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GETTING BETTER ROADS.

One of the biggest questions that

can be considered these days in an

industrial way is the matter of roads,

about which so much is being said

and written, from all kinds of stand-

points. In fact the question of roads

has been threshed over and over un-
til it is threadbare, and yet we have

hardly made a definite start along

tangible lines in this valley. We

know all about how badly we need

good roads; we know well how much

they enhance the value of property;

we know almost to the cent how much

they increase the market price of

commodities, in fact our heads are

pretty well filled up with road knowl-

edge, but, when it comes to the brass

tacks of the matter, we have no so-
lution of the question for a valley like

this, that the people will take hold of

and put into execution with the re-

sults need. Theory is a splendid

thing. Facts run the stream of com-
merce.

The solution of the good roads

question would not be hard if we had

the money; but we have not, and

with the strong sentiment that pre-
vails against big bonds for the pur-

pose, it is not an easy matter to solve.

One thing is certain there must be

a start for better roads, and what is

accomplished must be done gradually,

a little at a time. Even if this is a

fact it is unquestionably true that it

should be under a definite system cov-
ering a county or district, planned

ahead for many years, and then car-

ried out to its finality.

The need is for permanence, not mud

holes. In the affairs of life it pays

to get good things, and the same is

true of roads, with the best for the

least money in view all the time.

SPEEDING A MENACE.

The submarine is no the only dan-

gerous thing in the world. There are

other things that are a menace to

life and safety. For instance the

speeding automobile. The record

speaks for itself. During the last

month in the United States 128 peo-
ple were killed in different ways by

automobiles and 210 injured. It was

mostly a matter of speed. No one

was killed at Albany, and yet we had

an accident right near the city. This

city so far has escaped a fatality; but

it may not last with this record. Au-

tomobile drivers are human here the

same as elsewhere, and being so, of-

ten get careless, so that at times the

merest thing might turn into an ac-

cident of a serious character. Run-

ning a car ordinarily at the rate of

fifteen miles an hour is sufficient for

all purposes, taking one over the

ground at a speed that is very en-

joyable. Hardly an accident of con-

sequence happens when cars are ac-

tually going at that speed. If a man

is cut in the open and wants to risk

his life at forty miles an hour that is

his affair. Even then it is a poor

practice. It is a good thing in life

to keep away from danger, all the way

from riding in an English liner across

the Atlantic to speeding in a car.

Today's Oddest Story

Boston, May 18.—The "nerv-

est" female seen in years at

Harvard, took a seat in the gal-

lery of the dining hall, in full

view of the 500 diners evidently

unaware of the boys' aversion to

1/2 women. Rapping, followed by

shouts to disturb her, but upon

being informed by a flurried

waiter that she was the cause

of the rumpus, she rose, calmly

surveyed the scene and made

a low bow to the howling crowd.

Then she deliberately strolled

out.

MISFITS

The man of equanimity—Woodrow
Wilson.The little hen misses sometimes;
but altogether sets a splendid example
of thrift.Many a farmer pays his household
expenses entirely from the product
of the hen, a bird that plays her part
well in life and death.In this valley, though, the cow de-
serves patting on the back for the
splendid work she is doing in bring-
ing prosperity to our people.Long, long time to J4. Will we
celebrate?Perhaps there is too much noise in
the world without any firecrackers
this year.It is to be hoped we don't need our
money for bigger game.\$85,000,000 in mortgages in Port-
land, exclusive of R. R. and public
service mortgages. Would not that
jar you some?The old game of see saw is being
played in Europe. One day it is the
illies, the next day it is the Germans,
and all the time it is the devil.Much road money has been thrown
away, dumped into mud puddles.The Voter says that if either is to
stay let it be the senate, because it
is smaller than the house. In other
words, of two evils, take the smaller.

Weather Report—

Fair weather is predicted tonight
and Thursday. The temperature yes-
terday was from 59 to 45 degrees. The
rainfall .05 inches. River, 5.4.

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PATCHING IN PUBLIC.

Street Sewers in China Mend Them

Garments While You Wait.

In many towns of China one may
have his garments mended on the
street and "while he waits." Native
sewing women are to be seen on low
stools perhaps on the sidewalks mend-
ing articles of masculine attire.The accomplishments of these street
seamstresses are somewhat limited,
their efforts with the needle being for
the most part confined to "running." Other
branches of needlework are prac-
tically unknown to them. As a conse-
quence their efforts are better appre-
ciated by native workmen than by for-
eign travelers.They are never short of patrons
among the former, for these are often
natives of other districts and, having
come to the city to engage in business,
have no one to mend a rent for them.
Their wives being left at home, they
are glad to avail themselves of the
services of the street needlewomen.
For this class of customers the skill of
the itinerant sewing women answers
every purpose.Generally speaking, these women are
wives of boatmen and laborers who
live in the houseboats which line the
crevices of many Chinese cities and
towns, and their needles are a great
help toward the solution of the prob-
lem of maintenance in a crowded city
or town.—Washington Star.

ELECTRIC LIGHTED MINES.

Where Modern Methods Have Driven

Out the Safety Lamp.

