

ROAD MEASURES WILL BE PUT FORM TUESDAY

Highway Bills Indorsed by the State-Wide Committee to Be Submitted to People at the Next Election.

The highway bills drafted and approved by the state-wide committee will be put into form for submission to the people at the next election by a special committee called to meet Tuesday of this week.

A special meeting of the board of directors of the highway association will then likely be called for Wednesday to formulate the campaign to put the bills and their strength before the people.

A county bonding act, permitting any county in the state to pledge its credit for the construction and maintenance of permanent roads.

A state aid act, providing a fund to be secured by taxation, which will be apportioned among the counties, three fourths to be equally divided among 24 counties, and one fourth in proportion to the size of the counties.

A proposed amendment to the constitution permitting the state to issue \$20,000,000 in bonds to be issued at the rate of \$2,000,000 a year for 10 years, the money to be used in building trunk highways through those portions of the state where roads of considerable length are essential to the development of the country.

A state highway department and commission, the commission to have supervision of all state built or state aided highways, a man of expert knowledge in road building who is able to commingle common sense with technical knowledge.

These measures would have been submitted to a special session of the legislature had the governor not decided that the greatest certainty of obtaining generally satisfactory legislation lay in submitting the bills to the people.

If an agreement is not had with the state grange before the bills are submitted they will be in competition with the measures approved by the grange which it is proposed shall also be submitted to the people through initiative petition.

The grange does not approve state aid or bonds or the general taxation that will be necessary to make operative bills that carry an appropriation. The heart of the grange plan is to build roads in each county by each county, the roads radiating toward the farms and ranches from the market places.

The point of greatest difference between active road advocates is as to where and by whom roads to be built shall be located. It is suggested in this connection that the law be made so flexible that the people of each county may at county elections vote upon whether they want the county court, the state highway engineer, or commissioner to locate the road. It is believed that it might, or also satisfactory if the people when voting were themselves allowed to indicate where roads should be built or improved.

The greatest need of all is conceded to be road laws flexible enough to apply to the conditions in every locality. Roads west of the Cascade mountains are vastly different from those east of the mountains, the cost much more to build and maintain. To this end the law might be made to read in one section:

"Provided that the people at a county election may designate by their votes where and by what agency roads to be built and maintained are to be located."

How to Get Money. The campaign for putting the highway bills approved by the general committee upon initiative ballot and the presentation of these bills before the people will be assumed by the Oregon Association for Highway Improvement, said President Prall of the association yesterday.

"This will necessitate some expenditure and the gathering of a fund for that purpose.

"I believe, however, that getting money will be comparatively easy. Until this time the association has been asking for money with which to carry on a general campaign of education. We come forward now with a request for something definite and concrete—support for initiative ballot and for the front rank of states in the matter of highway improvement. All who are interested in any way in the development of Oregon know that the building and improving of highways is the first essential. We are assured of the support of all these and our campaign will be of a more extensive and effective nature than anything before instituted."

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OAKS GIVE WAY FOR PRUNE ORCHARD

Willamette Valley Lands Are Being Cleared of Native Wood by Use of Powder; Whole Tree Torn Out by Roots.



Top—Giant Oak near Harrisburg. Bottom—Lifting the tree with powder.

(Belen Bureau of the Journal.) Salem, Or., Oct. 6.—Clearing Willamette valley lands of oak trees costs about \$20 per acre under the most modern methods of taking out the stumps, according to E. C. Gamble who is in charge of the new Harrisburg orchard tracts six miles south of Monmouth. For a giant oak five feet in diameter and 75 feet tall such as is shown in the accompanying picture 15 pounds of powder is placed under the stump and when touched off lifts the entire tree into the air and completely shatters the stump and all its roots. When the tree has fallen the shattered roots are gathered up and a plough may be run over the place where the tree stood without striking any serious obstacle. The trees blown out are cut into cordwood and placed on the market, the wood more than paying for the clearing of the land.

BREWERY SEEKING FORMER EMPLOYE

Frank Schmidt Alleged to Have Libeled Vancouver Establishment.

Reward of \$100 is being offered by the Northern Brewery company, owners of the Star brewery at Vancouver, Wash., for information that will lead to the arrest of Frank Schmidt, who formerly lived at 506 Flanders street, where his wife conducts a rooming house. The company has also offered a reward of \$750 for the arrest and conviction of Schmidt, for whom a warrant has been sworn out charging him with criminal libel against the Star brewery.

Schmidt, who was an employe of the Star brewery for about a year, was discharged last May as the result of trouble over a pay check. He immediately issued handbills warning the public against drinking "Hop Gold" and "Rose City" beer, which are manufactured by the Star brewery, alleging that they had been made under unsanitary conditions. The handbills stated that sewage carrying germs of deadly diseases runs freely into the open tanks of the two brands of beer.

Other conditions are alleged in the handbills to prevail at the brewery. That such conditions, if they existed, might be given proper publicity, a representative of the Journal visited the Star brewery and made a personal investigation of conditions. He inspected from cellar to garret and found the establishment especially well kept. Every floor was clean. He could find no place whatever where sewage could possibly get into the tanks. In fact, not one of the charges made by Schmidt could be verified.

Sooner Schmidt issued his handbills, Dr. E. G. Black, city and county health officer for Vancouver, at the direction of the state sanitary inspector, of Washington, inspected the brewery and made a favorable report. He later inspected it two more times, once with Dr. Edward F. Hixon and once with the state sanitary inspector. At all three times the brewery was found to be in a clean, sanitary condition.

