

WEALTH LOOMING AHEAD FOR CITY

Business Men and Civic Leaders Give Optimistic Expression

That the city will make more progress in the next year or two than it has for any similar period of time in the past was the general sentiment expressed by officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce at the last luncheon of the year held Monday noon.

Importance in the development of the city by the Chamber of Commerce since its organization about 20 years ago was stressed by Harley O. White, new president. He pointed out the necessity for united effort.

Every business and professional man should belong to the Chamber of Commerce, according to Dr. E. E. Fisher, chairman of the legislative committee, and another hold-over member of the board.

Better times are ahead for 1924 it was reported by George Grabenhorst, chairman of the agricultural department. A recent federal survey of the farm situation, composed of information furnished by nearly 500 real estate boards in the United States, Canada and British Columbia, shows that the situation is better today than it was a year ago and anticipates that conditions will continue to grow better.

Fred Erixon, chairman of the industrial department, expressed the hope that the new board would function as well as the old.

and strangers were urged by King Bing Al Pierce, of the Cherrians. He suggested that employees instruct clerks along this line. He also told of the worth to the city of the parks and the band concerts during the summer months.

Lynchings Decreased One Half During Year 1923

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Jan. 1.—Lynchings in the United States decreased more than 50 per cent during 1923, as compared with 1922, according to figures made public by the Tuskegee normal and industrial institute.

The Tuskegee report says there were 46 instances during the year in which officers of law prevented lynchings.

SCOTT HIGH SCHOOL DEFEATS COLUMBIA

Score Ends 17 to 20 in Favor of Middle West Champion Gridsters

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—Scott high school football team of Toledo, Ohio, claimants to the interscholastic football title of the United States, defeated Columbia university preparatory school eleven here today by a score of 20 to 17.

WILL SHIP ABOUT A CAR A WEEK NOW

The State Flax Plant is Gradually Working Towards Full Operation

The state flax plant is gradually working towards full operation. About a car of upholstery from the main plant at the penitentiary later—that is, about \$1100 worth a week. Small shipments have been made regularly for some time, to fill rush orders; to accommodate as far as possible old customers.

Now car shipments are going out, and there are orders ahead, both in car lots and in smaller shipments, for all that can be turned out for some time.

There are also orders ahead for ground flax seed, from the wholesale drug trade.

Warehouse Nearly Ready

The big brick flax warehouse, outside the east wall of the penitentiary, is about finished.

The steel girders for the roof are now all in place, and W. D. Pugh, superintendent of the work, says only about seven more days will be required to get the roof on.

Mr. Pugh says the roof on the new main machinery building inside the walls ought to be finished in about three weeks—that is, in ample time to have the whole plant going full tilt by the first of February.

STATESMAN'S GREAT AUTO CONTEST ENDS

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conforms to the rules of the contest.

3. Be sure that you have all your reserve votes in the ballot box by 11:30 p. m. Saturday night.

4. The last count to be made by the Contest Editor will be made Friday night, and the results published in the Statesman on Saturday morning. The ballot box will then be locked and sealed, and the keys delivered to the chairman of the judicial committee. The judges will break the seal as soon after 11:30 as possible and proceed to count all votes found in the ballot box, and add the result of their count to the total vote list as published in The Statesman on Saturday. The result of each count will be the basis on which they will award the prizes.

5. If there is any error in your mind in the count as appears in the paper, you must notify the Contest Editor of such error, not later than Saturday noon, January 5, the closing day. Failure to so notify the Contest Editor will be considered absolute acknowledgment that the count made by the Contest Editor is correct.

6. Do not trust to the mails the last day to bring your reserve votes or any late subscriptions. Everything to count on this contest absolutely must be in the Contest Editor's office promptly at the stroke of 11:30 p. m. in the evening, January 5th. This does not mean 11:35.

7. Do not ask any inside information in regard to the standing of any contestant, for none will be given under any circumstances. No one knows anything about the standing of any contestant but the contestant themselves. All will receive the same fair and impartial treatment that has been a feature of this contest. All prizes will be awarded strictly on the merits of the contest.

8. The last day of the contest every candidate must have his or her subscriptions, written out in his or her receipt book, and a vote blank properly filled out with all amount of votes extended. The contest department will be snowed under with work for the last day, consequently will not have time to help do the contestant's work. All subscriptions not properly filled out will be rejected, so if you haven't blanks enough be sure to get some. Only have them properly listed when you come to turn them in.

9. When the hour of 11:30 o'clock in the evening, Saturday arrives, every contestant or anyone else who has any subscriptions to turn in must be in the Contest Editor's office, 11:30 p. m. The Contest Editor's office will be locked for 15 minutes. All

who are in the office at that time will be locked in, and all who are not in the office will not be allowed to enter. After the door is locked, each contestant who has subscriptions to turn in will be checked up by the Contest Editor, and the votes issued.