In some of the more progressive and
larger mines, the miner's lamp has be-
come a thing of the past. In its stead
the dark passages and work chambers
are illuminated by electricity. The
mines are wired and lighted with all
the luxurious effectiveness of the mod-
ern home. Besides making their un-
derground employment less oppressive
to the miners, the illuminated mine
offers considerable advantage in the
way of better work and less exposure
to danger.With motor operated coal cars, a tele-
phone system and instruments for the
detection of gas danger, the up to date
mine is decidedly a more pleasurable
place to work in than of old. In order
to make the lighting more thorough
the walls of the permanent passages,
of the offices, of the entries and, where
mules are used, of the mule stables,
are frequently whitewashed. Only
tungsten filament lamps are used.
Weather proof enameled reflectors are
employed for the distribution of light.The problem of lighting the mines,
however, is difficult, presenting all the
conditions which the illuminating en-
gineer looks upon with disfavor—low
black ceilings, black walls, dust, smoke
and dampness.—Chicago News.

Baseball Slang Boats.

Baseball fans are slangy in their
baseball talk. Their slang is pictur-
esque and finely descriptive, but for
real unadorned slang you must give
the trapshooters the palm. Listen to
this from a well known gunner:"Yes, sir, I toed the firing line, put
the iron to my shoulder, drew a hum-
dinger from the box and killed it. The
second ringer was a lazy boy, flying
straight away, but I went to sleep
and the pigeon nested in the grass.
The next mud pie sailed to left quar-
ter, but the old pea shooter simply
knocked the fuzz off. The fourth dicky
bird was smothered as soon as it was
hatched. Then a cripple fluttered out
and died. Next came a right wheel-
ing streaker, and I pulverized it."

Fair Warning.

A farmer engaged Pat to mow a
small field of hay, and on giving him a
new scythe told him it was such a good
one that he need only put the point of
it in the hay and it would cut by itself.
Pat set off to his work, and about mid-
day, when the farmer came to see how
Pat was getting on, he found him sit-
ting in a corner of the field with one
end of the scythe in the hay. This so
enraged the farmer that he went for
Pat, who, on seeing him, immediately
shouted:

"Keep back, keep back! Ye don't

know the minute she's going to start!"
—Exchange.Helgoland's Lighthouse.
The Helgoland light is an electric one
and is claimed by the Germans to be
the most powerful light in existence.
The light consists of a cluster of three
revolving lights, having a lighting pow-
er of 40,000,000 candles, a magnitude
of light which from figures alone is
hard and difficult to realize. The lights
are on the searchlight principle, and
the cluster is surrounded by a single
light, of the same kind and size, that
can be revolved independently and
three times as fast as the three lights.
The single light is put into use in case
of accident to the cluster of three. The
electric power is generated by two
steam engines and boilers, running
belt driven electric generators.—Lon-
don Opinion.

Advertisement for Sewer Construc-

tion.

Sealed bids will be received by the
Council of the City of Albany, Ore-
gon, until 7:30 o'clock p. m., May 26,
1915, for the construction of an eight
inch lateral sewer beginning at the
manhole in Oak Street sewer between
Water and First Streets in the City
of Albany, Oregon, and running
thence westerly across Oak Streets
and through the center of Block 8
of Hackleman's Third Addition to the
City of Albany, Oregon, and to with-
in 40 feet of the east line of Sherman
Street in the City of Albany, Oregon,
a distance of 272 feet.Said sewer construction to be made
in accordance with the charter and or-
dinances of the City of Albany and the
plans, specifications and estimates
of the City Engineer on file in the
office of the Recorder, where
plans may be seen and specifications
and estimates obtained.

Bids will be opened at 8:00 o'clock

p. m., May 26, 1915.

No proposal or bid will be consid-
ered unless accompanied by a certi-
fied check payable to the City of Al-
bany in an amount equal to five per
cent of the aggregate bid to be for-
feited as fixed and liquidated dam-
ages in case the bidder neglects or
refuses to enter into a contract and
provide an approved bond in the sum
of \$100.00 for the faithful perform-
ance of the work within ten days af-
ter notification of awarding of con-
tract to such bidder.All bids must be made with a view
of completing the construction of
said sewer prior to the last day of
August, 1915, under a liquidated pen-
alty of \$2.50 for each day of delay be-
yond that period.All bids should be addressed to
"Recorder of the City of Albany"
marked "Proposal for the construc-
tion of lateral sewer in Block 8 of
Hackleman's Third Addition to City
of Albany."

By order of the Council.

F. E. VAN TASSEL,

Recorder of the City of Albany.

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Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received by the
Board of Directors of School District
No. 77, Stayton, Oregon, until 7 p.
m., May 18th, 1915, for the erection
and completion of a High School
building, according to plans and spec-
ifications prepared by Charles H.
Burggraf, architect, Albany, Oregon.
All bids must be accompanied by a
certified check payable to "School
District No. 77, Stayton, Oregon,"
for the sum of \$200.00, as a guarantee
that the contractor will furnish an
approved bond equal to 50 per cent of
the contract within ten days after
awarding the contract.All bids must be made out on blank
proposals for the same. Blanks fur-
nished upon application, by the clerk
or architect. Plans and specifications
may be seen at Clerk's office, Stay-
ton, at T. M. Barr's office, or at the
architect's office, Albany.The board reserves the right to re-
ject any or all bids.

By order of School Board No. 77,

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