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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE TO LEGISLATURE

common mind when I say that our era of high prices is passing; that ment conditions may be less satisfactory; that there are possiand for the products of our forests perity will remain, that each of

tingencies.

headed er than stabilize industry.

that our institutions and neceswell

responsibilities to the people, after you have made appropriations for them, by a sound and economone wish to assure you that it will mand should be eliminated. partment to ever keep foremost mus be conducted on a business basis and under strict business

management. With a thought of possible asistance to you I have asked a found for the business structure committee composed of persons than a budget carefully prepared well versed in the subject to ascer- under some responsible guiding tention to the condition of the be kept there, and working them for more certainty in interpretaom indirect taxation. . The direct tax against real property and improvements I understand furnishes about 75 per unt of our state revenue and it is proper and right that those who (an afford to pay their just share of governmental expenses, but are ually confronted with the growth not now compelled to do so. should be assessed in a fair measincrease in the number of such urt for that purpose. The findwards. Oregon has liberally supings of the committee which 1 plied wants for such institutions have mentioned will be available to members of the legislature at all times for such assistance as it do other than extend to our instimay give them in their efforts. tutions all financial support withfregon, being essentially an agricultural state, I bespeak your consideration and help in ascertaining ways and means to bring the products of the farm closer to the consumer. Some well devised ly eliminated everything that it move of this sort would be of vast deems unnecessary and unessenbenefit both to the people on our farms and to the population of the Our first wish is for ample cities. While the people rejected maintenance so that the unforthe state market commission bill, I do not consider that as a repuclothed, given proper medical atdiation of the idea that there should be a more direct means of required to make them as happy disposing of the products of the and comfortable as possible under farm, and legislation tending to the conditions into which circumcurb excessive profits in between the producer and consumer will be a decided boon to mankind. stances have forced them. I would urge that these men women and children be made your I need not mention to you that first care above all other considerit is a well defined legislative in ations in the expenditure of pubretation in this state that the 6 per cent limitation amendment the board of control and the inans not only that no greater stitutional heads careful and contax levy shall be made from year servative expenditure of these to year by the tax levying body funds. than an increase of 6 per cent There has been some talk of over the preceding year, but it the erection of an additional capis as well that the legislature itol building. I appreciate to the shall confine its appropriations within the available revenues. 1 shall deem it my constitutionalduty, as executive to disapprove handicaps under which they sufany items that may be in excess of the 6 per cent limitation. While I feel assured that no member of made to alleviate such conditions. your body would take any other view of the amendment than the interpretation that has been given it by all legislatures, still I feel I would be remiss if I, as well, did not state my position in that regard so that it may be clearly understood at the outset of the ses-

(Continued from page 1. 1st sec.) ble body before they are presented of the aspects of an economic the product of his labor, could be crime be vastly lessened; the ne- yourselves able to give. sideration. This body should school, only to receive them back dependents. I feel there may be still a greater have such an intimate knowledge into the penitentiary, the state's

slump in business; that employ- of the needs of the state that it burden merely coninues and could prune estimates down to es- grows from year to year. Aside around problem of idleness at the sentials, and thus enable the legis- from any humanitarian standlature at the outset to take stock point, aside from the social fallacy man himself something to work bilities of industrial decline and of its finances and determine to which permits these boys to bea smaller return for our agricul- what extent appropriations may come criminals when a large per- in addition would remove from tural and horticultural products, be made to cover them, as the centage of them at least might final responsibility, of course, for be reclaimed, it is a sheer finan-i names of hundreds of innocents, the appropriation of the people's cial extravagance to herd these and streams. We trust that pros- money rests upon the legislature, boys into a cavernous, gloomy in-

Under present conditions there stitution, practically as devoid of our citizens will have his full and is no central body responsible for hope as the structure is of sunfair share of it, but I believe we the budget estimates, leaving each light, there to let crime breed and should look ahead to other pos- department and branch of the fester and develop.

