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We maintain that in order to justify its existence every institution must perform a real service to the community. Davis-Kaser's continued growth is largely attributed to the fact that we do perform such a service, and that more folks realize and appreciate that fact. We have never claimed your support simply because we are a local institution and help to build up our great country, but because, all things considered, we give you more for your money than you can get elsewhere, because our experience enables us to help you

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THE ROAD BONDS MEASURE A BOOST

SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN JUNE

Association Organized With Object of Entire County Assisting in the Work.

At Pendleton, Tuesday night, The Eastern Oregon Highway Association, with representative men from all parts of the county in attendance, unanimously endorsed the movement and tendered support to the bond issue.

D. H. Nelson, a prominent farmer, is president of the association; Hugh Murray of Freewater is vice-president and the directors will be selected from each of the towns of the county, and a working program will be initiated at once.

The bond issue was discussed at length during the meeting and among the facts elicited it was shown that no additional tax will be required to retire the bonds when they mature, the automobile license tax and the quarter-mile state road tax which the state has been paying for four years, will be entirely adequate. Not one cent of the \$6,000,000 will be spent within the confines of Multnomah county, which county already has a good system of hard surfaced trunk roads.

The building of permanent trunk highways by state aid—the proposed bonding issue—would enable the county courts to spend their road money on feeder roads, which in the past have been sadly neglected through the county's efforts in the expenditure of all available road funds to construct and maintain the Milton-Pendleton highway.

With the carrying of the bond measure in June, the automobile, the vehicle which uses the public highway most, and which is always giving forth incessant demands for better roads will be made to pay the extra cost growing out of these demands, leaving the regular road fund to operate in outlying county districts where it rightfully belongs.

One provision of the proposed measure is that those counties now having macadam road bases, shall have these bases hard-surfaced at once. Thus Umatilla county would be one of the first to be benefited by having the Milton-Pendleton road completed, and thereby save it from total destruction as under the present conditions seems inevitable. That the taxpayers and people of Athena and vicinity may know the exact provisions the bonding measure as enacted by the legislature and referred by that body to the people to vote upon in June at a special election, the Press herewith publishes for their information the full text of the bill:



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W. U. Glee Club Tuesday.

The Willamette University Glee Club, which will appear in the Methodist church next Tuesday, is on a tour of 8000 miles. The Club has chartered a special car, gorgeously decorated with college insignia. They appear in Spokane tonight and will give concerts as far south as the border towns of Idaho.

The program of the Club consists not only of clever musical selections but also of dramatic interpretations and stunts, all told, an intensely entertaining and delightful production. The musical work is under the direction of Dr. Frank Wilbur Chase, who is president of the American Society of Organists. The dramatic work is directed by Mrs. Helen Miller Senn, formerly of the Curry School of Expression of Boston.

To all lovers of high class entertainment, next Tuesday night's program will be a pleasing offering. It goes without saying that Athena will greet the club men with a fine crowd.

Dr. Watts came from "over the hill" Wednesday, and was attending to business in the city.

Section 1. The Columbia River Highway from the Tillamook County line to Astoria, Seaside and south in Clatsop County to the Tillamook County line, inasmuch as the counties of Columbia and Clatsop have already expended large sums of money in constructing the said highway, and inasmuch as the counties of Columbia and Clatsop have practically exhausted their ability to raise money by an issuance of county bonds, the State Highway Commission is hereby authorized, from the funds arising under this Act, in addition to paying said highway, to use from said funds sufficient to provide for the preparation of said highway through said counties for the paving thereof.

Section 2. The Pacific Highway from the Multnomah County line through Washington County and Yamhill county by way of Hillsboro, Forest Grove, McMinnville, Dallas, Manzanita, Independence, in Polk County, to Corvallis and Monroe, in Marion County, and through the north line of Douglas County.

Section 3. The Pacific Highway from the Multnomah County line through Sherman County, Oregon City and Canby in Clackamas County, through Marion and Linn Counties, to a junction with the Columbia River Highway at the town of Astoria.

Section 4. Such portions of the Columbia River Highway between the Multnomah County line and the city of Hood River, Hood River County, and through The Dalles and Wagon County, through Sherman County, Oregon City and Canby in Clackamas County, through Marion and Linn Counties, to a junction with the Columbia River Highway through the counties of Sherman, Stanfield, Echo and Pendleton, and thence by such route as shall be determined by the State Highway Commission as to Grande, Baker, and to the Idaho line, as the county courts of the various counties affected hereby shall agree to prepare the road ready for paving. Provided, that inasmuch as the County of Hood River has raised a bond issue and expended upon said Columbia River Highway practically its full Constitutional limit, said Commission may expend on said Columbia River Highway in Hood River County, such portion of the money arising under this Act, as it may deem proper in equalizing said Columbia River Highway for paving. The various county courts in said counties in contemplation of this Act, shall agree with the State Highway Commission upon what portions of said highway are to be paved with hard-surface paving and what portions are to be constructed as post roads, and whenever any of said counties shall have prepared a portion of said highway ready for paving, then the State Highway Commission shall proceed promptly to pave the same under the provisions of this Act, and the remainder thereof shall be improved as a post road under the provisions of this Act, and such portion as is improved as a post road shall not be eligible for paving at the expense of the State under the provisions of this Act.

