

LIBRARY REPORT 1921
SOME COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	1919	1920	Per cent	Per cent
	Last year	First year	gain	Second year
	alone	county system	gain	gain
Volumes in the library	2515	3267	29.9	32.9
Books added during year	62	868	1300	806
Borrowers card in force	1276	1232	2316	87
New Readers during the year	276	1232	1084	
Total book circulation	6180	15399	157	30303
Circulation from central library	6180	9433	53	15095
Books sent to agencies	0	1214	2399	97.6
Book expense from city levy	0			
Book expense from county and city combined		\$1065.45		\$1532.37
Library service from city levy	\$800			
Library service from county and city combined		\$4877.26		\$5261.18
Librarian		1 (Untrained)		2 (One trained)
		Under city alone (average one year)	Under county system, 1921	Per cent year gain
Volumes added during year	261	806	123	
New borrowers registered	141	1084	668	
Total book circulation	5536	30303	447	
Book expense	\$163.98	\$1532.37	834	
Library service	\$900.00	\$5261.18	484	
Librarian		1 (Untrained)		2 (One trained)
Library expense per capita				44 cents
Number of volumes per capita (entire county)				.35
Circulation of books per capita (entire county)				2.8
Per cent of population as borrowers				21%
Gain in circulation over 1920 was 14404				90.6%

The central library is located in Ontario which already had a building when the county system was started. This is the only library building in the county. Ontario is the largest town, 2038 population, on the main railroad from Chicago to Portland, and only a mile from the Idaho state line. It is the center of population, less than one hour automobile ride from Vale and Nyssa, though about 150 miles from the lower end of the county.

The libraries in Vale and Nyssa both located in the rooms of the commercial club, have increased their circulation 137 per cent in 1921 and their number of new borrowers 43 per cent. The book condition of these two libraries is very poor, the shelves are filled with worn out books, and there has not been enough book fund to restock them. 167 books have been sent to the Vale library from the county library and 190 to Nyssa. Vale does very fine work in supplying the needs of the community by frequent special requests to both the county library and state library. The increase in reference work in Vale has been so marked that it should have special mention in this report. In Nyssa, the work is still confined to the circulation of books, but there with the library open only one afternoon a week, 158 books have been circulated at one time. "As long as the people see a light" they come in, and the volunteer librarians often stays in the library until seven or eight in the evening. From a consignment of 83 books from the State library to Nyssa, 499 circulations are reported. Since it is impossible because of delinquent taxes to send enough books to Vale and Nyssa, the librarian has a schedule whereby she visits each library twice a month, one visit being devoted to organizing and the other visit being when the library is open to the public.

The library in Jordan Valley has been moved to the print shop of the local paper. The books are being widely used, though some difficulty in finding one custodian to take charge of the collection has served to confirm the old adage "too many cooks spoil the broth." No daily report has ever been received so that the circulation statistics could not be added to any report.

Station libraries including 2399 books have been sent to 27 centers, 15 of these in school houses, for, loaning to the people in the community. Two deposits have been sent to schools for the use of the school alone. One deposit has been made to the county agricultural agent. No record of circulation has been made from these stations. One hundred books sent to Bonita where are 84 borrowers, were nearly all off the shelf at one time. The books from Pangloss station, a ranch-house post office 40 miles from a railroad, are found in all the homes from Skull Springs to Crowley, a distance of about 40 miles. Juntura one of the largest small towns in the county, presented a highly successful farce on November 24th for the benefit of the library. A civic club was also formed whose dues are to pay their librarian for her services. The books in the West-fall station, upon being moved from a short distance out of town to the center of town, have all been read in two months. The most instrumental means of increasing station libraries apart from the county librarian's visits, was a short talk given by the librarian at the Teachers' Institute. In the most isolated points, where little outside educational influence has been felt, the books are received with gratification. However, it is noted that they are most in demand in good Farm Bureau centers. Where the county agent, one of whose projects is the county library, has done his best work, there the greatest number of books had to be sent.

The librarian took two long trips with the County School Superintendent in the fall. On these trips, the central and southern parts of the county were fairly well covered. These trips brought fine results, and also many questions about school libraries, most of which are deplorably duplicated, used up, worn out, and not kept in good order. The county library has no jurisdiction over school libraries.

