

WAUNA WINNER OF BIG TROPHY

Other Communities Share in Honors for Meritorious Work This Year

The E. B. Stewart trophy, for which every legion post in Oregon competed, goes this year to the Wauna post, Clatsop county, and Wauna deserves it.

It was this little town which had a distinguished legion post during the past year—a post which increased its membership 234 per cent over the average maintained for the four preceding years.

It is safe to say that almost the entire population of Wauna is proud of its legion post and the record it has made this year. Word has come to Salem that on Saturday the Crosssett Western company will close down its sawmill so that all of the legionnaires may attend.

Many Trophies Available There are numerous American Legion trophies to be awarded and presented to various posts at the convention. A number of these cups will appear in downtown store windows in Salem within the next few days.

The various district membership trophies have been won this year as follows:

- No. 1, the Graham Glass, Jr., trophy, Wauna.
- No. 2, Sherwood.
- No. 3, the Frank C. Stellmacher trophy, Newport.
- No. 4, the George E. Love trophy, Lakeview.
- No. 5, the Charles J. Johnson trophy, Wasco.
- No. 6, the Harold J. Warner trophy, Condon.
- No. 7, the Frank C. McCulloch trophy, John Day.

The trophy of most interest to Salem folk is the Clifford W. Brown cup, offered by Capitol Post No. 9 last year for the first time as a memorial to Mr. Brown, who was prior to his death two and one-half years ago, one of the leaders in local American Legion work.

Won in '28 by Portland This cup goes to the drum corps which wins the state contest, and it was won last year by Portland Post No. 1. It is a perpetual trophy, and should the drum corps contests at some future date be discontinued, it will revert to the Salem post. Capital post provided this trophy after it had won permanent possession of the previous drum corps prize.

Other drum corps awards include the Major Bealey trophy, which goes to the corps receiving the highest military rating, and the Seiberling-Lucas trophy, which goes into the possession of the corps with the highest musical rating. The former was won last year by Cottage Grove and the latter by Salem.

Other general awards include the Sam Jackson memorial trophy, which goes to the post deemed to have performed the greatest community service in the past year; the Edward E. Spafford trophy, a membership award based on the three year averages, which was won this year by the Silverton post; and the William B. Follett trophy, for the post best qualifying for the state and national program. The Medford post won the Sam Jackson trophy last year.

MANY PLACES OF INTEREST IN SALEM

(Continued from Page 1.) The products of the Kay Woolen mills are sold nationally. Tourists industrially inclined enjoy the hum of machinery. To the farmer, a visit to the Valley Packing company would be of interest and especially the fact that the Salem market for hogs is 25 to 50 cents a hundred higher than the Chicago market.

State Fair Grounds Attract Do not forget a visit to the Oregon State fair grounds. Nor a visit to the State Institution for the Blind nor the State Institution for the Deaf. That is, if you enjoy such things.

Six miles north of Salem at Chemawa is the Salem Indian School, the largest in the west. This school is soon to be the school for higher education for Indians and only the highest type of Indian children will be sent to Chemawa. Note the substantial appearance of the brick buildings.

Last but not least, tell your tourist friend Herber Hoover lived in that house on the northwest corner of Highland and Hazel streets and that he helped financially in the building of the Friends church on Highland street.

Road to Donald Takes One on to "Old Champog"

Donald is located in the northern part of the county, in the center of one of the most fertile farming districts of the Willamette valley. It is on paved roads, which within a few years will be extended a few miles connecting Champog the great historical spot in Oregon. Donald is served by the Oregon Electric railroad and stages. There are fine schools, churches and fraternal organizations. Also a bank and stores. Donald is a friendly community and newcomers are welcome. Located in the center of one of the most fertile districts in the valley, there is prosperity in sight for the man who wants to work.

Salem's History Is One of Steady Yet Fast Growth

Oldtimers Recall That Less Than 30 Years Ago This City Was Mere Mudhole With Population of 4,500 Persons

About 29 years ago Salem was a nice little muddy town with a population of 4,500 and as fine a collection of muddy streets and wood sidewalks as could be found in the west.

Twenty-nine years isn't so long ago even if you have spent all the time in Salem. By the year 1910, the city had taken a wonderful spurt in population and was officially registered as having 14,094 people within its city limits.

And then time went on, the war came along and then the 1920 census, giving Salem a population of 14,679. And then things began to happen.

In 1920, the building permits in Salem amounted to \$455,590 and the next year, people were almost surprised to find the total permits amounted to \$533,420, the largest total for any year in the city's history.

Along came the year 1925 and the city just wouldn't quit growing and the total of building that year amounted to the marvelous sum of \$1,073,000. Just think of it—more than a million dollars of

building in one year. Some of the wise ones figured it was about all over as far as building was concerned.

Salem was just getting under headway. The year 1923 showed permits amounting to \$1,285,632 and the year 1924 registered total building permits of \$1,731,200. Salem just wouldn't stop growing. The city was going ahead and in 1925 total permits were \$1,794,935 and even that figure was not the top record, as during the

year 1926, permits in Salem amounted to the sum of \$2,904,104.

The year 1926 was the peak of building activity in the west, but the following year showed Salem going strong with permits amounting to \$2,626,427.

Last year permits in the city amounted to \$1,605,643, a wonderful showing compared to other cities in the northwest.

The year 1929 will be a great building year for Salem. For the first seven months of the year, building will exceed \$1,400,000. These figures include the \$125,000 grand stand at the state fair grounds, \$115,000 at state institutions within Salem and the \$500,000 state office building now being erected just north of the Oregon supreme court building.

Building of homes in Salem has kept pace with the remarkable development in the business districts. The U. S. census of 1920 credited Salem with 3,873 dwellings. Today the number is 6,245. That is an increase of 45 per cent in dwellings and the chances are that when the U. S. census is taken next April, Salem will show an increase of 70 per cent in dwellings during the ten year period.

If apartment houses are taken into consideration, it may be said that today the housing facilities of Salem are fully 100 per cent higher than ten years ago.

The past ten years has seen the erection of almost all of the large apartment houses. The Salem city directory of 1928 lists 51 apartment houses.

However, with its 6,245 dwellings and an estimated population of 28,000 within the corporate

limits, Salem maintains its record as a city of homes.

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