

INCREASING ELECTRIC POWER LOAD PROVES PROGRESS. GAINS SHOWN BY SURVEY

Manufacturing Slump Attributed to Post-War Conditions More Than Offset by Expansion.

Portland is continuing its substantial growth in spite of economic dislocation, was the assertion yesterday of W. H. Crawford, manager of the department of industries of the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Power Load Increasing. Mr. Crawford said that whereas the population is increasing at the rate of about 6 per cent a year, an average of 10 per cent in electric power load accretions per annum have been obtained in the most trying period in Portland's industrial history.

Industrial Foundation Strong. "When it is realized that during the period from November, 1919, to November, 1921, large plants were in shipbuilding and allied industries closed down completely; when it is discovered that the total loss of business in the city during that period was 2,900,000 kilowatt hours a month; when on top of this loss, it is discovered that the steady, uniform increase in the use of electric power came in spite of the fact that during the two years mentioned many plants closed and others cut their power demands practically to nothing."

Other Industries Spring Up. "Then there are many other plants that do not show a 100 per cent loss, but yet show a 50 per cent gain. Like the case of one establishment that used 150,000 kilowatt hours the first two weeks of November, 1932, and purchased only 75,000 kilowatt hours the first two weeks of November, 1931."

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DO YOU REMEMBER?



When the lawyers and politicians around the old police station used to wear plumed hats and frock coats and carry canes? Only one carries a cane now. This picture of the old station, which preceded the one now standing at Second and Oak streets, was taken either in the 70s or early 80s.

Watson's schoolhouse, in Watson's addition, which was the community center for the elite of the original and only Subtown? E. A. F. Watkins, the "duke" butcher, on Morrison street near Third? R. V. W.

\$400,000 BONDS ARE SOLD

BRINGING PREMIUM. The bid of the successful bidder was on a basis of 100.06 and 5 1/4 per cent interest.

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GRAINERS ASK FOR OREGON HOPS

Market Strengthened by Demand From East.

ALL GRADES ARE HIGHER

Dealers Find Buying Is More Difficult—No Sign of Early Export Trade.

The hop market has a somewhat stronger tone because of the purchase of a number of lots for shipment east. A week ago dealers could buy average grades of hops at 20 cents per pound.

CALIFORNIA BUTTER IRREGULAR

Eastern Prices Firm With Threatening Weather and Lighter Imports. The San Francisco butter market followed the same course as the previous week with prices continuing on the advance.

WHEAT OFFERS

Trading Light in Local and Century Markets—Course Grains Slow. The local wheat market was quiet yesterday and business in the interior was slow.

LOCAL EGG PRICES ARE RAISED

Two-Cent Advance Is Announced by Association. Very moderate rise of eggs yesterday and a good demand made for a firmer market.

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Bank Clearings. Bank clearings for the northwestern cities yesterday were as follows: Portland, \$3,709,718; Astoria, \$1,401,711; Seattle, \$3,214,709; Tacoma, \$1,401,711; Spokane, total transactions, \$4,446,547.

CANADA'S BUSINESS

Conditions Generally Better—Says Banker.

WAR DEBT IMMENSE ONE

Dominion, Despite Drawback, Will Emerge Stronger Than Before, Declares Financier. Business conditions throughout Canada, in the face of many difficulties, show steady improvement, according to statements in the Commercial and Financial Chronicle.

Future Heavily Mortgaged. "I cannot see how we can count upon improved conditions concerning the war debt," said a Canadian banker, "but our liabilities and our mistakes are not very heavy. Aside from the cost of the war we must pay the penalty of having mortgaged our country in the building of superfluous railways and in other extravaganzas."

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

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FORECASTS. Portland—Rain or snow; moderate to heavy; rain or snow; moderate to heavy; rain or snow; moderate to heavy.

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