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BILL LIBERATES CREDIT

GLASS-OWEN CURRENCY LAW HAS MUCH MERIT

Elasticity of Currency Assured With Establishment of Regional Reserve Reservoirs Over Country

The currency bill which was made law by the signature of President Wilson is a great achievement of the present administration. It is so great an improvement on the banking system under which the Nation has done business for fifty years and which has caused periodical panics that its severest critics agree that it will confer a boon on business. It is the redemption of the President's promise to emancipate credit from the control of a few and to place it at the disposal of many.

The chief aim of the new law is to bring the banking interests of the country into cooperation, to unify them as it were, and in that to provide for that very mobilization, or elasticity of the currency, of which we have been in costly need. The machinery to be provided for this purpose is not so complex. Regional reserve banks are to be established, on the theory that several reservoirs will serve the country better than one, and on the further assumption that a number of centers are less liable to the evils of centralization than one would be. These banks are to be established by apportioning subscriptions by existent banks in their respective territories. Each bank shall have nine directors, three of whom shall be of Government selection, the member banks appointing the other six. These shall be the reserve institutions of the country in their respective regions, supervised by a reserve board to be appointed by the President. The Government will deposit its funds in these banks. Member banks are entitled to share in the profits of their business up to 6 per cent, all profit above that, after a sur-

plus of 40 per cent is accumulated and maintained, to be turned over to the Government. From the reserves on deposit and from Government funds the reserve banks may loan to member banks only, or may rediscount their promissory notes on commercial security, running not longer than ninety days. If the reserve or member banks and the Government funds are not sufficient to meet the legitimate loan demands of the member banks, the reserve bank will supply to the reserve board for reserve notes, the issue of which is provided for in the new law, tendering therefor an equivalent value of the commercial paper upon which loans have been made to the member banks. The process of redemption and liquidation will be continuous and rapid, and the shifting of the volume of currency, according to regional needs, will be comparatively easy. Such, in brief, is the outline of the plan embodied in the Glass-Owen bill.

The reserve notes do not partake of the nature of inflation currency. They constitute a relief currency, the utility of which is measured by the value of the commercial paper on which they are loaned. Their service is fitted to the need which the presentation of the paper makes manifest, and they do not go into circulation except to meet that need. They will constitute sound money, because besides the Government's promise to pay, there will be back of them and equivalent of commercial paper maturing within ninety days: the credit of the payee; the endorsement of the member bank; the balance of the member bank's reserve; the double liability of the

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CHRISTMAS TREE GRAND SUCCESS

Public Festival at the High School Enjoyed by Large Crowd.

Two of the most beautiful Christmas trees ever seen in Lakeview were arranged on the stage at the High School Auditorium Christmas eve. The people assembled in good season and while the hall was not packed as it was a year ago, about 360 jolly Christmas celebrators were present.

A splendid program consisting of band music, recitations, quartets and piano duet was rendered to the delight of those present and after some explanatory remarks by Prof. Gardner, Santa Claus appeared and with good Mrs. Santa, the presents were soon distributed.

As the people left the hall a treat was handed to each one at the door. All in all it was a very pleasant evening and the committees are to be complimented on their success in promoting Christmas joy in the community.

SNOW AND RAIN WEATHER PROGRAM

Heavy Rain Turns Deep Snow to Water and Slush.

Snow, some more snow, and then rain has been the weather program here the past several days. Due to an almost steady downfall since last week, the ground was covered with a white mantle about 15 inches deep on the level until Tuesday night when a heavy rain followed which continued yesterday. The incessant downpour melted considerable of the snow and much water and slush ensued. While raining in the valley, deep snow has been piling up in the mountains. Up until Tuesday it is said there had been but little precipitation in the Chewaucan Valley, but the present storm has been quite general over the county, being especially heavy in the vicinity of Warner. While the storms have caused some little inconvenience the precipitation will be a great boon to all vegetation.

