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I pledge allegiance to my flag and
the Republic for which it stands, one
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justice for all.

THE \$600,000 MEASURE.

Elsewhere in this paper we pub-
lish the county court's plan for ex-
penditure of the proceeds of the
proposed \$600,000 of county bonds.

While the court has made a gen-
eral distribution of the funds thro-
out the county it has not provided
for the use of any part of the funds
for paving nor for any other system
of road building than that now in
vogue; that is to say grading and
graveling with crushed rock or river
gravel.

Now it has been demonstrated be-
yond a doubt that gravel roads,
where there is a heavy traffic, will
not stand but for three years at
most, when another coating must be
applied; while paving will last in-
definitely. The court's plan of
spending but \$2000 per mile on the
roads generally outside of the Pacific
highway will not get us anywhere
toward building for permanency.
Better by far build fewer miles and
build those in a manner more per-
manent.

Most people have understood all
along that these bonds were to be
used to improve market roads only;
but the court proposes to devote
one-sixth of the entire sum to grad-
ing the Pacific highway from Albany
to Harrisburg, or between \$4000
and \$5000 per mile. Is this liberal
sum to be used for grading only a
fair deal when the court expects the
market roads to be both graded and
graveled for \$2000 per mile?

This unjust distribution may de-
feat the bond proposition. People
will not burden themselves with a
heavy bonded indebtedness without
getting more benefit than the ap-
portionment of the court will give.
Moreover the people generally ex-
pected a few miles of paving to be
included in the court's plans. This
has not been done.

If to the \$600,000, which is ex-
pected to require three years to ex-
pend, we add the 3.5-mill annual tax
for the same period we will have
nearly, if not quite, \$1,000,000 to
devote to road building. Moreover
the court's road map for proposed
improvements includes many miles
of post roads for which the federal
government proposes quite substan-
tial aid. With the total of these
large sums available the court can
safely undertake paving in a small
way. This will bring to the support
of the bonding measure those who
favor hard surfacing; their support
of the bonding measure as now pro-
posed, is doubtful.

There is yet time for the court to
revise its plans somewhat. It has
apportioned a certain turn for each
road embraced in the plan, but the
court does not say the money shall
be scattered over each mile of the
road in question.

We may therefore conclude that
the money apportioned may be ex-
pended on a part of the mileage of
the road to be improved; nor does
the court say no paving will be un-
dertaken. The Saturday Albany
Herald claims to have inside infor-
mation that a few miles of paving
may be contracted somewhat on the
lines proposed in The Tribune May
1 by E. C. Peery.

However the matter now to be
considered is adoption of the bonds;
then the court, upon advice of the
engineer, can make its plans more
definite.

WILL THE GERMANS SIGN?

Will the Germans sign the peace
treaty with its severe requirements
is a question in the minds of many
people these days. Of course they
will sign for there is nothing else
they can do. Her statesmen may
bluster and make threats for those
are German methods and German
nature. But when they find that
they cannot accomplish anything by
bluffing they will walk up and lick
salt.

When the Germans under the dic-
tation of Bismarck in this same city
of Versailles, 1871, forced France to
sign a treaty regarded as most se-
vere, Bismarck would not abate his
demands in the least.

France was forced to give up Al-
sace-Lorraine and pay an indemnity
of \$1,000,000,000; and this, too, for
a war which lasted less than three
months. No damage to Germany
whatever had been done. Germany
was the aggressor and the battles
were all fought on French territory.
Germany won and was merciful in
her treaty terms; France simply had
to sign the treaty, bitter and humili-
ating as it was; she could do nothing
else. Now the shoe is on the other
foot and Germany must sign.

This great war has lasted more
than twenty times the length of the
Franco-Prussian war and the penalty
is more than twenty times greater;
but the penalty is not an indemnity,
but damages justly due for the prop-
erty wantonly destroyed and the
horrible cruelties committed by the
German soldiery against French and
Belgian women, children and old
men. Germany will be apt to find
the allied and American peace dele-
gates as firm as was Bismarck in the
70s. Nor will discussion of the
terms at the peace table be permit-
ted, other than such explanations as
may be necessary.

General Foch with 2,000,000 vet-
eran soldiers stands ready to march
upon Berlin on a few hours' notice.
All the accoutrements, implements
and transportation facilities are yet
intact; Germany's army is disband-
ed in a great measure; her food
supply is very short and can be cut
off immediately. Will Germany sign
though the terms are bitter? She
will.

AMENDMENTS AND MEASURES.

Probably every voter has studied
and made himself familiar with the
pamphlet in which five amendments
to the state constitution are proposed
and four measures are submitted
for consideration and action. If you
have not done so, Mr., Mrs., or Miss
Voter, it is your duty to do so be-
fore you can cast your vote June 3.

