

Beautiful New Coast Highway of 405 Miles Completed in Spring

Years' Work and \$16,000,000 Expenditure On Road Skirting Pacific From California Line to Columbia; Work On Last Links

By Clayton V. Bernhard.
The summer will see the first of the entire stretch of Oregon's new coast highway—con- sisting of 405 miles of road— which was started more than two years ago and upon which \$16,000,000 will have been expended. The highway will be completely surfaced by the end of the year. The route is in good condition and is being used. The new routes, now connecting this highway with the main Pacific highway are all in good condition and open to travel. In the south, the Redwood highway from Crescent City in California connects at Grants Pass. Other connections include the Coquille-Dillard highway, the road from Redwood to Drain, from Florence to Junction City, from Waldport to Corvallis, from Newport to Corvallis, from Otis to Minville, from Hebo to McMinnville and the Columbia river route from Astoria to Portland.

Started in 1919
The highway which traverses seven of the state's 36 counties, was first started in 1919, the first work being done around Marshfield and Tillamook. About \$13,500,000 has already been spent on the highway and it is estimated that more than \$2,000,000 more remains to be expended before the completion next year. Of the money spent on the road, the state paid or will pay the largest share, or about \$10,300,000. The federal government has spent about \$3,700,000 while the various counties have contributed about \$2,000,000.

MISSIONARIES HELD BY CHINESE BANDITS

PEIPING, Aug. 25.—(AP) Dispatches to native newspapers from Tainanfu today said 30 American missionaries are being held prisoners by bandits at Tamingtu, 250 miles south of Peiping. The dispatches said Chinese government troops were besieging the gang, headed by the bandit leader Luikwei Tang, in an effort to free the prisoners.

Bridge Is Feature

One of the major achievements of the highway commission during the year will be observed at Gold Beach where the \$600,000 concrete bridge across the Rogue river, is under construction and will be completed by the end of this year. This bridge will replace the ferry service and State Highway No. 101. The bridge will be 1,000 feet long and will have a toll. The bridge will be a feature of the highway commission.

Between Gardner and Waldport most of the work the past year has been done, connecting the road south stretches of the highway which were completed first. The section between Gardner and Waldport, including the section between Gardner and Waldport, for a distance of 20 miles, has been completed. The delivery of rock has already started.

Apply New Surface
The ferry is also being operated between the Siletz river in Lane county and the Siletz river in Clatsop county. The ferry will also be operated as a highway later to be operated as a highway. From Florence to Berry a distance of 10 miles, a survey contract is under way which will be completed by the end of the year.

Link for the highway from Grants Pass to the Lincoln county line has been recently for grading. This route, a distance of 13 miles includes a 600-foot bridge through a point opposite Grants Pass. Several large bridges are also under construction. The span over Cape Creek, this bridge will be 140 feet high. Contract for grading this stretch will be let in the spring.

Highway from the Lincoln county line to Yachats is rock surfaced. The highway has just been completed between Waldport and Newport. This route will be completed by the end of the year. The highway is either oiled or graded. Concrete bridges are being constructed in addition to a

Radio Program KMED

(Mail Tribune-Virgin Station)
Tuesday
P. M.
5 to 6—Lewis Super Station; Southern Oregon Theatre Guide News and markets, by Mail Tribune.
6 to 7—Checker Cab; Where To Go; Philco; Speed Blind.
7 to 8—Happiness Train; Camp Laurel; Modern Plumbing and Sheet Metal Co.
8 to 9—All request program
Wednesday
A. M.
7:55 to 8—Breakfast broadcast of news by Mail Tribune
8 to 9—Treasure Box; Gold Seal
9 to 10—Friendship Circle, by Economy Groceries; Isaac's Store; Ashland; Pet Milk
10—Weather forecast
11 to 12—Sliders Dairy; Burell's Ladies' Wear
P. M.
12 to 1—Pierce Auto Freight Lines
Popular novelty program; News flashes by Mail Tribune
1 to 2:30—Medford F. & H. Co.; World Bookman; KMED presentation
2:30 to 5—KMED presentation
5 to 6—Prosperity by Medford Chamber of Commerce; Oregon Theatre Guide; News and markets by Mail Tribune
6 to 7—Mutual Mill; Where to Go; Smith and Watkins; Uncle Jerry
7 to 8—Happiness Train; Jackson Co. Bldg. and Loan; John Cupp Furniture
8 to 9—All request.

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Mare Adopts Calf

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., Aug. 25.—(UP) A mare who lost her colt adopted a motherless calf here recently on the farm of Roy Reynolds. Dr. C. C. Pemberton, deputy state veterinarian, recalled a case where a cow adopted a colt.

Survives 35,000 Volts

ANAMOSA, Iowa, Aug. 25.—(UP)—Leo Oswald, 28, experienced a charge of 35,000 volts of electricity through his body, and is alive to tell of it. An employee of an electric company, he was removing a concrete support for a transformer, and struck a high tension wire with his neck. He was knocked to the ground, his neck and hip seared, but otherwise uninjured.

