Like the Irishman's Flea.

It's here again, gone again, with the Roosevelt highway. Last week everything looked rosy; prospects were bright, in fact "it was almost assured" that the Roosevelt highway would be made one of the primary roads under the new federal - state coperative inter-state highway improvement plan, towards the materialization of which congress recently appropriated \$75,000,000. But when the representatives of the Roosevelt Highway Memorial association went to Portland to meet with the state highway commission they apparently ran up against the same old ice

Instead of releasing the \$2,500,- road will soon begin.

000 bonds voted for the coast road and matching it with funds received from the federal government towards the construction of that highway the sentiment at Portland seemed to be that the two and a half million should be turned into the general road fund and used all over the state wherever there is a

Of course the coast counties will not stand for that. It looks like this section will be called upon to do a lot more scrapping before we get the highway.-Coos Bay World.

It is understood that preliminary work on the Manhattan-Brighton



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One grand assault on the magnificent digestion was expected during the visit to that great Amerique. Tres bien, and one had been in the traing for the glorious eatings. But pour l'amour de Mike, it is les chevaux of other colors to train for the unexpected company of a wild bobcat, is it not that it is?

Consequently the undomesticated kitten presented Marshal Foch by Montana members of the American Legion now bays the moon in a cage at the Bronx Zoo, New York, and Le Marechal sleeps of night.

The untamed tabby, brought 1500 miles by airplane by Montana Legionnaires and given the marshal at Kansas City, rapidly changed into a white elephant. The Foch party carried it in a strongbox from the West and through several Eastern cities, newspaper men of the special train standing guard. But when the Foch special stopped in New York for an hour en route to Princeton University and while the allied generalissimo was still abed, the Montana mascot was quietly transferred onto a truck and hurried through the early morning hours to the zoological gardens. The spirit of the Montana Legionnaires and their bobcat was highly appreciated, but Voila!" as the French said it.

American soldiers buried in Brest, mittee. France, during the war, has been completed, according to word received by the American Legion. Army authorities have forwarded to the four permanent American cemeteries in France 1,080 bodies, rmoval of which to the United States was not requested by relatives.

When the Y.M.C.A. in Somerville, Mass., burned down, American Legion men rescued 24 lodgers, clothed them and turned the Legion clubrooms 'nto the temporary Y. M. C. A. of the city.

More than a million members of the American Legion have pledged themselves to assist in the American Education Week campaign, December 4-10, under the auspices of the Legion and the National Educational Association composed of school and colege teachers. The purposes of the campaign are to inform the public of the accomplishments and needs of the public schools and to secure support and cooperation of the public in meeting these needs.

Louis W. Hill, the railroad magnate, was unanimously elected mayor of "Slippery Gulch, the wickedes. city," staged for one week at St. Paul, Minn., under the auspices of the American Legion. Governor Preus of Minnesota assumed the role of a bad man known as "Mexiwas his rival in the character of

American Legion and the Village Improvement Society of the place.

A bronze tablet has been 'erected at Brookline, Mass., to the memory of Albert E. Scott, a former newsboy known as "Scotty" who was killed behind his machine gun in France. He is believed to have been the youngest American soldier killed in the World War. The American Legion participated in the unveil-

Fifty percent of the men employed on the new highway projects in Minnesota are ex-service men according to report received by the American Legion Employment Bureau at Minneapolis.

In a campaign to collect over-

New York, John Golden, the theatrical producer, offered one of the best seats for his play, "Thank You," to every person bringing a discarded overcoat to the theater. Several hundred coats wer obtained and distributed through the American Leg-

ion welfare organization.

coats for jobless ex-service men in

More than 15,000 members of the American Legion representing every one of the 48 states participated in the ceremonies honoring their unknown comrade of the World War at Washington Armistice Day. National Commander MacNider, in the name of the Legion, placed a huge wreath of flowers on the flag-draped

Hundreds of letters and telegrams have been received by the War Department from members of the American Legion in all parts of the country in refutation of the charges of Senator Watson of Georgia, as to the hangings without court-martial and other derelictions in the A. E. F.

A Christmas gift to the ex-service men of the United States in the form of the passage by Congress of the Fordney-McCumber adjusted compensation bill, is a prediction made at Washington by John Taylor, vice chairman of the American Disinterment of the bodies of Legion's National Legislative Com-

> A few hours after he had been relased from the military priosn at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, where he was serving a sentence for a "buddy" who had savd his life in France, Harry W. Haley, was greeted at Springfield, Mo., by several thousand citizens of that place headed by the American Legion. Haley is now enscounsed on a ranch near Springfield where he is the guest of Col. R. P. Dickerson, commander of the National Loyalty League.

Both eyes destroyed by American shrapnel during the world war, Franz Roheol, who served the Kaiser, now is kept from suffering by an Amrican doughboy's discarded suit of "civies." Someone brought the clothing at a rummage sale held by the American Legion post of Maspeth, Long Island, and sent it to a woman acquaintance in Germany. She gave it to the needy German soldier.

"Now I can use the little pension the Government gives me for food and need not go hungry," the former enemy soldier says in a letter of thanks to the Legion post. Ex-Soldatn Roheol lives in Ekren, Ger-

American soldiers and marines who won the coveted Congressional Medal of Honor during the war will receive the Italian war cross, officcan Pete,' 'and Lieut. Gov. Collins lals of the American Legion have been informed by the Italian embassy. Gen. Vaccari, chief of staff of An effort to prohibit the holding the embassy already has begun the of dances in the public school at distribution of the medal. Steps have been taken by the Legion to also obtain the cross for naval men who received the Congressional

> Members of the American Legion all over the country hereafter will be kept informed of what Congress and the Government are doing for ex-service men through a weekly bulletin issued by the Legion's legislative committee. The bulletins will be sent to all Legion newspapers and publications and state officials.

> Parents or wives of Americans who died overseas during the world war and whose bodies have not been returned would have an opportunity to visit the graves of their deceased at government expense in a resolution introduced into Congress by Rep. Hamilton Fish, New York, a member of the American Legion. The resolution directs the Secretary of War to provide transportation to American cemeteries overseas

> A request that the United States government be asked to negotiate an areement with Great Britian for reciprocal treatment of disabled war veterans, traveling or residing in either country, will be considered at the next meeting of the legislative committee of the American Legion. Such agreement is in effect btween this country and Canada.

> Neutrality of Wyandotte post of the American Lgion, ansas City, in the strike of packing house employes has been commended by the Cen-tral Labor Body in a letter signed by the president of the organization. The labor body is composed of representatives of all organized crafts.

Gen. Armando Diaz, commander of the Italian armies during the war was a casualty following his tour of the United States as guest of the American Legion. When he arrived in Naples, it was found he had sprained a finger from the cordiality of the thousands of American handshakes. At the Italian embassy, Washington, he shook 700 hands in one evening.

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