sibilities and attempt to adjust state government to make such es- I feel that one of the gravest our acts on the basis of such con- timates, and claims upon the responsibilities that rests upon state's finances as they see fit. 1 this legislature; that rests upon With faith in the sound, hard- recommend that the state board the people of the state; that rests tracised because of their loved business sense of the of control be made responsible for upon every man and every woman American people, I must say I all budget estimates, and that of us wherein any responsibility look to the future with the ut- each department and branch of at all might lie, is in the future ma of having to depend upon pubmost confidence. I believe that the government be required to of those one hundred and forty business, which is now going submit their estimates to this odd little souls confined in that through a reconstruction period. board a sufficient time in advance institution and the thousands of will soon readjust itself and the of the biennial session of the leg- other little souls who will succeed prosperity of this state will con- islature to permit a full examina- them there as the years pass on. tinue to flow to its citizens. But tion of all claims. The board of 1 will not attempt to outline in this is a time when we should stu- control should be given authority detail here what steps should be diously avoid enacting legislation to consider and prune these esti- taken to remedy the situation. which might tend to unsettle rath-| mates as it deems necessary for They have been outlined before the best interests of the state. Af- and the last legislature provided The people of the state by their 'er the board has passed upon the for an inspection of the school

ballots have increased the cost of estimates, they should be filed with the idea in view of securing state government largely in ex- with the secretary of state for recommendations as to an entire cess of that allowed under the 6 compilation in budget form for revolution in the scheme of handper cent limitation amendment. presentation to your body. This ling and in the physical plant of Measures adopted by the people at change in the budget system the institution. I will pass that the special election last May car- would give to the legislature the phase by saying that now we make ried heavy tax provisions and the benefit of the judgment of the scant provision for vocational expenses of these must be met. members of the board of control, training for these boys; we make Burdens of taxation, already who by experience are familiar no attempt at segregation; but heavy, have been augmented to a with the needs of the state. This superficial provision is made for great degree but it removes none would necessarily place a heavy gathering data as to the history of our responsibilities in seeing additional burden upon the mem- of individual cases, and as the bers of this board, and ample pro- physical plant stands today the insary adjuncts of state government vision should be made for provid- corrigibles and those for whom continue to operate efficiently and ing the board with necessary ex- there is a chance become as one pert and clerical help to give this under the millstone that is grind-You, as legislators, by the prac- matter the close attention which ing them down, and where one

tice of economy in your appropri- its importance would warrant, actual criminal enters the instiations, by a careful scanning of Our budget would then be a tution, more leave it. items for those that are unneces- budget in substance as well as in I believe the state sould re sary and unwise, may very ma- name and I am convinced that the habilitate its training school and terially help the situation. The results attained from this plan give to the thousands of homeless executive and administrative arms would more than justify any ex. or worse than homeless boys who of government must fulfill their pense that may be connected with will sooner or later become, unwilling inmates there a school that

Our financial affairs should be subjected to the closest scrutiny. ical administration of affairs, Every just demand should be met based upon efficient management as far as it is possible to do so. er than hardened and hard-boiled and judicious expenditure. I for Every unjust and unnecessary de- criminals, and a school which inbe the aim of the executive de- submit this to you for careful dations of false economy and false thought. Expenses of state gov- pretenses, would be reared on the he thought that state business ernment are growing rapidly. Ex- solid foundation stones of the penditures should be placed upon right kind of environment and the soundest business basis it is education for development of the possible to attain and no more minds, the hands and the hearts firm nor sure foundation can be of its inmates.

pinion first consideration should

Boys' Training School.

be given these institutions.