ANDREW MCCALLEN DIES

PIONEER CITIZEN PASSES AWAY AT BERKELEY HOME

Deceased Figured Prominently In Development of Lakeview, Having Helped Organize Two Local Banks

After a lingering illness, due to an attack of bronchitis, Andrew McCallen, a former pioneer resident of Lake County, died last Saturday at his home in Berkeley, Cal. Death came just after he had finished breakfast at about nine o'clock in the morning. The deceased seemed in the best of spirits at the table and freely discussed various local happenings. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at two o'clock, the remains being cremated.

Andrew McCallen was born in Elizabethtown, Ill., September 15, 1848, being at the time of death 65 years, three months and twelve days of age. His paternal grandfather, Hayes McCallen, was born and bred in Scotland. His father, Andy McCallen, Sr., was a native of Indiana and after being admitted to the bar settled in Shawneetown, Ill., where he continued the practice of his profession and filed important public positions, being associated in important legal cases with Abraham Lincoln.

Obtaining his early education in the public schools of Shawneetown, Ill., Andrew McCallen, Jr., began learning the drug business when sixteen years old. He subsequently entered Bryant and Stratton's Business College in Chicago, and after his graduation was employed as bookkeeper for a Chicago manufacturing firm. Returning then to Shawneetown, Mr. McCallen opened a drug store which he carried on until the spring of 1875. Disposing of his stock at that time he came to Modoc County, Cal., where he was employed as clerk and bookkeeper for eighteen months. In the fall of 1876 when Lakeview was in its infancy he came

here as manager of the merchandise store belonging to A. and the late C. U. Snider, a position that he retained eleven years. In the meantime he made wise investments, becoming a large land owner, and a man of prominence. In 1887, in company with C. A. Cogswell and others he organized the Lakeview Bank, which is now conducted as the Bank of Lakeview. P. G. Chrisman was made president of the institution, W. B. Whittemore vice-president and Mr. McCallen cashier. The bank was sold in 1898 and two years following he removed to Ashland, where in 1901 he assisted in organizing the First National Bank of Ashland which was opened with Mr. McCallen as cashier, he later being made president of the bank which office he held until the time of his death.

While living in Modoc County Mr. McCallen in 1879 was married to Miss Josephine Applegate, to which union six children were born, five of whom with their mother are left to survive his death. One child, the eldest, in infancy died in Lakeview, those living being: Mrs. L. L. (Gertrude) Muitt of Ashland; Mrs. Nannie McCormack, of Berkeley; Andrew, who will now become cashier of the Ashland National Bank; Edward, of San Francisco and Mrs. Edna Hill, of Boyse Springs, Cal. He is survived also by two sisters, Mrs. Mary Snider, of Lakeview and Ribeson residing at Shawneetown, Ill.

As a business man Andrew McCallen had been fortunate and acquired a large amount of valuable real estate, being the owner of several farms in Lakeview when in its infancy he came

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GOOSE LAKE VALLEY'S FUTURE

LAND IS NOT PRODUCING FIFTEEN PER CENT OF ITS POSSIBLE MAXIMUM YIELD

(BY C. N. MILLER)

Beginning from the Davis Creek section on the east shores of Goose Lake and extending north to Fairport, Pine Creek and Lakeview, thence, westerly, and southerly along the west shores of the lake is as fine a stretch of farming land as one can find anywhere in the temperate zone. This land in the aggregate is not producing fifteen per cent of its possible, maximum yield. If it were farmed intensively, if every acre was made to produce good average crops it would keep a broad gauge railroad busy in handling the commerce of the valley. If this were done Alturas and Lakeview should surpass Reno in population. Both places have seven acres to every one that is tributary to Reno. And the intermediate places like Davis Creek, Fairport, New Pine Creek would become thriving and prosperous.

What is the reason for this apathy? One man will say it is excessive freight rates, another will say it is because of the remoteness from markets, another holds that it is due to the large individual holdings. The latter is nearer the truth than the others. So far the railroad has proven adequate to handle all the freight of the county, and this without running trains every day. It is true that for six weeks in the fall the capacity of the road is taxed but taking an average the whole year thru, the road does not haul within fifty per cent of its capacity.

