

CORNER IN STEEL IS DENIED

RAILROADS ARE IN PITTIABLE PLIGHT, SAYS CARL KELTY

"A number of the great railroad systems are in a quandary with respect to financing," said Carl S. Kelty, vice president of the Lumbermen Trust company, on his return yesterday from the East.

"The financial stringency is bearing more heavily on the railroads than on industrial concerns. The latter, many showing current earnings of 25 to 50 per cent, can pay 10 per cent interest on their note obligations about as readily as 5 per cent.

"The Pennsylvania Railroad company recently borrowed \$30,000,000 from the public for 10 years at 7 per cent. Underwriting expenses brought the cost of the money up to 7 1/2 per cent.

"Following the Pennsylvania, the New York Central came into the market with an issue of \$50,000,000 equipment trust 7 per cent certificates, and the cost to the borrower was about 7 1/2 per cent.

"While the Pennsylvania and New York Central offerings were successful, as far as absorption by investors was concerned, there existed a feeling that there were very definite limits to the amount of such securities that would be readily purchased.

"The lack of locomotives and cars to move the constantly increasing volume of traffic offered is a serious handicap to many lines of business. The railroads say it will cost over \$500,000,000 to provide such equipment.

"Today's press dispatches report that the railroad heads have applied to congress for a loan of \$500,000,000 to purchase equipment. This is the only way the funds can be obtained.

"There is much talk in the East of possibilities of a money panic. Credit inflation can scarcely go further, and most strenuous efforts to force liquidation have accomplished but little."

Foreign Exchange Market New York, May 7.—(U. P.)—Demand sterling higher here today at \$3.85 1/4, up 1/4.

MONEY PLENTIFUL BUT STREET WILL HAVE NONE OF IT

By Broadman Wall New York, May 7.—On the stock exchange Thursday some \$8,000,000 was offered, but nobody wanted to borrow it, although money was quoted at 7 per cent.

Table with columns for Clearings, Friday, and Balances, categorized by Pacific Coast Bank Statement, Spokane Banks, Seattle Banks, San Francisco Banks, Tacoma Banks, and New York-London Silver.

MONEY PLENTIFUL BUT STREET WILL HAVE NONE OF IT

Exchange authorities will hold a conference this afternoon, hoping to find some way to defeat the wild scheme of legislation talked of in Washington. One step in the right direction was taken today by the exchange when its business committee reported that an investigation of Republic Steel found no basis for the crazy rumors of a corner.

There being no inducement held out for the purchase of stocks, the market became reactionary. In the morning it was strong, with many issues showing material gains. In the last hour Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies shot up to a level 10 points above the previous close, but nearly everything closed weak.

Mr. Ryan being invited to say something about it, told the exchange that he never had any interest in the company. The cry baby reds who had sold the stock short believed that Ryan had them in a trap and that the easiest way out would be to have a stock exchange committee save them as was done in Stutz.



STATEMENT of the condition of

The Northwestern National Bank of Portland

at the close of business, May 4th, 1920

RESOURCES

Table of Resources for The Northwestern National Bank, including Loans and Discounts, Federal Reserve Stock, Other Bonds and Securities, Furniture and Fixtures, Customers' Liabilities under Letters of Credit, etc.

LIABILITIES

Table of Liabilities for The Northwestern National Bank, including Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus and Undivided Profits, Circulation, Commercial Letters of Credit, etc.

CONDENSED REPORT OF The United States National Bank PORTLAND, OREGON. Submitted to the Comptroller of the Currency At the Close of Business, May 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

Condensed Report of the Condition of First National Bank AND Security Savings and Trust Company. At the Close of Business May 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

\$150,000.00 A Capital Stock Offering (All Common) \$10 par The Western Rubber Company of Tacoma, Washington

The Western Rubber Company has been established at Tacoma, Washington, for the purpose of supplying a part of the enormous demand for tires and tubes here in the Northwest. The SOUND TIRE will be synonymous with QUALITY and SATISFACTION.

Our factory is now completed, all machinery installed, and will start production this month. The plant will have a capacity of 750 tires and 1000 inner tubes per day.

The building is of concrete, and cost \$84,000. The machinery is of the very latest type, and the equipment throughout of the very best. For its size, there is no better equipped tire factory in the United States.

The Company is ably and conservatively managed. The Chamber of Commerce of Tacoma has strongly indorsed the Company and the management, as have also the leading business men and bankers of Tacoma.

Additional working capital is desired, and the company has received a permit under the laws of this state, to sell \$150,000 of the capital stock of the company in Oregon.

Fill out and mail to us the attached coupon, and we will be pleased to forward to your address a booklet setting forth the merits of this investment. We should like you to call in person at our branch office here, or phone for an appointment, Marshall 467.

COUPON To the Western Rubber Co., S. J. Claridge, Director Stock and Bond Department, Portland Branch Office, 903 N. W. Bank Building, Portland, Oregon.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE LADD & TILTON BANK AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE State Bank of Portland OF PORTLAND, OREGON At the Close of Business, May 4th, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

Hibernia Commercial and Savings Bank OF PORTLAND, OREGON Member Federal Reserve System Statement at Close of Business May 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PENINSULA NATIONAL BANK PORTLAND, OREGON At the Close of Business May 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.

Statement of Condition of the LIVESTOCK STATE BANK At the Close of Business May 4, 1920. Includes Resources and Liabilities tables.