Section 5. The Pacific Highway through Jackson County, where the same has not already been paved, along the route heretofore adopted by the State Highway Commission, inasmuch as the County of Jackson has already expended large sums of money in constructing said Pacific Highway, and in paving a large portion thereof, and in so doing has practically exhausted its ability to raise money by the issuance of county bonds, the said Highway Commission is hereby authorized, from the funds arising from this Act, in addition to completing the paving of said highway in Jackson County, to use from said funds sufficient to provide for completing the preparation of said highway through said county for the paving thereof.

Section 6. The Pacific Highway through Morrow County, where the same has not already been paved, along the route heretofore adopted by the State Highway Commission, inasmuch as the County of Morrow has already expended large sums of money in constructing said Pacific Highway, and in paving a large portion thereof, and in so doing has practically exhausted its ability to raise money by the issuance of county bonds, the said Highway Commission is hereby authorized, from the funds arising from this Act, in addition to completing the paving of said highway in Morrow County, to use from said funds sufficient to provide for completing the preparation of said highway through said county for the paving thereof.

Section 7. The following highways, to-wit: 1. The road running from the north line of Douglas County to the Jackson County line over the line of the Pacific Highway as adopted by the State Highway Commission. 2. All that portion of the Columbia River

23 Years Ago.
[From the Press of March 16 1914]

Born—in Athena Sunday, March 11 to the wife of Elmer Brown, a girl.

William McBride, a prominent Populist of Adams, was in town on business one day this week.

From Tom Stark, who is just down from the mountains, the Eagle reporter learns that the snow on the summit of Blue mountains is ten feet deep. At the Stark place near the timber line it is six feet.

Weston's city council has had an application for license to open a saloon providing the license would not exceed the amount of \$350. The city dads, being firm believers and having undying faith in the Weston water system, respectfully declined the offer, but intimated that they would grant said liquor license for the nominal sum of \$600, "cash down and no grumble."

Born—in Gerking Flat, Saturday March 10th, to the wife of Walter Davis, a girl.

Dr. G. W. King attended the Populist convention held at Oregon City this week, as a delegate from Umatilla county.

You are not in it unless you join the A. O. U. W. It is all the rage. Eleven members were received last Saturday, and there are now eight applicants to be considered at the next meeting. The ladies are soon to organize a lodge of Degree of Honor.

Mrs. R. A. Carden visited friends in Pendleton this week.

Little Abe Jones, son of councilman Jones, is reported quite sick with typhoid fever.

Scribber's Remarks This is the time of year when the hubb commences to hunt work in the harvest field.

One of the most exasperating and annoying things in life is to think you have found a nickle on the show case and after making a grab for it discover that it is pasted on the other side of the glass.

It is said that ex-Mayor Alexander of Pendleton intended becoming a candidate for reelection but after Carter Harrison mayor of Chicago was assassinated, Mr Alexander positively refused to allow his name used probably believing there was a scheme to exterminate all prominent mayors.

The Jackson rabbit crop is about harvested. Just what the yield per acre is we are unable to state exactly; probably two or three bushel and a peck.

The crop of cotton-tails is short—that is, their tails are short—and, owing to the advance in the price of cotton their excuse for a tail is not adorned with that material, a less expensive material called fuzz being substituted.

Little Daughter Dies.

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STRIKE STARTS AT 6 P. M. TOMORROW

400,000 TRAINMEN TO BE OUT

Only Intervention of President Wilson May Save the Country From a Tieup.

A progressive strike of 400,000 members of the four great railroad brotherhoods to begin at 6 o'clock (Central time) tomorrow evening on eastern roads was ordered yesterday afternoon. The walk-out will extend to all railroads in the country within five days unless the railroad managers agree to the eight-hour law.

Chiefs of the Workmen's organizations set the strike machinery in motion within a few minutes after an ultimatum delivered to the conference committee of railroad managers had been rejected.

A compromise proposal offered by the managers was declined without debate. Only successful intervention by President Wilson, can avert a general strike.

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Kipped Salmon-Fresh, by express, the lb	25c
Lemons-Extra large select, the doz.	35c
Saratoga Chips-Fresh and crisp, the pkg	10c
Pineapple-Fancy Hawaiian sliced 6 cans	\$1.40
Pimiento and Green Chili Cheese the pk ^s	20c
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