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United Action Needed

REQUESTS by the county court and individuals for completion of the Oregon-Washington highway from the end of the present paving at the Hanna ranch to Lena have been received with indifference by the state highway commission. Not that the commission is to be censured too severely, either, for there

are factors which mitigate strongly against the expenditure of highway funds for further improvement on this stretch of state road. Yet, it is a child of the department and as such is entitled to some consideration.

In the first place, after the road passes the Lena district there is no more traffic than is to be found on an ordinary country road. That is not the fault of the highway itself, for when first built it carried a fairly heavy traffic burden. Following construction of the Lexington-Jarmon highway, which offered a better all-year route and a shorter distance to points east, practically all county traffic to Pendleton and elsewhere across the county line took the lower road. The Heppner-Nye Junction section has not been abandoned and maintenance has been retained, at a reduced schedule, to be true, but always passable.

Now comes word that the state highway engineer is giving this particular stretch of highway consideration. A study is being made to determine whether paving cost compared with maintenance is justified. Mr. Baldock has stated that he will report his findings at the June meeting of the highway commission.

Local authorities express the opinion that the paving is justified. There is no thought of asking for more paving than to Lena, but there is a strong feeling that the job should be completed that far. The condition of the grade from the end of the paving to Lena is such that to hard surface it now may prevent the expenditure of greater sums in the not far distant future to rebuild some of the roadbed and otherwise improve the road.

It looks like action is needed on the part of Heppner business interests affected by the road. A movement started right now would go a long way towards bringing the desired improvement and result in cementing friendly relations between that district and the town. There is a reasonable amount of pay-load hauling over the highway now and with the resumption of logging operations the volume will be greatly increased.

Possibly nothing will be gained by demanding this improvement, but a proper amount of urging will do no harm. This project and other improvements sought by the county court could well be given the support of the business men and other agencies.

TO SET ANGLING RULES

Angling regulations for the ensuing year will be determined by the State Game commission when it holds its annual hearing for this purpose on February 16 and 17 in Portland. Sportsmen's organizations and other interested groups or individuals are invited to submit their recommendations regarding seasons, bag limits and open or closed waters. No action can be taken by the commission on methods of fishing or license fees, regulation of which comes under the jurisdiction of the legislature.

SHEEP SHIPPED IN

Harlan McCurdy received seven carloads of sheep Sunday morning at the local yards. The sheep were brought here from Baker county where they had been on feed for the last four months. The band was fed at the Parker ranch before being moved to the McCurdy place. Frank Wilkinson moved one of his large bands to Rhea creek the first of the week, stopping at the Parker ranch for rest and feed. Sheepmen are preparing for the lambing season.

KEEP BRAKES DRY

Brakes should be set tightly when the car is being washed, suggests the Oregon State Motor association. By keeping the brakes on—brake linings are less likely to become wet enough to affect braking after the car is washed.

OILING DOOR BUMPERS

Rubber door bumpers on cars will deteriorate rapidly when lubricated with oil, according to service officials of the Oregon State Motor association. Various wax and graphite preparations are available for use on the bumpers.

Thirty-seven different mammals and 120 kinds of birds in the Hart mountain refuge, an oasis in a desert is cause for interest in the district by geological survey. The survey's interest in making this a national refuge has resulted in nationwide publicity for Oregon.

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Statement of Taxes

LEVIED IN MORROW COUNTY, OREGON FOR THE YEAR 1940
(ASSESSED MARCH 1, 1939)

General Taxes Levied for State and County Purposes				Special Taxes Levied in Union High School Districts			
Character of Tax	Valuation	Levy	Tax	Dist. No.	Valuation	Levy	Tax
General County	\$9,136,423	3.055	\$27,911.75	1	\$485,609	2.6	\$1,262.58
State (Elementary School)	9,136,423	1.8775	17,153.63	Non-High School Districts	5,229,932	2.3	12,028.84
General School	9,136,423	1.2675	11,580.42	Special Taxes Levied in Towns			
General Roads	9,136,423	4.8	43,854.83	Heppner	\$704,747	16.3	\$11,487.38
Market Roads	9,136,423	1.1	10,050.07	Lexington	103,241	13.5	1,393.75
Bond Sinking Fund	9,136,423	3.1	28,322.91	Ione	129,604	9.2	1,192.36
Bond Interest Fund	9,136,423	1.1	10,050.07	Boardman	25,703	37.0	951.01
Rodent Control	9,136,423	0.1	913.64	Special School Bonds and Interest			
Total	16.4		\$149,837.32	Dist. No.	Valuation	Levy	Tax
(These levies are included in General County levy below)				1	\$910,741	4.9	\$4,462.63
				12	443,412	3.6	1,596.28
				25	929,600	6.4	5,949.44
				27	144,524	3.8	549.19
				35	749,231	4.2	3,146.77
				59	82,013	3.1	254.24
				Total			\$15,958.55

