

NOTABLE GAINS IN BANK CLEARINGS RECORD FOR MAY

Postal Receipts Also Show Increase; Indications of City's Growth and Business Volume; Real Estate Transfers

Notwithstanding a heated political campaign, that has been in progress throughout May, the commercial and industrial records of Portland for the month are eminently satisfactory, proving conclusively that the commercial progress of this city is altogether healthful and promises to continue upward.

Notable gains were made in bank clearings and postal receipts, the two real indexes of a city's growth and business volume.

Portland's splendid progress during the past 30 days is reflected in the large increase in postal receipts and bank clearings over the totals for the same month one year ago. Another feature of the month's reports, which goes to prove that as yet summer dullness is not apparent here, is the immense amount of new construction authorized during the month. Real estate to the value of nearly \$1,250,000 changed hands during May. These figures are all the more remarkable considering that the largest transaction reported during that period involved a consideration of but \$75,000.

Postal receipts for the month at the local postoffice amounted to \$37,510.33, as compared with \$36,584.87 for the same period one year ago. This is a gain of about \$1,000 or 12.62 per cent, and brings the total receipts for the calendar year above \$450,000.

The Portland Clearing House association reports bank-clearings for May at \$51,467,132.27, as against \$48,594,638.57 for May, 1912. This is an increase of practically 6 per cent.

The exact total of real estate transfers was 1498 instruments filed for record with \$1,137,777 combined consideration, as against 1532 transfers and \$1,206,348 total consideration for the same month one year ago.

Portland's upward progress is best shown by the immense amount of building construction now under way. For the first five months of the year there have been issued a little over 3300 permits, authorizing new construction to the value of \$5,500,000. The records of the city building department show that during May, 590 permits were issued for new buildings to cost \$340,000.

Bank clearings for the same period were approximately \$263,000,000, indicating that the volume of Portland's banking business will exceed \$600,000,000 this year.

GALES CREEK YOUTH, 16, ILL ONLY A WEEK, DIES

(Special to The Journal) Forest Grove, Or., May 31.—Lloyd Clay Harper, the 16 year old son of Aden Harper of Gales Creek, died at the Forest Grove hospital yesterday after a week's illness. The young man was born in Tillamook county, and is survived by his parents, three brothers and one sister. Funeral services will be held in the Christian church in this city tomorrow afternoon, with interment in Forest View cemetery.

Rev. C. H. Hilton Departing.

Forest Grove, Or., May 31.—Rev. C. H. Hilton, who has been pastor of the local Christian church for the past two years, has handed in his resignation, and will leave next week for California with his family, having accepted a call to a church in the southern state. During his pastorate here he has added several hundred to the membership of the church, and besides his pastoral work has always been active in civic affairs of the town.

CHAUTAUQUA PROGRESS OF TWENTY YEARS



A glimpse of Gladstone and the beautiful Clackamas, where the Gladstone Chautauqua will be held.

(Special to The Journal)

Oregon City, Ore., May 31.—Picture "Gladstone-on-the-Clackamas," will this coming July celebrate a memorable epoch in Chautauqua history of the Northwest. The twentieth annual assembly of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua assembly will be held from the 8th to the 20th inclusive, at Gladstone Park, ten miles south of Portland on the P. R. L. & P. Co.'s line. This time-tried Chautauqua is the pioneer institution of its kind in the Northwest. Its twenty years of eventful Chautauqua history, the early endeavors of its public spirited directors, who after many struggles, placed the assembly on a firm foundation, the ups and downs throughout these two long decades, would fill a book. The men and women who developed the Chautauqua idea, and have nourished it along through the doubtful years of its existence, and have willingly sacrificed their time and energies, with absolutely no expectation of any financial reward, are to be congratulated. Their endeavors have resulted in the growth of a "great" big "Chautauqua family," which annually makes its pilgrimage to Gladstone Park, for an ideal two weeks' outing. Foremost among the list of these Chautauqua workers, stand out the names of Eva Emery Dye, Oregon's well known writer, George A. Harding, C. H. Dye and H. E. Cross, all of Oregon City.

Chautauqua of 20 Years Ago.

