

COAST BANKING CONDITIONS ARE BETTER, REPORT

San Francisco, May 1.—Banking conditions in the Twelfth Federal Reserve district continue to improve, John Perrin, San Francisco, federal reserve agent, declared in his monthly report made public here today.

Borrowings from the Federal Reserve Bank of both city and country members combined fell from \$1,106,000 on March 8 to \$49,025,000 on April 12, a decline of \$12,081,000, or 19.7 percent. This reduction was accomplished at least in the case of the country member banks at a season of the year when the requirements of their customers are unusually heavy, and indicates a growing ability on the part of these banks to meet customers' needs without securing outside assistance.

Building Activity Grows
The most striking industrial development in recent weeks is the record activity in building operations. Figures of building permits for March were, in point of value, the largest figures ever reported in this district, exceeding the previous record month of October, 1921, by 17.5 percent. Compared with the month of March a year ago, this year's figures exhibit an increase of 49.9 percent in value and 14.7 percent in number, indicating a period of unusual activity in construction lines during the summer and fall.

Among other industries of the district lumbering is the most active. Production during March was approximately 90 percent of normal, the highest percentage reported by this industry in the past 16 months. New orders received by mills in the four principal lumber associations were 14 percent greater than March production.

Farm Outlook Good

Agriculturally, there have been few new developments during the month. In many sections the winter season extended well into March and farm work has been delayed from two to three weeks. The winter wheat crop now appears to be in better condition than on December 1, but it is not expected that the record crop of last year, 78,000,000 bushels, will be equalled. The present outlook for the deciduous fruit crops of the district is excellent, with the exception of apricots, the yield of which has been reduced as much as 60 percent in some sections by attacks of brown rot and killing frosts. Preliminary estimates of cotton and sugar beet plantings indicate a slight increase in acreage of cotton in the principal growing sections and a reduction of approximately 25 percent in the acreage of sugar beets, compared with last year. Prices of agricultural products, while they have not continued the steady gains which characterized their movement in the first two months of the year, have fluctuated at levels appreciably higher than those of January 1.

Retail Trade Slumps

An increased demand for unskilled laborers, partly seasoned and partly due to greater productive activity in the district has increased the number of men employed and all stages report that the peak of unemployment has apparently been passed.

Trade at retail during the month was 6.2 percent less in value than in March, 1921, but the comparison loses much of its significance when it is remembered that Easter buying occurred in March last year and will be largely reflected in April sales this year. After making due allowance for declines in retail prices of from 5 to 10 percent over the year period it is probable that the physical volume of business in March, 1922, was at least equal to that of March, 1921. At wholesale, trade in general was dull, and did not compare favorably with 1921 figures either in value or in physical volume of sales.

JEFFERSON GUN CLUB WINS FROM SILVERTON

Members of the Jefferson Gun club, composed of Joe Hampton, Harold Looney, George Palmer, Herbert Looney, Jenki Simpson and Charles McKee, met the Silvertown club at the Harold Looney farm Sunday afternoon, where they contested in a clay pigeon shoot, Jefferson being the winner. Our boys say they will challenge any club in the valley.—Jefferson Review.

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TWO PREACHERS SOAR TOWARD HEAVEN.



Rev. F. Norris and Rev. J. Roach Stratton.

For the purpose, perhaps, of getting some inspiration from a little nearer heaven, Rev. J. Frank Norris, "Texas Tornado," pastor of the First Baptist church of Fort Worth, and Dr. James Roach Stratton, pastor of New York's Calvary Baptist church, accepted the invitation of the Aeromarine Airways and took an airplane flight over Gotham.

MILK SHAKES AND MALTS HELD EXEMPT FROM TAX

Collector Huntley has just received a ruling from Washington to the effect that the tax of 2 cents a gallon on still drinks does not apply to milk shakes or malted milks. Proprietors of soda fountains have heretofore been instructed to keep a record of each glass of milk shakes and malted milks sold by them and pay a tax of 2 cents per gallon thereon. This latest ruling, which is based upon the theory that drinks of milk are articles of food, will relieve soda fountain operators from the necessity of keeping a record of such sales.

FEDERAL EXPERT HERE TO VIEW FRUIT TREES

C. F. Kinman, assistant pomologist United States department of plant industry, called at the Oregon Growers office Saturday on his way through the prune growing sections of the state. He is now making a second tour of all of the important prune producing sections in the United States, preparatory to writing a detailed government bulletin on prune production.

Mr. Kinman said "the California prune blossom season is practically over and very little damage was done by the frost, as was first reported."

No estimates can be made of the total crop for this year since the season is not advanced sufficiently to insure a perfect set.

Fish are reported coming out of a well drilled for oil in California. Probably suckers who invest in the promotion stock.

VOTERS AT HUBBARD IN FAVOR OF HIGH SCHOOL

Citizens of this community who gathered at the school house last Friday evening after careful consideration of the several large issues before this district bearing directly upon the continuation of a standard high school in district No. 15, at Hubbard, unanimously concluded that it should be continued.

This expression coming from representative people who help support local and state institutions of learning is just another example of what any common sense person will do when they fully understood the question at issue.

