

STATE'S BONDED DEBT PLACED AT SIXTY MILLION

A report made by State Treasurer Kay shows that on November 1 Oregon's outstanding bonded indebtedness was \$60,589,690 while the credits of the state totaled \$23,091,063.02.

Of the bonds outstanding \$37,263,750 are highway bonds. Principal and interest on these bonds are paid from receipts from motor vehicle license fees, gasoline taxes and other receipts of the motor vehicle department, they cause no direct or indirect tax on real or personal property.

State aid bonds for World War veterans aggregate \$21,000,000. That part of the amount going to loans to veterans will be repaid to the state with interest at 4 per cent.

Oregon district interest bonds, issued to pay interest on the bonds of irrigation districts under the law whereby the state may guarantee the interest for five years, total \$1,375,940.

State Treasurer Kay says that the sum of \$1,994,020.38 now in the highway fund in the state treasury is a partial offset against the highway bonded indebtedness.

Under the veterans' state aid act there is a sinking fund aggregating \$3,062,537.66. Loans under this act are secured by real estate mortgages aggregating \$15,122,577.39.

"Other credits in connection with the issuance of these bonds," says the statement, "include state aid realty contracts of \$71,214.60; state aid real estate (city property), \$19,539.52; state aid real estate (farm property) \$143,430.07, and state aid funds (cash on hand), \$331,469.40.

CITY LIGHT BILL \$1470 A MONTH

Salem's city light bill averages a total of about \$1470 a month, according to records at the city hall.

The city has 255 street lights on which it pays \$4.46 a month each. There are 30 506-watt lights for which the Portland Electric Power company charges the city \$1.25 a month each. There are seven 250-watt lights for which the charge is \$3.59 each per month. The city has 65 cluster lights for which it pays \$3 a month each and 39 cluster lights for which the charge is \$2.50 each per month.

The city of Salem pays half the cost of the lights on the Marion-Polk bridge or \$20.80 a month. The city hall lights cost about \$40 a month, the lights at the comfort

station \$17.50 a month and those at the Waite Memorial fountain \$1.80 a month.

On State and Court streets all the lamps in the cluster lights burn up to about midnight and one lamp, the top one in the cluster, burns all night.

HI SCHOOL GETS ONLY \$73 OUT OF GATE RECEIPTS

Despite the presence of a crowd numbering well over 3000 persons, the Salem-Eugene high school football game here Wednesday netted the local high school management only \$73.20 due to a misunderstanding between the management here and at Eugene over arrangements with the local post of the American Legion, it was stated at the high school today.

Total receipts amounted to \$845.50. Subtracting the amount of expenses, \$157.60, which included traveling expenses of the visiting team, advertising, officials and everything else connected with staging the game, a total of \$687.90 was cleared on the game. The Eugene management, working on a contract providing that profits be divided evenly, insisted on receiving half of the net profits, or \$343.95.

The American Legion, on the other hand, working on an agreement with the high school management, received one-half the proceeds of all American Legion tickets used for admission to the game. A total of 1089 tickets were turned in at the gates, representing a value of \$544.50. Of this amount, the American Legion, according to the terms of the agreement with the school management, was entitled to half, or \$272.25. This amount necessarily all came out of the Salem share of the fund, rather than out of the combined Salem and Eugene funds, due to the fact that no binding arrangements had been made with the Eugene management.

DRAINAGE AND RECLAMATION BOARDS TO MEET

Plans for closer co-operation between the Oregon State Drainage association and the Oregon Reclamation congress will be considered at concurrent meetings of the two organizations in Salem, December 1. The meetings will be held in Salem chamber of commerce rooms, reports the secretary, W. L. Powers of Corvallis.

A new constitution of the reclamation body provides for five trustees from each of the three districts of Oregon, to be elected by the delegates from each section. These trustees select a vice-president from each district. The three vice-presidents thus selected, together with the presidents of the two societies and the secretary, constitute the executive committee. A meeting of the trustees has been called at a preliminary meeting of the executive committee to be held in Salem at the same time as the general meeting, December 1. Completion of the committee personnel for the reclamation congress will be made by Wilfred Allen, president. The personnel will be announced at the meeting and will include representatives from the drainage association and from the largest of land interest, provided they adopt a new constitution.

Sam Brown of Gervais, member of the Oregon legislature, is president of the drainage association and Professor Powers is secretary, both of the congress and the drainage association.

MAY ROBSON IN CITY NEXT WEEK

May Robson is to be here in her new and attractive comedy "Helena's Boys" on Wednesday, November 18, and after a run of three months at the Henry Miller

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