

\$1,200,000 ROAD BIDS TO BE LET

MANY FACTS FROM STATE CAPITAL, SIDELIGHTS ON PROGRESS.

(Chronicle's Salem Bureau.)
SALEM, Ore., May 13. (Special)—Bids for road building work aggregating an estimated cost of \$1,200,000 will be opened by the state highway commission at its meeting in Portland May 27. An effort will be made to complete the work this year. The projects follow:

Clackamas county—Pacific highway, Aurora-Canby section, 3.75 miles paving, Mount Hood loop, Multnomah county line to forest boundary section, three units, 22.8 miles grading. Coos county—Roosevelt highway, North Bend and Coquille section, 6 miles concrete pavement, Coos and Douglas counties—Roseburg-Coos Bay highway, Remote-Camas valley section, 1.4 miles rock surfacing. Douglas county—Pacific highway, Oakland-South section, 1.16 miles paving. Gilliam county—John Day river highway, Condon-north section, 6 miles grading and rock surfacing. Jackson county—Crater Lake highway, Agate-Trail section, 14.35 miles rock or gravel surfacing. Tillamook county—McMinnville-Tillamook highway, Dolph to Hobo, crushed rock maintenance surfacing. Union county—LaGrande-Enterprise highway, Wallowa-Hill section, 5.48 miles grading. Yamhill county—McMinnville-Tillamook highway, Sheridan-Willamina section, 4.1 miles grading and paving. Sour Grass section, 6.8 miles grading and surfacing.

The public service commission has ordered the California-Oregon Power company to turn on its current for pumping water on the Grants Pass irrigation district, pending an investigation by the commission relative to rates. The complaint to the commission said that the company had refused to turn on the current because of difficulty over a contract, and that crops were suffering as a result.

O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, announces that on June 1 his office will open bids on \$121,275 irrigation drainage district bonds to cover state guarantee of interest on bonds of the Talent, Grants Pass, Warm Springs and Ochoco irrigation districts.

The state irrigation securities commission certified \$7000 bonds for the Kingman Colony drainage district near Nyssa.

The total number of motor vehicles registered in the state from January 1 to April 30 was 95,580, according to a statement by the secretary of state, and in addition there was listed the registration of 2171 motorcycles, 468 dealers, 2428 chauffeurs and 16,178 operators. The total amount of fees collected was \$1,993,549. During April 3750 motor vehicles were registered, and the amount received in fees was \$136,797. Added to this figure the registration of motorcycles, chauffeurs, dealers and operators and the recording of additional sets of license plates, transfers and duplicates, brought the fees for April up to \$143,490.25.

Representatives of the Portland Association of Heating and Plumbing Contractors and of the Oregon Electrical Contractors and Dealers appeared before the state board of control with a plea that the state, in its building program, deal directly with these contractors instead of continuing the policy of allowing general building contractors to subject contracts for plumbing, heating, electrical wiring, and so on. They asserted that their bids are "peddled" by the general contractors and that they are not given a square deal, largely for the reason that competition is eliminated. The board has the plea under advisement.

Satisfaction with the progress that is being made in all lines of vocational work in Oregon schools is expressed by H. H. Skidmore, a representative of the federal board of vocational education, who was in Oregon during the week on business connected with the department.

Through engineers and representatives of the city attorney's office, the city of Portland is making a careful examination of exhibits that were used in the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company rate hearing which resulted in the increase in rates. The data will be used by the city if the public service commission grants a rehearing of the case.

Oregon's total tax for this year is an increase of more than 20 percent

over last year, according to records in the office of the state tax commission. The total tax for this year is \$41,117,367.71, and the total for last year was \$32,596,695.03, a difference of \$8,520,672.68.

The state board of control at a meeting during the week formally accepted the new babies' dormitory at the state school for the feeble minded. The building contains 70 beds. Its cost was \$56,000.

To get ideas relative to modern training schools for boys, Sam A. Kozler, secretary of state; Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital for the insane, and W. C. Knighton, who is architect for the new training school plant to be built by this state, have been authorized to visit institutions in California, Colorado, Iowa, Indiana and Illinois.

Destination signs have been placed on all Oregon Electric trains. This has been done at the request of the Oregon public service commission.

Governor Olcott has appointed Frank S. Ward of Portland as a member of the state board of pharmacy to succeed Clyde G. Huntley of Oregon City, who declined to accept reappointment. Ward has been secretary of the board for some time and formerly was a member.

Because of dangerous rock some it was necessary for the state highway department during the week to stop work temporarily on the Columbia river highway about seven miles east of Seufert and between that place and the Deschutes river.

Out of 431 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission for the week five were fatal.

Governor Olcott has appointed Senator Gus C. Moser of Portland as a member of the national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws. He will represent Oregon on the commission and succeed the late Charles J. Schnabel of Portland.

W. J. Hofmann and Phil Metschan, of Portland, have been appointed by Governor Olcott as members of the finance committee of the Pacific Northwest Tourist association. Cameron Squires and George Lawrence, of Portland, have been appointed by the governor as members of the finance committee of the Oregon Tourist Information bureau.

Offices of the state industrial accident department will close at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoons during the summer months.

The Corvallis Creamery company, distributor of Nucoo butter, has instituted suit in the circuit court for Marion county against Attorney General Van Winkle and C. L. Hawley, state dairy and food commissioner, to enjoin them from enforcing the act of the 1921 legislature prohibiting the use of the words, "milk," "butter," "cream," etc., on foods substituted for

butter. The Corvallis concern claims the law is unconstitutional. It becomes effective May 25.

The following applications to appropriate water have been filed during the week with the state engineering department:

R. H. Jones of Granite, Ore., for authority to appropriate 90 second feet of water from Clear and Lightning creeks for mining operations in Grant county.

By A. N. Davis of Baker, covering the appropriations of water from Sutton creek, tributary to Powder river for irrigation of 22 acres in Baker county.

By the Norden-Fritz syndicate of Holland, Ore., covering the appropriation of 50 second feet from Sucker and Cave creeks to be used in the development of power for mining purposes in Josephine county. The estimated cost of this development is \$10,000.

By A. W. Hamilton and K. F. Marques of Weiser, Idaho, covering the appropriation of water from the Malheur district improvement company ditches for irrigation of 60 acres and domestic use in Washington county, Idaho.

By Edward Coles of Haines, covering the construction of the Killmaeue reservoir for the storage of 369 acre feet from the drainage basin surrounding Killmaeue lake, to be used for the irrigation of lands in Baker county.

By Phillip E. Lafflar of Grandview, covering the appropriation of water from two springs for use in operating a hydraulic ram, and for domestic use in Jefferson county.

By T. H. Sherrard, forest supervisor, Portland, covering the appropriation of water from Henry creek, tributary to Zig Zag river, for residence and public camp ground supply, in Clackamas county.

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