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**RAILROAD IMPROVEMENT.**

Thomas Dewitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, says the railroads have no intention of asking for another general increase in rates. It might be answered that therein they show good judgment, because they would not get it anyway. But the point is that, as Mr. Cuyler and other able railroad men recognize, they do not need it. There is no convincing evidence yet that the rates granted by the government are not high enough on an average, however short they may come of providing a profit for particular railroads that are poorly managed or that have been mismanaged in the past.

The railroads were restored to their owners on March 1, 1919. Their ten months' record is an excellent one, when everything is considered. Under private operation they have moved a greater gross tonnage than they ever moved before. They have operated more efficiently as a whole and in nearly every important particular.

The most obvious improvement has been the increasing mileage and heavier loading of cars, making the average load 39 tons instead of 28.3 tons, and the average movement of a freight car per day 28.6 miles instead of 22.4 miles. These gains alone have furnished the equivalent of several hundred thousand new cars. The number of unused freight cars has been diminished by 80,000. Mr. Cuyler estimates that the work accomplished, if it had been dependent entirely on new expenditures for cars, locomotives, etc., would have cost \$2,000,000,000, which sum would have had to be passed along to the public. The actual expenditures for improvements and new equipment were only \$500,000,000. Thus there is indicated a clean saving of \$1,500,000,000 by the application of greater energy and intelligence in the operation of the roads.

It is this fact which leads the railroad executives to rest content with the present rates, though few of the companies are yet earning as much as the 6 per cent profit contemplated for the system as a whole when these rates were fixed. They realize that they were slow in getting started last spring, and that the volume of business has shrunk in recent months, and believe they are in condition to make profit enough when business brightens again.

**Myrtle Creek High School Notes**

(By Lois Dalley.)

Myrtle Creek schools opened on January 3, after a week's vacation for Christmas.

During the vacation Prof. F. C. Kellogg attended the meeting of the Oregon Teachers' Association in Portland. He states that the most noteworthy feature of the program was the address by Fred Hunter, president of the National Educational Association.

The school orchestra has been permanently organized with Mr. O. A. Kirby as instructor. In addition to this organization a class of five will take separate instructions in violin.

The services of Mr. E. H. Kuykendall, of the Billings, Mont., Business College have been secured in the absence of Mr. Weeks. He will teach the following subjects: penmanship, typing, spelling, stenography and commercial law. Mr. Thomas Dooling of Gresham, Oregon takes the place of Mr. Melendy. He will teach Latin mathematics and history. We consider ourselves fortunate in securing these teachers at such a time, both of whom are men of maturity and of experience.

All of the high school boys were dismissed for an hour Thursday afternoon to clean up the grounds around the building, also to put away the equipment and move the basket ball out in the spring they will put in a clay surface for a tennis court.

The football teams of Myrtle Creek and Riddle met on the 24th of December for their second match game. As usual the game took on many of the features of a water polo contest. Both teams showed considerable improvement. Riddle scored one goal in the first half and one in the second. Myrtle Creek played in their opponents territory much of the time, but were unable to score. The Riddle boys were particularly good at this department of the game. Wilfred Cornett played a star game. For Myrtle Creek, Floyd Way, James Rice and Donald Tibbitts played a good game. Mud or no mud, we hope for more sport of this kind this winter. The receipts for the game were about \$30.

Reports have been received from Lieutenant Mars who came to Myrtle Creek to inspect the water system and take tests from the hydrants and wells about town. The water in the hydrants was found to be pure, and in all wells except one, located on one of the main streets. Many people had been using from this well. A chlorination plant will be installed to correct any of the possible defects in the city system, and the use of water from the wells will be discontinued.

According to the history of the "territory of Oregon," which tells of the time when this territory was made up of the whole northwest, the house which Thompson built near Hope was the first in to enter northwest. At about the same time another trading post was established at Lake Kellewell, and in 1819, one was built at Spokane.

Before coming to the Pend Oreille lake region, Thompson is said to have had a long trip with the Hudson Bay crew of map makers throughout the western part of Canada. At one time after locating in the Pend Oreille country, he is said to have made a trip to Winnipeg with two tons of furs, journeying the entire distance by pack horse and boat. He is known to have explored the entire Pend Oreille lake country and every part of what is now the state of Idaho.

