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To Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon, relative to Insurance Companies, notice is hereby given that the THURINGIA INSURANCE COMPANY, desiring to cease doing business within the state of Oregon, intends to withdraw its deposit with the Treasurer of said State, and will, if no claims against said company shall be filed with the Insurance Commissioner within six months from the 1st day of November, 1904, this state being the date of the first publication of this notice, withdraw its deposit from the State Treasurer.

THURINGIA INSURANCE COMPANY
By W. E. Kelley, Manager.
Dated at New York, N. Y., this 14th day of October 1904.

HIS IDEA OF A GOOD ROAD

WILL NOT BECOME POPULAR.

A Correspondent Would Have Them Built So as to Make Shade for Man and Beast.

While we do not side with the views expressed in the following from a subscriber to The Independent, we gladly publish his letter. It shows that the good-roads movement is being agitated and believed in, though all do not see alike as to the best way to build good and lasting roadways. The columns of this paper are always open for exchange of ideas of interest to the public. Read what our correspondent thinks would be the proper way:

Mr. Editor:—I had the pleasure of attending the late Good Roads convention here and listening to the able and earnest speeches concerning a recognized, pressing want. I am not too old to learn—not quite 83—nor too old to feel a deep interest in all that concerns the prosperity and happiness of my fellow mortals, human or brute, and I was surprised and grieved to learn that the macadamized road is not the final solution of the road problem, even when available. That, if abused or neglected, its costly materials become not only useless, but real obstructions to travel through the mud of winter or the dust of summer. But no other plan was received with much favor by the convention. This was discouraging. It reminded me of the Irishman's frog—"an amphibious animal that can't live on land and dies in the water."

One man proposed packing roads down, after being properly drained and rounded up, with very heavy rollers; or repeated layers of earth thus rolled down.

I have a plan upon which I have thought and said a good deal for the last fifty years, and which still seems to me to be the cheapest, the best and most enduring of any I can conceive for a webfoot country road.

I would place a roof over a part of each much traveled road. It need not, and should not be unsightly or expensive—should not cover the whole roadway—only convenient room for travel, eight or ten feet, as with gravel roads; room to travel outside, when preferred, distance between some, or all posts, sufficient to allow teams to meet and pass. Need not be of combustible material, posts in or on the ground may be removed or renewed, and we need not cover all the 1,500 miles of road in our country.

I have traveled much, but for years I have only traveled, once a week, from the city to my cabin and work. In this I have traveled over plank road, railroad ties, cross-laid and corduroy, and mud, mud, mud; almost always wallowing in mud or dust, with plenty of bumps and thumps, and this, though all is expensive drained. And heavily loaded teams often cross the ditches, where possible, to escape the mud.

At about one and one-half miles this road forks about equally, and makes two good roads, though these are but slightly drained. I often ride with farmers who tell me the roads are good where they live, but bad and worse as they approach the towns. I think this need not, should not be so, and I am glad so many others think so, too. I have never dared to claim to know that mine is the best plan, for I have never seen it tried. I have only asked that it be tried, and if I did not believe in it, I would not ask that.

I am fully convinced that if we could shut off half the rain that now falls on our roads, and all the water from elsewhere, we should never have muddy roads; and if we could shield them from the baking sun we would not have dusty ones. Doubtless they would require attention every year, but would repay in good, firm, smooth dirt roads, the best ever found for traffic or travel, except railroads, with shelter for man and horse from rain or broiling sun.

I observe that whenever we have a day or two without rain the dry land begins to appear, and whenever a road is not under water or churned into mortar, it is firm and safe, even for loaded wagons, the water may be standing within a foot, and nearly on a level.

I am sure I have no selfish motive in writing this. I am looking every day for my wings to fly away from mud and dust and sin, but I confess to an ambition to leave behind me something worth remembering. I have made many mistakes in life, and this may be one. Try it and see.

Portland and Return 85c.
The Southern Pacific is now selling round trip tickets to Portland from Hillsboro for 85 cents, good going Saturday P. M., or any train of Sunday, returning Sunday and Monday in Portland. The same arrangement applies from Portland, giving all Portland people a chance to visit valley points at greatly reduced rates.

There are still living three pensioners of the Revolutionary war, a widow and two daughters; 919 of the war of 1812, and 13,985 soldiers of the Mexican war.

COME BY CARLOAD.

Exhibits for Lewis and Clark Exposition Arriving Daily.

Portland—With more than four months still remaining before the opening day, June 1, exhibits and displays for the Lewis and Clark centennial are beginning to arrive in Portland by the carload, and are being stored in finished buildings on the exposition grounds. From this time on, the cars of exhibits will continue to arrive in large numbers until all the displays are ready for the opening of the great Coast Fair.