changed as deemed necessary and ingly high as to leave the infer- first earn a sufficient amount to portunities for returning to good ence that perhaps, rather than re- pay for his own maintenance cost citizenship on the outside would regard to the care and manage- less their progress is curbed they laws be amended so that all the I believe all estimates should forming, these schools breed crim- to the state and that over, and be vastly improved; the possi- ment of them are worthy of every will become yearly more and fines collected for violations of be passed upon by some responsi- inals. Such a school presents all above this amount certain sums, bilities of his again committing favorable consideration you find more of a menace to our insti- the prohibition law be placed in

to the legislature and its ways and waste. If we send these boys in- set aside monthly or weekly to be cessity for allowing convicts outmeans committee for their con- to the world from the training disbursed in the support of his side of the prison walls be that heretofore been neglected in this our people have too well formed enforcement work, to be paid out

Such a plan would largely, if not completely, solve the year penitentiary; it would give the for in a gainful occupation, and the rolls of public charity the who are victims of a misstep made by their 'husband and father. These latter are the people who pay the heavy penalty for man's misdeeds. Seldom, if ever, does

the man himself suffer comparable to the suffer.ngs of the women and children who must move and live in society at large, osone's anti-social tendencies, and further suffering under the stiglic funds or private charity for support.

This legislature has an oppor tunity to take a great forward step by the expenditure of no great sum of money and I strongly request that you give most sympathetic consideration to this proposal as it will be further outlined to you by those in touch with the prison management."

Prison 'Flax Plant.

We still have the flax plant at the prison in operation. "As an industry it does not fit prison needs because it gives employment at only certain times of the year and then to only a limited number of men.

I desire to report to you that after due and careful consideration, it was decided that to further allow convicts in the flax fields for the purpose of pulling flax was economically unsound. As a result, during the 1920 flax season, it was insisted that the flax growers provide for the pulling of and sentence. This may be acflax by free labor. This was done with a great degree of success and a minimum of complaint, both from growers and pullers."

duty in regard to the flax industry. It has demonstrated beyond a doubt that flax may be previously recommended in this will be a school indeed. It should grown here successfully. The be a school which would produce time has come to place flax on the honest, self-reliant citizens, rathbasis of every other agricultural product. The wheat grower, the prune raiser, and the numerous ation of a school for the adult I stead of being reared on the founother men engaged in agricul-blind in Portland. tural pursuits receive and ask for weaknesses in the no subsidy from the state. They are required to employ their own ney-general that the millage harvest hands and meet their own funds provided for under this act labor problems without the assist- do not become available until

ance of convict labor. I am con- 1922, and, in addition, the act ed men is inside the walls of the several of its provisions ambigu-It is a pleasure to call your at-

state is that of keeping a watch- ideas to evade the issue. much diminished, and the expense

to the state in securing the wood ful eye on and giving assistance not very greatly increased. Non-support Law While touching upon the fal-

lacy in our laws which places men to the paroled man but no such gation of the situation to be made evidence in prohibition cases and behind prison bars without proper occupation to prevent their pitals.

own idleness or to provide support for their families, I wish to sense to authorize the superin- He went into the subject with lay particular stress upon our tendents of the state hospitals to open mind and for the purpose haw which provides for the convicition of a man of a felony for designate persons for that pur- of securing a fair and impartial tinue. Some such plan as I have failure to support his wife and pose. The insane are discharged, statement of the Japanese situa- suggested I believe the only children. I would not condone presumably cured, but often with- tion as it exists in those locali- equitable adjustment for the fisuch an offense in the least. But out friends to aid them in se- ties of the state where the Japathe state spends thousands of curing employment or to help nese problem is uppermost. Mr. dollars a year bringing these men them in any way. The state Davey has compiled a report giv- cessful way in which sufficient which confines them for a period ing ideas and expressions as gathback for prosecution and places many of them in the penitentiary. of time and breaks off their rela- ered from various citizens in the illicit manufacture and sale of That is well and good as far as tions with the world should aid communities which he visited and liquor. it goes. But the wrong is not them to find their proper place also covering generally data as remedied. The law, while in-tended as a deterrent, works as open to release them from res- Oregon, industrially and other- hibition act went into effect. Betended as a deterrent, works as open to release them from res- Oregon, industrially and othera punitive measure only. The traint,

