

### Most Marion Districts Pass Bond Quota

Most of the outside communities went well over their expected quotas in the Sixth War Loan campaign and outstanding marks were set up by Sidney Talbot with \$100,000 subscribed against a \$35,000 quota and Gervais with \$95,156 reported by George Wadsworth against the same quota. Mrs. E. B. Henningsen and Mrs. Nellie Wiederker reported the Sidney-Talbot district past their expected total even before the opening of the drive November 20.

Other districts already reported over the top included the following: Mt. Angel, \$100,000, James Fournier, chairman; Mill City, \$35,000, D. B. Hill, chairman; Turner \$20,000, Mrs. Warren Pohle, chairman; Woodburn \$125,000, Dean Bishopric, chairman (\$141,000 already in).

Stayton reported only \$80,175 last night against a \$100,000 quota. Chairman Charles Johnson said, but was expecting to finish the job soon. Silverton had its \$300,000 quota in sight with subscriptions totalling \$271,596, Chairman James Clough said.

The Salem Saddle club accounted for bond sales of \$25,700, Miss Barbara Earl reported to Chairman Arthur Smithers.

At the Senator hotel bonds worth \$44,733 were sold. W. W. Chadwick reported to headquarters.

Industrial Chairman Robert Minton reported \$175,000 in Salem of E bonds to employees of Salem firms, who in turn purchased \$775,000 worth of higher value bonds.

Retail Chairman E. E. Boring had reports from nine block captains as follows: Henry Kropp \$79,319; Paul Wilson \$85,325; W. W. Chadwick \$33,716; Pat Johnson \$11,415; Walter Zosel \$7,375; Carl Gies \$7,600; Leif Bersvik \$6,200; Grant Murphy \$2,831; Art Ramseyer \$1,714.

### Property Sale For Oregon at Record Level

An official report of the state real estate department showed today that property sales in Oregon this year already total in excess of \$100,000,000—the largest for any year on record.

The report was presented to Gov. Earl Snell by Claude H. Murphy, state real estate commissioner.

Murphy added that while real estate brokers and salesmen, despite their prosperity, are somewhat concerned that the federal government owns approximately 53 per cent of all acreage in Oregon and more than 20 per cent of the total area of the United States. No taxes are paid on this acreage.

The commissioner's report showed that up to October 31, this year, he has granted 1479 brokers licenses as against 1361 for all of 1943. Salesmen's licenses granted increased from 642 on December 31, 1943, to 873 for this year. A total of 508 temporary salesmen's permits have been issued so far in 1944.

The gross revenue of the state real estate department for 1943 was \$22,664.06, as compared to \$22,684.75 for the first nine months of 1944. Operating expense for 1943 was \$11,759.35 as against \$5,272 for the first nine months of this year. Present estimates indicate that the department will have a balance of \$17,000 at the end of the year. All of this with the exception of \$3000 will be turned in to the general fund of the state for governmental expenses.

### Teachers With Emergency Certificates Boon to Oregon Schools; Many Will Remain

Oregon's school system "would be in a sad plight" if it wasn't for the 1445 teachers now employed under emergency certificates, Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, said last week.

There were 1300 working under such certificates a year ago. Many of them have come from other states.

Putnam said most of these teachers had proved themselves efficient and in many cases would attempt to qualify for permanent positions in Oregon schools.

An additional 500 retired teachers have reentered Oregon classrooms, Putnam said, but most of these will relinquish their positions at the close of the war. It requires approximately 8000 teachers to fill all positions in Oregon schools.

Putnam said that while all Oregon schools were operating, many of them do not have sufficient instructors. Other schools, mostly in the remote rural districts, have consolidated in order to meet the teacher emergency. Putnam also said less than 100 now are attending Oregon teacher training schools as against a normal attendance of 600 to 800.

"This means that the teacher situation will become worse instead of improving within the next few years."

Salaries higher than those paid by the Oregon schools have attracted a large number of Oregon teachers to other positions, Putnam said, while others have entered military service. The latter will have first claim on the positions they vacated.

Under Oregon laws the minimum annual salary for teachers is \$1200, based on nine months. Putnam said the average salary now being paid to elementary

school teachers is \$1600 and high school teachers \$2000.

Records of the state educational department show that few applications for teachers' positions have been received in recent months.

### Robots Keep Up Necessity for Aid In Great Britain

Emergency services of British War Relief, which are supported in part by contributions to the Marion county War Chest, are being called upon to meet needs arising from the continued bombing of Britain by Nazi V-1 and V-2 bombs, according to a report received by Charles A. Sprague, president of the Oregon War Chest, from the National War Fund.

"The emergency services of the British War Relief society continue to operate under intense pressure," said the report. "Three hundred and thirty-six ambulances are in operation, as well as mobile kitchens, children's clinics, clothing distribution and many other vital projects."

### Eugene Scribe Is Held Under \$10,000 Bail

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Gladys Turley, Eugene Register-Guard reporter, was held under \$10,000 bail here today on a charge of assault with intent to kill in connection with the shooting early Friday night of Pauline Conrad, Eugene interior decorator.

Miss Conrad, meanwhile, remained in a critical condition at a Eugene hospital. Neither she nor Miss Turley have made statements and police chief Carl Bergman had no comment as to a possible motive.

T. R. Greenwood, at whose home the shooting took place, said that Miss Conrad, recently returned from a trip to Oklahoma, had come to his house and requested that he and his wife put her up there overnight because she feared to return to the little farm in the country near here which she and Miss Turley had been running on a partnership basis.

"We were finishing dinner," said

Mr. Greenwood said, "when Miss Turley drove up and wanted to see Pauline. She wanted Pauline to come out to the car. My wife suggested that they talk in the house where it would be warm. The two women went upstairs. I heard several shots, rushed upstairs, and took the gun away from Miss Turley."

### Lake Labish School Invites Neighborhood To Christmas Program

LAKE LABISH—With a steady attendance of 25, with no sickness nor accidents this term, with a schoolhouse beautiful with sparkling decorations and fragrant with wildwood greenery, school district 102 is sitting pretty for the great get-together Friday night, December 22. A rural school program and a shining Christmas tree are among the neighborly offerings at this 50 year old school of Lake Labish. Mrs. J. C. Morell is teacher.

Ronald Barnick, who is completing the 8th grade, has been appointed school reporter.

### Swegle PTA Meeting To Be Held Tuesday

SWEGLA—The December meeting of Swegle PTA will be held Tuesday. At 1:00 o'clock the executive committee will meet and at 1:30, for the program hour all in attendance will visit the primary room where Mrs. Irene Castle will teach one class in each of the three grades of the room.

At 2:15 the group will adjourn for a social hour and conference. Mothers of children in the primary room will be special guests. All residents of the community are invited.

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The group have planned a

Christmas party for December 21. Following a covered dish dinner a variety of Christmas games will be played and gifts exchanged around a Christmas tree.

During World war I the birth rate in Europe dropped almost 30 per cent.



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