California has sent one car, containing a part of her display in education and social economy, and more are expected in a few days. One car of the Idaho exhibit has also been received, unloaded and stored in the European Exhibits building, while two cars containing part of the Massachusetts exhibits are expected in a few days. The Massachusetts exhibits will be stored in the European Exhibits building until the Massachusetts building, work on which will be begun soon is ready to receive them. A cargo of exhibits for the mines and Metallurgy department is on its way from St. Louis, and cars containing various manufacturing exhibits are reported on their way to the Fair city.



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All but one of the Exhibition Palaces are now completed, and the arrival of exhibits at this early date makes certain the readiness of the fair on opening day.

Centennial Notes.

Persia's exhibit at the Lewis and Clark centennial will be worth \$200,000. Vermont's building will be a reproduction of the old Constitution House of 1777.

Great Britain will occupy 3,600 square feet of exhibit space.

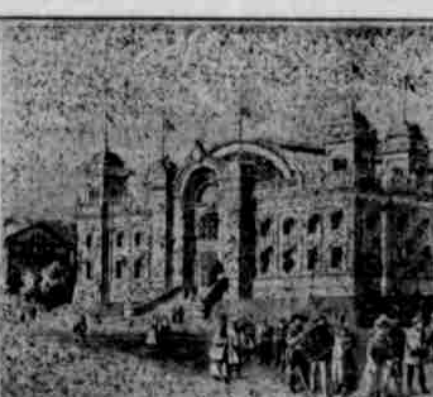
Hungary will have an exhibit worth \$30,000. The exhibit will occupy 2,000 square feet of space.

Costa Rica will make a fine display of coffee, hemp, cocoa and other products. The display is valued at 20,000.

An interesting attraction for women will be the display of the latest frocks from Paris in the French section of the manufactures building.

Egypt and Morocco will make a combined African display. The exhibit will cover 2,500 square feet and its value will be \$225,000.

The hatching of chickens will be



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shown to the general public at the Lewis and Clark exposition. All exhibitors of incubators will be required to make their displays operative, and at stated hours the crowds will be invited to come and see the chickens break their shells.

The piling and flooring work on the Trail and Bridge of Nations is now completed, and the government peninsula can now be reached by this route. The bridge spans 2,000 feet of water and is the longest bridge ever erected at an exposition.

The art display will be of fabulous value, representing more money than will be expended in building the exposition. There will be a few paintings worth at least \$100,000 each, and the aggregate value of the display will be millions of dollars.

A young man asked an elderly farmer for his daughter in marriage, says an exchange. The answer was: "Go into the orchard and bring in a parcel of apples. Give me one-half of the whole number and the mother one-half of the balance and have one apple over, and to the daughter one-half of the remainder and half an apple over, and have one left for yourself, without cutting an apple. Then if she is willing you can have her." He solved the problem and how many apples did he bring?

Schulmerich Bros. are offering suits at just one-half of their former price. We have some remnants that must be sold. See them. Suits for \$5.00

TO OREGON EDUCATORS

PLAN FOR FAIR EXHIBIT.

So Far as Possible the Educational Exhibit Will Be Arranged by Counties.

The Educational department of the Lewis and Clark centennial exposition has adopted the following plan of exhibit, viz: To make a careful and thoroughly graded exhibit from the kindergarten to the university. So far as practicable the exhibit will be arranged by counties. For the purpose of organization the county will be the unit. Cities may organize as a unit within the county unit. The educational department



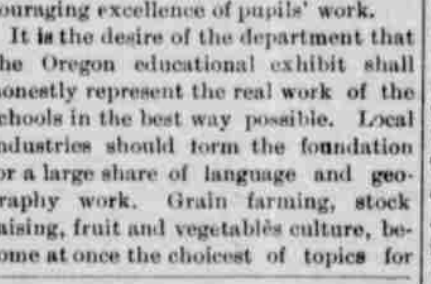
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ment recommends, however, a collective presentation of the work from different counties, except in cities having special supervision. The collective exhibit plan will require that material furnished by the different schools be assembled at some county center, arranged, labeled, and shipped by county organizations. Papers that best illustrate county plan of exhibit will be placed in exhibit cabinets, others will be bound at the expense of the state commission.

The arrangement will be by subjects and grades, beginning with the lowest grade. A typewritten statement or outline of the work to be exhibited in cabinets is essential to a correct understanding and presentation of the exhibit.

Exhibit cabinets are to be purchased by exhibitors. The department recommends that these cabinets be kept at some convenient county location after the exposition closes and become the center for the reception of meritorious work which may be supplied from time to time to the end that the exhibit idea may be made a useful adjunct for encouraging excellence of pupils' work.