SULTAN PROMISES AID TO OTTOMAN WOMEN

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Constantinople, Oct. 7.—For the first time in the history of Turkey a deputation of women has been received by the sultan who has promised to do what he can to improve the lot of Ottoman women. The women all wore European clothes, but were thickly veiled and were led by the wife of Tervik Pasha, the Young Turk leader, and the sister of Ahmet Riza, the president of the Turkish parliament. On being admitted to the sultan's presence the women threw themselves at his feet and complained that the leaders of the women's reform movement were being persecuted, also asking for the suspension of the edict banishing clubs for women.

Emboldened by their success, the women next called upon the Grand Vizier Hakkil Pasha, who, however, sent out word that he was engaged. The deputation patiently replied that they would wait, and finally they were admitted. The grand vizier is married to a Viennese and is known for his liberal views, so the deputation begged him not to resign office and to advance their cause. Hakkil Pasha, however, would not bind himself to anything.

PACIFIC HIGHWAY PLAN FAVORED IN ALL COAST TOWNS

Appreciation of Association's Efforts Shown in Oregon and California; Auto Conquers Wilds.

Seattle, Oct. 7.—Frank M. Fretwell, secretary of the Pacific Highway association, returned Monday night to the Seattle office of the association from his road surveying trip in Oregon. Owing to important business in San Francisco, in connection with the "Road of Three Nations," Secretary Fretwell was detained for some time there.

He found the people of the golden state extremely interested in Pacific highway, as were those of Oregon. The great mass of intelligent citizens all along the line showed plainly their keen appreciation of the association's efforts to create a continuous north and south trunk road through the Pacific northwest throughout the nation system, in the far west, to be shaping itself into a demand from the people to their legislators for measures providing for Pacific highway.

Commissioners Interested. A feature especially noticed by Mr. Fretwell and his party was the cordiality and interest displayed by the commissioners of every successive county through which the big marking truck passed. These officials seemed to realize what such a highway would mean to them when the Panama-Pacific exposition takes place in 1915. The simple white signs exercise a sort of magic in the way they bestir the county officials to a friendly rivalry, as to which can show the prospective tide of tourists a better section of Pacific highway and better adjacent roads.

Almost coincident with the completion of the Oregon posting trip came the news of the arrival at South Bulkeley of P. E. Sands in his Flanders "26," which is path finding the Pacific highway through the northern British Columbia country, in an effort to win the "First to Hazelton" trophy. This means that Mr. Sands and his companions have conquered the worst part of a tremendously difficult journey, a great part of which lies through nearly virgin forest.

Lost in Woods. It has been necessary for them to make their own road through much of the uninhabited northern region; and for a week or so they were lost to communication in the woods. While many difficulties still lie before them, their ultimate success is now practically assured, and Mr. Sands will have the pleasure of winning the coveted trophy and of knowing that his efforts have hastened the construction of Pacific highway in Canada, by two years at least.

The provincial government is watching his trip with great interest; and its completion not only will supply the government engineers with valuable data, but will reassure them as to the practicability of road making in that territory.

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decided that the lot owners shall pay whatever sum they can afford. The amount pledged may be paid in installments as the work of improvement progresses, so that the expense will be the smallest possible burden to each contributor.

"As soon as we have made a beginning in the work we will call another mass meeting of the lot owners to discuss further procedure. Our first mass meeting was quite successful and all who are interested in the Lone Fir plan were highly pleased."

MUSICAL SELECTIONS AT Y. M. C. A. MEETING

As today is rally day for the Men and Religion Forward movement in Portland churches, this afternoon's meeting for men at the Young Men's Christian Association will also be given over to that subject. The Y. M. C. A. meeting was quite successful and all who are interested in the Lone Fir plan were highly pleased.

Speakers at today's meeting, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock, include several of the men who are taking an active part in preparation for the eight day campaign that will be held next winter. R. H. Perkins, W. H. Lewis, J. D. Nelson and Rev. Henry Marquette will make brief addresses. There will also be several musical selections, including a flute solo by Harry Moore and a violin solo by the Y. M. C. A. Glee club.

Divorce Record Shows Big Increase, But Dan Cupid Is Busier Than Before

Divorces are on the increase this fall in Multnomah county. The records of County Clerk Fields show there were 71 divorces granted in September, while there were only 41 granted in the corresponding month in 1910. There were 14 divorces suits filed in the month, but 18 divorcing couples settled their straight out of court.

Against the divorce records stands the marriage record, the reports show 217 couples took out such licenses. There were 212 licenses issued in September, 1910. The monthly statement of County Clerk Fields for September further shows the following licenses and permits: Ministers' licenses, 257; fishing, 222; medical, 17; citizens admitted 13; declaration of intentions, 70; articles of incorporation, 20; notary commissions recorded, 120; and dental licenses, 1.

During the month there were 13 persons committed to the insane hospital and 11 men arrested for not supporting their wives. The probable work was rather heavy, as the reports of the county court show there were 49 probate cases filed in the month. There were 252 suits filed. The receipts from the recording department were \$222 from the circuit court \$1772, and \$222 from the circuit court department. The total receipts of the office were \$2766, while the total expenses were \$1224. This left a net profit of \$1542 to the county from the county clerk's office. The net profit for September, 1910, was \$1224, making an increase as a revenue producing office of \$318.

O'NEILL ARRESTED; IS NOW OUT ON PAROLE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 7.—Although Barney O'Neill, former candidate for governor and president of a defunct bank at Wallace, Idaho, was arrested on a wire from the Idaho marshal, the ex-banker was released on parole today. Papers from Idaho are awaited O'Neill, who is accompanied about the city by a plain clothes officer, declares he will fight extradition.

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