

HIGHWAY BOARD MEETS TUESDAY

Bids on Improvement Projects in Five Counties Will Be Opened

Bids on road improvement projects in five Oregon counties will be opened by the state highway commission in Portland Tuesday of this week. Bids will be opened at the forenoon session of the commission and in the afternoon delegations wishing to appear before the commission will be heard. The department has had no advance information as to what delegations are likely to appear tomorrow.

Bids to be opened will be on the following projects:

Douglas county: Myrtle Creek-Canyonville section, Pacific highway, 10.5 miles of paving; Camas Valley section, Roseburg-Cooms-Bay highway, 8.5 miles of grading, 120,000 cubic yards of excavation.

Gilliam county: Rock Creek-Shutlers section, John Day river

highway, 9.5 miles of grading and rock surfacing, 73,000 cubic yards of excavation.

Rood River county: Hood River-Booth Hill section, 6.1 miles of grading, 173,500 cubic yards of excavation; Booth Hill-Forest Boundary section, Mt. Hood Loop highway, 12 miles of grading, 95,000 cubic yards of excavation.

Malheur County: Jamieson-Brogan section, John Day River highway, 6.2 miles of gravel surfacing.

Union county: City of Union section, Old Oregon trail, 1.2 miles of paving, 20,000 square yards.

Contract to Purchase Brings Suit in Court

A contract to buy a house for \$1300 and payment to be made at the rate of \$5 a month has brought both parties concerned into the Marion county circuit court.

The suit is entitled A. Balch against V. C. Balch and S. A. Balch. The plaintiff alleges that an agreement was made with the two defendants to buy lot 14 in block 3 of Broadway addition to Salem and that payments were to be made at the rate of \$5 a month.

It is also alleged that the defendants took possession of the property on their agreement to pay the \$5 a month and that they have refused to pay.

The plaintiff asks for possession of the property or the payment to him of \$1300 and \$125 attorneys' fees.

SALEM TAX ROLLS ARE COMPLETED

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12.9 mill levy for city purposes only.

Sublimity has an assessed valuation of \$57,340 and it will require \$266.60 to maintain its government. A levy of 4.6 mills will bring in the required amount.

St. Paul is assessed at \$55,962 and the cost of its government this year will amount to \$251.82. To secure this amount the levy for St. Paul for local expenses is 4.5 mills.

According to the Marion county tax roll which will be turned over to the tax collector Monday by Oscar A. Steelhammer, assessor, the amount of taxes to be collected amounts to \$1,685,936.92.

One year ago the tax roll amounted to \$1,695,120.67, showing that the amount to be collected this year in taxes is little more than \$9000 less than a year ago.

While many counties in the state have fallen down in valuation, Marion county is one of the favored ones, as the valuation as shown by the tax rolls in the assessor's office is \$42,091,057.

RUINS OF HOTEL STILL SEARCHED FOR DEAD.



The ruins caused by the hotel fire in Richmond, Va., are still being scoured in the hope of finding some of the bodies that are still thought to be buried in the debris. The ruins are still burning and firemen are making every effort to clear away the wreckage. This picture shows a line of trucks taking away the debris.

compared to \$41,782,605 a year ago.

Marion county, based on its assessment and millage of 9.5 will pay for state expenses, \$494,074 for maintaining the county, the assessment is \$370,401. For the county school and library maintenance, the county is assessed \$147,318, figured on a 3.5 millage tax.

To maintain the high school tuition fund, which is paid by districts not maintaining high schools, the tax is \$55,186. And for county roads, outside the city of Salem, the rolls call for \$126,421, based on a 4.2 mill levy.

There are a number of special taxes which have been included in the tax rolls. These include the following: Special school levy, \$291,588; special roads levy, \$64,926; special cities and towns levy, \$224,052; forest patrol, \$1,477; Miller drainage district near Gervais, \$490.45.

SUITS TO RECOVER ARE FILED BY STATE

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act provided for the selection of all swamp land according to the state under the swamp land act of 1860. It was required that when applications for the lands were made, 20 per cent of the purchase price must be paid on application and the remainder upon proof of reclamation. In 1878 the law of 1870 was repealed and the new act provided for the sale of swamp lands in parcels of not over 320 acres to any one person. It further provided, however, that persons applying under the act of 1870 and had fully complied with the conditions, including the payment of the 20 per cent on application, were entitled to the lands applied for.

Law Not Followed

All the deeds now attacked by the state in the suits filed Saturday were issued after the act of 1878 went into effect. It is not the state's contention that the persons involved were not entitled to deeds because they had not fully complied with the law of 1870. The state also contends that proofs of reclamation furnished were false and that the lands were not reclaimed.