It is the desire of the department that the Oregon educational exhibit shall honestly represent the real work of the schools in the best way possible. Local industries should form the foundation for a large share of language and geography work. Grain farming, stock raising, fruit and vegetables culture, becoming at once the choicest of topics for



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written work. Visiting observers are always pleased and benefited by the stories children write of their own environment.

Our educational exhibit will come directly into comparison with that from such states as Massachusetts, New York, Missouri, Wisconsin and California, as well as our Northwestern states. We all want the comparison to be such as will fully express the good work being done all through the state. Each school district in the state is cordially invited to send something for the exhibit. Local interest and local pride will certainly stimulate each to do his best.

A Few Onions.

Thirty thousand pounds of onions from three-quarters of an acre is the record established by J. M. Hollowell, the market gardener on the old Watson property in the western part of Hood River. At present prices this crop of onions is worth \$750.—Hood River Glacier.

Winter Rates to Yaquina Bay.

In order to accommodate the many people who wish to make a winter trip to Yaquina Bay, the Southern Pacific Railway company will sell on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, on or after March 31, 1905, round trip tickets, at low rates, to Yaquina Bay and return, limited to sixty days from date of sale. Those who desire to take advantage of this rate should apply to nearest Southern Pacific ticket agent for tickets.

Hop roots, 44 per 1,000; also hop supplies, at Cate's market.

On to Tillamook.

The following letter from the Oregon Traction Company, which is so soon to begin work on an electric line between Portland and Forest Grove via Hillsboro, was published in The Portland Telegram recently. Tillamook is wild for the line and will do everything it can to have it extended. Should the line be built, that coast country would develop into one of the finest summer resorts in the world, and thousands of Portlanders and other people along the route would go there instead of Newport and Yaquina Bay. The letter follows:

"Dear Sir: We have noticed in the newspapers from time to time during the past year that the people of your city and county have been agitating the question of a railroad to give connection between Tillamook and Portland, and as we have been preparing for some time to construct a line of standard gauge electric railway, with modern equipment, from Portland to Forest Grove, have concluded to write to you with reference to extending it on to your city."

"Within 60 days laying of the track will be commenced from Portland westward on our line, and will be completed as far as Forest Grove by the middle of summer, and we are prepared to say that if your city and county will furnish us with right of way from Forest Grove to Tillamook over some feasible route, and raise a sufficient amount of subsidy subscription, to be payable when the road is completed, we can practically promise you that we will extend our line to your city. We will be glad to have you write us at your convenience, expressing the sentiment of the people toward the proposition."

"The construction of an electric road from Portland to Tillamook would open up a great amount of summer resort business for the beaches of your section, and also the other mountain resorts would be attractive, and as we would be able to put on a service that would not occupy more than four hours between the two cities, we believe that the Tillamook beaches would become the most attractive resorts on the coast. Trusting that we will have the pleasure of hearing from you at your earliest convenience with reference to this matter, we are very truly yours,

"OREGON TRACTION COMPANY,

"By L. Y. Keady, treasurer."

Tillamook affords an ideal opening for electric roads; in fact, these are the most practical mode of transportation over the coast range and power is available from numerous mountain streams. The amount of subsidy required has not been stipulated, and it would be hard to tell at this time how much could be raised.

Timber Lands Will Soon Open.

News has been received that the timber land in Southern Oregon and Northern California which the department of forestry announced several weeks ago would be thrown open for entry, is to be advertised at once. At the expiration of 90 days from the time the advertising begins the lands will be ready for entry. The sections involved cover a large area of fine sugar and yellow pine timber in Josephine county and parts of surrounding counties, as well as sections in Del Norte and Siskiyou counties, California. In a portion of the tract in Curry county is considerable redwood, the only redwood in Oregon, and the giant trees compare very favorably with the famous "big trees" of California. The tract is valuable, in the main, however, for the great amount of yellow and sugar pine that it contains.

Schulmerich Bros. sell the Rushford wagon, the best farm wagon offered, at the lowest price.

HORRIBLE DEATH AT POOR FARM

MARY BARR BURNED TO DEATH

Been an Inmate of Poor House for the Past Twelve Years—She Was Feeble-minded.

Mrs. Mary Barr, an inmate of the poor farm, located near this city, died Sunday from the effects of burns received that morning. She was putting a stick of wood in the stove when the sleeve of her dress caught fire, and in a moment she was enveloped in flames. Supt. Roy, of the poor farm, smothered the fire with a blanket, but she was so badly burned that she died late Sunday night. She was about 58 years of age, and had been an inmate of the farm for the past twelve years. A son, Chris Barr, lives at Bethany, and another son in Seattle.

