limited maintenance, it is believed these roads can be kept open through the mountains during ordinary Winters.

"Other roads such as The Dalles-California Highway will, when improved, be of great value in the development of Oregon in addition to waking coulebt.

be of great value in the development of Oregon in addition to making available to the tourists many points of interest in the great Cascade range which effectively divides Oregon into two parts. The Florence, Eugene, Klamath Falls read, which crosses this meuntain range will, when completed, make Klamath and Lake Counties truly a part of Oregon. They are now commercially tributary to California.

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"The construction of such trunk roads has for years been opposed by many in the rural districts of Oregon. They de-mand first the construction of local roads which radiate from market cen-ters.

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Plan Is Outlined.

"A movement is now on foot among the County Judges and Commissioners of Oregon for the classification of our roads and definitely fixing responsibility upon specific officers for the construction and maintenance of each of these different classes. This is the plan adopted by many of our states as well as foreign countries. It is the only plan whereby this new form of rapidly moving traffic can be adequately cared for.

"We must have a definite plan adopted by the Legislisture defining the principal routes for intercounty and interviewed the transparent of the transparent of the transparent of the spans now stand made dreadging routes for intercounty and interviewed the transparent of the spans now stand made dreadging necessary. The scows with which the MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—General Carranza was unable to take part in the Mexican independence-day exercises here today, being confined to his home with a slight cold. General Candido Aguilar, Minister of Foreign Affairs, took General Carranza's place and reviewed the troate.

ed by the Legislature defining the principal routes for intercounty and interstate traffic as 'state routes.'

"Whenever a section or portion of a 'state route' has been permanently improved by the state, it should thereafter be taken over and maintained as a state road at the expense of the state. The county to care for such a road prior to its becoming a 'state road.'

roads will serve as feeders to the main or trunk lines which will carry the concentrated traffic.

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"The local or district roads should be largely under district control.
"Different standards should be provided for each class and sufficient overhead supervision had to insure that these standards be followed at least on intercounty and interstate routes. In this way such roads when completed will form definite links in a preconceived system or plan, adopted at the outset. A uniform system of accounting should also be provided so that the public may be conveniently informed as to how or where public funds are being expended."

### LEAP FROM JITNEY HURTS

Passenger Car and Private Machine Are in Collision.

C. M. Pennell, 248 East Fiftieth street, was cut on the head last night when he

COTTAGE GROVE HAS NEW SU-PERINTENDENT SCHOOLS.



W. Gilbert Benttle.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. S.—(Special.)—W. Gilbert Beattle, the new superintendent of the Cottage Grove schools, is a teacher of long experience. He was graduated from the University of Oregon in 1901 with the A. B. degree. While a student at the university he took an active part in student affairs, especially in literary, Y. M. C. A. and giee club work. He was the first president of the University of Oregon Glee

Club. Mr. Beattle came here from Juneau, Alaska, where he was superintendent for the district of Southeastern Alaska under the United States Commissioner of

jumped out of a jitney about to collide with an automobile driven by C. C. Simerol, of Salem. He was taken home. The jitney was driven by Frank Parslow, 304 East Forty-sixth street. The collision occurred at East Elev-

### HORACE WHITE, 82, DIES

One-Time Foremost Journalist Succumbs at Advanced Age.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16-Horace White,

gerous hills in Josephine and Douglas Countles where the present grades should be reduced.

These countries cannot afford to remove these obstacles without state and Fed
With the was a personal friend of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. White was editor of the Chicago Tribune from 1864 to 1874. In 1883 he joined the staff of the New these obstacles without state and Fedpaper work in 1903.

## STRAW SHOWS HUGHES, 2-1 Judge Gives Churchmen Fatherly Ad-

Olympian Buffet Ballots Give 129 for Wilson, 225 for Hughes.

## LINER MAY BE MINE VICTIM

British Admiralty Expresses Opinion of Loss of Counsellor.

davit that the ship was torpedoed.

Engineer Corps Stays in Field.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—The detachment of troops from Company F, Engineer Corps, which was sent to Northern California early last Spring on a mapping detail, will not be returned here now, as had been expected, according to advices received at this post.

viewed the troops,

Vancouver Power Cut Off an Hour.

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County Courts to Direct.

"The main county roads should be built and maintained under the general direction of the County Courts. These VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 16.-(Spe.

Friends Travel Far to Pay Tribute to J. W. Bennett.