Railroads, like other branches of commercial endeavor are built as an investment. There is not a railroad in

the country but would welcome conditions which would make it imperative to increase its facilities for freight transportation.

It has been held, or rather was held in the past that the rates were prohibitive. That this was the big factor which retarded the development of the country. Without conceding the merits of this claim the N.-C.-O. R'y. voluntarily reduced its rates from fifteen to thirty-six per cent. Today the farmer, fruit raiser and cattleman can deliver their products to the Coast for less money than the Grand Valley farmer and fruit grower in Colorado can deliver them to Denver, a limited market.

It is yet to be determined if the railroad will gain in an increased tonnage what it lost in the reduction of its freight tariffs. If this act upon the part of the road fails to stimulate and awaken the producer, then we must look elsewhere for the fundamental cause.

Corporations have gradually learned the lesson that no bigger, finer or more valuable asset can be secured than the good will of the people. That day when a famous or infamous railroad man said "to hell with the people" is irrevocably past, never to return. Corporations have found by experience that humanity as a mass is intensely human when treated considerately and humanly. The progress, prosperity and welfare of the people living contingent to a railroad is, and always must be the concern of that railroad.

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YE OLDEN TIMES AGAIN REVIVED

Pioneer Citizens Hold Gala Festival at New Pine Creek.

Last week an Old Time dance was given at New Pine Creek, and by those who witnessed the gala festivities of the evening it is said that the pioneers of that vicinity have lost none of their good nature nor good humor through the ravages of time.

Among those who engineered the festivities and who were present were Gov. and Mrs. Wise Jeff Glidden, Uncle Bob Kelly, Cap. Evans and wife, Capt. and Mrs. Follett, Dick Mason, Wade Williams and others whose names we did not learn.

The music was furnished by Glidden and Wise, and while they probably did not play the Tango, Turkey Trot nor Texas Tommy, they enjoyed the good old time dances that have never been improved upon, such as the Virginia Reel, Mazurka and the Versouviene. We do not mean to infer that the musicians could not play the Tango and the other new-fangled modern dances, as they are up to date musicians and could have played any of them but they preferred the older and better dances.

A splendid supper was served for the merry makers by August Doring, and this too was in conformity with the old order of events and was enjoyed to the utmost. The dancers went home in the wee small hours, declaring that the affair was a complete success. Mr. Wendt, manager of the Opera House, has announced that another Old Time dance, with the same music, will be given in about three weeks by the losing side of the big rabbit hunt which is now in progress.

WAR ON RABBITS BEGINS SUNDAY

Parties Requested to Meet at Hopkins' Place at 10 O'Clock.

The rabbit pest is exacting the attention of the ranchers on the west side of the valley and a meeting was held last Friday night by the ranchers of the West Side and it was decided to hold a rabbit drive on Sunday, January 4. All who intend to take part in this drive are requested to meet at the southwest corner of the Hopkins ranch and the drive will be toward the corral where the large drive was made last winter. Those participating in the chase are requested to be at the meeting place at 10 o'clock.

It is said that rabbits are more numerous than a few years ago. Several years ago rabbit drives were inaugurated and thousands of the little animals slain, but in the last year or so they have become so thick as to have caused a great amount of damage to crops the last season. The amount of damage several thousand of these rabbits can do in a season can hardly be estimated. It does not take very many to consume as much hay and grass as a full grown cow or horse. They are constant feeders and being migratory in their habits will destroy many acres in a few months.

This valley is gradually being converted into an agricultural district and everything should be done to encourage the farmer.

Portland bankers and commercial bodies over the state of Idaho, Washington and Oregon are conducting an active campaign to make Portland one of the regional reserve centers, as provided by the newly-enacted currency bill.