The chief success of the Central Library is the acquisition of an excellent experienced janitor who has taken exceeding pride in renovating the building and grounds. The parking in front of the library has been transformed from a clump of weeds to a beautifully kept lawn. The library building has been thoroughly freed from dirt and is now kept warm and comfortable as well as attractive and clean. This, with the addition of a bulletin board and table for special collections in a cozy corner, and some plants and pictures, has changed the appearance of the library to such an extent that there are no longer chairs enough to ac-

commodate the readers who like to spend the evening in the library.

The following selected list of reference questions asked at the Central Library, indicates the increase in use, and shows the varied information requested.

How to buy a special edition of a book.

Classification of a western wild flower.

Map of Washington.

Do you know of a modern house for rent?

Potential resources of South America and the Orient.

How to write a business letter.

Einstein theory.

What bait is used for flying fish?

Insurance laws of Oregon.

History of Malheur county.

What is the meaning of Sinn Fein?

Information about San Quentin, Calif. Is there a town in connection or only a prison?

Compulsory education.

Public playgrounds.

Concrete post construction.

Pruning manual.

Late improvement in wireless telegraphy.

Some reasons for the "away from the farm" movement.

Life of Rosa Bonheur.

Is Galbargaa province or town; in what part of India?

History of the Riscruelaa.

Who said, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty"?

Tempering copper.

Model of a Ford car.

How to make candle shades.

Resources of British Columbia for stock raising.

Chemistry of photography.

Pictures of our island possessions.

Coral.

Soapmaking.

Parent-Teacher association work.

Proper cultivation of head lettuce.

Sugar beet industry.

Aluminum.

Formula for coloring minerals.

Hallowe'en games.

Labor side of immigration question.

Dress design.

Program for Armistice Day.

What are caratids?

Peace conference, Paris, 1919.

Radio communication laws and regulations.

Poultry raising.

Crime and its punishments.

What author wrote the greatest number of books.

Evolution of machinery.

Got any more stories about when they fought with spears.

Smith-Hughes act.

Chemical properties of storage batteries.

Is Zane Grey a man or a woman?

Cooperative marketing.

On January 5, H. W. Clement resigned as member of the board. This resignation left five members which is the number required by the latest Oregon library law. Dr. H. H. Whitney resigned as member of the board on Nov. 2. Mr. Ivan Oakes was appointed his successor by the council.

In January Mr. J. R. Blackaby made an offer to the library board to give half the amount needed to finish the basement of the library, if the other half were raised by popular subscription or in some way that did not use tax money. The money was nearly all raised by December 31. Specifications were made and call for bids published for two weeks. The work has been given to a group of men who will begin work as soon as the contract is made. The effort to raise money must still go on, for the furnishings.

The lack of books is lamentable, and is the most harassing handicap to the work. 1370 books were loaned Malheur county in 1921. The needs of the library are many but these are the most pressing: 1. More books. 2. Library Ford. 3. More storage space for magazines, documents and supplies. 4. More chairs. 5. Catalog case. 6. Awnings and repairing of all the drop windows. 7. Book truck.

In breezy and refreshing chapters of outdoor life and recreation Eliza both Woodbridge makes the unpretentious history of her exploits with Jonathan a delight to hear about. "More Jonathan Papers" will charm especially those who have to do with mending drain pipes and such familiar affairs of the household. Among other homely things, fishing, gardening and husbands are depicted in an engaging joyous style. "Justice to All" by Katherine Mayo is an inspiring account of the way Pennsylvania solved the problem of rural law and order through its state constabulary. This force was the parent body of state police in the United States, has been described by Mr. Roosevelt as "A Model of Efficiency, a Model of Honesty a Model of Absolute Freedom from Political Contamination." Its daring adventure, brim full of courage

and power, remind one of the knights of old. Of interest to readers in Oregon because of its recent inauguration of State Police.

The pen and ink drawing with its slogan "New Books", now posted on the bulletin board above the table for special collections in the library, was made by Frank Dorman.