Aiding Escapes from State man is embittered behind prison walls; the wife and children se-

We have upon our statute cure no more support than before the prosecution, save the pittance books an act making it a criminal from public charity awarded by offense for any person to aid or the mothers' pension act, and abet in the escape or attempt to Japanese colonies in Oregon; to when the prisoner is discharged escape of any convict in the state preserve our lands and our rehe is so bitter against those who penitentiary. This act should be sources for the people of our own sent him to the penitentiary that broadened in its effect, or paralthe wife is again abandoned and lel statutes should be enacted, the children pauperized, because making it a similar offense for the man feels he has paid his any person to aid in the escape penalty and refuses to give as- of any one confined in the boys' training school, the girls' indus- a state with a government of sistance further. I would believe in the law trial school, either of the state

Institutions

hospitals for the insane or from which prosecutes such a man because no man should attempt to the institution for the feebleevade the responsibilities he has minded. Such a law or laws brought onto himself when he would be of great benefit to the enters wedlock and brings de- institutions and would be for the protection and promotion of the welfare of institutional inmates him to actually do something for as well as for the protection and

State-aided Institutions

Eleemosynary institutions of pioneer days, it should be prewhich care for indigent, homeless served unsullied as they gave it tion of a proper industry at the prison, and the conditions to or orphan children and which re- to us. I believe in that pioneer which I have just alluded give ceive aid from the state seem to blood. I believe that when that The state has largely done its one of the strongest arguments have been functioning well dur- little hand of men voted at Chamin favor of the installation of the ing the past biennium. A noble poeg that the soil of this state bex factory at the penitentiary as work is being done by such institutions and without state aid it of the American flag they intend-

would be difficult for them to ed that whosoever should come thrive, and, in fact, many of them to Oregon should come as Ameri-Care of the Blind would probably be compelled to cans, or should be of such a race At the special election last May desist from their philanthropic that they could be assimilated provision was made for the creactivities. It is a healthy sign into a nation which believes in when the public conscience takes the traditions and ideals for Apparent cognizance of these little waifs which we have fought. law have brought a ruling from the attorwho are turned adrift to float hopelessly upon the sea of hu- in culture. They have made remanity unless rescued by the you will continue to give these vinced that the place for convict- is so loosely drawn as to leave the material support necessary penitentiary, so far as they may ous and in need of amendment development.

Oregon state penitentiary which on the outside, save where it is tion, particularly as to the exten Other Institutions I have entered into detail in cation and of progress. of the powers and duties of the regard to some of the state insti- are not our people. We cannot board of control. Proper amend- tutions wherein conditions exist- assimilate them and they cannot

tions which they make to you in fines of the state, and that un- work, however, I ask that the tutions. This is a question too the county funds as a special One important work which has widely discussed and upon which fund for the prosecution of have on the approval of the district

Realizing, the importance of attorney and to be expended at to the insane after they leave the subject and the magnitude to his direction. This would proour state hospitals. 'The prison which it has grown in the minds vide district attorneys with has its parole officer to be an aid of the people, I caused an investi- fund whereby they could collect function exists for the state hos- personally, by the Hon. Frank employ special agents at their dis-Davey, a member of your honor- cretion. It would be an added It would be an act of great hu- able body and a capable, consci- incentive to the agents to carry manity and of splendid business entious and honest investigator. on their work successfully, as the greater the number of convictions the longer the work could connancing of this work, and at the same time will be the only sucfunds may be raised to stamp out The problem has become much

wise. Copies of this report will fore that time our main problem be submitted to each of you for was to capture and convict bootleggers who secured supplies of 10

whiskey from other states. As In my opinion steps should be the source of bonded supply taken by means of proper legislation to curb the growth of the dwindles the army of bootleggers becomes greater, and our principal problem now is to deal with the moonshiner and his emissarrace and nationality. I believe ies who dispose of his wares. the ultimatum should be issued Their name is becoming legion and the federal government can that it is the sense of the people not do the work alone. of Oregon, speaking through their representatives, that this state is

I would be opposed to any alteration of the prohibition laws which would make them less ef-Americans, by Americans and for fective. If they can be amended Americans and that Americanism is the predominant asset of its so as to bring about better enforcement results I will welcome Here in Oregon the pioneer

such changes and be glad to give them my hearty approval.

