BANKING GROWTH PORTLAND NEEDS

Keeping Pace With General Development.

Growth of the banking business in Portland is a source of surprise to easterners and pride to Oregon people. The banks of this city and state are keeping pace with the general development of the country. Bank Examiner Steel has just compiled a list, of all

Steel has just compiled a list, of all the financial institutions in Multnomah county. The total number is 37, as follows:

Portland—Ashley & Rumelin, American Bank & Trust company, Bank of America, Bank of California, Banker's & Lumbermens' bank, Bates, George W. & Co., Canadian Bank of Commerce, Citizens bank, Commercial Savings bank, East Side bank, French bank, German-American bank, Harvey O'Bryan Investment & Trust company, Hibernia Savings bank, Home Security & Investment company, Italian-American bank, Ladd & Tilton, Merchants' Trust company, Morris Bros., Mortgage Guarantee & Trust company, New England Trust company oregon Investment & Trust company oregon Investment & Trust company, Portland Reality & Trust company, Union Trust & Savings bank, Guarantee & Investment company, Union Trust company, Coresham—First State bank; Sellwood—Bank of Sellwood; St. Johns—Peninsula bank.

Growth In Savings.

Portland need is increasing every day. The need is increasing the past two years. The coastwise trade that depends upon Portland to the pent in the peast two years. The coastwise trade that depend or ing the past two years as gre

Another New Bank.

Organization of the new National Bank of Commerce has been completed,

Portland Banks Continues to Increase.

Increased volume of business through the banks of Portland continues, and although the demand for money exceeds the supply the tone is healthy and devoid of boom speculative elements. The banks are unusually conservative in The banks are unusually conservative in loans this month, owing to the strong demand for money to move the wheat crop. Country banks that furnish a large share of this money are drawing on their Portland reserves and asking for advances. As a result Portland banks are withholding new loans and are taking care only of their regular customers.

customers.

The wheat crop of the northwest will exceed previous estimates. Like the farmers of Poverty Flat, the inland empire agriculturist always bobs up in the spring with a failure of the crops, but in the fall he turns off a larger crop than that of the preceding fall, and seldom fails to break all records. This fall the wheat crop of the Willamette valley, eastern Oregon and Washington and western Idaho will reach \$2,000,000 bushels, and the farmers of these sections will receive for it in the neigh-

bushels, and the farmers of these sections will receive for it in the neighborhood of \$45,000,000.

Loans are still available for home alding, but are usually made on a band 50 per cent of the value of the ground and building, so that the man who owns a \$1,000 lot and wants to build a house can borrow only an amount equal to the market value of the lot. In other cities loans are made on the same basis, but on a very much larger proportionate valuation of the lot.

In Seattle the ground valuations of residence lots in outlying suburbs are boosted up to a point where the owner could until recently borrow twice over the amount allowed on similar locations in Portland for building purposes.

In the last few weeks the bottom has been dropping out of Seattle realty valuations, and there is wailing in the camps of the real estate boomers who have pushed speculation beyond reasonable limits.

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SURPRISES ALL FLOURING MILLS

Local Financial Institutions Location and Wheat Production Make City Natural Site for Milling Center.

> "Portland should be at this time the Minneapolis of the Pacific coast when it comes to flour milling," was the remark of a big flour seller in Portland the other day.

Portland needs more flouring mills and the need is increasing every day.

Western Trust & Investment company. Gresham—First State bank; Sellwood—Bank of Sellwood; St. Johns—Peninsula bank.

Growth In Savings.

It is estimated that the savings deposits in Portland banks at the present time amounts to an aggregate between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000. These funds are the savings of the middle classes, and show the solid character of Oregon's prosperity, and the extraordinarily equitable conditions that prevail among the working people of Portland.

F. C. Miller, of. the Ploneer Trust company. St. Louis, is a Portland visitor, and is the guest of A. T. Noble. He is preparing to depart on a fishing and hunting trip to Cascadia, a famous region in the vicinity of Hogg pass over the Cascade range. It is said Mr. Miller is so favorably impressed with industrial conditions in Oregon that he will probably locate here or establish a business to be managed from St. Louis headquarters.

Manther New Earls.

here.

Portland now has three flouring mills, but that number could be trebled without in any way overcrowding the field.

Two of the mills while producing an excellent quality of flour are of small capacity and cannot make much headway in foreign markets.

