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OREGON HIGHWAY COMMISSION OUTLINES POLICY.

The policy outlined by the new Oregon state highway commission at its first meeting held at Salem on March 5 is along broad lines and ought to meet with general approval. The commission has indicated its willingness to aid every section of the state that really wants better highways and that is ready to bear its part of the cost.

The members of the commission are S. Benson of Portland, chairman, W. L. Thompson of Pendleton and E. J. Adams of Eugene.

The commissioners are agreed that the nearer to the public the commissioners may get, the more satisfactory will be the work, the better the results and the less friction and disturbance relative to the distribution of the road funds available.

Petitions for allotment of funds, or for assistance on road work, will be sent to the highway department offices at Salem, and the secretary of the board is to notify each commissioner as to the requests from his particular section. The commissioner will arrange for a meeting with the people of the district affected, examine the project, hold a hearing and otherwise obtain all the information and data possible. The commission then, as a whole, will examine the merits of the respective projects, classify them as to their importance, their relation to market town possibilities, population and other essential features, and the work will be given preference on such a basis.

It has been tentatively decided that no individual allotments will be made until all the applications have been passed upon. It is felt that this will assure an equitable division of the highway fund distributed in as many sections of the state as it is possible for it to reach, upon a basis of doing the greatest amount of good with all the money that may be available for road work.

Such a policy is a commendable one and will be approved by most sections of the state. Some sections, however, may have cause for complaint. Curry county may be cited as a particular instance. This county, rich in natural resources, has had but little opportunity for development because of the lack of both good roads and proper railroad facilities. Its only direct outlet with the outside, prior to the completion of the Coos Bay branch of the Southern Pacific, was by the ocean route. Pacific Interstate believes that Curry county is entitled to special consideration in the question of state aid for road construction.

There are some counties that have shown remarkable enterprise in road

building and have burdened themselves heavily to provide good highways. These counties have demonstrated that they want good roads and are willing to pay for them. Notable examples are found in Jackson, Columbia and Clatsop counties. Such counties that really have made sacrifices to get good roads certainly are worthy of special notice and support.

At its first meeting the commission adopted a businesslike plan of dividing the state into districts, each commissioner being delegated to the work of a district. By this plan the commissioners will be able to get into closer touch with the people and be in better position to assist them. The commissioners divided the state as follows:

Commissioner Benson to have Lincoln, Polk, Tillamook, Yamhill, Clatsop, Washington, Columbia, Multnomah, Clackamas, Hood River and Wasco counties; Commissioner Thompson all of eastern Oregon except Klamath, Hood River and Wasco, and Commissioner Adams all of western Oregon except those counties allotted to Commissioner Benson, and also to have Klamath county.

CLEAN-UP DAY.

Mayor Lamkin has proclaimed Tuesday, April 3, as clean-up day in Ashland. As a matter of fact the cleaning up should begin a week before that date. Ashland looks forward to entertaining the greatest crowds of her history during the July celebration, Chautauqua and, in fact, the entire summer. A spotless city should be presented for the eyes of the visitors. Every tin can, every stick, every weed and every unnecessary unsightly object should be burned or placed where the city wags can haul it away. The city hauls the trash away without charge, but the rubbish must be set out in the alley or street on or before the morning of Tuesday, April 3.

If you do not have the time or the inclination to do the clean-up work yourself, there are over a hundred boys out at Ashland high school who will doubtless be glad of the opportunity to earn a few cents. An employment bureau is conducted at the school for just such a purpose, and by calling the school on the telephone, a boy can be secured with no further trouble. If the boy does not make good, the bureau will send one who will, but the Ashland high school boys are pretty sure to make a "regular" cleaning when you set them at any kind of job.

And Why Not?

And while cleaning up, why not plan to set out a few rose bushes and flower beds and get the lawn into shape? Ashland must look her best this summer, and every flower helps just that much more.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

The spirit in which our neighboring cities and towns are evidencing their desire to co-operate with Ashland in making Ashland's coming celebration a success is most gratifying. Ashland has established a reputation for hospitality which is worth a great deal to the city, and it is to these near neighbors that the latch-string to the city is always hanging out and for whom the warmest welcome is ready. The old petty rivalry between the various communities in the valley is giving away to a new harmony and a new recognition of the possibilities of co-operation which are bound to result in a building up of the entire valley. Each city has its own particular destiny, and a broad understanding of the aims of neighboring communities and desire to help each other in attaining these aims is resulting in a "pull together" spirit which is carrying all forward together.

ASHLAND-KLAMATH ROAD.

Improvement of the Green Springs mountain road has long been recognized by local men of vision as a necessary step in road building in southern Oregon, and the decision to include this road in the state highway program by the state highway commission is greeted with the heartiest satisfaction. That the availability of funds for work on this road depends to a great extent on whether the state bond issue passes at the June election will no doubt influence a favorable sentiment toward the bonds in this section. Passage of the bonds, according to Chairman S. Benson of the state commission, would mean that state money which otherwise would be used on the state trunk roads, such as the Pacific Highway, would become available for such roads as the Ashland-Klamath road.

A fine Chautauqua and civic auditorium, the greatest celebration on the coast, a town full of visitors this summer; these are to have. A water cure sanitarium is the next big thing to get. And we do not forget that new station.

Here and There Among Our Neighbors

Hood river is planning to establish a public market.

A band of yearling sheep was sold at Dayville, Grant county, a few days ago for \$10 a head.