Roads and Highways more nearly undiluted stream Under the direction of an able than in any other state of the union. As a precious heritage, and self-sacrificing highway commission our immense road propassed down to us from those hegram has advanced during the rolc fathers who braved the perpast two years steadily towardils and the trials and tribulations. desired goal. The people the have spoken in no uncertain terms as to their desire for good roads. The Oregon plan for financing road building through bonds, the interest and maturity of which are paid off through the should come under the dominion revenue derived from motor vehicle licenses and the gasoline tax, has so far more than justified itself, inasmuch as returns from such licenses are in excess even of the estimates of the most ardent advocates of the plan.

The path of the highway com-The Japanese are a race high mission by no means has been altogether as smooth as the roads markable progress since Commowhich it is laying. Prices for mapowerful arm of society. I know dore Perry, an American, first terials have been high; freight rates increasing; labor conditions opened to them the door which showed them the dawning rays far from satisfactory as far as for their sustenance and proper of a western civilization. They road building is concerned; conare a courteous people, a high- tractors hesitant because of flueminded people, a people of edu- tuating prices on commodities and labor, and numerous other diffi-

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fenseless children into the world ---providing that law compelled their support after his conviction benefit of society at large. complished through the installa-

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talents.

Budget System

Perhaps one of your gravest re asibilities is to deal with the financial system of our common-

with. I have long believed that the basis of an economical administration of state affairs is the hudget system. We have had such all the institutions coming under tition with free labor. It is bea system in operation in this state state support. Here is laid the lieved sound sense that whatever since 1915, with splendid results. foundation for present reform of industry is established should be But there are weaknesses in the future criminals and present con- an industry drawing upon a native system which I desire to call to ditions show us the economic fal- raw material and not necessitatyour attention, and also, in turn, lacy of leaving undone any step ing shipments of raw materials to present what I consider a which may result in turning the from abroad or from another remedy.

izen. The physical plant at the with high freight charges. Our budget is prepared on the following basis: The head of each training school is hopelessly ob- modest equipment should furnish but one have been recaptured and department, institution or state solete. The building is antiquat- employment the year around for acturity estimates his needs for ed, the plan of the institution is at least one hundred inmates of the coming year and, except in medieval, and the name of "train- the institution, and the balance camp aside from the foreman, the the case of state institutions com- ing school" attached to it is with- could be provided employment in ing under the board of control, out apology. With the exception other lines largely available now. aubmits these estimates directly of a few successful, but limited The plan is to entirely el.mto the secretary of state. He, in attempts to provide some voca- inate waste by delivering the raw turn, compiles them in budget tional training for the boys, nothing is done to prepare them to there to be cut into box shooks. form for submission to the legislature. The secretary of state has battle with life by the use of their and such other products as found no convicts from the inside of the rosal I am certain that you will nothing to do with thest estimates hands in an honest irade. Aca-save to act in a purely ministerial demic instruction is given, it is numerous other small articles, es-a man leaves the institution, un- as possible to these institutions. capacity and do the mechanical true, and to a measure in a satis-sential to institutional work. The less he has had a nopportunity to They have been operating on a of compiling. Estimates factory degree, but the instruc-slab wood would be used as fuel or had funds when received he in the larger same for much basis, both financially and have endeavored to answer ap-the nation's timber supply within covering the state institutions are tion received is but poor material by the institutions themselves, or had funds when received, he in the larger sense for which possible determination. submitted to the board of control upon which to remodel a life with the result there would be leaves the prison with five dollars they were intended, the

absolutely necessary, is fallacious in its history, both as to the phys- in principle and demoralizing in The first charge upon the public finances should be the care of ical appearance of the plant and practice. those unfortunate wards of the the morale of the men This is a I would continue the operation condition that exists regardless of state, who through some mental of the prison flax plant to handle or other defect are restrained the fact that but few appropriathe crop on the inside of the walls. tions have been made for betteragainst their will. While contin-