The location of Portland as a milling center could secretly be more favorable.

The location of Portland as a milling center could scarcely be more favorable. Being at the edge of the greatest wheat country in the world—where the wheat crop has never been known to show a failure—the railroads and steamboats can bring the grain to the grinders at a nominal expense. Located on deep water as it is shipments can be made at little avenue of the world.

Bank of Commerce has been completed, with the fellowing officials: President, W. H. Moore; first vice-president, E. E. Lytle; second vice-president, Jefferson Myers; cashier, W. C. Morris; assistant cashier, J. H. Truby. This with the exception of Jefferson Myers is the same official staff as that of the Oregon Savings & Trust company, which concern the new bank absorbs. The following directors have been added to the national banking corporation: Jefferson Myers, A. H. Devers, H. Wittenberg, Ben Selling.

Owing to the additional time granted to the architects and builders of the Corbett office building the Security Savings bank will probably not get into its new home at the corner of Fifth and Morrison streets before the first of next January.

MONEY DEMAND

FXCEEDS SUPPLY

of the west is the great distributive territory of this city. All the by-products of the wheat and other grains can easily be disposed of at advantageous prices because to this city there always comes a call for milistuffs from the California cities as well as from the California cities as well as from those of Oregon that cannot always be met so great is the demand.

In the Willamette valley there grows the best wheat for cracker-making that can be produced anywhere in the world. This valley product is in so great a decan be produced anywhere in the world. This valley product is in so great a demand that but a quarter of the orders are generally filled. For years Willamette valley wheat held first place in the Liverpool market for all soft varieties but of late years with the decreased acreage, due to fruit culture, and the immense demand for this wheat and flour from the east as well as our own locality, no shipments of importown locality, no shipmen ance are made to Europe.

Henry Blackman Says Over 2,000,000 Bushels Will Be Sold This Year.

Henry Blackman, who has just returned from Heppner, Oregon, where GEORGE H. HILL - Vice-President row county will sell this year over JNO. E. AITCHISON 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, barley, rye and oats, which will bring not less than

row county will sell this year over 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, barley, rye and oats, which will bring not less than \$1,590,000.

"This county has already sold this year about \$5,000 head of sheep at an average price of \$3," said Mr. Blackman.
"Recently 3,000,000 pounds of wool was sold at Heppner at an average price of 19 cents a pound. In addition the people of that county will sell horses, cattle and hay to the value of not less than \$509,000.

"Morrow county has about 5,000 population and will ship this year about \$3,000,000 worth of farm products. This is equal to \$600 for each man, woman and child in the county. I don't believe there is another county in the state that will beat this record.

"The people throughout eastern Oregon are unusually prosecrous. I never saw so much money in the country, and everybody seems to have a share of it."

CAN

OF REAL ESTATE

Indications All Point to Prolonged Season of Legitimate Trading.

Portland's realty market, while not characterized by the feverish activity of six months ago, is in a healthy and satisfactory condition, indicating a prolonged season of legitimate trading in

longed season of legitimate trading in all classes and characters of real property.

The steady inflow of foreign capital for investment in Portland is greater now than at any time in the history of the city. Scarcely a day passes that the announcement is not made of a considerable purchase by an outside capitalist. Out of the two or three scores of residences or residence sites sold every day in Portland, a fair proportion of them go to new arrivals, some of whom come from eastern states, but

a majority of such purchases are made by former residents of Eastern Oregon or the Willamette valley. This latter class represents men who have been successful in agriculture or stock raising and who are now bringing their families to Fortland to take advantage of the excellent school facilities afforded.

Real estate agents and operators are all looking forward to a heavy business during the coming fall months. The market has held up so much better this summer than was expected that the promise of a splendid activity throughout the remainder of the year seems assured. One of the old established agencies that has a large clientele throughout the state is in receipt of numerous inquiries from different parts of the state relative to prospective investments in Fortland realty.

In the eastern part of the state, the wheat crop was never more promising, and the same conditions exist with reference to the crop prospects in other sections of the state. The result of all this prosperity is that bundreds of Oregon farmers and stock raisers will this fall invest a portion of their surplus wealth in Pertland property.

It is not generally known that much valuable property in this city is owned by Oregon farmers. A great deal of the earnings from the big wheat flevis of Eastern Oregon and the Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city. More than one Willamette valley have gone into realty investments in this city.

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