SUMMARY OF LEVIES AND TAX BY DISTRICTS

District Number	Valuation	General County School & Int.	Special School & Int.	Union High & Int.	Non-High & Int.	City	Total Levy	Tax
1	\$205,994	16.4	19.3	4.9			40.6	\$8,363.36
H 1	794,747	16.4	19.3	4.9		16.3	56.9	40,100.10
2	232,602	16.4					18.7	4,350.78
3	186,626	16.4				2.3	18.7	3,489.91
4	124,816	16.4				2.3	18.7	2,334.06
5	318,764	16.4	2.1			2.3	20.8	6,630.29
6	197,907	16.4				2.3	18.7	3,709.86
8	133,503	16.4	3.4			2.3	22.1	2,950.42
9	127,171	16.4	13.3			2.3	32.0	4,069.47
10	873,507	16.4	23.6				40.0	34,940.28
11	93,697	16.4	3.9			2.3	22.6	2,117.55
12	340,171	16.4	15.6	3.6			35.6	12,110.09
L 12	103,241	16.4	15.6	3.6		13.5	49.1	5,069.13
14	191,528	16.4	3			2.3	21.7	4,156.16
15	124,539	16.4	7.1			2.3	25.8	3,213.11
16	50,226	16.4	15.6			2.3	34.3	1,722.75
17	121,762	16.4	3.3			2.3	22	2,673.76
18	81,623	16.4	8.8			2.3	27.5	2,244.63
21	104,945	16.4				2.3	18.7	1,962.47
UH 19	86,846	16.4		2.6		2.3	21.3	1,849.82
23	105,842	16.4	3.9			2.3	22.6	2,392.03
24	93,863	16.4	4.7			2.3	23.4	2,196.39
25	903,897	16.4	20.2	6.4			43	38,867.57
B 25	25,703	16.4	20.2	6.4		37	80	2,056.24
26	319,383	16.4	9			2.3	27.7	8,846.91
27	144,524	16.4	1.9	3.8		2.3	24.4	3,326.39
29	67,722	16.4	6.1			2.3	24.8	1,679.51
31	138,142	16.4	4			2.3	22.7	3,135.82
32	123,377	16.4	9.2			2.3	27.9	3,442.22
33	14,790	16.4				2.3	18.7	276.57
34	160,600	16.4	4.7			2.3	23.4	3,758.04
35	619,627	16.4	8.1	4.2			28.7	17,783.29
I 35	129,604	16.4	8.1	4.2		9.2	37.9	4,911.99
36	113,138	16.4				2.3	18.7	2,115.68
38	113,120	16.4	4			2.3	22.7	2,567.82
39	308,495	16.4	1.3			2.3	20	6,169.90
UH 40	237,751	16.4	6.8		2.6	2.3	23.1	6,680.80
41	194,973	16.4	5.2			2.3	23.9	4,059.55
42	143,571	16.4	4.6			2.3	23.3	3,345.20
48	63,489	16.4				2.3	18.7	1,187.24
49	44,276	16.4	2.2			2.3	20.9	925.37
50	144,296	16.4	3.1			2.3	21.8	3,145.65
UH 51	161,012	16.4	1.6		2.6	2.3	22.9	3,687.17
53	90,364	16.4				2.3	18.7	1,689.81
59	82,013	16.4	1.7	3.1		2.3	23.5	1,927.31
0	188,576	16.4				2.3	18.7	3,526.37
	\$9,136,423							\$282,555.14
Gain								.01

TOTAL TAX LEVIED BY COUNTY	\$282,555.15
Special Taxes Levied in Other Taxing Districts	
West Extension Irrigation District	\$ 6,203.15
Forest Fire Patrol	1,970.39
	\$290,728.69

GENERAL SUMMARY	
State, County and General School	\$ 56,645.80
General Roads	43,854.83
Market Roads	10,050.07
Bond Sinking Fund	28,322.91
Bond Interest Fund	10,050.07
Non-High School Districts	12,028.84
Towns	15,024.50
Union High School Districts	1,262.58
Special Schools	88,443.35
Special Schools Bonds and Interest	15,958.55
Rodent Control	913.64
West Extension Irrigation District	6,203.15
Forest Fire Patrol	1,970.39
Gain	.01
Total	\$290,728.69
Collected by Assessor	370.28

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing is a true and correct statement, according to the records of my office.

THOMAS J. WELLS,
County Assessor.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1940.

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