10. However, you must at 11:30 p. m. have your subscriptions all ready for there will be a big rush. When you are being checked up for the last time, be sure not to misplace any subscriptions or forget them, for you cannot come back again after once being checked up, after the final check at 11:30 o'clock. Of course, you should get all possible subscriptions in as early in the day as you can so as to avoid a long wait. This ruling only bears on those subscriptions that you secure the last few hours of the contest. Everyone will be working right up to the very last closing hour, for so close is the race that this is the only way that winners can be decided.

It isn't the untruth of it that makes a woman see red when Friend Husband intimates that she proposed to him.

BROCCOLI MEN WILL ASSEMBLE

Members of the Salem Broccoli association will meet at the Chamber of Commerce auditorium Saturday afternoon for the annual meeting of growers which will be followed by the annual meeting of the board of directors. An effort will be made to determine how the spring crop shall be handled. Three courses are open by the same agency which handled the crop last year, a new agency, or the handling of the crop by the association itself. Officers will not be elected until the crop has been disposed of in the spring. C. C. Russell, route 8, is president.

In the Salem district there are approximately 100 acres given over to the production of broccoli, chiefly in small tracts. In the Pratum vicinity the broccoli is grown in two and five acre holdings, and other tracts extend nearly to the city limits. A fine crop is being grown by C. M. Bouffleur, in the hills behind West Salem. The present crop will not be damaged by the freeze, as it is protected by the snow, it is generally believed, but if the weather becomes warmer and ground thaws, followed by another freeze, the crop will suffer. Provided the freeze does not seriously affect the broccoli, a fine crop is assured in the spring, according to reports. The broccoli is said to be of fine quality.

Starving German Children Are Subject of Appeals

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—General Henry T. Allen, chairman of the American committee of relief of German children, and Wilbur K. Thomas, executive secretary of the American Friends' service committee (Quakers), issued here today a joint New Year's appeal to the people of the United States on behalf of the starving children of Germany.

The former commander of the American forces on the Rhine and the Quaker executive urged the American people to disregard whatever prejudices and animosities that may exist as a result of the world war and called on them to remember the underfed diseased children of Germany during this season of happiness and rejoicing throughout the world.

General Allen's committee has launched a nationwide campaign for \$10,000,000 to feed German children this winter. The fund is being administered exclusively by the American Quakers.

"Children are dying from want of food in Germany this winter," the appeal read. "Thousands of them may not live to see another Christmas unless America goes to their aid. Hundreds of thousands are being stunted in body and mind and are prey to the ravages of rickets and tuberculosis because they do not have enough to eat and have not had, many of them, since they were born."

It may be that girls go to the devil because they go to Hollywood, and then it may be the other way about.

CREAM CLEARS A STUFFED-UP HEAD

Instantly Opens Every Air Passage—Clears Throat, Too

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed because of nasty catarrh or a cold, apply a little, pure, antiseptic cream into your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage, soothing and healing swollen, inflamed membranes and you get instant relief.

Try this. Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Your clogged nostrils open right up; your head is clear; no more yawning or snuffing. Count fifty. All the stuffiness, dryness, struggling for breath is gone. You feel fine.

SMALL HOUSES ARE SALEM NEED

Real Estate Brokers Optimistic Over Outlook for Coming Months

Real estate, rural and city, is beginning to show a few signs of life and realtors are highly optimistic over the outlook for 1924. This spirit of optimism is based upon the numerous inquiries concerning farm lands in particular during the last 30 or 60 days. Four months ago was a different story, they say, for at that time the future was far from being tinged with golden or silver hues.

The great need in Salem is for small homes with from three to five rooms, and built to sell from \$2,000 and \$3500, according to A. C. Bohrnstedt, Salem realtor, who has become convinced through numerous calls to the multiple listing bureau. That 200 houses of this type could be absorbed in 1924 is his contention. He gives preference to homes, well-built and modern in every respect, to cost around \$2500 to \$2800. These should be available to the purchaser upon the deposit of \$500 and the remainder in semi-monthly payments.

One of the greatest strides in progress taken in the community was completed about a month ago when a multiple listing bureau was inaugurated. This had been discussed for many months, but it was well along in the fall of the year before any definite action was taken. In the month that it has been in operation farm properties representing a valuation of \$198,071 have been listed, and city properties totaling \$163,075, a total of \$361,146. Of this total \$65,100 was listed the last week in December.

Advantages of this method of handling real estate have met with much favorable comment in other cities and the Salem members of the bureau, brief as has been their experience with the plan, heartily endorse the bureau. Properties that are listed with the bureau are available to every other member of the bureau which is composed of 22 members at present. Service to the owner is one of the outstanding features of the bureau, for instead of having one agent, he now has 22 agents looking after his interests. The plan also serves to eliminate the "shopping" element, dreaded by would-be purchasers, for he can select his office or firm and there be able to look over the entire field. Many properties are not included in the bureau upon request of the owner, and are known as "exclusive listings." Only the listing agent can dispose of these.

