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The more we travel over the public roads of Linn county and other counties the more we are convinced that somebody has been greatly wronged. Not that we are particularly proud of road conditions in Linn County at the present time, but, generally speaking they are as good as the average to be found anywhere.

Go to Lebanon on either the Santiam road or out by the Hinshaw and Whit Crawford places and a fairly decent piece of road is encountered. Go on up through Lebanon to Sweet Home and Foster. The road is still passing fair. Take a trip up the east side of the Willamette river to Harriaburg. It is a fine stretch, particularly from the turn a mile southeast of Corvallis. And there are other roads in the county that are fit to travel on.

All of which shows that the former county court did have a definite road policy and, with limited means was building up the roads in the county. This is no defense for Judge D. B.

McKnight, or Commissioners J. D. Irvine and T. J. Butler, but an appreciation of the difficulties that they had to face.

The Democrat did not agree with the court in the matter of a future road policy, for it believed that even the best roads that could be built in the old way would not stand up under the increasing automobile and truck travel. Nor did it agree with Judge McKnight in the manner of raising funds for road construction. The method of paying as we go by taxation would take a long time to get any place.

But Judge McKnight honestly believes that the loading of so large a debt upon the people is a dangerous practice. In advocating his view he was unmercifully flayed by those most strongly opposing him and in some quarters there was very little regard for the truth.

But whether or not we agree with Judge McKnight, many of his opponents will have to admit that the old court might well, held taxes down to a minimum and kept the two thousand or more miles of roads in fairly good shape considering the amount of funds on hand.

The new court is a progressive set of men, and endowed with appropriation with which to make a beginning. Linn County may look forward to a more rapid realization of her hopes for smooth roads all over the vast area it covers. Local bonds, regular and special taxes, state bonds and taxes and federal funds are going to make a mighty difference in the next few years.

**MORE BALKAN TROUBLE**

The splendid Associated Press news organization brings word in yesterday's report that Montenegro is "seeing things with revolution" and that fighting has broken out everywhere. Serbia is using strong measures to put down the disturbances, but, despite the arrival of reinforcements is having little success. It is the same old story, one Balkan spat after another, and it will probably continue to be so until the adoption and operation of the League of Nations.

**Dever Notes**

DEVER, Aug. 28.—Special—A watermelon feed was given last Saturday evening by the Eds. Brothers at their home. A large crowd of

### FANATICAL STRIKE FIENDS

The railroad operators and shop men in Albany and other parts of Oregon are proving themselves to be a very level-headed and patriotic set of men. They did not permit themselves to be stampeded into a strike simply because some inter-urban train men operating around Los Angeles were dissatisfied, and, having gained the ear of some brotherhood men, induced the rail road workers in that vicinity to strike in sympathy with them. They in turn won the sympathy, for a time, of the San Francisco and Oakland workers and traffic in California, Nevada and Arizona was tied up tight for a few hours.

A rail road strike is a serious proposition when it is considered that many communities are wholly dependent upon the railroads for food,

and should not be resorted to without the very best kind of a reason.

The local railway workers are a level-headed body of men, with a minimum of the fanatical foreign element mixed in with it, men who have an appreciation for American institutions and justice and can be counted upon to trust the satisfactory solution of their problem to Woodrow Wilson.

It is gratifying to see brother Ingalls of the G.T. approving of something that President Wilson does. But in lauding the President of the U. S. for his stand on the strike question the president of the state editorial association kills the good taste by putting a stinger in his bouquet.

**LIBRARY NOTES**

The State Documents recently issued are on file in the library. The Session Laws of 1919 are there. Teachers and school boards may consult the new text-book circulars, and new school laws.

The State Teachers' Association Quarterly is a new periodical of value to parents and teachers.

The State Library is specializing on valuable technical books, especially chemical technology.

The following recommended by the

Timberman may be borrowed from there:

Tiemann, Kiln Drying of Lumber.  
Wallis - Taylor, Preservation of Wood.  
Weiss, Preservation of Structural Timber.  
Record, Mechanical Properties of Wood.  
Baughman, Buyer and Seller.  
Judge McCamant thus advises on "What books to read on American History".

"Your question as to the three or four most stimulating books for any man to read as a pad for his Americanization this year is not easy to answer. Taking up the question from the standpoint of an intelligent man I would say that two of the works should be "Irving's 'Life of Washington' and McClay and Hay's 'Life of Lincoln.' I am a believer in the stimulating value of biography, and every American should know well the life-story of our two great national heroes.

One of the best to teach a man the proper attitude toward his country is Edwin Everett Hille's 'Man Without a Country.' John Fiske's 'American Revolution' and 'Critical Period' are also well worth reading.

The above books are in the library and citizens are urged to read them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Long of Mill City spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting at the homes of Clyde Meeker and J. W. Groshong.

Frank Asche of Valejo, Calif., is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. H. Asche.

Mrs. Will Buchner and Miss Gladys McKee, of Portland, spent Sunday at the J. W. Groshong home.

Harry Jones and A. C. Libby spent Sunday afternoon in this vicinity.

J. A. Jones spent Monday of this week in Salem on business.

J. W. Groshong and wife were passengers on Albany on Tuesday. Mr. Groshong's health is slightly improving.

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