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back to hand methods might bring relief Much has been said about keeping road work going for
the benefit of the Oregon working man. Even a member
oren mive of the highway comn
dollars this winter to
Salem and Portland.
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But, does the Oregon working man get the great bene-
fit that some of our road building advocates claim in this 000 contracts under way on the coast highway where but
15 or 20 men were on the job. It is all being done by ma-
chine. In former days a job of this magnitude would have employed more than 100 men and great many teams. Has
the cost per mile of road construction come down with this
machine method sufficient to justify its continued use dur-
ing times of unemployment? We wish that some road exing times of unemployment? We wish that some road ex
pert would answer this question.
In former times when a road was built we had both the road and the money inside our state boundaries when thas
completed. Now days a great portion of the money goes
east to pay for these expensive macthine that are worn out
on every joi, and many of the operators are non-residents
of the state. We have the road when the job is done, but
small benefits, compared with the money spent, has gone to

LOTTERY BROADCASTING
This is newspaper shop talk but it might be of general
interest anyway. It's all about a discussion that is taking space in the
lottery laws.
It is well
in forbidding publication of news or advertisements pertaining to raffles, games of chance, guessing contests or any
other scheme that Uncle Sam has always regarded as fall-
ing under the general heading of lotteries. Such schemes
are declared by the post office are declared by the post office dpartment as inimical to
the public interest." No newspaper is permitted to go
through the mails if it contains either news or advertiseRecently the attorney general of lowa, has issued orders
to all county attorneys that merchants in any town, for in-
stance, dare not give away prizes such as the persons holding what is known as "the lucky number."
And it is just too bad for any newspaper that should atcolumns.
But does Uncle Sam take similar steps to put a quietus
to to lottery advertising vaise that local lotteries are being
Any radio listener-in knows that
advertised over the air in increasing quantity. Not only
that but fake mediums, numberologists, fortune tellers, that but fake mediums, numberologists, fortune tellers,
clairvoyants and grafters are working overtime, through
broadcasting stations on programs "sponsored" by this or that concern. No reputable newspaper would be permitted
to carry fake advertisements of this sort even if it should
to COOPERATION DESIRABLE Whether Governor Meier's appointment of a tax investi-
gation commission in the various counties was motivated
by political reasons or by a genuine desire on his part to by political reasons or by a genuine desire on his part to
lighten the burdens of taxation during a time of depression
is questionable. However, be that as it may, the counties is quessonale.
may as well make the best of the situation created.
Governor Meier's 20 per cent reduction program was an Governor Meier's
20 per in iter iterms of enentities. He did not say where the
20 ber se saved without seriously cripling the functions of local government. He is a big city man who
knows little of county, town and school district problems.
He asks for the cut and leaves the details to local authorities. That taxes should be lowered, we all admit. If by more
economical practice even 2 per cent could be cut off, the effort would be worthwhile. The heaviest burdens of taxa-
tion are those that we have placed on ourselves locally. If
by doing without some of the service we now demand of

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