We assume that every voter has
the welfare of the state of Oregon
at heart and desires to vote intelli-
gently upon such matters as will af-
fect the weal or woe of our com-
monwealth. You cannot vote intel-
ligently or understandingly unless
you use every means at your com-

mand to comprehend the amend-
ments and measures proposed. You
would have but small respect for
your legislator if he gave no thought
to a proposed measure in the legis-
lature but voted for the same in a
haphazard manner, or as some other
person asked or wished him to vote.
You would say such an one is a mere
automaton and utterly unworthy to
occupy the position of lawmaker.
Very well. Now you are in the po-
sition of lawmaker; your vote may
be the deciding one to adopt or re-
ject either of these amendments or
measures. Don't you think you
should take the pains to familiarize
yourself with them and to use every
means within your power to com-
prehend the import and effect each
and every amendment or measure
will have upon the weal or woe of
the state? You should give this
matter your best thought. Discuss
the same with your neighbors and
friends. "In a multitude of council
there is wisdom." Indeed it would
be wisdom for each and every com-
munity to meet and discuss these
proposed matters. Give one or two
days to this important duty; unless
you do so you are unfit to go into
the election booth for the purpose
of voting.

When a measure is proposed in
the legislature it is read the first
time, ordered printed and a copy
placed on the desk of each member;
read the second time and referred
to a committee which in due time
reports the same with the recom-
mendation that it do or do not pass.
Then after discussion the measure
is voted upon, and if it receives a
majority vote is sent to the other
branch of the legislature where it
undergoes the same course of pro-
cedure. When a measure has been
passed by both houses and senate it
is not yet a law for the governor
may sign the same or he may veto
it. Then to pass the same over his
veto a two-thirds vote of each house
is necessary.

Now if our lawmakers must give
such close scrutiny to a measure as
above cited don't you think that
when you assume the role of law-
maker, which you will do June 3,
that you should give the contents of
your voters' pamphlet serious con-
sideration?

The Tribune does not desire to
dictate to anyone how he or she
shall vote. It simply wishes to urge
upon the voter the importance of
voting understandingly. If an ob-
jectionable law is enacted by the
legislature under the course of pro-
cedure outlined above and your
member of that body votes for it,
you kill him politically. You say he
is unworthy to represent you and
assist in making laws to govern you.
Very well. Are you worthy to re-
present yourself in the election booth
June 3? Remember there is no
comeback. The governor cannot
veto your action for you. The voters
of Oregon are supreme in this res-
pect. If you make a mistake you
only can remedy the matter by re-
pealing your action. Therefore,
don't you think you should give some
thought to the five amendments and
four measures you are to pass upon
June 3?

The Tribune is informed that the
county court proposes to have the
Scio-West Scio road. This infor-
mation is not official but it comes to us
pretty direct.

In the small cities the jitney is
knocking out the streetcar lines.
They did it in Albany and are doing
the same for Walla Walla, Wash.

The county court, especially Judge
Bilyeu, should be a little more ex-
plicit about the road program. We
think we understand the court, but
a little more explanation might get
votes for the bonds.

In our editorial, written several
days ago, based on the county court's
plans for distribution of the propos-
ed \$600,000 bond issue, we are now
inclined to modify some features of
that article. The court seems to
have had a small paving project un-
der its hat which was not outlined
in its stated program for road build-
ing. This paper wants the \$600,-
000 bond measure to carry, and we
believe, if the court's later explana-
tions are correct, they will. The
Scio country, or that portion known
as the Forks of the Santiam, has
nothing to complain of. This sec-
tion has been treated fairly in the
proposed distribution and The Trib-
une will do all in its power to have
the county bond measure carry.

Lincoln County for Highway.

Newport, Or.—Lincoln county is
waking up to the advantages of the
proposed Roosevelt highway along
the Pacific Coast. B. F. Jones ad-
dressed a meeting in which he ex-
plained the highway project. A
straw vote was taken and everybody
voted "yes."—Oregonian.

D. P. Mason of Albany, W. H.
Hobson of Stayton, and Rev. J. R.
N. Bell of Corvallis, were present at
the funeral of the late Nathan
Young. Dr. Bell delivered the fun-
eral discourse at the Federated
church. He is chaplain of the Ore-
gon Masonic grand lodge and has
officiated in that capacity more
years than we can remember.

Frank Bartu has received from
his son Mylo, a first sergeant in the
signal corps now at Coblenz, Ger-
many, two panorama photographs,
one showing the ruin in Northern
France wrought by the Germans; the
other Coblenz, with Old Glory float-
ing over the fort on the hilltop.

The Tribune has not yet heard a
word proposing the improvement of
Mill street. Should it be improved
we will have to sacrifice our carp-
pond. This we will do with regret
as it will cause our printer to adopt
the semblance of mourning.

We have wonder if Pie Eater has
been drowned by Oregon Mist and
the latter evaporated.

Charley Warner went to Oakland
Saturday morning to help Vilas Phil-
ippi handle a thousand head of sheep
just bought. Not being able to get
a dog muzzle in Scio, Charley made
a flying trip by moonlight Friday
night to Kingston for a muzzle and
took our printer along for ballast.
Instead of calling the car an auto
our printer believes it to be a dis-
abled airship for it only hit the high
places in the road and the "ballast"
was tossed about as if on a ship at
sea. The trip was made in a little
over an hour. When able to talk
next morning our printer expressed
his opinion forcibly and elegantly (!)
on the road question and thought
the authorities have forgotten there
were roads thereabouts that needed
attention occasionally.

Paste This in Your Hat.

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ber 7.
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