

BONDS WILL PROVIDE AN INCOME EARNING SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS

Multnomah, While Getting No Share of Fund, Has Vital Interest in Project.

BIG SHARE IS GIVEN STATE

Thousands of Dollars Expended in Slipshod Methods of Repair Under the Present System.

Good Roads Meetings. Tuesday, May 29—Rotary club, noon; Northwest Steel company, noon; Portsmouth school, 8 p. m.; Powers' Furniture store, 8:30 p. m.; Gresham, 8 p. m.

Multnomah county has a vital interest in the success of the \$6,000,000 state road bond bill, which is to be voted on June 4 notwithstanding that the bill provides that none of the state road funds is to be expended on Multnomah county roads.

Wasteful Process to Stop. Under the proposed bond measure is offered a prospect for the initiation of a comprehensive plan for building up a state system of highways on conservative lines.

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This amount, Multnomah county paid \$88,538. In 1916, the fund amounted to \$233,623. Of this, Multnomah county's contribution was \$95,896.

Portland's Share Grows. The last legislature passed a law, effective next January, transferring all motor vehicle license fees to the state road fund.

Next year's license fees are to be practically doubled and as a result Multnomah county will pay into the state road fund from this source approximately \$110,000 or about 40 per cent of the estimated total \$275,000.

"We will get it all back indirectly in the growth and development of the state. It is not material, either, so far as we are concerned, in what part of the state our money is spent. We do, however, have a material interest in that the fund is spent to the best advantage."

New York Fears Food Riots Soon

New York, May 28.—(I. N. S.)—Unless food conditions rapidly grow better, food riots are feared by the East Side Protective association.

Offices Robbed of Cash. Robbers Sunday night entered the offices of the Patrick Lumber company and the Rodgers Lumber company in the Chamber of Commerce building.

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Committee Appointed to Draft Resolution on Subject and Report This Afternoon.

M'CONNELL IS ATTACKED

Attorneys for Pacific Livestock Company Charge That He is Responsible for Complaint.

Salem, Or., May 28.—In resisting the request of Attorney General Brown for authority from the Emergency board to incur a deficiency by expending \$2500 to prosecute the suit brought by the state against the Pacific Livestock company to recover thousands of acres of land alleged to have been obtained fraudulently, attorneys for the company are bombarding C. B. McConnell, of Burns as an ardent supporter of the Pacific Livestock company case was brought up, Governor Withycombe asked the board to clothe him with authority to incur deficiencies in expending as much as the need may arise as a result of war.

Committee Is Named. A committee of four was appointed by the governor to draft a resolution giving the governor this authority. This committee will report at the afternoon session of the board.

In making his request for this authority, the governor pointed out that the crisis did not arrive until after the legislature had adjourned, and in most states where the legislature was still in session, financial provision was made to meet emergencies.

Wants New Authority. "I have appointed a state council of defense," said the governor, "and I believe I should be given authority to create deficiencies to meet emergencies, if such will be legal and necessary."

State Treasurer Kay said there was no question but that every member of the board would favor such expenditures, but he doubted if the board had legal authority to authorize them.

Livestock Case Considered. Taking up the Pacific Livestock company case, Edward F. Treadwell, of San Francisco, chief attorney for the company, declared that the suit against the company was brought in the interest of C. B. McConnell.

Oxman Again Held To Superior Court. San Francisco, May 28.—(P. N. S.)—A new order holding Frank C. Oxman, Oregon cattleman, for trial at the superior court on a charge of trying to induce F. E. Rigall to testify falsely against Thomas J. Mooney, convicted as a preparator of the Bremer kidnaping, was issued today by Police Judge Brady.

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Death Sunday Night Ends Illness of Year; Widow, Brother and Parents Survive; Arrangements Later. Clarence Gilliland, engineer of the harbor patrol for many years, died at his home Sunday night.

Harry Q. Aldrich. Harry Q. Aldrich, a native of Portland, aged 46, died this morning at the Good Samaritan hospital following an operation. He was a member of the Elks. Mr. Aldrich is survived by one brother, E. R. Aldrich of San Francisco, and three sisters, Mrs. G. Feffer of Portland, Mrs. L. C. Scott of Dayton, Wash., and Mrs. L. S. Finley of Saratoga, Cal.

Irving H. Rogers. Irving H. Rogers, aged 50, a native of Iowa, and a retired banker, died at his home Sunday night at 829 East Morrison street. He had resided in Portland for the past year, and is survived by a widow, Mrs. Grace D. Rogers, and a daughter, Miss Edith Rogers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of J. P. Finley & Son, and announcement will be made upon the arrival of Miss Rogers, who is now in Baltimore.

John Monro. The funeral of John Monro will be held from the Holman chapel, Third and Salmon streets, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. Luther R. Dyott officiating. Harmony lodge, A. F. and M., will conduct the services at the grave in Riverview cemetery. Mr. Monro died Saturday in his seventy-first year. He was a native of Canada and had resided in Portland for 30 years. Seventeen years ago he retired from the active work of a locomotive engineer. His widow, Mrs. Mattie Monro, survives him.

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FILM EXHIBITORS OF OREGON ARE TO OPEN CONVENTION TUESDAY

Special Car Brings Exchange Men and Motion Picture Exhibitors From Seattle.

The first annual convention of the Motion Picture Exhibitors' League of Oregon will be held at the Multnomah hotel, Tuesday and Wednesday, opening Tuesday at 10 o'clock in the convention hall of the hotel.

W. A. Graeper, vice president of the league, will open the convention in the absence of C. W. Meighan, who went to Washington, D. C., Sunday night to represent the Oregon exhibitors at the war tax hearing.

The committee in charge of the convention consists of John A. Jennings, chairman; John Adams, E. C. Mitchell, Abraham Nelson, Hugh McCredie, George Bligh, A. H. McDonald, A. Bettington, W. A. Long, Claude Smith, A. L. Scott, George Maple, G. T. Holtzclaw, W. E. Lewis, Lew Collins, Guy Matlock, J. Sullivan, O. E. Suderstrom and Peter Thomas.

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