The meeting specially called by the local board of directors, was opened by the Parent-Teacher association for its regular business during which hour folks enjoyed a splendid program given by the young folks of the school. The meeting was then turned over to the chairman of the board of directors, J. C. Moomaw, by President McShane of the P-T association who requested that the chairman of the board summarize the points to be worked out at the meeting before asking for general discussion on the question.—Hubbard Enterprise.

New Corporations.

No stock having preference or priority over prior preference stock shall hereafter be issued by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, without an affirmative majority vote of the stockholders according to supplementary articles of incorporation filed with the state corporation department here Friday.

Articles of incorporation were filed by the Independent Banking company of Portland, capitalized at \$5000. The incorporators are Basil E. Hagjincopoulos, James Idinopoulos and George Idinopoulos.

Articles were also filed by the Brookings Athletic association of Brookings, Curry county, with a capital stock of \$145. The incorporators are Daniel Thomas, H. B. Plaisted and Jack Reagan.

Livesley

Livesley, Or., May 1.—Mrs. P. Glover and daughter of Seattle were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Carpenter last week.

The school gave an interesting program Thursday afternoon commemorating the hundredth anniversary of General Grant.

The dedication services were held Sunday at the Livesley church. There was a good attendance. After the regular Sunday school services there was a basket dinner and in the afternoon and evening there were some excellent talks and address given.

Paul Nickleson, who lives on the H. J. Tracy place, is able to be about again after his accident of being thrown from his horse.

Mrs. Flora Holly will entertain the G. T. club on Thursday afternoon, May 11.

Mrs. Thomas is visiting with her son, J. W. Thomas. Mrs. C. Spurrier from Oklahoma is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. Coolidge.

SUN YAT SEN FORCES CAPTURE WHOLE NAVY

Shanghai, May 1.—By Associated Press.—The forces of Sun Yat Sen, head of the South Chinese government at Canton have captured the entire southern naval squadron, it was stated in unofficial dispatches published today by the foreign and Chinese press.

We shudder to think what the bootleggers will use to make substitutes when cigars are outlawed.

McKAY TELLS HOW HE STUCK TO HIS TRADE

Portland School Employee Declares He Thought He Would Have To Give Up Until Tanlac Came To His Complete Relief

"If it wasn't for Tanlac I believe I'd have to quit the painting business," said C. B. McKay, 3733 63rd St., Portland, Or., painted employed by the Portland school board. "My stomach, kidneys and bladder troubled me a lot and my appetite was so bad I had to force myself to eat to keep going. My back hurt me so at times I thought I could not continue work. I lost much weight and kept getting weaker."

"I used to think paint fumes increased my trouble, but anyway nothing did me any good until I took Tanlac. My appetite came back and I feel altogether a different man. I advise all painters who suffer to take Tanlac, for it is simply a wonderful medicine." Tanlac is sold by all good druggists. (adv)

FOUGHT FOR KAISER AND LOSES CITIZENSHIP

Seattle, Wash., May 1.—Hans Frederick Kurth of Tacoma, Wash. who obtained American citizenship in 1913 but who later fought in the German army during the war, was ordered deported to Germany at the conclusion of a hearing before Immigration officials here today. Kurth said he would appeal from the order on the ground that until last week he was a citizen of the United States and as that he did not wrongfully enter the country, he has a right to remain here.

Evidence produced at the hearing was to the effect that Kurth shortly after obtaining his citizenship papers, returned to Germany,

where he enlisted. To reach Germany, it is alleged, he altered his citizenship papers in order to pass through British waters to Denmark.

RATE CASE DECISION NOT EXPECTED SOON

Washington, May 1.—Failure of the interstate commerce commission to announce today at least a preliminary decision in the general rate case was taken by observers as assurance that no rulings in the matter would be handed down for some time, and possibly to indicate a delay of three or four weeks.

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REDUCTION OF ASTORIA GAS RATES TO BE FOUGHT

The public service commission is made defendant in a suit filed by the Pacific Power & Light company of Astoria in the circuit court of Clatsop county asking that the recent order of the commission reducing gas rates to patrons of the Pacific company be set aside.

The order which carried with it a reduction of approximately 15 per cent in gas rates is attacked by the company as a just and unreasonable. The principal point of attack is on the valuation of \$488,000 for the company's property as found by the commission whereas the company declares

that this valuation should be \$525,000. The commission refused to give the company credit for certain improvements to the Astoria plant which it characterized as over development and not an item of expense which should be saddled upon the present consumers.