FRUITLAND BENCH

Tom Thumb Wedding a Success

Friday night the High School Auditorium was filled to overflowing when the Tom Thumb Wedding was given by children selected from the Brethren, Baptist and M. E. Sunday schools. The Director, Miss Elizabeth Howell acted under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the M. E. church. The receipts totaled \$102.85 and will go to apply on the new church building. The community spirit shown in the attendance by all the people was fine. The groom, Harold Schubert, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Schubert, and the dainty and charming bride, Geseva Willard the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Willard, performed their parts with dignity and grace which could not be equalled by older brides and grooms. Little Helen Powell was the maid of honor and Orville Smith, best man. There were two dainty bridesmaids in pink and two in blue. Jack Hart and Clifford Shanks did their part exceedingly well in ushering in the guests who had been announced by the dignified Paul Hooley who did his part in a splendid manner. Lyle Dalsell played well the part of rejected suitor, while Charles Robert Hollenbeck acted as minister. All the fifty-three taking part did well and to all the community and especially to the children who so happily performed is due the success of the entire entertainment which so pleased the people.

Lucy Lenora Moreland, the only daughter and eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Moreland, passed away at the home Saturday morning at nine o'clock, death being due to pneumonia. She was not seriously ill until just two days before her death. Funeral services were held this Monday afternoon at one o'clock at the home, being conducted by Rev. H. S. Black and the body laid to rest in the Ontario cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Carter are the parents of a son, born Sunday January 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gramm are the parents of a son, born January 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Richar Hall had as their guest to a Sunday dinner Mr. and Mrs. William Birdsall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nott and children are visiting in Nampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson were at Eagle Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Barnes.

Mrs. Florence Frazier Brown and Mr. Brown are the parents of a son.

Miss Bertha Blind returned Monday to her work at School District No. 6, her school being dismissed because of a fire in the new building.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wheelon entertained to dinner Sunday Rev. and Mrs. George Todd and daughter Polly Lou, and Miss Smith. Miss Wheelon was also over from the hospital at Ontario spending the day.

Miss Mabel Robinson is up from Caldwell spending the week end with Miss Linnie Creagr.

Miss Alice Kline spent the week end in Welsor with her sister, Marie.

Word has come that Mrs. T. R. Nelson, accompanied by her uncle and aunt, Mrs. A. Moody will return the first of this week from Uppen, Sandusky, Ohio where they had gone with the remains of Grand-mother Moody and of Mrs. Nelson's mother.

Mrs. G. M. Walker has returned from Twin Falls.

Thirty young men and women of Canyon School District near Middleton started out Sunday for the Fruitland Brethren church to give a program during the church hour.

A short way from the farther end of the sage brush a wheel came off the truck in which they were riding, forcing their return. Fire came on in a car, one of them, George Thompson being administered baptism at the church during the services.

Miss Iona Johnson is at New Plymouth this week helping to care for the new arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Carter, a son, born January 15th.

Charles Miller, has sufficiently recovered from a recent serious illness to be taken to the hospital Saturday for an operation for the removal of adenoids and tonsils.

The Kensington will meet next Tuesday evening with the Misses Blomstroms in Payette.

The church and Sunday school services of the M. E. church were held Sunday at the High School auditorium because of the church building being remodeled.

The Brethren people are building for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Himler a two room house in which they will reside as soon as finished.

Special services were held in the Brethren church Sunday morning to celebrate the anniversary of the ratification of the eighteenth amendment.

MONTANA

The U. S. Government Reclamation Projects in Montana offer unusual opportunities for homeseekers. The land is very cheap and can be purchased with a small payment down and the remaining payments scattered over twenty years.

Our traveling representative, Mr. O. D. Tibbetts, care of Dewey Palace Hotel, Nampa, Idaho.

Full information and free publications may be had from him.

Address O. D. Tibbetts, care of Dewey Palace Hotel, Nampa, Idaho. GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY CO.

WE THANK YOU ALL IN HELPING TO MAKE ONTARIO GROW

We wish to thank the merchants of Ontario and through them their customers, for inaugurating and making possible the successful flour selling drive that has just been made to introduce our "Made in Ontario" Leader Four. We ask that each purchaser give it a good thorough trial; two or three if necessary, for you know flour from different mills have to be handled differently, and it may take two or three trials to get just the right combination and methods of preparing the dough mixture and baking. However, we promise at all times to supply the merchants with a flour that will merit your continued patronage. We surely appreciate the special effort that is being made by the people of Ontario to give us a chance to make good and we solicit your further favors.

