

HIGHWAY CREW VISITS MEDFORD

Sign Posts Will New Guide Automobile Tourists Through State—Will Be Placed in California Next Year.

It is now possible for the motorist to drive from Vancouver, B. C., to the California border with no other guide than the big white signs of Pacific Highway. The crew which set out from the shores of the Columbia river Sept. 8, arrived at the California line Wednesday, Sept. 20, their trail well marked with the signs at every cross-roads from Portland to Coos Bay. Even better time would have been made had it not been for exceptionally heavy weather during the first part of the trip. The party is now visiting this city.

The whole state is enthusiastic over the Pacific Highway project, according to members of the party. At every town along their route the road-marking party was met by delegations from the influential bodies of the community, such as the Commercial club, Automobile club, etc. Pacific Highway is undoubtedly the most popular project of its kind that has ever attracted the attention of the state of Oregon.

The journey of the crew, though replete with much hard work, was a kin of perpetual triumph. The largest city, as well as the smallest village, was glad to meet Pacific Highway, and welcomed it and its builders with warmest hospitality. At Portland, Mayor Rushlight himself planted the first post; and it was the same story all along. The Highway association has the figurative key of every community along its route.

The party was headed by F. M. Fretwell, secretary of the association, who was aided by M. K. McRae, J. V. Connell and A. V. House of Portland. Two men were taken along to dig post-holes. A five-ton truck was lent by the Land Auto company of Portland, while the Studebaker E-M-F branch of that city donated the services of a Flanders "29" touring car. A large amount of necessary equipment was carried besides the big load of posts and signs.

201 VISITORS OREGON CAVES

Custodian Smith States That No Doubt Caves Will Be Greater Attraction As Soon As They Are Properly Advertised.

Victor Smith, custodian of the Oregon caves, is in the valley for a short stay. Mr. Smith states that during the summer 201 people visited the caves and went through the numerous passages, and everyone of them was delighted with this wonderful work of nature. He expresses the opinion that there will be hundreds of visitors next year and if it was only properly advertised there would be thousands of tourists coming annually.

The government trail has just been finished and furnishes an excellent roadway from the Stevens ranch to the cave entrance, and next spring a government telephone will be put in to connect with the Deer Creek line at the Grinnel ranch.

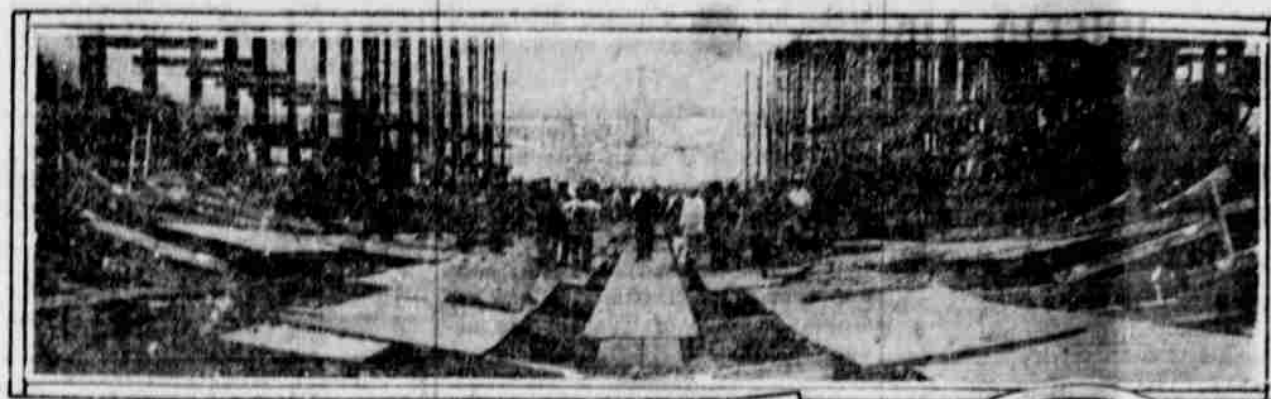
Game is plentiful in that section. One of the workmen last Sunday shot a deer to relieve the monotony of camp-fare and when he went for the carcass he found that a bear had eaten it. The workman quickly shot the bear and its skin is now hung up at camp.

REWARDS FOR BANK ROBBERS INCREASED

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 21.—The rewards offered by the Bank of Montreal in connection with the recent New Westminster burglary have been increased to \$32,000, of which \$5,000 will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the robbers, in addition to which 10 per cent will be paid on all or any part of the money recovered. This on the whole amount stolen would amount to \$27,000 odd, being the remainder of the sum offered.

Look for the "help wanted" ad that seems like a "prospect"—and answer it promptly.

BOYS AID IN LAYING KEEL OF UNITED STATES' LARGEST DREADNOUGHT.



SCENE OF NEW LAID KEEL OF THE U.S.S. NEW YORK.