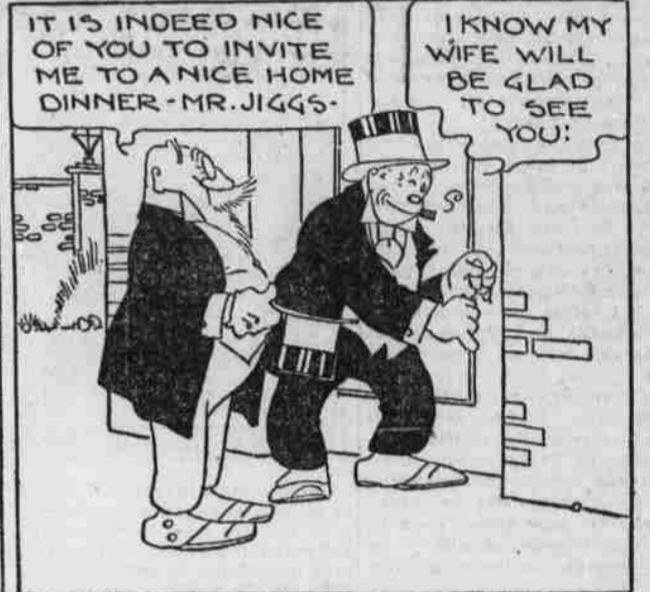
FAMOUS COMPOSER OF CHURCH MUSIC FAILING

Rome, May 1.—Rome newspapers announce that Father Lorenzo Perosi, the famous composer of church music and former conductor of the Sistine chapel choir, has lost his mind. Father Perosi was the composer of numerous oratorios. He also wrote many masses. He is 60 years of age.

BRINGING UP FATHER By George McManus



BY GOLLY, I'LL SURPRISE MAGGIE AN' INVITE THE COUNT DE MILES TO HAVE DINNER WITH US—SHE'LL THINK I'M GOIN' IN FER SOCIETY AN' SHE'LL STOP NAGGIN'—I'LL CALL HIM UP!



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I'VE INVITED THE COUNT DE MILES FOR DINNER!

WHAT? YOU BIG IDIOT—YOU NEVER DID ANYTHING RIGHT IN YOUR LIFE!



YOU OUGHT TO KNOW THAT THIS IS THE GIRL'S DAY OUT. I HAVEN'T A THING IN THE HOUSE—THIS IS DISGRACEFUL!

OH! SHUT UP!

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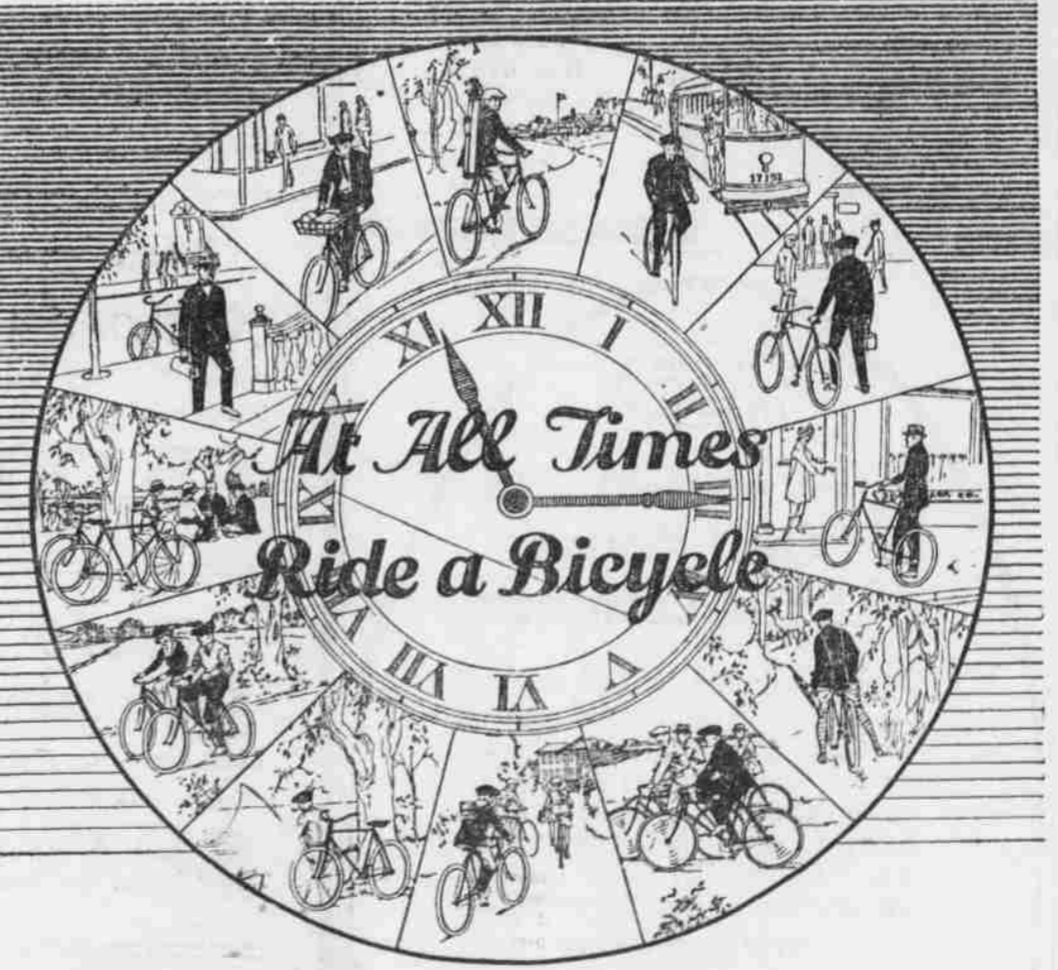


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