The Marshfield Grand Army post, learning certain business men of that city had declared they were for Germany in case of war, passed resolutions saying the members of the post were ready to tell them goodbye and see them start for Germany.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce has received an offer of \$840 a ton for long line flax fiber from the 1916 crop stored in Eugene. The offer, made by the Belmont Packing & Rubber Company of Philadelphia, for fiber on board cars in Eugene, is the highest ever made for flax grown in Oregon. The chamber will hold for \$1,000 a ton.

Oregon Observer: Josephine county is one and one-half times the size of the state of Rhode Island and three-fourths the size of Delaware, yet Rhode Island has two United States senators and one representative. The two states contain the same number of square miles as Josephine and Curry counties, and have double the representation of the entire state of Oregon in congress.

W. K. McCormack, stock and wool buyer of Bend, arrived in Lakeview last Saturday. He has purchased a wool clip from one of the Murphy boys at Paisley, numbering about 3,600 fleeces. The price paid was 37 cents, Bend delivery. This is the highest price that has yet been paid for wool in Lake county. It is also stated that he has offered some of the local growers the same price for their wool, but they have refused to sell.

Plans for a Greater Oregon City, through the consolidation of Oregon City, South Oregon City, Mount Pleasant, Canemah, Clackamas Heights, Gladstone and Jennings Lodge, were announced through the board of water commissioners of that city. M. D. Labourette, secretary of the board, said that the proposition would be explained in detail to all of the residents of the territory affected before it is officially presented to them for their approval.

Klamath Falls Herald: A cattle deal involving a sum approximately \$25,000 has been concluded between Duncan brothers of Langell valley and the F. M. Brown Company of San Francisco, through their local agent, George Watts, according to a contract filed at the county clerk's office. The deal includes 584 head of cattle and 14 head of last fall and winter calves, pasture for several months and \$12,290 worth of hay. Ten thousand was paid down by the company. The cattle were disposed of at \$40 per head, or \$23,360 for the 584 head.

THIS MAN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEVIL.

In the April Woman's Home Companion Arnold Bennett says: "The dull man works evil. He is in partnership with the devil. And here I am not insisting on the evil directly caused by dullness itself, though that is by no means negligible. Dullness means boredom, not only for the dull man but for the companions of the dull man, and boredom is the mother of many ill-effects too numerous to name and unaccountable other catastrophes. Hence, by his dullness alone the dull man is responsible for much infelicity, and is a distinct hindrance to the progress of civilization."

Ashland is to have the finest Chautauqua auditorium on the Pacific coast and now has a basis for the biggest and best Chautauqua assembly on the coast. The Southern Oregon assembly has ranked with the top-notchers in the past and should now forge ahead of all others. The continued backing of local people must be given.

Three thousand dollars in cash prizes hung up by the roundup assures that feature of Ashland's July 3rd, 4th and 5th celebration, of the greatest cowboy and cowgirl talent in the west. It is going to be a great show. Let 'em buck!

When the old Chautauqua building was pulled down, Ashland took another step forward.

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Fort Rock Times: Rabies, the disease which is so much dreaded and of which this part of the country had its share a year or more ago, again appears to be on the increase in this vicinity. The disease has made its appearance at one or two places in the southern end of this valley, also on the Paulina marsh, and the Summer lake country has also had its share. On Sunday morning S. M. Findlay found it necessary to kill one of his dogs because it appeared to have gone mad.

The depot to be constructed at Grenada by the Southern Pacific Company will be an attractive structure of the Swiss chalet design. It will occupy the block south of the hotel and will be surrounded by lawn and trees. Work is being rushed on the new business block which will be taken by McGregor & Darby's hardware store, a barber shop and a drug store. Excavating for this new garage is in progress and many other improvements are being made in the new town.

The Pioneer Box Company closed its factory at Sisson Saturday night to put it into shape for operations later in the summer. All men will be employed installing a sawmill which the company will build a mile south of Sisson. The mill was formerly owned by the Diamond Match Company at Lyonville and was purchased by the Pioneer company a year ago. The work of installing the mill will be rushed. Logs for this season will be obtained twenty-five miles north of Sisson near the Klamath Falls branch of the Southern Pacific, and shipped over the main line to the mill. About 175 men will be employed in the mill and camps.

With the prospects for the early construction of the Oregon, California & Eastern railway brighter than at any time since the move was started, Robert E. Strahorn has returned to Belmont, Cal., following a two days' session with the mayor and council

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One lot of Ladies' Low Shoes and Slippers nearly all sizes.
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of Klamath Falls arranging the final details for the Klamath Falls-Dairy link of the road, which is to be constructed with the \$300,000 municipal bonds voted by the former city November 14. The various phases of the contract between Strahorn and Klamath Falls have been adjusted, so that when the formal acceptance of the bonds is made by the Spitzer-Roorick Company of Toledo, Ohio, the papers will be signed.

Salem Journal: When the subject of physical exercise and military training was brought to the attention of the board of education, Superintendent Todd wrote the Oregon Agricultural College to find out just what a uniform would cost. The figures that have been paid by the O. A. C. for the members of its military company are as follows, if the suits are of woolen goods: Breeches, \$2.31; leggings, canvas, 47 cents; coat, \$3.95; service cap, 78 cents; total, \$7.51. To this sum must be added military shoes, which have advanced considerably within the last six months. If the uniform is to be of cotton goods, the cost, as paid by the O. A. C. company, is as follows: Breeches, 73 cents; leggings, 47 cents; coat, 87 cents; service cap, 78 cents; total, \$2.85. In all companies to be organized in the high schools of the state, the uniforms must be purchased by each member, as the state will supply only the equipment. The schools must supply the instructors, also.

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