ENDEAVOR TO END SESSIONS TONIGHT

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singing was one of the events of the evening.

The Oregon Christian Endeavor summer conference is to be held at Columbia City, by the agreement of the committee in charge. The Baptist Union has tendered the use of its fine camp grounds for the occasion. The date is not definitely decided. It will probably be some time in September.

Romance Comes In

A delightful little romance was brought into the convention,

through the announcement of the engagement of Lloyd Carrick, former state president of the Endeavor and Alice Davis. Mr. Carrick is now in California, attending a Bible institute for religious work. The convention sent a telegram of congratulations to the happy pair.

The Oregon Electric will run a special convention train to Portland and the north, at 8:30 tonight, following the adjournment of the convention. All the delegates were urged to bring their baggage and have it checked for quick service at this time.

For those who are not "eaten" at the homes where they are quartered, breakfast is to be served this morning at the Christian church at 8 o'clock.

Election Is Today

It had been announced that the election of officers would be held Saturday night, but through a failure of the nominating committee to agree on all the officers for the coming year, the election had to be held today.

A budget of \$4000 was agreed upon as necessary to carry on the state convention activities for the ensuing year. In the meeting last night, a sum aggregating a little more than \$2500 was raised by personal and by district and individual church subscriptions. This will be augmented by commissions on the subscriptions to the Christian Endeavor World magazine, by outside personal and alumni gifts, so that the full quota asked for will probably be assured.

Today's Program

The program for today is: Meeting of the seniors at the armory at 10:15.

Church services at 11, in all the Salem churches, the delegates' choice.

Senior rally and junior pageant, at the armory, 2 o'clock.

Intermediate Endeavor, Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock.

General meeting of convention at armory at 3 o'clock; election of officers, address, special music, general convention business.

Song service at armory at 7 o'clock; followed by devotional service, address, special music, installation of officers, closing and good-bye.

DAYTON GIRL'S LOVER AGAIN HALTS MARRIAGE

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for the man who had preyed upon her for the satisfaction of his own bestial desires.

However, Frances is not dead. "I don't want to live if I live, I want my name for our baby," she moans. Over and over her semi-buried lips repeat the name of the man whom she claims has wronged her.

One of the terrible things about arsenic poisoning is that full consciousness must persist until

ELECTRICAL WIZARD NOW 75 YEARS YOUNG.



Thomas A. Edison celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday by working part of the day in his West Orange factory and devoted the remainder of his time with old associates and employees.

"irreconcilables battalion" of the Versailles treaty fight and the five together make up an element of the Republican committee membership which the leaders are watching with particular interest. All five have expressed doubts about provisions of the four-power treaty, and it is realized that should they effect a working agreement with the Democratic members the result would be a combination strong enough to dictate committee action.

Democrats Silent

The exact purpose of the Democrats, however, still is conjectural. Senator Underwood, as Democratic leader, is confident that few Democratic votes will be recorded against the treaty and that Senator Hitchcock has indicated that he would vote for it after supporting reservations. The attitude of the Democratic senators classed as dyed-in-the-wool supporters of Woodrow Wilson remains waiting one, and all of them declare that so far as the former president has shown no desire to take a hand in the ratification discussions.

Both Senators Borah and Brandegee are considering drafts of reservations to the four-power pact, which may come before the committee during the coming week. In the main their suggestions are said to have centered about these four qualifications: That the treaty shall not be construed as requiring use of force without express congressional authorization; that violation of the treaty by any signatory shall automatically terminate it as to the others; that adjustments reached under the treaty shall be subject to senate ratification and that the provisions for action when rights are threatened by an outside power shall apply only when the threat is "unprovoked."

Committee in Recess

While the senate and the committee were in recess today, some of the members also made plans to obtain more information about other treaties in the conference series, and it developed that the move to seek the advice of American naval authorities regarding the fortifications article of the naval limitation treaty had gained further support. Senator Johnson indicated that he would take formal action next week to bring naval experts before the committee. A report of the senate naval committee, made last May, regarding the annual naval appropriation bill, will be quoted by the California senator to support his request. In that report the naval committee declared it had been advised by naval men that Guam was "of the greatest strategic importance" as a naval base, whereas under the treaty the United States pledges not to erect further fortifications there. Mr. Johnson wants to question men from whom the naval committee got its advice, and ask them what has occurred to change the situation.

GRANGE LISTENS TO TAX TALKS

S. M. Endicott and Mrs. Bishop Speakers Before Salem Gathering

An interesting meeting of the Salem Grange was held at Labor hall Saturday afternoon.