Members of the multiple listing bureau of the Marion-Polk County Realty association are A. C. Bohrnstedt, 147 North Commercial; Gertrude J. M. Page, 492 North Cottage; Anderson & Rupert, 407 Oregon building; Childs & Bechtel, 540 State; Becke & Hendricks, United States National Bank building; Rich L. Rejmann, 229 Oregon building; L. H. Roberts, 147 North Commercial; W. C. Kruger, 147 North Commercial; John M. Scott, 208 Oregon building; Winnie Pettyjohn, 216 Oregon building; R. A. Harris, 208 Oregon building; W. H. Grabenhorst & Co., 275 State; S. G. Robinson, 212 Oregon building; D. D. Socolofsky, 341 State; H. L. Brown, Murphy building; L. M. Ellis, 492 North Cottage; First National bank; William Fleming, 341 State; H. J. Tschanz, 318 Oregon building; and Marshall L. Waring, 341 State, all of Salem; Geo. Hubbs, Silverton, and S. R. Tandy, Jefferson.

An innovation, begun a few weeks ago, is the Saturday exchange luncheon, where about a dozen of the realtors gather informally to discuss any properties they may have for exchange or trade. This feature is not only proving profitable, but is becoming quite popular. In addition a weekly luncheon is held at noon on Thursdays by the Marion-Polk County Realty association.

MORE WOMEN THAN MEN SCHOOL HEADS

Fifty More Districts in Lane Than in Next Highest County in State

When E. J. Moore became county school superintendent for Lane county, a little less than 10 years ago, there were only two women holding the position of county school superintendent in Oregon. Now there are 19, and only 17 men, in the 36 counties of the state. Quite a change in so short a time.

Mr. Moore is attending the conference of county school superintendents being held here in Salem, the annual conference. More than half the active life of Mr. Moore has been spent in newspaper work; he has been a newspaper man

longer than he has been a school man. For eight years, before he became county school superintendent in Lane, he was the chief news reporter of the Eugene Register. Before that he was in the Black Hills and in Nebraska and elsewhere, east of the Rockies, in newspaper work.

A Whale of a Job. Being county school superintendent in Lane county is a whale of a job. Mr. Moore has no clerk or assistant of any kind; not even a supervisor. He has to look after the business of 201 school districts. That is about fifty more than any county in Oregon outside of Lane has. The next is Clackamas with 140 districts, then Douglas, then Marion with 143; about 140 active. Hood River county has only 16.

There are 193 ordinary school districts in Lane, 23 of which have standard high schools, and there are eight union high schools.

Hilarious Crowd Sees Old Year Go, New Come

Hilarity ruled in the Midnight Frolic that marked the passing of the old year and the birth of the new at the Grand theater Monday night. Excellent vaudeville stunts were put on by Ray Felker, Ed Chastain and others, and the new year was introduced in the person of little Nellie Jane Hawley, who was greeted enthusiastically by the audience that filled the theater.

The motion picture, "The Common Law" was well adapted to New Year night and is an excellent story besides. As the hour of midnight approached bells, clogs and "serpentine" were distributed about the audience and the merriment began. By the time the hand on the dial pointed at midnight the theater was a mass of serpentine and it was many minutes before the crowd could be stilled so the stage performance could go on.

Have You Lost Anything?

Look for It On the Classified Page

SALEM MARKETS

Table with columns for GRAIN AND HAY, EGGS, BUTTER, BUTTERFATS, POULTRY, and various market prices.

TONIGHT COUNTRY STORE FREE A Present for Every Lady Attending Bligh Theatre

OREGON STATESMAN AUTOMOBILE CONTEST

VOTE LIST

Votes Polled up to Noon, January 1.

Table listing names and vote counts for the City of Salem.

COUNTRY

Table listing names and vote counts for various counties.

The subscription rates of the Daily Oregon Statesman are as follows: By carrier in the city of Salem, 50 cents a month; \$1.50 for 3 months; \$3.00 for 6 months; \$5.00 per year.

Advertisement for H. L. Stiff Furniture Co. featuring stoves and heaters. Includes text: 'FAMOUS FOR GREAT VALUES', 'BUY FOR LESS AT H. L. STIFF FURNITURE CO.', 'BUY NOW AT GREAT REDUCTION FROM OUR REGULAR LOW PRICES', 'STOVES', 'Don't Worry About the High Price of Fuel', 'Universal Combination Heater', 'Economy Heaters', 'Oil Heater Special', 'Specially Priced Ranges - Heaters'.