

New Road to Portland

The east section of the Wapinitia-Mt. Hood loop highway cutoff will be completed this summer. It was indicated with the announcement that bids would be received by the bureau of public roads at Portland on or before May 11 at 10 o'clock for the finishing of the section.

The stretch to be improved starts at Wapinitia and runs northwest 11.7 miles. The road was slashed in the fall of 1925 and was cleared and partly graded last summer. Much of the heavy construction was completed

before operations were shut down last fall.

Bids have been asked for 200 cubic yards of unclassified excavation, 11.7 miles of fine grading, sub-grading and shoulders, 29,200 yards of crushed rock or gravel surfacing, 480 lineal feet of culverts and 5000 station yards of overhaul.

The secretary of agriculture, head of the federal bureau of public roads, has programed \$50,000 for this section, including the Bear springs section, and the state of Oregon has ready \$105,000 cooperative funds, according to the specifications accompanying the bid information.

Work is being carried on from both ends of the road. Between eight and ten miles of road were built in 1925-26 by the forest service, starting on the survey line from the Mt. Hood loop highway and extending southeast. Only a short stretch remains between the end of the forest road and the end of the Wapinitia section.

The forest road was surfaced last spring and was extensively traveled by persons coming up the loop highway from Portland and turning off at the junction of the cutoff road. When completed, the Wapinitia road is expected to be the main-traveled artery between Central Oregon and Portland during the summer months.

Prevent Temper Tantrums

"The slight mental difficulties of children such as temper tantrums, restless nights with bad dreams, bashfulness, fears, etc., if persisting for any prolonged period of time may lead to more serious mental diseases later in life.

"All children may be more or less like this, but if the condition is extreme and if it persists, they are not entirely healthy in mind. Children should be well physically, reasonably happy and self-controlled; if they continue to be otherwise for a long time, something should be done to correct the condition.

"The difficulty may be a matter of management at home or in the school. There may be too much discipline, nagging or scolding. It may be that the child is not in the right school grade and becomes discouraged. Perhaps he is nervous and exhausted because of some physical defect such as bad teeth or eye strain. Then too, some children have a particularly sensitive personality and require special consideration.

"Some children are not natural scholars and are slow in their studies, or they are a little retarded in their development. The teacher may not realize that this is the trouble with some particular child and may think he is obstinate and will not try, or that he is lazy and will not concentrate. By psychological tests one can determine whether a child is merely lazy or is retarded or advanced in his development. His school work should be to his mental condition. These retarded children may catch up later out of their own volition all through school. Many of them will never be scholars nor will they be greatly interested in studies. They may be loafs rather than thinkers.

"Other children who do not get on are the nervous type. They are generally not retarded but more often are precocious. As a rule, they are overactive and fidgety; they cannot sit still nor keep from talking to other children. They think they cannot do certain things. These children are always highly imaginative and read exciting stories of adventure. Some like poetry or music more than most children. Often they cannot go to sleep at night after seeing the movies. Nervousness in children may result from physical illness. Undernourished children are often nervous. In young children too much excitement at home may be the cause; this may be seen in large families where there is a great deal going on. It is often necessary to change such children to other surroundings.

"Prevention is highly important in these situations. If a child continues for several years unhappy, nervous, unstable, or showing bad conduct his entire life may be warped and mental disease may even develop later. These conditions can be avoided if properly managed."

Colorado River Flood Next

Yuma, the Imperial valley of California, and Lower California in Mexico within the next six weeks will face flood conditions which may exceed the disaster which occurred seven years ago when the Colorado river smashed its dikes at Volcano lake, in Old Mexico, submerging a vast territory of the rich Imperial valley, according to predictions of J. H. Gordon, meteorologist in charge of the weather bureau.

The snow on the watersheds of Idaho, Utah and Colorado is 30 per cent above normal and the run-off has been slow, due to low temperatures Gordon said.

A sudden and prolonged warm wave in the upper Colorado basin would melt the snow pack and produce a serious flood situation, he believes.

The worst flood of the Colorado river occurred about 12 years ago, when the Southern Pacific railway spent almost one hundred million dollars before the break in the Colorado river was closed. The United States government had agreed to return this expense to the railway company, but only a small portion was ever returned to the company by the government.

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The German admiralty has announced that the cruiser Emden, en route from Celebes island in the Dutch East Indies, to Nagasaki, Japan measured an ocean depth of 34,416 feet. The greatest depth hitherto known was 32,644 feet off the eastern coast of Japan.

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The Proof of the Pudding

Secretary Hoover, addressing the Atlantic states shippers' regional advisory board, said that the railroads of this country under private ownership are doing 20 per cent more business and with 200,000 fewer employees than under federal control during the war.

"If anyone wants to argue the question of government ownership of railroads in the United States, he has to get over this concrete demonstration of the capacity of private ownership to solve its own problems," he said.

When the government operated railroads had 1,900,000 employees during the war, without direct, close supervision, their number and the power of their inertia was growing at an unbelievable rate. The number began to decrease and the per capita efficiency to increase, the minute the roads went back to private control.

As between a private ownership that must hustle to lower rates so that the public can pay without revolt, and public ownership that gives salaried greed a free hand to organize and plunder the payroll and reject man-substituting improvements lest they cut out the working force, the private ownership plan has proved incomparably the best, not only with railroads, but with all industrial and business undertakings.

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