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**Meaning of White Spots on Nails.**  
One who has white spots on his nails should not become alarmed. These do not point to an early death, but are rather due to inferior nutrition and may be regarded as a warning that poor health, mental or physical, may be expected unless it be guarded against.

**Advantages of Egotism.**  
It is to be said in favor of self-appreciation that people may not take you at your estimate of yourself, but they will be sure to accept any underestimate that you may make.

A recent ruling of the state land board requiring persons removing sand and gravel from navigable streams in Oregon to pay a minimum of 10 cents a cubic yard confronts the state highway commission with a situation which will add approximately 10 per cent to the cost of these materials purchased for road construction.

N. F. Macduff, supervisor of the Cascade national forest, says that because of the exceedingly dry weather the past winter and because of the almost utter absence of snow, there is grave danger of fires in the mountains this summer. Unless the summer is rainy, he says, the timber will be easily inflammable and careless campers will be a deadly menace.

The badly decomposed body of John Bookman was discovered in his cabin at a lonely spot a few miles from Weston, near the main Coos Bay highway. Bookman, who was aged about 70, had lived alone for some time in a rough cabin without floor and little light. It is believed that he died from exposure and had been dead for probably five or six weeks.

## FRIEDRICH EBERT



Friedrich Ebert, president of Germany, who was forced to leave Berlin by revolutionists.

### Weight of Character.

There is not a wood-cutter in Maine or Minnesota but knows that the weight of the ax and the swiftness of the stroke are what tell in the cutting of the tree; that the sharpness of the ax is nothing unless there be weight and swiftness behind it. There is not a man of them who would go into the wilderness expecting to clear his farm with sharp-bladed penknives or well-polished scissors. Yet the same men, as they look around for their heroes, as they give applause, or as they give votes, are as likely as any men to be misled by the brilliancy of accomplishment, and to forget the necessity, if the work is to last, of the weight and force which belong only to character.

—E. E. Haje.

### TO RETURN 50,000 DEAD

About 20,000 Bodies of Americans to Remain Overseas.

Washington.—The bodies of about 50,000 of the American dead in France will be returned to the United States, while between 20,000 and 25,000 will remain permanently interred overseas, Secretary Baker informed Chairman Wadsworth of the senate military committee.

The secretary estimated the cost of returning the dead and concentrating the bodies remaining in cemeteries overseas at \$30,000,000.

While 111 bodies of American dead have been returned from Archangel, Secretary Baker said the same number still remained in northern Russia.

Evacuation of bodies in England is progressing, he added, while in Italy all bodies have been concentrated ready for return to this country.

### SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE UNITED FIRMEN'S FIRE INSURANCE CO.

of Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania on the thirty-first day of December, 1919, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

**CAPITAL**  
Amount of capital stock paid up, \$ 400,000.00  
**INCOME**  
Net premiums received during the year (and perpetual deposits) \$ 549,183.97  
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year 91,564.86  
Income from other sources received during the year 81,835.33  
Total income 722,584.16

**DISBURSEMENTS**  
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses 254,381.09  
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year 40,000.00  
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 202,187.26  
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year 24,342.66  
Amount of all other expenditures 157,241.14  
Total expenditures 678,832.15

**ASSETS**  
Value of real estate owned (market value) \$ 81,400.00  
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value) 1,848,827.50  
Loans on mortgages and collateral 172,100.00  
Cash in banks and on hand 5,891.29  
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1919 111,104.24  
Interest and rents due and accrued 21,564.77  
Total assets admitted in Oregon \$1,740,122.99

**LIABILITIES**  
Gross claims for losses unpaid \$ 69,503.22  
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding policies 1,107,807.01  
All other liabilities 2,822.17  
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock \$1,887,132.40

**BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR**  
Net premiums received during the year 549,183.97  
Losses paid during the year 254,381.09  
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 202,187.26  
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year 24,342.66  
THE UNITED FIRMEN'S FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
W. H. Clark, President  
M. B. Yates, Secretary  
Statutory resident attorney for service: FRANK E. DOOLY, Portland.

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE SCOTTISH UNION & NATIONAL INSURANCE CO. OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, IN THE KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN.**

On the 31st day of December, 1919, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

**CAPITAL**  
Amount of capital stock paid up, \$ 200,000.00  
**INCOME**  
Net premiums received during the year \$4,580,827.35  
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year 331,908.24  
Income from other sources received during the year 118,308.81  
Total income \$5,080,616.55

**DISBURSEMENTS**  
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses \$1,715,268.87  
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 1,452,608.75  
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year 102,611.74  
Amount of all other expenditures 1,470,884.88  
Total expenditures \$4,741,374.24

**ASSETS**  
Value of real estate owned (market value) \$ 205,709.80  
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value) 5,888,624.00  
Loans on mortgages and collateral 58,850.00  
Cash in banks and on hand 548,921.41  
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1919 1,080,440.12  
Interest and rents due and accrued 99,324.97  
Total assets admitted in Oregon \$7,974,860.99

**LIABILITIES**  
Gross claims for losses unpaid \$ 470,471.09  
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding policies 3,951,483.75  
Due for commission and broker 10,000.00  
All other liabilities 534,573.52  
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock \$4,966,528.35

**BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR**  
Net premiums received during the year \$4,580,827.35  
Losses paid during the year 1,715,268.87  
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 1,452,608.75  
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year 102,611.74  
SCOTTISH UNION & NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
JAMES H. BREVETTER, Manager  
Statutory resident attorney for service: J. L. HARTMAN, Portland.

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**ELECTION, MAY 21**  
**STATE ROADS**  
Vote 302 X Yes  
For 4% State Road Bond Limit

BALLOT TITLE IS AS FOLLOWS:  
302 X Yes CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—referred to the people by the Legislative Assembly.  
303 No **LIMITATION OF FOUR PER CENT STATE INDEBTEDNESS FOR PERMANENT ROADS.**—Purpose: To amend Section 7 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon so as to permit the creation of indebtedness and liabilities including previous debts and liabilities for the purpose of building and maintaining permanent roads to the amount of four per cent of the assessed valuation of all the property in the State of Oregon, instead of two per cent as now provided by law.

**NO PROPERTY TAX—NO DIRECT TAX**  
**NO INCREASE IN AUTO LICENSE FEES**  
**NO INCREASE OF GASOLINE TAX**

Keep these three facts in mind. The present auto license fees and gasoline tax will pay both the principal and interest on all the bonds under this amendment, and will yield an annual surplus besides for other state highway work. No additional taxation of any kind.

**FEDERAL FUNDS MUST BE MATCHED**  
Oregon must have sufficient Highway Funds to match Federal appropriations or Oregon cannot get the benefit of Federal money for Oregon Roads. Increasing this constitutional limit is a necessity. Unless limit is increased, either state constitution cannot be completed for many, many years, or must be finished by direct property taxation. This measure averts direct property tax for state highways and makes early completion possible. Let's get the roads built now.

**Income from Present Sources Sufficient to Pay Principal and Interest.**  
The fact that revenues from auto license fees and gasoline tax, without increase of present rates, will be sufficient to pay both principal and interest on these bonds, is clearly set forth by official figures in the State Pamphlet mailed to every registered voter. Refer to State Pamphlet for verification. Examine the table carefully. It proves that no property tax is required and that present rates for auto license fees and gasoline tax will reduce principal and interest and yield surplus bonds.

For Interest Tables, Pamphlets or Further Information, write to  
**OREGON ROADS AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**  
W. L. THURMAN, President, 215 1/2 2nd St., Portland.  
C. C. GAVIN, (Chairman) Oregon Committee, R. 1, Ledy  
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