Thanks to you all—

ONTARIO ROLLER MILLS

ICE BY ELECTRIC PROCESS
Method, Long Tried Out in Hotels, Restaurants, and Ships, Soon to Be Universal.

Now that iceless refrigeration has been simplified to the point where it is suitable for the home, it is safe to predict that it will not be long before it will be within the reach of even those of very modest pocket books, and all need of bothering with the ice-man, with his pick and tongs, will be gone.

The ice used on our tables has long been the product of electric refrigeration, although the mechanism was not located in our own homes, says the Philadelphia North American. Hotels, restaurants and passenger boats have used the electric process because it is efficient, sanitary and convenient.

Electricity does not immediately and directly produce the freezing temperature, but merely provides the motive power to condense certain chemicals which are the actual refrigerants. In the process of condensation these chemicals vaporize or "boil" and absorb the heat from the surrounding air. The machinery by which condensation and vaporization is produced was formerly large and expensive, and it has taken continuous experimentation to reduce it to a point where it is practical for household use.

The process has been similar to the transition of locomotive power from the large and clumsy railroad steam engine to the smaller automobiles, with their comparatively simple mechanism. The complex machinery had to be reduced to a point where it could be produced cheaply and operate on a small scale. Electric refrigeration has now almost reached the Jimmy class. It will soon be considered essential to all our kitchens.

Woman Grows Prize Dates.
On a four-acre plot in California Mrs. Carl Woodhouse planted date trees eight years ago, and this year the harvest will net about \$5,000. Two of her prize bunches weigh thirty pounds each. Mrs. Woodhouse has done all the work herself.

Touched Fireman's Heart.
An old mother cat got caught in an apartment house fire with her four kittens in Brooklyn. A fireman named Smith was at work in the thick of the smoke when he felt a soft and persistent rubbing against his foot. The smoke was so thick that he could not see the floor distinctly, but he bent over and found the object was a cat. She wasn't worried so much about herself, but she had her whole family—four kittens—with her in a pasteboard box which she had dragged from the flames. The trouble was that she could not get the box downstairs without spilling its contents. So Smith rescued her and the kittens, and got badly cut by broken glass in doing so.

Charter No 9345 Reserve District No. 13
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
ONTARIO NATIONAL BANK
AT ONTARIO
IN THE STATE OF OREGON, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON
DECEMBER 31, 1921.

RESOURCES

1. a Loans and discounts, including rediscounts (except those shown in b and c)	\$562,347.30	
*Total loans	\$62,347.30	
Deduct:		
d Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank (other than bank acceptances sold)	165,834.63	396,512.67
2. Overdrafts, unsecured	\$490.37	490.37
4. U. S. Government securities owned:		
a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	60,000.00	
b All other United States Government Securities	23,900.00	
Total		81,900.00
5. Other bonds, securities, etc.		32,810.03
6. Banking House, \$37,200.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$5254.15		42,454.15
7. Real estate owned other than banking house		2,450.00
8. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		18,635.66
9. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks		25618.63
11. Amount due from state banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9, or 10)		4,425.81
13. Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12)		561.70
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13	\$8,629.14	
16. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		3,000.00
TOTAL		608,912.02

LIABILITIES

17. Capital stock paid in	60,000.00
18. Surplus fund	40,000.00
c Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	177.49
20. Circulating notes outstanding	60,000.00
23. Amount due to State banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in Items 21 or 22)	23,114.23
25. Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding	1,297.53
Total of Items 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25	\$4,412.06
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
26. Individual deposits subject to check	207,601.01
27. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	21,066.28
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31	\$28,667.29
Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings):	
32. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	108,995.09
34. Other time deposits	44,031.37
35. Postal savings deposits	627.72
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 32, 33, 34 and 35	153,654.18
TOTAL	608,912.02

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF MALHEUR, ss
I, W. F. Homan, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. F. HOMAN, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of January, 1922.
W. L. TURNER,
Notary Public.
My Commission Expires March, 1925.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. R. EMISON,
J. R. BLACKABY,
EARL BLACKABY,
Directors.
(SEAL)