May 13, 1925

Mr. N. B. Brooks Goldendale, Washington

Dear Sir:

I just had a short visit with a Mr. Conley, one of your friends from the Goldendale country and he had recently made a trip over the Toppenish-Goldendale road and felt very much pleased with the amount of work that we have been able to do on our end of the route.

We are enjoying considerable travel from your city as well as some complaint about the condition of the road in your county. Possibly, since you returned from our annual picnic, you have been able to interest your county officials in planning to do some work on this road. We trust that you have and will be successful in having the work done very soon.

We are continually rehearsing the good time we enjoyed together and especially the last picnic which was a wonderful success and to your Club we are much indebted.

I learned from your friend Conley that your east end man, Cooley, is very keen on account of his private interest to divert all travel from Bidkleton to Roosevelt. You, no doubt, know more about this than I do, but it seems that this end of the road in your county should be transferred to the general road supervision and get away from any personal interest that your commissioners might have.

I have thought of writing State Engineer Hoover and ask him how soon the state will be able to use some maintenance money on this road. If you think that it would be well to write him, please do so and we will compare notes if we hear from him.

Having been a reader of the Portland Oregonian for many years, my friend Allen mentioned the fact that the reason I was knocked out the other day was because you landed on me with the editorial page of the Oregonian. I only hope that

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you and many others do read this editorial page because I believe it is the best edited paper that we have in the West, even including the Seattle Hearst paper.

With best regards, I am

Yours truly,

Chairman, Road Committee TOPPWNISH COMMERCIAL CLUB

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