The officers of the first Chautauqua in 1894 were: Rev. Gilman Parker, president; Rev. J. W. Cowan, vice president; Charles Meserve, secretary, former editor of the Oregon City Enterprise, and D. C. Latourrette, treasurer. The first board of directors consisted of Col. Robert A. Miller, now of Portland; Prof. H. S. Strang, H. E. Cross, Dr. H. E. Farrin and Mrs. C. H. Dye. The trials and tribulations of the Chautauqua workers began early indeed. For just before the assembly occurred came the great railway strike that tied up the trans-continental roads. The first annual assembly of the Gladstone Chautauqua thereupon from necessity, became a "made in Oregon" product, and local speakers were substituted to take the places of those from the east. Of interest are the total receipts of the first assembly. They amounted to exactly \$322.50. In keeping, however, with the expenditures. Had the early directors been told that twenty years to the month from the dates of the first Chautauqua, the cost alone of the session would amount to \$5,000, and that thousands of Portland and Clackamas county people would daily pass through the

Chautauqua gates throughout the 14-day session, their surprise could well be imagined.

First Chautauqua in a Tent.

Those were the days when the Chautauqua assembly was held in a large tent. The natural beauty of Gladstone park, however, was then, as it is today, one of Oregon's famous beauty spots. A crude auditorium subsequently replaced the tent, which was later replaced by the present massive auditorium, built along "Chinese hat" lines, as shown in the picture. This large building, where all the main programs are held, has no doors. The sides are all open and yet the acoustics are declared by many of the famous speakers who yearly grace the Gladstone platform, to be almost perfect. Four thousand people can be seated comfortably; five thousand can all find seats with a little squeezing.

Then began an epoch of building smaller structures, cottages, music conservatories, etc. At present there are about twelve structures on the grounds beside the main auditorium, and these with possibly three hundred tents which loom up, mushroom-like, a few days before the session opens, give a most impressive appearance among the stately firs, to those who enjoy an ideal recreation.

Nursing Place for Suffrage.

Oregon's grand old woman, Abigail Scott Duniway, was one of the first to make the Gladstone Chautauqua an annual pilgrimage, and from her first visit to the assembly, inspired the suffrage movement in her quiet effectual manner. This movement grew in keeping with the other departments of the Chautauqua, and the directors are proud of the fact that last year the Chautauqua was the bloodless battlefield for the women in this line of work. Mrs. Duniway is at present one of the stockholders of the association.

A Glimpse at 1913 Program.

This year's program will include Colonel Bain, a Chautauqua lecturer of national repute; Baumgart, perhaps the biggest drawing card, outside of Bryan, in western Chautauqua fields; Maude Willis, one of the most gifted interpreters of the American drama who has



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ever graced the American stage; the original company of the Tyrolean Alpine singers, with their quaint folk-songs, and Alpine melodies; the Sierra Mixed quartet, the premier four of the west; Ng Poon Chew, as his name implies a celestial, a Chinese boy who has "made good" in real Yankee fashion, now at the head of a great Chinese newspaper, who tells in most eloquent English of the "new republic"; Walt Holcomb, son-in-law of the famous Sam Jones, who draws like a magnet, wherever he appears in Chautauqua work; Matt Hughes, an old war horse of the Chautauqua field, who has been to Gladstone

before, and was listened to most attentively by 4000 people on each visit; E. G. Lewis, the gifted orator who made University City, Mo., famous; Grace Lambin, a new feature of eastern Chautauqua last year, who will be here during the entire session, directing her "Supervised Play." Miss Lambin looks after the children, any and all of them, and her program, aside from its restive influence upon the mothers, is a most unique and beautiful entertainment. Her work last year was the sensation of the eastern Chautauqua.

Dr. Hinson will conduct Bible classes each morning of the session. Professor F. T. Chapman of Portland is to have charge of the Chautauqua music. His orchestra of 12 pieces will be heard twice a day in prelude work, and Mr. Chapman has secured a large number of Portland's leading vocalists to assist him in the program.

Headquarters of the College.

Oregon Agricultural college and the state university will both maintain headquarters on the grounds during the entire session, and will carry their "extension" work direct to the thousands of Chautauqua patrons. The O. A. C. lectures will be along practical agricultural lines by experts from that institution. Dr. James Gilbert, probably the leading economist of Oregon, will deliver a course of lectures for the state university along economic and social lines. All other colleges of the state will be represented at the coming Chautauqua.

