

Highway Official Named in Suit

Man Says Bentonite Caused Accident

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 18.—(P)—
State Highway Superintendent J. R.
Bromley has been named a defend-
ant in a \$25,000 damage suit filed
in federal court.

The action was brought by John
Russon of Lahabre, Cal., against
the highway official and Aetna Cas-
ualty & Surety company of Hart-
ford, Conn. It is an outgrowth of

an auto accident near Moorcroft
last June.

Russon charges it was Bromley's
duty, as highway superintendent, to
keep the oiled surface roads of the
state clear of any substance which
might cause accidents. He contended
quantities of bentonite hauled over
the highway had fallen on the road
causing it to become slippery when
wet.

The suit asks \$8,000 for loss of
annual income, \$10,000 from Brom-
ley and the insurance company, and
\$15,000 from Bromley. The superin-
tendent is bonded by the insurance
company.

The Pribilof island seal herd, once
reduced from three million to about
130,000 by indiscriminate killing, has
been rebuilt by conservation meas-
ures to almost its original numbers.

Slippery Bentonite Spill Causes Auto Accident

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