

# WEST SIDE ENTERPRISE

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## POLK COUNTY BANK.

Incorporated.  
**MONMOUTH, OREGON**  
**J. H. HAWLEY, President.**  
**P. L. CAMPBELL, Vice President.**  
**IRA C. POWELL, Cashier.**  
**Paid Capital, \$50,000**  
 Directors—J. H. Hawley, P. L. Campbell, I. M. Simpson, J. B. V. Butler, John B. Stump, J. A. Withrow, F. S. Powell.  
 Transacts General Banking and Exchange business. Drafts sold available throughout the United States and Canada.

## THE INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL BANK

**CAPITAL STOCK, \$50,000.00.**  
**H. HIRSHBERG, President.**  
**ABRAM NELSON, Vice President.**  
**C. W. IRVINE, Cashier.**  
 Directors.—H. Hirschberg, D. W. Sears, B. F. Smith, J. P. Rhodes and A. Nelson.  
 A general banking and exchange business transacted. Loans made. Bills discounted. Commercial credits granted. Deposits received on current account subject to check.

## DAVIDSON & HEDGES

Headquarters For  
**Fine Cigars, Tobaccos, Candies**  
 Pipes in endless variety from cob to briar-root and finest Meerschaum. Soda Fountain for the hot days. You are always welcome.  
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 Good Rigs for Commercial Men a Specialty.  
 Good accommodations. Horses well fed. Fine rigs. Horses boarded by day, week or month.  
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**GOOD WORK, PROMPT DELIVERY**  
**OUR WATCHWORDS**  
 Work Called for Tuesday Delivered Saturday

## Bice & Calbreath, UNDERTAKERS

Fine Parlors in connection. Day or night calls promptly attended to.  
 Phone 131  
**Main St., Independence, Ore**  
**W. L. BICE, Embalmer and Funeral Director.**

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**SEVENTH and WASHINGTON STS. PORTLAND, OREGON**

## SPERLING BROS.,

who handle the  
**Finest Butcher Stock**  
 in Polk County are not giving away meat, but are selling it very cheap at their  
**Independence Meat Market.**

NEWLY EQUIPPED, GAS LIGHTS, STEAM HEAT, ALL MODERN CONVENIENCIES  
*Proprietor*  
**The Willamette**  
*Salem, Ore.*

## COUNTY EXPENSE

**What it Cost to Run Polk County During Month of September**  
**A Complete List of All Items Examined And Allowed By The County Court**

A complete list of claims examined and allowed by the county court at its setting last week, follows:

Belt & Cherrington, current expense	4.20
George Schoppert pauper acct	38.20
James Clow, roads	3.08
H. J. Osfield, court house	.50
F. E. Myer, A-sensors office	78.00
Floyd Myer Assessor office	.65
A. N. Holman, clerk's office	.65
J. T. Ford sheriff	184.52
M. A. Ford, sheriff's office	50.00
Dr. Carey, pauper acct	12.00
Dr. Parry, pauper acct	32.25
R. L. Martin & Co. pauper acct	10.50
Thomas Pomeroy, adm. roads	5.25
J. B. Lookund examining Salem bridge	19.00
F. S. Wilson, pauper acct	1.00
E. M. Smith, clerk	145.29
Ed. F. Coad, judge	66.65
J. E. Beezley, treasurer	62.50
A. M. Trent, janitor	40.00
H. W. McElmurry, gravel	16.14
A. L. Chute, roads	12.85
Mrs. F. A. Wolfe, State Fair collection	168.75
Ind. Lumber Co roads	6.57
Ind. National, Bank elections	4.50
J. M. Larson, elections	2.00
J. C. Talbot, roads	50.00
Eola school, elections	4.50
Mrs. Mary Ford, pauper acct	5.00
C. L. Starr school Supt.	84.05
J. L. Atwater, roads	5.55
Viola Bedwell, pauper acct	8.00
J. J. Buhler, roads	4.50
Glass & Prudhomme, Supt's office	12.50
Mint McDonald, damage to hand	50.00
W. E. Williams, roads	142.25
M. Mulkey, roads	150.00
Glass & Prudhomme, elections	4.50
Henry Black pauper	30.00
Mrs. F. L. Brown, tax rebate	1.00
J. S. Courter, justice	1.50
Woodmen of World elections	2.00
E. H. Hoener elections	3.00
B. Wilson, elections	2.00
Earnest Irvine elections	2.00
Rickreall Hall elections	1.50
D. F. Courter & son elections	1.50
J. H. Hamilton elections	2.00
J. R. Shepard elections	2.00
R. Wilson, justice court	8.55
J. Wagner elections	2.00
I. O. O. F. No. 24 elections	2.00
J. H. Dunn pauper	8.45
C. E. Huntley pauper acct	33.00
D. A. Critchlow elections	35.00
C. M. Lewis, stock inspector	5.00
C. G. Coad current expense	10.60
Glasg & Prudhomme current expense	2.08
C. E. Staats roads	37.25
J. D. Slagle roads	3.53
Wilson Drug Co. current expense	6.55
D. G. Meador pauper acct	11.00
J. G. Van Orsdall court house	29.35
Dallas L & W Co court house	10.00
J. W. Delop	9.00
ROAD ACCT	
R S Wallace	75.00



MARTIN E. ROBINSON  
 Director of Belshazzar

## BELSHAZZAR CANTATA

**Great Interest Taken in the Coming Production at the Opera House**

Never before in the history of Independence has there been such a general awakening of interest in musical circles as has been shown since the coming of Mr. Robinson to produce this spectacular sacred opera. It was at first understood that the greater number of performers would be selected from among the children, as was the case when "Queen Esther" was produced here last spring; but such is not the case. Only four children will take part, (as pages) the balance of the cast and chorus being composed entirely of the best singers in this vicinity. A large chorus is very desirable for the production of such an opera as Belshazzar, and all who are taking part are enthusiastic in their praise of the masterly way in which Mr. Robinson is preparing this for the public.

