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#### LANE ONLY PART WAY IN ROAD SYSTEM

The dedication this week of the new Springfield bridge turns attention to the state road program for Lane county. There are 301 miles this mileage, according to the last highway department report, 52 are paved, 11.5 miles oiled, 91 miles graveled and 133 miles are not up to state standards.

road construction will be done in Lane county improvement. next year, but a great deal more remains to be done. The situation calls for closer co-operation between county and state than ever before.

Lane county, also, has much to do on county roads outside of state highways, despite the fact ward to for the last four years. It has been a to eating eggs, greatly stimulating that for the last ten years she has been a leader long, trying struggle to get the bridge financed the poultry industry. in road building. There are 1320 miles of county and to iron out the difficulties so that it could be roads in Lane. Of this amount 417 miles are put into use. The governor and the chairman of graveled, 313 miles dirt and over 600 miles are state highway commission will be here to offici- Murray, a retired grocer, left his

In the last decade this county has bonded it- all turn out and give them a hand. self for two million dollars, and spent the amount on roads, besides, she has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars by taxation every year to carry forth the program.

But we must remember there is still much to do in road building besides maintaining the many miles of road already built, which are being subjected to heavier and heavier traffic.

Now is a good time to take stock of our highways, both state and county, because we must still continue to advance.

#### WAR WILL BE MORE HORRIBLE

President Hoovers Armistice day plea for freedom of food and passage for women and children during war is a noble effort, but we fear impracticable, even if adopted by nations while at peace. Rules for warfare have been made for centuries, but in the four years of world war they were all forgotten in the heat of prize to this one, entitled "Fleas." conflict. War in the future will be more ferocious than ever, and whole populations of countries will be made to suffer and be subjected to the same treatment as the soldiers. Modern science and the airplane have provided deadly weapons which will be used against cities, ports and countryside. Nations go to war to win, and deadly gases and high explosives are effective weapons which will not be discarded for obsolete methods, no matter what statesmen have previously arranged.

Eugene city council plans to curtail expenses by reducing the size of street light globes. Poor psychology for a city about to open a million dollar light plant. If all the people followed that example the new big plant would be idle or op- cious that the Russians are throwing cabbage. erated at a heavy loss. Expansion rather than We expect to hear soon that the Chinese have curtailment is the wise program for Eugene now. retaliated with ripe eggs.

### SPRINGFIELD SEAPORT

In recent years when one should mention boats coming up the Willamette river to Springfield, he might be reminded about the Swiss navy. But Senator McNary in a telegram to the editor of this newspaper says he will be glad to recommend to the next Congress that a survey be made looking toward navigation of the Willamette river from Portland to Springfield. We believe this will be found feasible by dredging shoals and building a system of locks. Certainly many rivers of the world are navigated that have not the possibilities of the Willamette river.

If only half the lumber (1000 cars) that leaves Springfield annually went by barge, think what a saving there would be in freight rates. From of designated state highways in this county. Of the trend of the lumber business just this saving might mean the difference between profit and loss in the industry.

To the people of West Springfield navigation of the Willamette means control of the flood the fad of egg eating among the It is this 133 miles not up to state standards waters, and that is an important item locally. young women of Poland, poultry we are interested in now—the McKenzie, Willam- | Certainly we can join the rest of the Willamette farmers of the whole nation of Poette, coast and Roosevelt highways. Much state valley in asking the government to make this land contributed to the cost of an

> The bridge dedication Saturday afternoon is to an exclusive diet of eggs started an event this community has been looking for- all the girls who want to be beautiful ally dedicate the structure for future use. Let's property to his three grandchildren

> Tacoma's and Seattle's plight with low water tache, the granddaughters may not and electrical power shortage proves the value none of them may go to the movies of standby systems with steam plant auxiliaries. without losing their share. Ex-All the prestige these cities have built up for ecutors of the Murray estate have cheap power is now lost in a few weeks of decided that the deportment of the distress.

> A prominent Chinaman who came to this country to study economics and government was told of the wonders of prohibition. "But, when does it begin?" he asked. That is charac- Mrs. Alfred Jeffs, wife of a prominent teristic Chinese humor for you.

> Eastern newspapers have revived the contro- days ago they bloomed again for the versy over the shortest poem in the English language. Years ago the New York Sun gave the

> > Adam Had 'em.

Fashions in skirts and hair are getting longer. There doesn't seem to be anything mere man can do about it, but we wish some women could see themselves the way they look in the half-way

The sunshine which bathed the upper Mc-Kenzie the last two weeks while the Willamette valley was fog locked, emphasizes the possibilities of this region as a winter playground.

The Chinese-Russian war has become so fero-

Reasons For Apprehension-By Albert T. Reid THEM DANG HOSS-FLYS JUS' DONT MEAN NUTHIN' BUT TROUBLE

## War Mother



Mrs. Virgil McClure of Lexing-ton, Ky., who was elected President of the American War Mothers suc-ceeding Mrs. Thomas Spence of Milwaukee, Wis

Stimultes Egg Trade

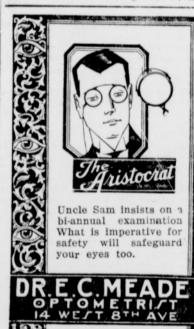
Warsaw, Poland, Dec. 5th.-Be cause she is responsible for starting egg of solid gold which was given to Miss Anastasia Zabloka. Miss Zabloka is regarded as the most beautiful ful woman in Poland, and her statement that she attributes her beauty

#### Live Up to Bible

on condition that none of them de parted from the teachings of the bible. Moreover, his grandson must never wear a Charlie Chaplin mus bob their hair or use lipsticks, and three heirs, who are all grown up, has followed Bible teachings so closely that they are entitled to their inheritances.

Lilies Herald Death

Swansea, England, Dec. 5.-After citizen, died a few years ago, the white lilies which she had personally tended ceased to bloom, although the stalks continued to grow. A few first time in years, but the blossoms were blood red. The gardener, has





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tening to the house to tell Mr. Jeffs up the old jail. Boys removed bars of the strange occurrence, found that his employer had dropped dead

#### Children Now Use Jail

Danby, Vt., Dec. 5 .- The town jail here has been turned over to the school children of the village for a ren have done all the work of fixing American war veterans.

frow the windows, the girls scrubbed the whole building, and the school authorities installed cooking apparatus where the girls cook hot lunches for the whole school

Motor to Albany .- Mr. and Mrs. clubhouse. There has been only one F. C. Eggimann motored to Albany prisoner in the jail for thirty years, Saturday to be guests a the Turkey so the town board decided it was dinner held there that evening by hardly worth keeping up. The child- the Albany camp of the Spanish-

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