

STATE ROAD IDEA IS DISCUSSED

Committees of Road Commission and State Federation of Labor Meet.

PROPOSED BILL IS CONSIDERED AT LENGTH

Main Features of Measure Are Worked Out and Agreed Upon—Labor Federation Interested in the Outcome of the Bill.

A committee for the Oregon State Road Commission and one from the State Federation of Labor met last night at the office of County Judge L. R. Webster for the consideration of the proposed bill which the commission is expected to present to the next legislature for a state road construction by convict labor and extending from Portland to Ashland, the southern boundary of the state. E. F. Cannon, who has been selected by the commission to frame the proposed bill, County Judge Webster, County Judge John H. Scott of Marion county, C. H. Gram and P. McDonald of the State Federation of Labor, R. A. Harris and W. K. Newell of the state commission attended the meeting.

of upon the county roads. This provision extends to counties not in the line of the road from Ashland to Portland but to all counties of the state. It will be further provided that the counties will be allowed to purchase the crushed rock and other material for the construction of the roads if they desire, and another provision of the law states that where the county will not construct a road the state may do so, using the convicts to do the work. The commission will meet on Monday night at Judge Webster's office to consider the final draft of the bill and endorse it ready for its presentation to the legislature.

State Federation Interested.
The State Federation of Labor is taking interest in the proposed bill by reason of its relation to convict labor. The labor interests are going to the legislature with some measure which it is hoped will bring about the abolition of all contention between convict and free labor. They are against the convict-made stove and desire that the present foundry contract be not renewed. For a time the federation leaned toward the state jute mill, but that plan is now somewhat out of odor on account of the supposed attitude of the governor and those members of the legislature who attended the junketing trip to the jute mill maintained at Walla Walla by the Washington government. Since then, the federation is afraid it gives its influence to the jute mill alone and the measure is lost.

Barge Lost on Lake.
(Journal Special Service.)
Sandusky, Ohio, Nov. 23.—The steamer Pratt announces that she lost her tow, the barge Athens, upon which are 14 men and Captain Mackey from Milwaukee. She thinks the barge with all aboard is lost.

SKIDOO PROBLEM



A coin collector had an accumulation of pennies. He told his son he would make him a present of the entire lot if he would put them in boxes, the same number in each box. There was an odd number of pennies so that if he put an equal number in each of two boxes there would be one penny left over; in a like manner he figured on 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 boxes, but in every case if he put an equal number in each box there would be one (only one) penny left over. The son gave it up and told his father he thought it impossible to perform the feat. His father replied: "SKIDOO—23 for you." The son then put the entire lot of pennies in 23 boxes, the same number in each box. How many pennies were there?
To make the problem plain: The entire number of pennies was a number, which if divided by any number from 3 to 23 inclusive there will be a remainder of one (only one) and if divided by 23 there will be no remainder. Address all answers to **FUSSELL EDITOR**, The Journal, Portland.

HERBERT GEARY SAYS SKIDOO CAN'T BE SOLVED, OTHERS SAY IT CAN

One whom the Fussell editor has heretofore regarded as a friend writes as follows:
Marshfield, Or., Nov. 21.—Puzzle Editor—I think your puzzle cannot be worked. You are trying to skidoo us—23 for you. **HERBERT GEARY**, Marshfield, Or.
Herbert, this is unkind—very unkind, and the puzzle editor did not think it of you. Hundreds, yes, thousands of people have written about that problem, and you are the very first one to suggest that the puzzle editor would practice deceit or any sinful games. If you don't believe, Herbert, that the skidoo puzzle can be solved read these:
And Makes Plenty of It, Too.
Puzzle Editor:
A little puzzle called "Skidoo" Has got the people guessing. And it is 23 for you Who fall to learn this lesson. 23 times 23, five hundred twenty-nine This may not quite the answer be, But we are told to find a remainder of only one and if divided by 23 will leave no remainder. Very truly yours, **HERMANN E. STARKER**, 142 North Fourteenth st., City.

Mr. Starker Finds It Easy.
Following is the answer I got to your skidoo problem:—1,124,000,727,777,007, 680,901 pennies. This number if divided by any from 3 to 22 will leave a remainder of only one and if divided by 23 will leave no remainder. Very truly yours, **HERMANN E. STARKER**, 142 North Fourteenth st., City.

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Quick Answers.
Some brief answers are: Helen May Brown, 170 East Eighteenth street—Nine pennies in three, three pennies in each box.
Mrs. A. Pilger, 135 North Tenth street—33 pennies in each of three boxes.
Arthur Sloan, care Ames-Harris-Neville Co.—Four pennies in each box; 23-4 U. Skidoo.
Mrs. Charles Granger Irvin, 724 Burnside street—Number of pennies in each box, 506,074,752.
Kathryn Lester, 988 Union avenue—23,279,258, and add 23 ciphers.
Harold Brock, 657 Water street—115 pennies, 5 in each box.
Mrs. R. Newbert, 51 East Water street—281 pennies.
E. T. Carmody, City—My answer should have been 9,371,792,400,001, instead of 931,179,240,001.
N. G. Smith, 1241 Greeley street—In each box 78,573,192.
Winifred Sexton, 855 Columbia street—Each box contained 10,679,344,324,465, 127.
F. W. Conraser, Corvallis—My answer is 23,158,589,057,601.
J. R. S. Finucane, City—In each of the 23 boxes he put 263,156,897 pennies.
Skidoo Number Popular.
The following suggest that the 23, or skidoo number, is right:
Ryder L. Carmany, St. Johns—23 is the answer.
Reuben J. Pitts, Montavilla—23 pennies in each box.
Max Moehring, 64 North Ninth street—523 pennies.
J. Duncan, Shedd—23 pennies in two boxes.
L. Spitzberg, 331 Fargo street—529 pennies altogether.
Mrs. William Gyntner, 470 Thurman street—23 pennies.
A. J. Peterson, 524 Second street—One penny in each of the 23 boxes.
Gordon Stuart, 371 Halsey street—23 pennies.
Henry Shultz, Gervais—529 pennies, 23 in each box.
Mrs. M. A. Cochran, 270 Broadway—23 pennies in each box.
Keller Ketchum, 147 Front street—He put one penny in each box.
Ida Leutz, 229 Wood street—23 pennies, 23 boxes; 529 pennies in all.

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