Lumberman Tells How North Bend Was Born When Banker Showed Faith by Loan of \$25,000

on Personal Note.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Sept. 16.—(Special.) — The funeral of J. W. Bennett will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock and will be among the largest attended obsequies ever held in Southern Oregon. There are many friends here from a distance to be present when the serv ices are held in the Episcopal Church. Archdeacon William Horsfall, of Ban-don, an old friend of Judge Bennett's, will pronounce the eulogy.

Lodges Are to Attend. At another time Mr. Bennett lent Mr. Simpson \$80,000 with which to buy timber, also on his personal note. The funeral will be conducted under for many years one of the country's foremost journalists and an authority on financial subjects, died at his home here today after a long illness. He was 2 years old.

Mr. White was a survivor of the distinguished group of New York journalists. The body is to be viewed at the hours of 19

SAYS FIST SHOOK AT HIS NOSE.

vice and Recommends That They Keep Apart in the Future.

THE DALLES, Or., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The troubles of the Christian on state standards is largely completed through Clatrop and Columbia Counties. It is paved, however, through Multnomah County and for a number of miles west of Astoria. Several steep and dangerous hills in Hood River and Wasco Counties must be overcome before this route will become popular for heavy through traffic.

"With the coimpletion of the proposed cross-state route from Portland, across the Cascade Range south of Mounts the Collowing result: Hughes, 225.

Gold and up the John Day Valley to the Idaho line near Ontario, a short cut for the Northwest will be provided. This route is of particular interest to Oregon in that it will open a great undeveloped in that it will open a great undeveloped.

apart in the future.

Rev. Leon L. Myers, the pastor, about whom centered all the disputes, backed by President Walker, of the deacons; President Curtis, of the elders, and Mrs. Etta M. Coryea, church cierk, emphatically denies that he was asked to resign at a mass meeting

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Consul Frost at Queenstown reported today that the British Admiralty believes the British Harrison liner Counsellor, which sailed from Seattle the middle of last month and sank southwest of Galley Head September 14 without loss of life, struck a mine.

Frank Callingham, an American fireman on the ship, was reported in London dispatches as having made affidavit that the ship was torpedoed.

Pastor Not Asked to Resign.

THE DALLES, Or., Sept. 12.—(To the Editor)—Your statement in a news item that Rev. Leon L. Myers had been asked by the church here to resign from the pastorate is absolutely without foundation. The church here has never taken such action.

(Signed) J. W. Curtis, President of the Board of Eiders; F. P. Walker, President of the Board of Deacons; Etta M. Coryea, Church Clerk.

### SPAN FLOATING IS DELAYED

Sections of Bridge to Be Put in Position Friday.

### STAR GAZING IS ENFORCED Reed Freshmen's Rooms Bared of

Astronomy was forced arbitrarily into the curriculum of Reed College freshmen Friday night when the upper pelonging to the first-year men onto the green before the college build-

All Things Movable.

ing while the owners were enjoying themselves at a reception tendered by President and Mrs. W. T. Foster.

Entering the dormitory, they visited the room of every freshman and bore his bed, his dresser, his toothbrush and every other movable article down to the green below. Then they locked the

When the freshmen returned, pleas, threats and promises failed to move the obdurate hearts of the persecutors. Entreaties for pajamas and aspirin tablets brought no relenting pity.

Determined to make the best of their BODY TO LIE IN STATE

plight, the freshmen organized a tin
band and marched seven times around
the dormttory, singing songs and improvising class yells, but the doors of
Jericho would not open nor its walls
fall. Finally, tired out, they climbed
into their open-air quarters and coninto their open-air quarters and con-sidered the glories of the firmament until sleep overtook them.

## WOMEN TAKE PLEDGES

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA LEADING WITH 15 "RUSHES."

Invitations Are Sent Out Early by Sororities and Many Portland Girls Are Among Candidates.

don, an old friend of Judge Bennett's, will pronounce the eulogy.

Mr. Bennett was a native of Bandon, Ireland, and came to the United States in 1873 in company with his father, George Bennett, a brother, G. A. Bennett, Harry Baldwin, deceased, of Bandon, and George M. Seeley, now a resident of Portland.

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His career was varied, he having begun as a rancher, from which he branched out into the legal profession, the newspaper field and later became a banker and part owner of the Coos Bay water system.

Hand in Business Recalled.