Erection of a monument to Thompson when the exact spot upon which his first house was located has been officially determined, is now being advocated. The old trading post that was founded by him, was burned many years ago.

**Try to Locate Site of First House**

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 8.—Definite location of the spot where David Thompson, trapper and trader of over one hundred years ago, built the first house in the "territory of Oregon" which in early western times comprised the whole northwest, is the object of a movement that has been started at Sandpoint, Idaho. The house is said to have been built about two and a half miles from Hope, Idaho, and was used as a trading post by Thompson who was in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company.

**Harry McClallen Refuses Office**

MARSHFIELD, Jan. 8.—At a meeting of the county court in Coquille yesterday, Sheriff Killinger and District Attorney Ben Fisher met with the body and discussed the appointment of a deputy sheriff who would devote his energies to the Coos Bay district and possibly look after the collection of the personal property taxes.

All agreed that the move was a good one, but the question of finding the right man at a reasonable expense was the problem.

H. T. McClallen, formerly sheriff of Douglas county, and now auditor of the State Industrial Accident Commission was tendered the position, but he could not make the change at the present time.

Walter Condon, of Marshfield, is said to have talked the matter over with friends and to have decided to become a candidate for the place. However, no action will probably be taken on it for some time.

Fire's destroy vines, property and food. Be careful with fire.

**REPORT SHOWS BIG BANK GAIN**

One Bank Added Each Month Throughout the Past Year.

**ONLY ONE FAILURE**

Failure of Bank of Jacksonville is Only Bank Failure Reported in the State of Oregon Since the Year of 1915.

SALEM, Jan. 8.—Oregon now has a total of 284 banks, 191 state and 93 national, as against 282—183 state and 99 national banks a year ago, a net gain of 12 banks in the 12 months. Ten new state banks and 4 national banks were chartered during the past year, whereas two banks have gone out of existence in that time, the Scandinavian-American bank, of Astoria, through absorption by the Astoria National bank, and the Bank of Jacksonville Or., by failure—the first bank failure in Oregon since 1915.

Two new state banks have filed articles of incorporation, but have not yet received their charters. They are the Junction City State bank at Junction City, capitalized at \$25,000, and the Bank of Waldport, in Waldport, capitalized at \$15,000.

Fifteen state banks increased their capital stock during the past year with increases aggregating \$306,000.

**15 Join Federal Reserve**

Fifteen state banks were admitted to the federal reserve during the year making a total of 27 Oregon state banks now in the federal reserve system.

Central Point State Bank, Central Point, October 29; Jackson County Bank, Medford, Nov. 1.

**November Call is Reviewed.**

Stabilization of business conditions generally and market conditions in particular, will find a direct response in increased bank deposits, according to Will H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks who predicts a very prosperous year ahead for Oregon's 284 banking institutions.

Total deposits in Oregon banks at the time of the last call, November 15, aggregated \$281,420,808.49, as compared with the deposits of \$206,320,749.22 a year ago, according to a summary prepared by Superintendent Bennett. While the total deposits show a decrease of 8.1 per cent during the year, time and savings deposits show an increase of 11.7 per cent, there being a total of \$85,814,101.73 in time and savings accounts at the time of the last call, as compared to the time and savings deposits of \$75,911,923, a year ago. Offsetting the increase shown in the time and savings deposits is a slump of 15.1 per cent in demand deposits which totalled \$195,608,886.76 at the time of the last call, as compared with \$230,418,820.22 a year ago, a decrease of \$34,810,013.46 in the year's time.

**Resources exceed \$350,000,000**

Total resources of Oregon banks show resources aggregating \$359,532,946.01 at the last call.

Time and saving deposits in the state banks increased \$5,668,146.79 during the year with a total of \$41,692,609.65 in deposit in these accounts on November 15. On the same date, time and savings deposits in the national banks of the state totalled \$44,121,492.08, a gain of \$4,234,031.94 during the year.

