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"I pledge allegiance to my Flag, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for All."

**PERMANENT ROADS ARE INEVITABLE**

The hard-surfaced road is inevitable. You can't get away from this fact. It has been proven so conclusively so many times that those who cannot see the writing on the wall look with closed eyes. The "all-year" road that will let the farmer haul his produce to market without making a day's job of it; the road that will bring the tourist travel to our state; the road that will develop Oregon as nothing else will develop it—is the permanently improved road. We must educate the people to the truth of this. We must show them that it is time for Oregon to come forward with a comprehensive system of state highways—a system that will include all our main market routes. All of our roads expenditures from now on should be made on the basis that the main roads must be hard-surfaced, if not right now, then in the very near future. The time is past when we should consider the advisability of paving our main roads if we have to consider motorized transportation.—F. S. Gunning, county judge of Wasco county, Oregon.

**TODAY IS THE FOUNDATION OF TOMORROW**

Everyone should start with a purpose in life. Our destiny we may not know, but we can do the best we can at the moment we are doing it. Life is not based on tomorrow, but on today. We are advanced by today's work. Yesterday is the foundation of today, and today is the foundation of tomorrow. We either make progress by today's work, or we stop back. In the exercise of energy and purpose to make progress today is the key of the foundation of business character.

**A HUMANE ORGANIZATION**

The American Red Star will take its place beside the American Red Cross in humane work on the battlefields of Europe if the plans of a newly organized society go through. The Red Star Society proposes to alleviate the sufferings of horses, dogs and mules which are engaged in dangerous work. An organization similar to the Red Star is said to have saved 105,000 out of 150,000 wounded horses in Europe.

**TIME FOR OREGON TO MAKE A START**

The time has come for Oregon to make a start in the direction of permanent state highway construction. Washington, to the north, will spend \$5,500,000 in the next two years, and Oregon proposes to expend \$6,000,000 in five years.

California in the second biennial period is spending fifteen million in two years by the state and the counties as much more.

Indications are that conservative counties are awakening to the need of getting out of the mud and dust by the state as a whole.

We have received a copy of the most useful and handy little volume of 48 pages, Booklet 272 "Roster of the Sixty-Fifth Congress of the United States," published by the American Protective Tariff League, New York, and mailed with the compliments of the league to all of its connections. The roster is a convenience which should be on every man's desk. It contains a full list of the senators and representatives of the Sixty-Fifth Congress and the congressional tariff committees. The large number of letters from congressmen and business men expressing unadmitted interest in protection as the right American policy in peace or in war are very interesting.

Every voter in Columbia and Clatsop county should vote yes for the bonds. The first piece of work to be done will be in these counties. We can lose nothing, but we will gain much. Vote yes, and help pull Oregon out of the mud.

**SPENCE AND THE BOND ISSUE**

C. E. Spence, master of the State Grange, in a long article to the Oregonian, gives as one of the reasons why the \$6,000,000 road bond issue should not pass that "S. Benson believes that Warrenite is a 'perfect paving' and said so at Forest Grove in a public meeting." There are others who believe as Mr. Benson does. A trip over the Columbia Highway will demonstrate that the paving is perfect. However, Mr. Benson, to our knowledge has not said there were no other perfect pavements, nor has he said the road system would be paved with Warrenite. Mr. Spence in most of his speeches against the bond issue has not dealt with facts, but seemingly is playing Warrenite-Benson-Yeon in the hopes of arousing antagonism to the issue. It is quite apparent that he is endeavoring to make the granges his own political party, and the fact that many granges have gone on record as favoring the bonds is a repudiation of Mr. Spence and his political game.

**THE CALL IS SOUNDED**

The president's proclamation of a registration day when the young manhood of the country shall enroll itself for wartime service has been issued. "It is not an army we must shape and train for war, it is the nation," the president has declared.

And so on June 5, between sunrise and dark, the young men are to step forward and offer themselves, each for the work he can best perform. It will be a day the like of which the world has never seen, and will show our enemies that we are a people who will not hang back when our duty is made plain.

The selective conscription plan is indeed a most wise plan; there can be no individual preference. The man whose services will count heaviest on the battlefield will be sent to the fighting front, and the mechanic, engineer and professional man will be assigned to some duty wherein he will aid the nation, and the man behind the plow will join the colors in some industrial role.

"The whole nation," says the president, "must be a team in which each man shall play the part for which he is best fitted."

Ready to play their part, the young manhood of Columbia county will offer themselves on June 5. There will be no laggards.

**DID YOU KNOW**

That the Italian front is longer than the French, British and Belgian fronts combined?

That some of the Italian positions can only be reached in baskets slung from wires?

That some of the most famous churches in Venice have been destroyed by Austrian airplanes, which have raided the city more than 100 times?

That in sixty days the Italians mobilized and equipped and transported to the front an army of half a million men?

That the French have built a 52-centimeter gun which fires a shell weighing one and a half tons?

That the French have in commission 7000 airplanes?

That tear-producing shells are more effective and more generally used than asphyxiating gas?

That in places the Austrian and Italian trenches are only six feet apart?

That on the western front men have been drowned in the mud?

That infantry charges are now led by officers in airplanes?

That the British have organized a salvage corps to save everything on the battlefield; that even the rags are collected and sold?

That the traffic on the roads behind the British front is denser than the traffic on Fifth avenue, New York, and is controlled by traffic policemen?

That the French have organized a corps of scenic painters to paint scenery to deceive the German airmen?

That in a heavy bombardment the springs of a field gun wear out in two days?

That soldiers whose faces have been blown away have been given new faces by American surgeons?