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State Penitentiary.

but would do so only until such ments and repairs at the instiof the state and the consequent fution during the past several lished and in actual operation a years, due to the fact that on two privately owned plant of sufficient occasions the electorate were magnitude and soundness to give asked to pass upon the question assurance that all of the flax crop in the past and I have no fear that of an appropriation for a new penwill be taken care of through that the legislature now convening will itentiary and until such decisions medium. When such time comeswere passed the current legislat-I believe the prison flax plant ive assemblies doubted the wisin its means. Realizing that the 6 dom of expending much money in per cent limitation amendment betterments or repairs on the old still confronts us, the board of plant. Through the initiative of gest that this legislature authorcontrol in passing upon budgets Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, temporarily ize the board of control to take for these institutions has careful- acting as warden, and his sucsuch steps at any time such a plant cessor, L. H. Compton, the presis actually in working operation ent warden, vast improviments and ready to handle the crop. My

have been made at the place. reason for this is based upon the largely through betterment funds belief that those who would be derived from work at the instiwilling to finance a new private tunates may be properly fed and tution itself. I will be pleased to venture may be standing aloof, have the members of the legisunwilling to come in and compete tention and all of the necessities lature investigate the institution and ascertain what has been done written upon the statute books hat whenever private capital It is deemed essential, and the

part of wisdom, to establish an industry that the state retire from industry at the plant which will it, an impetus would be given to keep the men from being idle. private capital to develop the inwhich will do away with the necessity of appropriating money lic funds and I will guarantee for | for the maintenance of such men as may be employed therein, and which, at the same time, will not compete with outside labor and which, as a deeply important consideration, will allow money to be

earned by the men tremselves to assist in the support of their gon. fullest extent the crowded and wives and children who often be-

Prison Wood Camp.

cramped quarters in which our de- come a charge on public charity or partments are housed, and the the philanthropy of their friends. After due consideration recomfer because of such crowding, and mendation is made that an appromain within prison walls, I wish every consistent effort should be priation be provided for the initial investment in a box factory been done at the prison wcod that very few if any of these But while we are attempting to at the prison. Lumbermen encamp. care for youthful offenders in a gaged in the manufacture of boxes board of control entered into a seek for the bread of charity after training school, the physical plant have expressed their sympathy contract for the cutting of a large leaving this institution. Though of which does not reflect, credit with the movement. It is a well to the state; while the institution known fact that the supply of for the feeble-minded and the boxes is inadequate to meet the to carry out this delayed contract of our sight and set upon our state hospitals for the insane are demands of our enormous fruit the present wood camp was estab- own resources and initiative with crowded to capacity, and while industry and these may be manulished near Aumsville in Novemother institutions are suffering factured at a minimum expense been conducted in another loca- away from us forever, these boys for want of rooms I am of the and the maximum of profit for tion. On the recommendation of and girls turn bravely to their the institution, and at the same time be sold at a reasonable cost to the consumer. This plan would seem to offer a happy solution of charge of the camp. Up to now of their own sustenance as com-The boys' training school I con- the prison employment problem sider one of the most important of without coming in unfair compehave been cut at the Aumsville camp, at a nominal cost to the state, the men being paid 50 cents of about 25 men have been emyouthful offender into a good cit- state, at a heavy first cost, and ployed daily at the camp. Only five of them have escaped during returned to the institution. There paroled man in question." 1 2.14 Despite this splendid record 1 believe this situation could be imtogs inside of the prison walls.

