

THE TELEPHONE-REGISTER.

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Resolved that the Committee on the Telephone-Register will be charged with the duty of preparing a bill for the purpose of extending the telephone system to the entire state.

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Thursday, December 22, 1892.

A journalistic defender of the Gould will say: "The feeling that a man should rightfully look first after his own household prevails among the people."

The annual report of the postmaster general is at hand and is enhanced by the pictures of steamboats, buildings, etc. It would be more generally looked at if there was a larger number of pictures in it.

The first step to any intelligent revision of the tariff is an ascertainment of the country's needs in the way of revenue. The legitimate basis of taxation in the democratic theory is the need of the government honestly administered.

THE OREGON GUARD

The National Guard association, consisting of the commissioned officers and ex-officers of the Oregon National Guard, met in convention in Portland on Thursday and Friday of last week, and resolved to ask the legislature to increase the military tax to two-fifths of a mill.

No state in the Union possesses an organization as efficient with the same amount of money expended. This has not been brought about by the support of the state, but is owing entirely to the efforts of the men composing the Oregon National Guard.

The cost of the road depends—like in this country—upon several conditions more or less certain and constant.

Some of the road building corporations of Europe build the road and keep it in repair for a certain sum annually per square meter.

It seems impossible that the people of the state should be willing to disband the nucleus they now possess for a perfect organization of state forces.

The law-breaking element, largely foreign, has demanded that the National Guard of all the states be disbanded, and are openly defying the laws of this country every day of their lives.

The country people living at a distance from centers of population object to the maintenance of the Guard because of the expense.

The young people left for an extended trip in the state and will return in a week or two. Both have many friends in the city who wish them all kinds of good luck.

Prevent and cure Constipation and Sick-Headache, Small Bile Beans.

THE ROADS OF GERMANY.

All Parts of the Country Connected by Fine Thoroughfares—it has Taken Years to Build Them but the People Know the Benefits to be Derived.

The excellent roads of Germany are mainly a heritage from the century which immediately preceded the introduction of railroads. In those days the mails and the few travelers who journeyed were carried by a system of post chaises; freight was transported by great lumbering wagons, and what was regarded as not less important in that period of prolonged and incessant warfare, broad, smooth roads were necessary for the rapid movement of the king's armies with their supply trains and artillery.

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The line and gradients having been established by survey, bridges and culverts constructed, the whole surface of the roadway graded to a flat, uniform surface of the required width, and filled portions rolled and thoroughly settled, the wagon track, which is from 16 to 20 feet in width, is first spread with a 2-inch layer of broken stone which is crushed with heavy steam rollers into a firm and even foundation.

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He Wants Good Roads.

McMINNVILLE, Dec. 19.—(To the Editor)—You have invited opinions from the farmers on the road question, so here are a few remarks. In all of my observations I notice that the best roads are those that are properly graded, well drained, and with substantial culverts where needed.

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The last year that Judge Boise was on the bench he is known to have favored increasing the number of terms of court so that justice could be meted out without so much delay as now results under our present system which the county has far outgrown.

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A level strip of ground was selected and made mellow with a disc harrow. Then loading the wagons equally with sacked grain to about 5,000 pounds and attaching a dynamometer, test was made with the following results:

Table with 3 columns: Width of Tire, Soft Earth, Grass Sod. Values range from 11 to 14 inches for tire width, 662 to 475 units for soft earth, and 247 to 255 units for grass sod.

This shows nearly 200 units of power or about one-third in favor of the wide tire. It is evident, therefore, that for heavy teaming the wide tires are much more favorable to the teams on the ordinary dirt roads of the country, but by far the most important consequence from destruction of the road surface.

The United States will have a navy and its foundation was laid when Wm. C. Whitney put the Chandler methods to flight and compelled the Roaches to release their grasp on that department.

The total taxable property of the city of Portland for the year 1892, is \$45,622,825. This is \$100,000 less than the total taxable of 1891. The assessment law needs revision when everyone knows that the wealth of Portland has increased 20 per cent during the year past and the taxable property grows smaller each year.

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ADVERTISED LETTER LIST.

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