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BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

IN A letter to the trade, the well-known wholesale house of Lapley & Michaels Co., give the following excellent report of business conditions in California and generally throughout the country:

"Not in years has the outlook been more promising for a good agricultural season in California than in the coming year. The rainfall almost everywhere has been far in excess of that of last year and has come at such intervals as to favor the farmer to an unusual extent. It is not at all likely that in the annals of 1914 there will be cause for complaint by those who till the soil in this section of the country. Our richer in a very material measure increase with the growth of our farms, and the better prices we shall receive for our multitudinous products. California's remarkable growth during the past year is evidenced in the assessed valuation, which shows an increase of \$501,529,497 over 1912. San Francisco's assessment shows an increase of \$78,783,382. Evidence of financial soundness is seen in the reports of the National banks of the state. On October 21st the nine National banks of this city showed a gain of nearly twelve millions in deposits as compared with August 9th and a gain of about eight and a half millions in cash resources for the same period.

The country banks, that is, all those outside the cities of San Francisco and Los Angeles, recorded an aggregate gain of more than five millions of dollars in individual deposits with an increase of less than one million in loans. The average reserve of these banks is 17.31 per cent compared with 15.05 per cent August 9th. The financial position of the United States is exceptionally strong owing to the unusual foreign trade situation. The year's exports were the largest in the history of the country, amounting approximately to \$2,500,000,000, and compared with the imports leaves a balance of trade in favor of the United States of about 750 millions, which exceeds the record of any previous year. This means that America can get European gold at any time, that gold may be needed to meet an unexpected emergency. From the port of San Francisco the export show an enormous increase over the previous year, this amounting to nearly fourteen millions of dollars over 1912."

Of course in some ways it was an underground trick for that North Bend waterfront roadway to slide away under cover of the night.

NEW PLANS OF L. J. SIMPSON

INITIATION BY LOCAL MOOSE

Many From North Bend Attend Ceremony Held by Local Lodge Last Night

NORTH BEND MAYOR PROPOSES NEW CITY HALL, DOCKS, ETC. IN HIS ANNUAL MESSAGE TO CITY COUNCIL.

Mayor Simpson of North Bend last night read his annual message to the City Council there. He advocated many improvements during the coming year, among which were:

Hard paving of Stanton avenue from Washington to Railroad avenue, also Railroad avenue from there to Tremont in Plat B and Tremont to the south boundary of the city; so Washington from Sherman to Stanton; also Sherman avenue from North Bend to Washington street and Montana from Sherman to Pony Inlet.

That a committee from North Bend co-operate with Marshfield in opening Eleventh street between the two cities as soon as the Kinney property entanglement is settled.

That the city of North Bend sell some of its downtown property and erect a new city hall in Grant Circle, said property to be sold for not less than \$13,500, for which it was recently appraised.

That if the government allows the extension of the city dock to a eight harbor line, two blocks of lots, each lot 50x83, on the inside, be sold at \$2500 apiece. These sixteen lots would bring \$40,000 and furnish money to build two immense warehouses on the new waterfront property and make other dockage improvements.

That North Bend invest its surplus bond sinking fund in improvements.

That the city donate \$50 per month to the band if it gives concerts occasionally.

That an eight-hour day for police be established.

That the city be liberal in lighting the streets well.

That the charter be revised and improved.

That the city secure new dumping ground for debris.

That new sewage systems be put in the districts where streets are now being improved and that a city plumbing inspector be appointed.

That additional fire fighting equipment be provided.

That no additional saloon licenses be granted and the license remain at \$800 per year.

He estimated the total expenses of the city for the coming year at \$12,000 and the revenues at over \$16,000. The expenses last year totaled \$26,180.

That the city have a series of clean-up days and offer special prizes for the best kept and most sightly lawns and gardens, three women to act as judges.

EXPECTS TRAINS SOON.

He said that the Southern Pacific had practically agreed to have trains running from Eugene to North Bend by July 1, 1915, and that the city should get ready for the big development that would follow the completion of the railway.

BANDON CLUB GIVES DANCE

Many Enjoy Ball—News and Gossip of Lower Coquille and City-by-the-Sea

(Special to The Times.)

BANDON, Jan. 14.—One of the prettiest and best attended dances of the season was given by the Non-A-Men in Bank Hall in Bandon on Friday evening, January 9th. The affair was an unqualified social success, being attended by most of the younger set at Bandon. The gathering was arranged by the following, who also served on the reception committee: Miss Alma Gallier, Letitia Gallier, Edmund Gallier, Norma Nieman, Harold Manwaring and H. E. Morton.

Among those present were Misses Vilma Byerly, Tress Maunder, Josephine Stoltz, Pearl Cradie, Mildred Morse, Sadie Garrouette, Amie Windsor, Helen Stephenson, Hazel Stephenson, Gladys Strader, Stella Sheehan, Alice Gallier, Edna Cobb, Anna Jackson, Edna Cobb, Addie Henderson, Pearl Axtell, Lillian Baird, Otheila Lund and Louise Clawson; Mesdames Alpha McNair, Edna Lafaw, Nellie Smith, Rose Mead, Nathaniel Nieman, Claude Moon, and J. F. Mars; Messrs. Ray McNair, George Laffaw, John Freeman, Merlin Caterlin, "Stub" Tower, Macey Lint, Otto Melcher, Axel Erickson, Clayton Mead, Ralph Thom, William Britton, Joseph Coache, Lloyd Jorgenson, Harry Pierce, Dr. R. V. Leep, Louise Reeves, Rollin Baers, Harold Glen, Carson Radcliff, R. A. Wahlen, H. E. Marten, Claude Moon, C. A. Jamieison, Reed Gallier and A. D. Mills.

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Visits in California.

The Misses Hazel Stephenson and Mildred Morse, two of the most popular members of the younger set in Bandon, will depart on the Speedwell Thursday for an extended trip through California, where they will be the guests of Miss Stephenson's sister, who is one of the popular belles in the Los Angeles smart set.

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