Very Pointed, at Least.

The question of closing the gates of the Lewis and Clark fair on Sunday is being discussed in Portland. The Ministerial Association want the fair closed, while the labor organizations want it open. There are over sixty labor organizations in Portland with a membership exceeding 10,000. Sunday is the only day on which they can visit the fair, while the ministers can go every day in the week. If the Ministerial Association would devote some of its spare time to the closing of saloons, cribs, beer gardens, cigar stores and gambling dens on Sunday they would be doing the public a service. These places do harm and thousands of people who might otherwise spend the day with their families, or possibly attend church, put in their time in places of questionable character. No possible harm can come from a laboring man taking his wife and children to the fair on Sunday. There is nothing demoralizing in the fair. The Ministerial Association, when confronted with this argument claim that the laboring men can take one day in the week from their work and visit the fair. But who pays for the time lost? If a laboring man loses a day he is docked for that day's work, but a minister's salary goes on just the same. The ministers want certain privileges granted them that they are unwilling to grant to others. Then, again, there are a large number of people who do not recognize Sunday the same as the churches do, and many do not believe in religious observance of the Sabbath, and they are certainly entitled to their opinion, the same as a minister is entitled to his. The Lewis and Clark fair was not intended to be a religious institution in the interest of any one sect or creed, but a national exhibit for the education and enlightenment of all mankind irrespective of religion, politics or previous condition. The Ministerial Association of Portland is not the "whole push." It has no more right to dictate as to how the fair shall be managed than have the labor or other organizations. This is not a man's show, but is for everyone. The men who put up the money for the fair ought to be the ones who should have the say about managing it. There is not a minister or church in Portland or the state of Oregon that ever contributed one cent to it, and they ought to be satisfied with the increased collections on Sunday without attempting the management of the fair.—Astoria Herald.

THE WEATHER.

Summary for December, 1904, as Given by Director Beals.

The following summary of temperature and precipitation is taken from "Climate and Crop Service of the Weather Bureau," Oregon section, published monthly by Edward A. Beals, district forecaster:

Temperature—Monthly mean (all districts), 37.8 degrees, or 0.9 degrees above the normal; highest, 47.6 degrees, at Gold Beach, Curry county; lowest, 26.4 degrees, at Pine, Baker county. The maximum temperature was 62 degrees, at Klamath Falls, Klamath county, on the 1st, and at Williams, Josephine county, on the 29th; the maximum was 6 degrees below zero, at Burns, Harney county, on the 25th.

Precipitation—Monthly average (all districts), 7.15 inches, or 0.89 of an inch above the normal; greatest monthly, 25.05 inches, at Glenora, Tillamook county; least, 0.70 of an inch, at Ontario, Malheur county; greatest amount in 24 consecutive hours, 4.40 inches, at Toledo, Lincoln county, on the 29th.

From Poor House to Asylum.
John Huber, an epileptic, was adjudged insane in Judge Rod's court last Friday and ordered committed to the asylum at Salem. Huber has been an inmate of the poor house in this county for about twelve years; has epileptic attacks averaging three a week, and his mind has gradually been growing weaker. He has a brother, Henry Huber, living at Kist, Washington county, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Grownor, whose home is at Mansfield, Ohio. Huber has been weak intellectually since childhood.

It Cleans Them Out.

A farmer tell of a plan he has adopted to clear his farm of rats, and as it is cheap, is worth trying: Here is his remedy: "On a very large number of pieces of old shingles I put about one-half teaspoonful of molasses and on this I scraped a small amount of concentrated lye and then placed the shingles under the cribs and other places where the rodents were thickest. The next morning I found some forty dead rats and the rest vacated the farm. I have cleared many farms of the pests in the same way and have never known it to fail."

The Country Press.

Senator Chaney M. Depew, in a recent address before the New York Press Association, has this to say of the country press: "I pay my respects to and express my admiration for the country newspaper and the country editor. His lines are not cast in places of the great and profitable organs of the metropolis, whose profits are reckoned often by the hundreds of thousands of dollars every year. But the country editor lives in and is a part of his community. His virtue is not so much in what he prints as in what he refuses to print. He could easily destroy the peace of the community by admitting to his columns the scandals and gossip of the neighbors. But he stands as a censor and a guardian of the public morals, and I know of no conditions under which the public is appealed to in a certain measure, where the utterance is so free from criticism, as the general tone of the country press."

Largest Apple in the World.

Residents of Paonia, Colo., claim that the largest apple in the world was raised in that district this year. It is of the Wolf River variety and weighs thirty-one and one-quarter ounces. Fine large strawberries were picked in Paonia the third week in October.

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