

**Grant Highway Press Bulletin.**  
The following report of the activities of the officials of the U. S. Grant National Highway across Nebraska, was made by the secretary of the Highway, Malcolm MacKinnon, of Rockford, Ill., who was in O'Neill several days last week, and sent by him to the newspapers throughout the territory through which the Highway passes:

O'Neill, Nebraska, September 8:—The O'Neill Commercial Club is cooperating heartily in the movement for the organization and marking of the U. S. Grant National Highway across Northern Nebraska. This great road has already been organized and marked across Illinois and Iowa, and the action of the state of Illinois and the counties in Iowa insures that the highway will be completely paved from Chicago to Sioux City, within a decade. The marking has been begun between O'Neill and Sioux City and the road has been laid out between those points by way of Creighton, Wausa, Coleridge, Martinsburg and Jackson. This is the direct route, almost straight all the way, and has a better grade than other routes. It is undoubtedly the location of the future truck road from Sioux City to O'Neill.

The markings are yellow and black bands with the letter G painted on them. At turns the right and lefts are indicated by large R's and L's. This work is being done by expert sign painters, in order to insure good work and uniformity. Where there are no pole lines the road is being marked with signboards and finger boards.

The U. S. Grant National Highway was organized first in Illinois in 1915 from Chicago to Dubuque, by way of Elgin, Rockford, Freeport and Galena, and its name came from the fact that Galena is the old home of General Grant. This summer, at the request of the Hawkeye Highway association of Iowa, their road and organization were absorbed in the Grant Highway and this extended the road to Sioux City from Dubuque, by way of Independence, Manchester, Waterloo, Cedar Falls, Fort Dodge and Cherokee. The marking was completed into Sioux City from the East about ten days ago.

Malcolm MacKinnon, of Rockford, Ill., secretary of the Grant Highway Improvement association, has been in and near O'Neill for the last week,

making trips along the line as far as Creighton and Wausa. This week he will visit Atkinson, Stuart, Coleridge and Martinsburg, and next week he will start on a trip to the communities between this city and Valentine. Later he will go to Chadron and other points and out into Wyoming, in which state the road will go by way of Lusk, Douglas, Casper, Thermopolis, Basin and Cody to Yellowstone park. This route will be organized all the way through this fall and markings will proceed up until the time when the weather becomes too cold. Next year the Highway will be extended from Casper westward into Idaho, across that state and across Oregon to Portland, which will be the western terminus.

This route from Chicago to Yellowstone park is the short and the practical one, with modern communities every little ways; that is to say, no wildernesses to cross, such as are found on some of the other routes from the East to the Yellowstone. Illinois and Iowa and Wyoming have provided for the paving and it only remains for the paying to be laid in Nebraska. Secretary MacKinnon is traveling representative in the West for the American Automobile Association, one of the powerful organizations that are behind the Townsend bill in congress. This bill provides for the building by the Federal government of certain main interstate roads in which there is a national interest for the purpose of facilitating truck transport.

**He Knew His Daughter.**  
"The late war has knocked all our customs and traditions topsy-turvy," remarked the new Speaker of the House, Representative Gillett, the other day. "Now it is the young folk who run things. Like the case of William. William was in love. He had declared his passion to the young lady and she had passed him along to her father. Father listened to his tale patiently. 'It's all right so far as I am concerned,' the old gentleman said, 'but I am afraid that Janie will not marry you.' 'Oh, don't say that,' the young man pleaded. 'Has she said so?' 'No,' said the old gentleman, 'but from what I know of Janie, if she wanted you she would have taken you without referring you to me.'"—The Argonaut.

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**18,000 EUROPEAN BRIDES BROUGHT HOME**  
It's a Long Way to the Thatched Roof of the Village Beyond the Sea.

According to the American Legion Weekly, the soldiers and sailors of this country have brought back with them from France, England, Ireland and Scotland 18,000 brides—most of whom, of course, are utter strangers in the land, and nervously apprehensive of the first meeting with the husband's relatives. The language is not stranger than the mode of life; it's a long way to the thatched roofs and white walls of the village beyond the sea. When the doughboy was in France he freely admitted his longing for the sights and sounds and ice cream sodas of home. Is it wonderful then, if twinges of nostalgia afflict the damoiselle or colleen transplanted to the new world with all her happiness staked upon the matrimonial venture?

Some of them, of course, suffer a bitter disillusionment. The husband tires of the sworn allegiance, and there are slackers and deserters in marital even as in martial affairs. The imported bride finds that the man she married is far less solitary and considerate now that he is back in a land where girls of his own tongue and social tradition are plentiful. She perhaps is less decorative than some of these young women; her training has been in the more substantial accomplishments of the home builder. He looks for more of the playmate than she knows how to be; her youth may have been spent in sobering toil, and since the war nearly all the fun in the world has been in America and not in Europe. We are bound to remember when we institute comparisons that Europe has been a house of mourning when we have been a house of mirth. We may learn to make allowances for features that are not always frivolously pretty when we reflect that the iron has entered into the soul.

Let us, as we are urged to do, receive the war-bride from abroad with every manifestation of sympathy and not as though she had ensnared the doughboy into an entangling alliance. In few instances it can be truthfully said that she is marrying him for his money. In most cases he is coming

from \$33 a month to conjugal occupation. She is braving electing to share with him a hazard of new fortune, and she displays a valiant initiative like his own when he went over the sea to fight. She may not reveal

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