for the early functioning of this more special attention. The girls' not mix. I would live in peace well conceived institution, While upon the subject of the for the deaf, the Oregon state but it would be a peace and amity blind I respectfully direct your tuberculosis hospital and the state and concord which extended the of people, as amply indicated by time as there has become estab- attention to the possible necessity of developing more highly the all have been continuing their So long as Japanese and Amerivocational side of the training at work during the past biennium can attempt to till their acreage the present blind school. The object of the school, as I understand it, is to give a chance to these afflicted children to become selfshould be discontinued and the the handicap under which they supporting citizens, regardless of to tell you that each of these in- work out his destiny alone. state realize as much as it may suffer. This is done to a cerstitutions is carrying out a highly There should be peace between tain extent, but I believe it may be amplified by installation of additional means for vocational training which will give them larger and more diversified fields for the exercise of their developed ing the next two years. While perhaps it is not pertinent

Traffic Regulations

here, nevertheless I wish to say that people of the state who are grown to such tremendous pro- tinent. against a state plant. If it were interested in the progress of the portions, that not only our city blind are working toward the end streets, but our state and county of devising means for group emhighways are frequently congest- time of your deliberations. Whatshows its good faith toward the ployment of the blind in conneced with traffic and danger to ever you do with it, I know you tion with some of our industries. life and limb, becomes greater will act fairly and justly. That It is a move which has worked daily. successfully elsewhere and no

dustry here on a large scale. It doubt will here. Coordination of I hate this danger. But they may and always we are American citis important that we enact laws that work with the vocation in become effective to a large defor the encouragement of private struction in our blind schools, gree in saving the lives, limbs will be done with the firm resolve investments, and I believe such a both in the present institution and property of our citizens and to preserve this state as forelaw, granting this discretionary and the one to be constructed for very earnest consideration should most in its loyal allegiance to the power to the board of control, the adult blind, will have a far- be given to any and all suggesmight have a highly salutary ef- reaching effect in the solution of tions which may be offered in the

fect on bringing a material this problem. The war, with its way of traffic regulation. Many amount of new capital into Ore- trail of permanently blinded he- will be offered; many will be duty of the executive to take care roes, has opened up many new untenable and undesirable, but methods for the rehabilitation of none should be passed over with- cuted. A modest appropriation In conjunction with the state, the blind which have been used out careful thought. If measures was made, by the last legislature

It is with a great degree of satto call your attention to what has isfaction that I am able to report individual from being maimed work.

Several years ago the high-minded blind students ever cepted gladly and readily. acreage of stumpage to furnish most of us could conceive of no for the adoption of uniform traf- the request of some leading citifuel for the state institutions, and worse fate than to be deprived fic laws throughout the states. zens, conducted thorough investithe world dark to our eyes and ber, 1919. Previously a camp had the sunlight and shadow shut recently met and formulated a uations made a drain upon the the then warden, Dr. Steiner, a allotted tasks, work them out in their respective states. The made under the direction of the cure the greatest possible con- jury. petent citizens. venience to the motorist, so that Their work should be an inspiration of the in moving from one state to an- were expended in enforcement of for your consideration. I would most exalted kind. To give them other state he may not be re- the probibition law. This office carnestly urge that you coordievery assistance toward making quired to conform to a different had investigations made in every

> State Hospitals Our two state hospitals at Sa-

lem and Pendleton have funcfloned splendidly under admirahle management during the past biennium. Of all of the wards of the state, the unfortunates confined in these institution: because of mental disorders are tailed recommendations in this forcement. It must be under- changes are contemplated I would worthy of having their existence message but I am confident that stood that sheriffs very frequent- suggest that they be made by and proved if the legislature would al- made as comfortable as possible. you will give the careful consid- ly labor under a heavy handicap, with the commission's sanction