Within the past four years Mr. Robinson has given Queen Esther and Belshazzar over 150 times in the principal cities of Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon

John Ferguson	15.00
F. P. Roblin	2.00
T. W. Wann	1.50
Wm Wisner	3.00
T. P. Madise	1.00
F. H. Rancoon	6.00
C. W. Beckett	6.00
Ed Loose	3.00
C. E. Hanna	6.00
A. D. Olson	3.00
C. H. Smith	3.00
N. H. Stonebrink	3.00
J. S. Frost	2.00
R. R. Winstor	2.00
A. B. Emmett	9.00
W. Wisner	4.00
Schudler Bros.	15.00
R. E. Wilmer	3.00
E. J. Patterson	6.00
E. O. Mall	9.00
J. A. Kremis	9.00
John Mooris	7.00
James Sykes	9.00
C. A. Clark	9.00
E. Schindler	9.00
G. W. Porter	9.00
A. Vercler	9.00
J. B. Smith	9.00
J. R. Chapman	9.00
B. Southwick	4.50
H. R. Winslow	2.25
D. K. Brannan	4.00
B. I. Ferguson	3.00
J. L. Lynch	9.00

**Circuit Court**  
 Jurors..... 298.00  
 Witnesses..... 96.00  
**Commissioners Court**  
 Wm Riddell..... 18.80  
 Eakin & Dick roads..... 2.90

## FREIGHT RAISED

**Raise From \$25 to \$42 On Stock Car From Independence To Portland.**

Stock shippers from here today were notified by the Railroad Company of an advance in freight rates. The increase is from \$25 to \$42 a car.

This raise will not only effect shippers direct, but, if maintained, will effect stock raising in Polk county. The production of hogs has been on the increase in this county the past few years and taking the county as a whole the quality of the breed is not excelled in the state. The new freight rates which will amount to several cents on the hundred pounds means that much less to the producer for shipping by rail is the only practical way of getting hogs to Portland. With sheep it is different and the increased rates probably will not effect the raising of sheep as unfavorably as it does hogs. Sheep can be driven. In fact, stockmen have been driving sheep in large droves out of Benton and Polk counties the past few months. The Brown Bros. drove a band of 1140 and John Redd another band of about the same number to Portland.

The railroad stock pens here are getting in a bad condition since the rain, and complaints from farmers hauling hogs to Independence for shipments, are becoming numerous.

## CEASE TRIBUTE

**Possible to Avoid Tribute Levied by Private Corporation on Valley Produce**

**Act of Congress, all that is Necessary is the Opinion of District Attorney John Hall**

"I am thoroughly convinced that if authorized by Congress the United States would have authority to construct at Oregon City Falls, between high and low water mark, locks and canals and other improvements, and that if it should result in injury to the riparian owners or to the canals and locks owned by private individuals, that, while their damage might be very great, they would have no remedy against the United States. If, however, it should become necessary in the construction of such work by the Government to utilize the land of private individuals above high-water mark, such land would have to be acquired by condemnation."

The above is the report of United States District Attorney John Hall, upon the legal power of the General Government to construct locks and canal at Oregon City on the opposite side of the river from the canal owned and operated by the Portland General Electric Company. It's a matter of great importance to every shipper, every producer, every citizen of the Willamette valley. It was recently pointed out by this paper, how every ton of freight going out of this valley pays to transportation companies a tribute of 50 cents; every passenger or head of cattle or horses 10 cents and so on. It was noted that individual hop growers pay in addition to the ordinary freight charges, \$35 to \$50 tribute to the Oregon City locks.

People of the Willamette valley have been sleeping on their rights in this matter. All that is necessary to circumvent this tribute upon the people of the Willamette valley, by a private corporation, is in Mr. Hall's opinion, an act by congress authorizing the government to proceed with the work of constructing a system of locks and canal on the east side of the river.

Every citizen of the Valley should unite in urging the present session of congress to pass such an act.

## The 1904 Hop Yield

The latest estimate on the Oregon hop crop for this year is 85,000 bales. While this year's crop falls short of the 1903 production, the revenue derived from it exceeds that of 1903 by more than \$1,000,000. The price received last year did not go above 15 cents while this year the bulk of the crop sold for prices ranging from 25 to 30 cents.

Oregon produces more than one-third of the entire hop yield of the United States. Putting the average price received for this year's crop at 25 cents the income will be close to \$4,000,000.

## Win Prizes at Poultry Show

Will Finch made two entries of Scotch Creepers, a cock and a hen, at the poultry show in Corvallis last week and received two prizes. Out of twenty-eight entries of Buff Orphingtons made by different parties, J. S. Moore received fourth prize on a pullet.

On Blue Andalusians, D. M. Calbreath of Monmouth walked away with the principal prizes.

The last report for Oregon shows the total value of one years crops produced on irrigated land to be \$2,926,608. When it is taken into consideration that irrigation in Oregon in its infancy these figures mean a great deal to this state.