EXTENSION WORK HIGHLY APPROVED

Plan of Co-operating With O. A. C. Becoming Popular Over State.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 30—The policy of securing county field and farm demonstration agents is making rapid progress among the counties of Oregon. Already five counties in various parts of the state have complied with all requirements and made the necessary appropriations for maintaining the county agents in co-operation with the Oregon Agricultural College. These five counties, together with the sum appropriated by each, are as follows: Lane, \$2000; Crook, \$1500; Coos, \$2000; Tillamook, \$2000; and Harney, \$2000.

The policy of maintaining county agents of field and farm demonstration work is heartily approved wherever it has been tried.

MASQUERADE BALL WAS JOLLY EVENT

Many Smart and Elaborate Costumes Worn By Dancers.

The mask ball given in the Snider Opera House last Thursday night was one of the features of the Christmas entertainment in Lakeview. A large crowd was present, many neighboring districts being represented by young people who were imbued with the jollification spirit. Many rich and pretty costumes were in evidence. Mrs. Fred Keene was awarded the prize for the best dressed lady, her costume representing "Fancy." Kelton Gunther, as "Polish Prince," took prize for best dressed gentleman and H. C. Hanson for best sustained character, in the makeup of "California Tourist." Each prize was \$2.50.

The music was furnished by Darnell's orchestra, and all attendants report as having received full measure of enjoyment.

BOSBYSHELL WAS PROMINENT MAN

Relative of Hansons Passes Away at Los Angeles Home.

William F. Bosbyshell, uncle of J. F. and S. R. Hanson of this place, died at his home in Los Angeles Friday afternoon, Dec. 26. The Los Angeles Examiner states that being active in banking, commercial and religious circles, Mr. Bosbyshell was one of the most prominent and influential citizens of the southern part of California. He was 65 years old and a native of Iowa. He is survived also by a widow, five children and a brother, E. P. Bosbyshell, member of the Hall Construction Co. The business interests of deceased will now be handled by his son, Edward C.

The Examiner further says in part: Mr. Bosbyshell came here from Iowa twenty-seven years ago to join his father, Edward C. Bosbyshell, with whom he had been associated in banking in the Middle-West in conducting the old Southern California National Bank, later known as the Merchant's National Bank. After nearly fifteen years as managing official of this institution, he resigned in 1900 to join the organization of the United Wholesale Grocery Company, of which he was still a leading spirit when stricken with his last illness.

Postage stamps of 7, 9, 12, 20 and 30 cents denominations are to be issued in accordance with a new order from Postmaster General Burleson. These denominations are added to meet the needs of the parcel post business. All amounts from 9 cents to 60 cents can be made by a combination of two stamps. This will be a great saving in the number of stamps used on packages.

LIQUOR LICENSE CAUSES INTEREST

Matter Becomes Warm Issue Before Silver Lake Council.

The Silver Lake City Council is having some warm sessions these days. On December 10th, Mr. A. McCall presented a petition for license to run a saloon, at the same time a remonstrance was presented asking the council not to grant the license, says the Silver Lake Leader. The remonstrance was signed by nearly all the voters of the city. Upon motion of Councilman E. G. Graves and seconded by Councilman T. C. Welch a vote was asked for on the application for a license. Before the vote was taken, Recorder Marvin called attention to a city ordinance which forbids the granting of a liquor license to any person when a remonstrance was presented, and stated that he would not issue the license until advised to do so by the Attorney General of the state. Mr. McCall demanded that the proposition be settled then or never and a vote was taken, resulting as follows: No, F. M. Chrisman, awaiting the opinion of the Attorney General; yes, E. G. Graves, T. C. Welch; and T. B. Short, awaiting the opinion of the Attorney General. Mayor Reed decided that the motion had carried, regardless of the remonstrance and ordinance and the council adjourned to meet Dec. 23. On that date the council refused to reconsider the granting of the license and refused to consider the opinion of the Attorney General which was to the effect that the council had no power to order a license issued under the circumstances. Meantime Recorder Marvin refuses to issue the license, and the courts may be called upon to settle the matter.