ONE OF THE BOYS DRIVING THE NAILS IN THE HORSESHOE.



J.E. BAILEY, NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR.

A good sized crowd witnessed the laying of the keel of the battle ship New York, which is to be the largest Dreadnought yet constructed by the United States government. The ceremony was performed on ways in the New York Navy Yard. Bolts to fasten the keel plates of the New York were driven home by seven boys, the sons or grandsons of army and navy attaches.

Under the direction of Assistant Naval Constructor John E. Bailey, the four steel plates were swung into place on the ways by a large electric crane.

MANY DIE IN GREAT STORM

Sixty Bodies Recovered—Enormous Property Loss—Scores Missing And May Not Be Heard From—Roads Are Gone.

NAPLES, Sept. 22.—Many persons were killed and enormous damage inflicted by a storm and flood in this section of Italy today. Sixty corpses already have been recovered and it is feared that the casualty list will be much larger.

Scores of persons are missing and some may never be heard from.

Reports from the outlying districts are fragmentary. Wires are down everywhere and travel by roads is paralyzed.

TERRIFIC STORM SWEEPS ITALY

Hundred Dead, Scores Missing, Hundreds Homeless As Result Of Most Terrific Storm Italy Has Experienced In Years.

NAPLES, Sept. 22.—More than 100 persons are dead, scores are missing and unaccounted for and hundreds are homeless as a result of one of the most terrible storms ever seen in Italy, which swept over the Vesuvian district today.

Nearly every building in the storm swept section was wrecked by the cyclone, which was followed by blinding torrents of rain, completing the work of devastation. One hundred bodies have been recovered, but it is believed that the dead will total a far larger number.

Warning of the storm was given early in the day by a high wind and darkening sky and the inhabitants made frantic efforts to escape the fury of the impending tempest, but the storm broke, finding them unprotected. Those who sought safety in their homes were crushed in the buildings, while those who trusted to the open were struck down by flying missiles. The cyclone swept away many dwellings, blew roofs off buildings and steeples from churches.

BUSINESS TRANSACTION ONLY, WIFE ALLEGES

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 22.—Because she testified that her marriage to John Montgomery was purely "a business transaction" performed so she could collect a debt of \$200 which he owed her, Alice Montgomery today has lost possession of a valuable 160 acre homestead which she had filed on.

Haskins for Health.

IRATE MOTHER FOLLOWS AND KILLS GIRL'S LOVER

MARIGOLD, Miss., Sept. 22.—The mystery surrounding the killing of J. V. McKnight, a rich youth of this city, in a buggy on a lonely road a week ago while returning from his fiancée's home, was cleared up here today, when Mrs. J. L. Foley, mother of McKnight's fiancée admitted having shot the young man. She offered no defense of her action.

On the night of the killing McKnight took Miss Foley home from church at 10 o'clock. He drove away, returning at 2 o'clock in the morning, invited the girl to drive away with him. She accepted the invitation. Mrs. Foley followed and the shooting resulted.

The fact that McKnight carried a revolver led the court to believe that the woman fired in self defense. She was released on bonds.

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday Specials

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Stole Own Hair.

OLYMPIA, Wn., Sept. 22.—Arrested for stealing her own hair from a hair-dresser, whom she had employed to make her a switch from combings. Mrs. Sarah Washburn today holds it in triumphant possession because Justice of the Peace Walter Crosby knows the difference between horsehair and locks from milady's head.

The hair dresser gave her a dyed switch of horsehair. Mrs. Washburn then took the law into her own hands. When she left he shop she took the horsehair switch and the one made of her own hair. Judge Crosby upheld her and dismissed the suit which followed.

Denies Charge.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 22.—Absolute denial of charges by District Attorney Fredericks that John I. Harrington had attempted to bribe D. H. Ingersoll and induce him to have Mrs. Ingersoll change her testimony in the McNamara cases was made today in sworn testimony of Attorney Harrington in his answer to the order of the court directing him to appear and show cause why he should not answer certain questions before the grand jury.

This answer was filed today and is supported by affidavits of Attorney Clarence Darrow, Attorney Lecomte Davis and Fremont Older, editor of the San Francisco Bulletin.

Rodgers Flew East.

FACTORYVILLE, Pa., Sept. 22.—Aviator Rodgers, flying 50 miles an hour passed over this place at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon. He was headed for Binghamton.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22.—Arrangements were completed today by the National Monetary Commission for a series of hearings next month on banks and currency laws. This will be public and is for the purpose of securing the views of bankers, business men, laboring men and the general public. The principal hearing will be in this city, but subcommittees of the commission have been appointed to go about the country.

Harvest Time Is Telephone Time

Threshing machine breaks down? Need more help? Cook wagon out of coffee or groceries? Don't leave the farm. Can't spare a hand to go to town. Need everyone on the job. The answer

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