Japanese Question

But they culties have arisen to make progress difficult. Gilt edge Oregon ments might be made to provide ed to which I wished to call your assimilate us. Oil and water will bonds have sold below par because of an abnormal condition industrial school, the state school and amity and concord with them, of the bond market. Yet, under a heavy demand from all classes institution for the feeble-minded band of friendship across the sea. the vote at the special election last May, those who are paying the bills desire; roads and more for the purposes for which they side by side, so long will there be roads as rapidly as they can be were intended in a manner to enmity and distrust. Centuries constructed. The commission has meet with the approval of the of history have shown us that gone ahead with the work against board of control. I have no need Mongol and Caucasian must each these heavy odds, and while no one connected with the adminis-

your information.

citizenry.

blood flows more purely and in a

tration of the commission's afdeserving work; that each one is the two nations, but conditions as fairs attempts to deny there has entitled to your time and careful they now exist can serve no other been some waste, some possible thought in the consideration of purpose than to eventually lead extravagance, their needs and that none should these two nations to the brink of costs, nevertheless I believe the be slighted in granting the funds serious eventualities. I believe work has been done as expedinecessary for the continuation of the Japanese should work out his tiously and as economically as their highly beneficial work dur- destiny in Asia, in the continent human wisdom would allow unwhich God allotted him, and under the abnormal conditions and der God we should work out our times confronting the state and The use of motor vehicles has own destiny on the American connation and taking into consideration insistent demands by those

This may be the most momenfurnishing the money that the tous question to consume the roads be forthcoming. We must also bear in mind that, as long as human nature is as it is, as long as minds are constructed you will act with the high idea along different lines and track in Laws never can wholly elimi- ever before you that first, last different grooves, there will be disagreements over highway proizens and that what is to be done jects and highway work, as thereare disagreements over every other subject under the sun. These disagreements many times seem flag which we all revere. large to us, because we are deal-

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ing with a large subject, uppermost in the minds of the people. To give to the greatest number the that the laws be faithfully exebest that we can; to give as nearly a dollar's worth of road for a ment that wherever possible con- with surprisingly successful re- of any kind may be adopted which for the payment of expenses of dollar's worth of money as human ingenuity and human limiwill result in the saving of one special agents employed by the tations will allow, and to furhuman life, or the saving of one governor in law enforcement Emergencies and mangled, they should be ac- that this be materially enhanced through the emergency I am informed that there is board. When activities of radia concerted movement on foot cals were rampant, this office, at To this end the secretaries of sations of those activities and costate of the states of Montana, operated to the fullest possible Idaho. Washington and Oregon extent. Other extraordinary sitcode of traffic regulations, with funds, including an investigation intention of this action is to se- attorney general, and the grand

a cord for the wood they cut, this their difficult road through life code of laws prescribing and re- county of the state, and in addieasy should be a rare privilege stricting his activities. If we are tion thereto investigated, either meet with the to take a step in the line of uni- through its agents or through the common ground. formity in this direction we must proper law enforcing officers of cooperate with these states to the the various counties, every com- haustive study, not only of the fullest extent, else we shall fail plaint made to it. In this con- road situation, but of the manner pection I wish to say that I have in which the funds may be used The matter of traffic regula- tound the district attorneys and in giving the largest returns to tion is one of immense and grow- sheriffs of the various counties all of the state. I am pleased to ing proportions. Its possibilities ready to respond and cooperate abide by the commission's judgeration to this subject which it particularly in the enforcement of and consent. Such is the logical the prohibition laws, as they are and proper way to bring about well known in every community the largest and best results for How to meet the Japanese sit- of their respective counties, and all concerned.

nish as durable and as satisfactory a system as perishable materials will permit must be our first duty and object. I am confident that such is the aim of our highway commission, and I am equally confident the legislature wishes to see nothing else done. am equally confident we will have your active and hearty cooperation in bringing about such results. More funds through bond issues will be needed by the commission and the people have authorized you to grant such funds. The question of changing the road commission on The commis-