Beeson Tells of First Wagons to Travel Siskiyou

Brought to mind by plans for dedication of the fine new span on the Pacific highway near Yreka, Cal., August 29, as the "pioneer bridge," an interesting account of the first wagon trip through the Siskiyou mountains was related yesterday by Wellborn Beeson, whose grandfather, John Beeson, and father, Wellborn, came to the valley in 1853 by ox team, settling in the Wagner Creek district. "In 1854," said Mr. Beeson, "the first wheat crop of any consequence was raised in the valley and ground into flour at Ashland in a mill near the great oak tree which still stands at the entrance of Lithia park. The flour was to be taken to Yreka for sale, with transportation of the crop and transportation provided by Henry American, early day capitalist. "Three heavy wagons, each drawn by six oxen, were loaded with the flour and started out in charge of Harvey Oatman (father of the late Elmer Oatman of Medford), Daniel P. Brittan, and a Mr. Livingston. There being no roads through the Siskiyou, getting the lumbering vehicles over the rough country was a laborious task. It is probable that the train followed approximately the route now known as the old toll road. "Near the summit of the mountains the wagon train was attacked by a small band of renegade Modocs from the Klamath country and Livingston was killed. Oatman, in the lead, managed to escape with his wagon and subsequently completed the journey to Yreka. Brittan escaped with his life but his wagon and that of Livingston were burned after the Indians had emptied the flour from the sacks, the latter apparently being the only articles of value to the tribesmen. "Returning to the valley the teamsters reported the attack and a force was immediately recruited by Captain Wm. Rockefeller, one of the leading men of the Wagner creek community, to take after the marauders. Not long after they had picked up the trail the renegades dead—apparently victims of another Indian band. The spot where the

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tribesmen were found was there after known as "Dead Indian." "The whites, apparently did not succeed in catching the remainder of the marauding braves, but, believing at the time, that the Siskiyou mountain attack had been made by Rogue River tribesmen, they returned and joined with others in venting some of their spleen upon the Rogue River Indians who had been more or less unruly about that time." "The upshot of the Siskiyou affair and the following brushes between the Indians and whites, according to Mr. Beeson, was the Rogue River war which took place soon afterward. "An ox yoke which now hangs in the American Legion hall in Ashland is the property of Mr. Beeson and circled the neck of one of the animals driven by his grandfather and father from La Salle, Ill. in their migration to the Oregon country. His father at that time was 17 years old and was a great friend of Harvey Oatman, who came west in the same wagon train.

COUNTY EXPENSE PRUNED DOWN IN BUDGET LISTINGS

The county court, in its session Monday pored over budget estimates as submitted by the various county officers, and found that the expenses had been saved to the line, with an estimated saving of close to \$11,000. Purchase of supplies, elimination of extra help by reduction of working forces, upkeep of machinery, such as typewriters, comptometers, traveling expenses, and postage, telegraph and telephone bill, are the main items slashed. There has been no cut in salaries which are set by law. A voluntary ten per cent reduction was suggested, but some of the elective officers failed to acquiesce, and the county court refused to sanction a cut that did not include all. One expense scheduled for a drastic reduction is the maintenance of the old courthouse at Jacksonville, now used only for public meetings, but having a light, water and fuel bill and a janitor. The coming year according to the estimates of the county clerk, will see a heavy decrease in the county receipts—about \$20,000. Expense cuts to date are about half that sum. The decrease is attributed to the reduction of taxpayers occasioned by taking advantage of the eight per cent interest penalty for delinquent taxpayers and the economic stress. The county court expects to name a budget committee before the first of the month to act with them in formulating the 1932 budget. They will start their work a month earlier than usual because of the need of retrenchment.

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Former Rum Car Mellon's Chariot On Arrival Home

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon, returning from Europe Monday was cut on the hand by fragments of an exploding flashlight bulb and then, because of a mistake in arrangements, was driven through town in a confiscated rum runner's automobile. The cut from the bulb was slight. Apparently his arrival at the Battery was unexpected and his automobile was not waiting. Casting about for an automobile for him customs officials pressed into service of a confiscated car which until three weeks ago was being used for smuggling liquor across the Canadian border. Classified advertising gets results. You have a treat coming to you if you have not had a milk shake made at Heath's Drug Store. The biggest little fountain in town in the coolest store in town.

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22. "Salmon" river
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26. Formerly
27. Less
28. Near
29. Female deer
30. Fur-bearing animals
31. River; Spanish
32. Lake
33. Flowers of the genus
34. Mind
35. Recompenses
37. French river
38. Historical periods
39. Exclamation to call attention
40. Bracing medicine
41. Vehicle on wheels
42. Food
43. Find the total of
44. Different
45. Swain
46. New comb form
47. Automotive fuel; colloq.
48. Upright
49. Half score
DOWN
1. Vehicle on wheels
2. Unity
3. Different
4. Thick
5. Grow old
6. Myself
7. Spring flower
8. Solitary
9. Alternative
10. Direction
11. Native metals
12. Military armored motor cars
13. Aromatic wood
14. Got up
15. Got down
16. County in Scotland
17. Rock
18. Obeys
19. Supernatural event
20. Clothing
21. Equal; comb. form
22. Consider
23. Takes one's way
24. Article of apparel
25. Short for Alexander
26. Children's game
27. Room in a harem
28. Hall and fare
29. Horn
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31. Alternative

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