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## OREGON STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION SALEM

January 15, 1940

IN REPLY PLEASE  
REFER TO FILE NO.

Mr. William A. Bowes,  
Commissioner of Public Works,  
City Hall,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Bowes:

I discussed with the Highway Commission the matter that we discussed briefly the other day concerning Front Street, but since Mr. Cabell has to leave today for Washington, D. C., and will be gone for possibly a month we found it impossible to arrange a conference in your office which he could attend. It was Mr. Cabell's opinion that it would not be quite fair to ask that everything be deferred until he returns.

It was suggested, therefore, that Mr. Baldock and I meet with you and make some temporary arrangement and we are permitted to say for the Commission that the Commission will approve a representative of the City and one of the right of way men from the Highway Department working together in the meantime with the idea of procuring all possible information as can be obtained without making direct contacts with the property owners.

I know it will take some little time to prepare an ownership map, get assessment values and other values so as to qualify the appraisers to fix values on the respective properties.

I have to be in Portland Thursday to take care of a court matter in the afternoon and if it meets with your convenience I will ask Mr. Baldock to go with me in the morning for the purpose of going over some of these things with you. If we have the conference then, I will take with me the right of way man who will be assigned to this particular work.

Thanking you for a reply, I am

Yours very truly,

J. M. DEVERS

*Meeting arranged for Thursday*

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