S. M. Endicott addressed the assembly on state taxes, proposing a number of tests for the fitness of officers to be elected this year. One of these was the demand that official salaries be cut squarely in two, from the governor and the new superintendent of the Boys' Training school, clear down the line.

"Put it up to the highly paid men in the colleges and all the offices, to take a cut in the wages that are so much higher than the farmer who works all the time can possibly make, and see if you don't still have a full corps of officers—and if you don't get all the old ones, you'll get new ones who will do it."

The speaker proposed this as one certain test for official recommendation this year.

Mrs. C. P. Bishop appeared, by special invitation, to explain some of the conditions relating to the Boys' training school building. She said that the present school grounds had been known as the "poorest farm in Marion county" for 30 years; that on report of Secretary Slingerland of the Russell Sage foundation, it was not adapted to the purpose of a farm to teach boys.

Mrs. Bishop announced her understanding that the governor is calling a conference of social workers to meet the coming week to discuss the location, the plans, and the general problem of the boys' school. A true has been called in the carrying out of the first plans, she said, pending some further investigation.

"But I will not appear before Mr. Kuser," the speaker declared. "He has not been in Oregon two weeks. If the notice for the meeting says that Mr. Kuser is to settle it, that settles the meeting."

The Grange took no action on the training school matter other than to applaud the speaker in her declaration that it was "a shame to waste the people's money" in building on a site that she said was expensive, unfitting, and that would always be a drain on taxes to try to cover up its natural deficiencies.

Hughes Needed

Both Senators Lodge and Underwood, who were members of the delegation, have told their colleagues that virtually all four-party negotiations were carried on in the "informal" meetings of the "big four" delegation heads and those who want the information argue that the one-man who can give it should be before the committee.

Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, ranking Democratic member of the committee and author of the resolution of inquiry, plans to leave Washington Monday for a western trip which probably will keep him away until the end of the week. In his absence, the effort to secure additional data is expected by committee members to be taken up by several Republicans including Borah, Idaho; Johnson, California; and Brandegee, Connecticut.

In addition to these three, Senators Moses of New Hampshire and McCormick of Illinois, also are Republicans of the old

OFF FOR EUROPE WITH A SMILE.



Mrs. Leland Hayward, daughter-in-law of Col. "Bill" Hayward, was one of the passengers sailing on the Aquitania for Europe, which carried Mr. Balfour and other notables from the Arms Conference.

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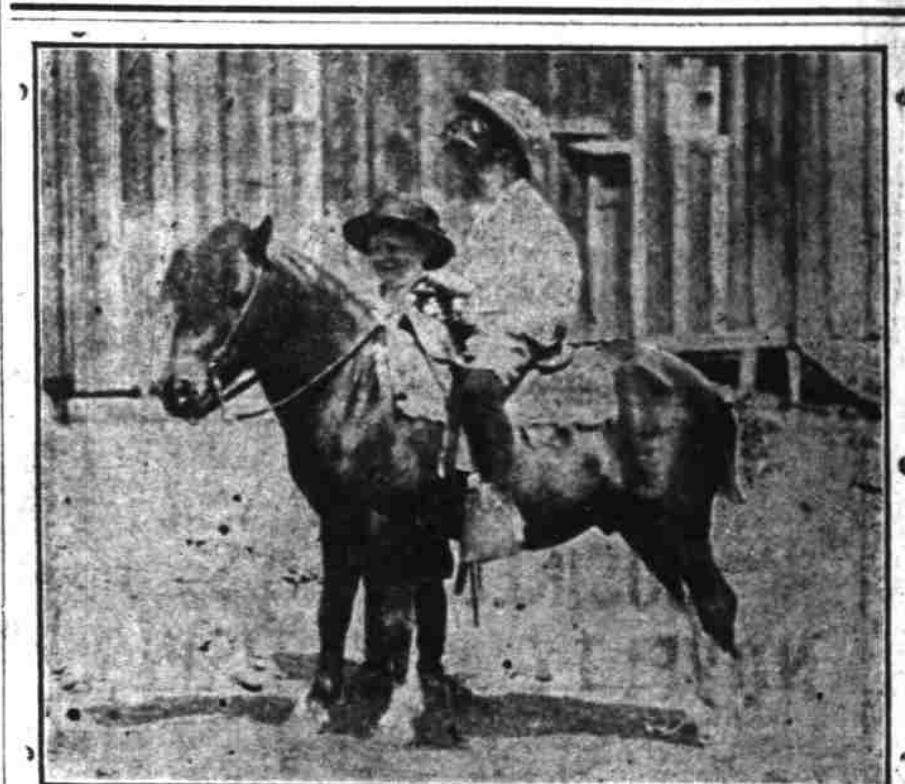
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