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Underwear,  
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Fancy Waistcoats,  
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## ISSUE BONDS FOR HIGHWAYS

Douglas County May Float  
\$1,000,000 Worth to Build  
Good Roads.

The movement for the construction of permanent roads and better roads in this section is receiving a great impetus as a result of the amendment adopted at the November election permitting counties to issue bonds to defray the expenses of such improvements. Douglas county has taken it up and Coos county may do likewise soon. Concerning the movement in Douglas county, the Roseburg News says:

"With a view of improving the roads of the county without unnecessary delay, soon as occasioned under the present system of taxation, a number of local property-owners and taxpayers are agitating the bonding of Douglas county in the sum of \$1,000,000, said bonds to run for a period of fifty years, and draw interest at a rate not to exceed five per cent.

"Interviewed relative to the contemplated plan of raising money for road improvement this morning, one of the men interested in the success of the venture, stated that he was satisfied that the taxpayers throughout the county would sanction the plan in the event it was explained to them in detail.

"According to those interested in bonding the county, it is claimed that the bonds could be issued for a term of fifty years, and that they

would be acceptable to many of the larger and more important bonding houses at a rate not to exceed five per cent. With \$1,000,000 in cold cash, local taxpayers, say that the roads in all sections of the county could be improved within a brief time, and it will be unnecessary to delay action month after month for the lack of funds, (as experienced in the past, it is also claimed that with such an amount of money at hand, with a competent county engineer and road builder, roads could be constructed according to uniform plans and specifications. In resorting to such a plan of action, all of the roads in the county would be of uniform construction, and would not vary as under the present system of road building in Douglas county.

"It is figured that a levy of not over two and one-half mills on all taxable property in the county will pay the interest on the bonds and at the same time provide sufficient money to liquidate the debt upon maturity. It is also claimed that many new people will come to Douglas county during the next ten years, all of whom would be subject to taxation in the event they purchased property. With an influx of people eminent, the so-called old-timers believe that the time is at hand for improved roads, and they are inclined to believe that there is but one manner in which they can accomplish their goal—that of bonding the county as above mentioned. At least, they appear dissatisfied with the plan of roadbuilding in Douglas county in time past."

Send in your entry sheets for the Coos Pet and Poultry Show quick so the COMMITTEE can estimate the necessary space required.

RAZORS, HONES, strops and soap at MILNER'S.

### ABUSING THE INITIATIVE.

Initiative for Matters of General Interest.

"The initiative privilege is a valuable right and the people of Oregon are fortunate in the possession of the same. It is a right though that should be used with discretion. If the initiative is invoked indiscriminately it will be of injury rather than of benefit," says the Pendleton East Oregonian in its issue of July 19.

"By the nature of things the initiative should be used for the settlement of questions that are of general state interest and questions upon which the people at large are capable of judging. It was proper that the direct primary law be enacted under the initiative. The law could not have been enacted in any other way. Legislatures elected under the old convention system would never have passed the direct primary law. It was proper that the corrupt practices act be enacted under the initiative and referendum. That law pertains to political morality and the people were able to judge of the merits of the law. It is all right to settle the normal school problem under the initiative. The legislature has utterly failed to handle the question.

"But the most glaring abuse of the initiative is on the part of those who have proposed county division measures. Eight bills have been filed asking for the creation of new counties or for the changing of boundary lines. In each case the question involved is of a purely local nature; not of state interest. It will be impossible for the people of the state to judge of these measures with intelligence. All division disputes should have been held in abeyance pending the passage of a law calling for the settlement of such disputes by the people directly concerned. The county divisionists, however, have refused to wait. They have submitted their bills in hopes the people will vote blindly for them. They have abused the initiative privilege and they should be rebuked for doing so. Every county division bill should be voted down.

"Insist that the initiative be used only when it may be invoked with propriety."

### If You Want to Be Liked.

Don't, when people say nice things to you, think that they must necessarily be insincere. It is quite as natural for some persons to put their nice thoughts about you into words as it is for them to breathe.

### How to Make Oatmeal Gems.

To make delicious oatmeal gems mix a cup of oatmeal in a cup of sour milk, let it soak overnight and then add one teaspoonful of soda, a well beaten egg and half a cup of sugar. Stir in flour enough to make a batter.

### OILING HARNESS.

How to Make It Last Longer by Simple Methods.

Proper care of the harness is one department of the stable that is too often neglected, but there is nothing more essential to the life of the harness and the safety of those who use it.

One quart of neatfoot oil is sufficient for a double harness. Wash the harness well with soap and water and hang in a warm room overnight to dry. Next day it will be in good condition to receive the oil. Add a little lamp-black to the oil to color it. Apply with rag or brush, rubbing it well into the leather, and hang in a warm room overnight. Next day rub well with a dry cloth, and it will be ready for use. Harness thus treated is much easier to handle, is far less liable to cause galls on the horses and will wear much longer.

### How to Prevent Raveling.

In cutting out waists of any cloth that ravel overcast each piece as fast as cut and you will have no trouble with the goods raveling when the fitting is done. Bind the armholes after sleeves are sewed in place on all such fabrics that are made up without lining. Use binding ribbon, as it strengthens the armhole and prevents the raveling and fraying so liable to occur in some goods.

### Very Fortunate.

One evening just after dinner a young husband of Indianapolis was, in accordance with his custom, giving his better half the gist of the news when suddenly he laid down the paper with this exclamation:

"By George! Here's an account telling how during the recent storm off the New England coast a ship loaded with passengers went ashore. Why, that vessel belonged to my uncle Tom in Portland!"

"How fortunate!" returned the young wife. "And just think how glad those passengers were to get to dry land!"—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

### The Poor Milkman.

A family living in an eastern city found a good deal of cream on a bottle of milk which had been standing overnight, and when the driver called in the morning the pleased servant held it up to the light and said, "Look here, I have never seen anything like this before on your milk."

The man looked at it for a moment, scratched his head and replied, "Well, I don't know what's the matter, but you can throw it out, and I'll give you a fresh bottle in its place."

### How to Blacken a Hot Stove.

Take any kind of blacking powder and any kind of oil and mix as thick as cream (lard will do). Apply with a cloth, and the oil burns off and leaves the blacking in the iron, which lasts longer than when blacked the usual way. Do not blacken the sides of the stove with this mixture, as it will not burn off. It is for the top

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