**Where do All of Our Pennies go**

Who knows where all the pennies go? Every year eighty million or more of these coins are made and put into circulation. Some of them return for redemption, but the most of them are never seen again.

They are not extremely smooth and slippery, and their slight value should gain for them more care than is given ordinary coins. One reason given is that they change hands more than ordinary coins and are therefore subject to accidents, and owing to their value are treated carelessly.

The first American cent was coined in 1787 and looked similar to the coins of the same value of later years in size and casting.

The rarest coin of the cent value is that of the issue of 1793. It is now said that the scarcity of that issue is due to the fact that a firm in Salem, Mass., which was then engaged in the slave trade, procured a large quantity of them, and after boring a large hole in them, sent to Africa, where they were given to the chiefs in exchange for slaves.

The cent is the barometer of business, and it is at least interesting to note that during a financial depression, a large number of these coins accumulate in the treasury. Even a big storm or a strike will cut down the number of pennies in circulation for the penny spending public is indoors, or else is forced to save for "rainy days" that threaten it. It is a sure sign of prosperity when large numbers of pennies are in circulation.

In 1902 a remarkable hoax was perpetrated in connection with pennies. The rumor was sent out that when the 1902 pennies were in the market, a large quantity of gold was spilled in with the copper, and that the government was anxious to get them back. While this rumor was in circulation, an enterprising store in Washington, D. C., advertised that

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**Congressional Bee Is Buzzing Now**

The Portland Oregonian has the following to say in a news article concerning several state senators, among which is mentioned Hon. B. L. Eddy, of Douglas County.

"With 10 percent of the members, each nourishing a fond hope to go to congress, it is apparent that this large proportion will be decidedly active in looking after their own interests when the redistricting of the state comes up.

Among the senators, those strongly suspected of entertaining congressional thoughts are President Rittenberg, Jay Upton, A. W. Norblad, W. G. Hare, Charles M. Thomas, B. L. Eddy and Louis Lachmund. In the house, speaker Bean, K. K. Kubill and Ben C. Sheldon are under suspicion. By the time the legislature is in action for a few weeks, some of the members who are now serving their first terms will probably have the hunch that they should serve the state at Washington, for the congressional bee generally stings legislators."

**Ex-Commissioner Is Facing Trial**

MARSHFIELD, Jan. 8.—Archie Phillip, former county commissioner and son "Mike" are being tried before a jury in Justice Joehnk's court this afternoon on charges on Larson's behalf. The hearing was adjourned to the Firemen's hall, and a big crowd was present to hear it.

The trial was just getting a good start this afternoon with Constable Goodman as the first witness. Goodman told of the trips of himself and Special Deputy Bryant to the Phillip home and of finding mash and liquor which tested 7.26 percent alcohol.

On the cross examination, C. F. McKnight, in behalf of Phillip, tried to show that Goodman was sore at Phillip, because Phillip, as a county commissioner, had opposed his ap-

**Visit Relatives—**

Miss Alvera Lewis left last night for Dillard to spend the week end with relatives.

**Week End in Glendale—**

Mrs. H. G. Hamilton and daughter left last night for Glendale, where they will spend the week end visiting with relatives.

**LUMBER YARD**

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**NORTH SIDE GROCERY**

**Philetarian Lodge Installs Officers**

Philetarian lodge I. O. O. F. held installation of officers at the regular meeting Friday evening. The ceremonies were in charge of F. E. Erickson, D. D. G. M., with E. S. Cocker as grand marshal. The new officers are: H. W. Shaw, N. G.; A. Redburn, V. G.; A. J. Geddes, R. S.; J. B. Bailey, F. S.; J. E. Pickens, Treas.; M. M. Meredith, War.; F. P. Miller, Con.; G. W. Young, Chap.; V. J. Miceili, R. S. N. G.; Victor Boyd, L. S. N. G.; O. H. Pickens, R. S. V. G.; Geo. Radabaugh, L. S. V. G.; S. J. Farnsworth, R. S. S.; A. L. Bloom, L. S. S.; R. Ritzman, L. G.; J. D. Reese, O. G. Refreshments were served at the close of the lodge session.

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