The P. R. L. & P. line, known as the Oregon City line, runs a half-hour car service from Portland directly into the beautiful park, which lies two miles north of Oregon City. The S. P. train will stop for patrons within 100 yards of the park, for convenience of people from the Willamette valley at points south, as well as from Portland. Tents may be secured for a nominal sum from the management and will be erected for the patrons upon reservation. The assembly also furnishes cots, but the patrons are expected to bring the balance of their camping utensils. Provisions can be secured on the grounds. The park has been connected up with the Gladstone water system during the past year, that the patrons may enjoy fine mountain water at all times.

Fifty Years' Use for \$1.

The present assembly is headed by Dr. Fletcher Homan of Willamette university. C. H. Dye is vice president and H. E. Cross is secretary. The latter has acted in that capacity for 18 years. Mr. Cross owns the beautiful site where the assemblies are held, having given the exclusive use of the park to the association for 50 years, for the gross

consideration of \$1, and has been one of the most ardent workers for the success of the institution. The big idea that prompted this valuable concession is typical of the Chautauqua workers of this vicinity. Mr. Cross is present mayor of Gladstone, and a pioneer attorney of Oregon City. President Homan of Willamette university is most enthusiastic over this year's outlook.

SOUTH PORTLAND SPAN GUARD AGAINST FIRES

"Portland needs the South Portland bridge, if for no other reason than for fire protection," said Fire Commissioner Perry yesterday.

"The man or woman who investigates, will be surprised to learn that while the city extends for miles on both sides of the river, south of Hawthorne avenue, there is no means of rapid transit between all this immense area.

"In case of fire, should it assume large proportions and the departments from the other side be needed, the service of one side of the river would be practically valueless to the other side as far as quick action goes.

"On the west side, we have Engine 4 and Hook and Ladder Truck 2 at Fourth and Montgomery streets. Engine 5 at Front and Gibbs; Engine 10 at McAdam road, near the Oregon Furniture factory, all available for duty on the east side, should the occasion arise, yet, under the present conditions, should there be a fire just across the river, which needed their services, they would not be able to get there, without having to go way down to the Hawthorne bridge and cross there, which would be impractical. Quick communication is of vital importance in case of fire as time counts.

"On the east side, there is Engine 23 at Seventh and Stevens and Engine 11 at Powell and Twelfth. With a bridge, placed a mile below the Hawthorne bridge, these two departments would be readily available in case of emergency across the river. A little foresight, in providing for rapid transportation of fire apparatus very often means the saving of a great deal more than the cost of the bridge itself. I am heartily in favor of the South Portland bridge bond issue and hope it will have the support of the voters on Monday."

LITTLE GOD STEALS MARCH ON SCIENCE

June Wedding Habit and New Law Combine to Break License Record.

Sixty-eight bridegrooms, 32 more than had ever appeared before on one day, secured marriage licenses yesterday, thereby breaking the records of Multnomah county. Previously 46 licenses was the high water mark, issued on December 23, 1911. The next nearest approach was 43 licenses on November 27, 1912.

Though June is the month of many weddings there has seldom before been any one day of the month or of the last day of May which greatly outnumbered the average. The coming into effect of the medical examination law Tuesday is believed to be largely responsible for the record number. Many applying for licenses yesterday said that they did not intend to use them for several days and others asked whether licenses must be used within any definite time.

Two reasons for desiring to eliminate the medical examination were given. The main one was to save the \$2.50 which the law fixes as the maximum charge. The other is the natural diffidence of submitting to medical examination.

Tomorrow is the last day on which licenses can be secured without sworn certificates of health from registered physicians and it is expected that another record will be made. Mr. Coffey has instructed his deputies to demand the certificates after tomorrow evening. The applicants yesterday came in a steady stream beginning early in the morning. Deputy Cochran left the counter but few times for more than a minute. The greater part of the day from two to half a dozen were lined up waiting their turns. The total fees collected amounted to \$204 as each applicant had to pay \$2.

Dr. John M. Edwards has returned and will be associated with Dr. Harry F. McKay, Elber building.

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