That an American woman is giving phonograph concerts in the Belgian first-line trenches?

That in one day the French fired \$1,500,000 worth of shells at Arras; that in one week the Germans fired 240 trainloads of shells at Verdun; that in one month the British fired 5,000,000 shells on the Somme?—Exchange.

**World's Sheep**  
It is estimated that there are 652,000,000 sheep in the world. Australia holds about 93,000,000, Queensland a share of that figure being 21,786,800. Australasia contributes two-elevenths of the world's total.

The port commission at Astoria has bought an \$85,000 dredge which will be used for deepening the channels of the lower Columbia river.

**THE PRESENT CRISIS**

Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide. In the strife of Truth with Falsehood, for the good or evil side; Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight, Parts the goats upon the left hand, and the sheep upon the right, And the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light.

Hast thou chosen, O my people, on whose party thou shalt stand, Ere the Doom from its worn sandals shakes the dust against our land? Though the cause of Evil prosper, yet 'tis Truth alone is strong.

Backward look across the ages and the beacon-moments see, That, like the peaks of some sunk continent, just through Oblivion's sea; Not an ear in court or market for the low forbidding cry Of those Crises, God's stern winnowers, from whose feet earth's chaff must fly; Never shows the choice momentous till judgment hath passed by. —James Russell Lowell.

During these ragged-edged times the California and Hawaiian sugar refinery at Crockett issued an order to present to every head of a family in the employ of the company with a 25-pound sack of sugar at the end of every month. This decision called forth a united protest from the merchants of that town, but the officials gave the kicking storekeepers to understand the company would start a store of its own if they did not lay down and be good little fellows. The local paper says this sugar refinery is a most humane concern and this act is appreciated.

Fourteen graduates from the St. Helens high school is a good showing. The money invested by the tarpayers in educating these bright boys and girls was well expended. St. Helens has a right to feel proud of its public schools.

The paper mill at Lebanon has increased the wages of its employees 50 cents per day.

A contract has been let at Corvallis for the construction of an apartment house that will cost \$25,000.

The port commission at Astoria has let a contract for a 1,000,000-bushel concrete wheat bin to cost \$174,000.

Philomath is making rapid strides as a manufacturing town. A handle and furniture factory has been added to its present industries.

Always trade in your home town.

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Cora Landcraft, plaintiff, vs. C. R. Reeves and Blanch Rambo, defendants.

By virtue of execution, judgment decree and order of sale issued out of the above entitled court in the above entitled case to me directed and dated this 10th day of May, 1917, upon judgment rendered in said court on the 9th day of April, 1917, in favor of Cora Landcraft against C. R. Reeves and Blanch Rambo, defendants, in the sum of \$500.00 with interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum from April 1st, 1915, and the further sum of \$75.00 attorney's fees and the further sum of \$16.50 costs and disbursements, and costs upon this writ commanding me to make a sale of the following described real property, to-wit: All of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of section thirty-five (35) Twp. 5, R. 4 W. of the W. Mer. in Columbia County, and State of Oregon.

Now therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment decree and order of sale, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on the 9th day of June, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the front door of the County Court House in St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, sell at public auction (subject to redemption) to the highest bidder, cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the within named defendants or either of them had on the first day of April, 1915, the date of the mortgage herein foreclosed, or since that day had in or to the above described property or any part thereof to satisfy said execution, judgment decree or order of sale, together with interest, costs and accruing costs.

E. C. STANWOOD, Sheriff of Columbia County, Oregon.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1917. First issue May 11, 1917, last issue June 8, 1917.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executor of the estate of Levi W. Ball, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same, duly verified, to the undersigned at 930 Chamber of Commerce Building, Portland, Oregon, or at the Law Office of J. W. Day, St. Helens, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first publication, May 11th, 1917.

GEO. D. YOUNG, Executor. J. W. DAY, Attorney. 21-5

**SUMMONS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Mary E. Tanner, Plaintiff, vs. Rubert Tanner, Defendant.

To Rubert Tanner: In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, or the 22nd day of June, 1917, the first publication to be made on the 18th day of May, 1917, and the last on the 22nd day of June, 1917, and if you fail to appear and answer within the said time specified the plaintiff will apply to this Court for the relief prayed for in her complaint, to-wit: A decree of divorce from you dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing between yourself and the plaintiff and for the care and custody of the minor children named in her complaint, viz: Jennie A., Walter and George Tanner, and for such further relief as to the Court may seem just in the premises.

Order for publication made and entered by Hon. R. S. Hattan, County Judge of Columbia County, Oregon. First publication May 18, 1917. Last publication, June 22, 1917. M. J. MacMAHON, of Portland, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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The Loyal Order of Moose, St. Helens Lodge No. 1238. Meet the first and third Wednesday of each month. All visitors cordially invited.  
HARRY BENNETT, Dictator.  
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Mizpah Chapter O. E. S. meets in Masonic Hall the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.  
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Thilcum Tribe No. 52, Improved O. R. M., of Yankton, Ore., meets at its wigwam, second and fourth Saturdays of each month.  
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St. Helens Rebekah Lodge, No. 217, meets first and third Thursday of each month in I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting members always welcome.  
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Columbia Encampment, No. 77, I. O. O. F. meets in the I. O. O. F. Hall, on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Sojourning Patriarchs most cordially invited to meet with us.  
HARRY BENNETT, C. P.  
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St. Helens Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F. meets in the I. O. O. F. building, on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, visiting members are always given a hearty welcome.  
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Avon Lodge No. 62 Knights of Pythias meets every Tuesday evening in Castle Hall, St. Helens. Visiting Knights always welcome.  
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