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Mr. Bennett was identified as part owner of the Coos Bay News from 1876 to 1884, when he began the practice of law.

With Patrick Flanagan he organized the Flanagan & Bennett bank here in 1889, later opening a branch at Myrtle Point.

Although Mr. Bennett was known for many philanthropies and kindnesses to his friends and the general public, the most frank statement of his character was made today by J. L. Simpson, as of Captain A. M. Simpson, who founded lumbering on Coos Bay.

Mr. Simpson asserted that affairs of business were never divulged by Mr. Bennett and told of how the present gave all credit for it to Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Simpson asserted that affairs of waterfront leased from Colonel T. Y. Simonds, United States engineer in charge.

\$25,600 Lent on Note.

Mr. Simpson thought his father should own the property himself and begged him to buy 4609 feet on the bay and 500 acres of wild land on which North Bend now stands. His plea was unavailing and Mr. Simpson went to J. W. Bennett, asking for a loan of \$25,000.

"What security can you give mer" said Mr. Bennett.

"Not a thing in the world, excepting my personal note."

"That's good enough," and he received the money on the spot.

The scheme of starting a city was explained to Mr. Simpson repaid the loan and made several hundred thousand dollars' profit, but the public never knew until today how North Bend became a city.

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SALVATION ARMY BENEFITS FROM H. H. PROUTY'S WILL.

Rich Relatives Get Nothing, but \$5000 Is Left Finncee, Miss Edith Ellis, From \$50,000 Estate.

it is shown in the provisions of his will filed for probate. With the gift is the suggestion that the sum be made sively editorial writer, editor-in-chief, president and vice-president of the company. He retired from active newsestate of Mr. Prouty, who died September 11 is valued at about \$59,000. To his fiance, Miss Edith Ellis, \$5000 was given by Mr. Prouty. Arrangements had been made for a wedding early in October and a trip to Great

Other bequests include \$10,000 to his son, Carl R Prouty, of Vermont, and \$5000 each to two nieces, Ruth and Ger-

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 16 .- (Spe

track with a mountain of rock and it may be a week before the line is cleared, local railroad men say. Pas-senger trains are being sent over the Northern Pacific line to Spokane.

# The Varsity Fifty Five Suit for Fall

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to be stationed here, and an effort will probably be made as soon as the

company is mustered out for its re-

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## DIME LOAVES FAVORED

DREGON MASTER BAKERS OPPOSE LAW FIXING BREAD WEIGHT.

Educational Campaign for Increasing Sale of 10-Cent Loaves to Be Started at Once.

A 10-cent loaf of bread was favored by the Oregon Master Bakers' Associ-ation in session last night.

The gathering went on record as op-

Sealer of Weights and Measures Buch-tel to put through a law fixing the weight of a loaf of bread. It was decided to begin immediately It was decided to begin immediately an educational campaign with the view to increasing the sale of the 10-cent loaf. The practical impossibility for the majority of bakers to turn out a 5-cent loaf of bread of good value will also be taken up in this campaign.

The sum of \$300 was voted to open this campaign and the executive committee of the association was authorized to begin active work immediately. H. H. Prouty, famed mountaineer and Mazama, left approximately \$15,000 to the Salvation Army work in Portland, it is shown in the provisions of his

## the nucleus of a permanent building COMPANY G TRANSFERRED

Oregon City Hears That Soldiers Are to Be Credited to Portland.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—Word was received here today that Oregon City will lose, at least temporarily, Company G, Oregon Namporarily, Company G, Oregon Na-nal Guard, and that for a time Port-



ers themselves.

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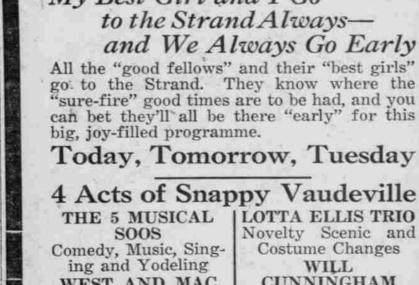
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land will be the home of the company, under the present officers and the

Of the 45 men in the company, only seven at first were willing to take the Federal oath, but yesterday 12 recruits were added. With old members here today at the opening of the Fall 34 men were found willing to enlist season.

CHICAGO, Sept. 16 .- Coal prices were

All the "good fellows" and their "best girls" go to the Strand. They know where the "sure-fire" good times are to be had, and you can bet they'll all be there "early" for this

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