

#### THE CHILSON BRIDGE

Evidently our comment last week concerning the dangerous bridge at Chilson fell upon faulty eyes or defective ears, for yesterday afternoon we visited the span, and nothing whatsoever has been done by the authorities to adequately warn motorists of the one-way passage. Two flimsy pieces of red cloth, and two reflectors, poorly placed and of practically no use as a night warning, are all that the powers-that-be have installed to prevent serious injury or sudden death.

The bridge, which was damaged by the floods months ago, SHOULD BE REPLACED, but in the meantime drivers should be suitably warned that there is only room for one car to pass over the span. Skid marks—many of them—on the highway leading to the improvised crossing, testify to countless close calls for countless persons.

UNLESS THIS DANGER SPOT IS ADEQUATELY MARKED WITH WARNING SIGNS THAT CAN BE SEEN AT A REASONABLE DISTANCE, THE AUTHORITIES WHO PERMIT THIS OUTRAGEOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS TO CONTINUE SHOULD, IN THE EVENT OF ACCIDENT OR DEATH, BE HELD RESPONSIBLE ON CRIMINAL CHARGES, FOR THE DOWNRIGHT NEGLIGENCE WHICH HAS BEEN FLAUNTED IN THE FACES OF THE TRAVELING PUBLIC FOR WEEKS IS A DISGRACE TO THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK STATE.

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