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Preparatory Stages of the Port age Road Enterprise Have All Been Passed.

SPECIFICATIONS AND SURVEYS ARE COMPLETE

Work Will Begin at Once and the Line Will Be Completed by Next May.

The preparatory stages of the portagecoad enterprise have been passed, and
he undertaking is now in shape for actal launching. Specifications and a final
orm of contract were completed last
vening at Salem, and were forwarded
to the executive committee of the Open
liver association at Portland. A meetng will be held within a few days by
he state portage board, the Open River
association and its contractor, and the
crms will be finally gone over, and the
ocuments made ready for signatures of
he state portage board. As soon therefter as the contractor can get his
quipments ready work will begin with
view to the completion of the road by
lay 1, 1905.

For the last four weeks Engineer Mc-

For the last four weeks Engineer Mcillian has been working almost night
and day to finish surveys and get cometed specifications drawn up. The
ally contractor who applied for prelimisty specifications was Contractor Nelm of The Dalles, who with his attoreter called on Engineer McMillian some
me ago and was furnished with a copy
what he desired. There has not been
moment's delay since the work began,
here months ago the state's representaves told the Open River association
at the work could not be dene for the
oney on hand, and that they were not
a position to Suild the road.

The association, by its executive comittee, then went carefully over the
ound, and after estimating the probele amount that would have to be raleed
reprise, proposed that it would fursh a contractor who would do the work
at take the association's guarantee for
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The final specifications are for a road t will be much superior to the Hammer road, on which the original specitions were based. The state has n extremely particular in all its resements, and the result is that the tage road will be, a first-class raild, built with new iron. It will have requipment, and more of it than was first proposed. The association has doubt of its ability to raise the resed money, and Contractor McCabe was equal confidence by his disposition to enter into a bond and to take guarantee of the association that it supply the deficiency. The people of ensiern Oregon are denined to push the work to completely may I next, in order that the day may be in operation to move next r's crops. If not done by that date, he water would prevent its complement the following fall

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