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BANK DEPOSITS SHOW INCREASE

If bank reports accurately tell the financial condition of the community, some sections of Eastern Clackamas county evidently had a prosperous year. The First State Bank of Gresham, according to available reports, made a substantial gain in deposits as shown by the last financial statement, as compared with the nearest statement to this date one year ago. While without doubt most of their depositors reside in Eastern Multnomah, this bank serves a large number of people of Clackamas county, especially so where they reside more adjacent to Gresham than to institutions located in this county.

A very substantial growth is reflected in the statement of the Clackamas County Bank of Sandy of March 27, 1929, published last week, as compared with the statement published as of February 27, 1928. The '28 statement showed deposits aggregating \$288,194.03, as compared with the statement published last week showing deposits of \$348,286.92, a gain of \$60,092.89.

Estacada State deposits in the statement of February, 1928, were \$298,703.40, as compared with the March 27, 1929, deposits of \$271,739.15.

Each of these institutions, the reports reveal, are in sound financial condition, and while deposits are expected to drop at the time of the year when people are paying their taxes and automobile licenses with little being realized from the sale of crops or stock, there is not the reduction in deposits since the December statements that are ordinarily expected. Evidently a large part of the people are spending less and are adding to their savings accounts as much as they possibly can.

SAVE THE PRESIDENT

Being president of the United States is not an easy job, by any means, according to the writings of Calvin Coolidge. He says, "If the president permits himself to be engaged in all kinds of outside enterprises, in furnishing entertainment and amusement to great numbers of public gatherings, to be the source of inspiration for every worthy public movement, for all of which he will earnestly be sought, he will last in office about 90 days."

Even though he may have the firmness to say "no" to many of these outside requests, the inescapable duties of his office are a severe strain on his physical as well as mental energies.

Practical man that he is, President Hoover has taken at least one step toward relieving himself of some of this useless exertion by cutting down his White House handshaking from a daily performance to twice a week. It is said that he may further reduce it to one day out of seven.

That's sensible. Why should the chief executive officer of the United States be expected to stand for hours shaking hands with a mob?

ESTACADA LAKE AN ASSET

"The development of Estacada Lake district as now being undertaken means a lot to the people of Estacada, whether they know it or not," said Fred L. Proctor of Sandy while viewing the park Tuesday afternoon. A large number of cottages have already been built on lots sold last year, and it is known that a large number are to be erected this spring. Further development of the property on the west side of the river is expected to start within a short time.

Mr. Proctor knows what the tourist business has meant to Sandy, and also the business coming to his town by reason of the summer cottages having been built along the Loop highway in the vicinity of Sandy. The owners of the cottages as a rule have money to spend and this class of business is more to be desired than the tourists who travel the main highways.

CHICAGO COMPARATIVELY SAFE CITY

Chicago seems to have it all over some cities of the country in number of homicides, regardless of all the jokes that are cracked about the wicked city with its machine-gun-armed underworld.

Figures for 1928 recently made public, covering 136 cities and 36,000,000 people indicate an average homicide rate of 10.2 per 100,000 persons. Memphis leads in killings, with 60.5 per 100,000, while the rate for Los Angeles was 4.7. Quite a number of Southern cities were over 30, while Chicago's rate was only 15.8. New York was far below the country's average, being only 6.7 per 100,000 inhabitants.

It is estimated that in the whole United States there were 12,000 homicides in 1928, while probably less than 200 killers were executed.

Washington society will probably settle down to normalcy again, now that Mrs. Gann is to be extended the same courtesies as if she were the wife, instead of sister, of Vice President Curtis. However, this matter probably furnishes the league of nations supporters some degree of satisfaction. The affair was finally satisfactorily adjusted by European diplomats.

More than fifteen billion dollars of American money are loaned to foreign countries. Yet, in our own country are millions that could not borrow \$100 from these people who will trust people they have never seen.

THE LEGIONNAIRE

A Little Truth and a Little Hokum

National commander McNutt of the Legion will be in the state April 24 and 25. Jude Moreland, district committeeman, will be in the party that will join the distinguished visitor when he enters the state at Klamath Falls. Several of the gang are expecting to meet him in Portland.

Players for the junior baseball teams are being signed by the team managers, and as soon as the teams are signed up, a schedule will be arranged. It is planned to play all the games in the Estacada district at the high school grounds. Bob Hayden has been appointed manager for one Estacada team and is now signing up his team.

This district has the makings of a fast team, and one that will stand a good chance to not only win the county championship but the state championship as well.

Junior baseball is sponsored by the Americanization department of the Legion. Boys who will not have reached their seventeenth birthday by September are eligible to enter. No transfers from one team to another is permissible. One player signed who is over the age limit would disbar the entire team.

Gresham post of the Legion is now conducting a Legion column in their local paper, The Outlook. Tuesday's edition had this to say about the meeting held at Sandy:

"Gresham Post No. 30 congratulates Estacada post on the rally held at Sandy to obtain new members. Commander Jonsrud, Post No. 30, signed seven goofs. Thanks, Estacada."

Thank you, No. 30, for signing the goofs. No. 74 hasn't any, and does not want any. We have some of the most prominent citizens of the Sandy community in this post and would like to have more of them.

Comrade R. E. Porter, who conducts the column in the Outlook, is "all wet" when he says the meeting was held for the purpose of boosting "our" membership. It was held primarily for the purpose of interesting ex-service men in the American Legion, and everyone of our speakers urged the guests to join the organization, and suggested either Gresham or Estacada, and Jude Moreland said he hoped Sandy district would organize a post of their own this year.

Anyway, the editor of this column is certainly pleased to see the Gresham post waking up, under the leadership of Comrade Jonsrud. If they will continue to follow the plans of Estacada post and take advantage of the efforts of 74 in promoting interest in the American Legion as a whole, they may have as active an organization as has Estacada. But let's not be selfish in the matter. We hope Gresham post can build a membership twice, four times, as large as it has ever had before. We want more members, and we want No. 30 to get more members, and we are glad to do anything within our power to get more members for the American Legion, whether they join No. 74, 30 or No. 1.

The building committee took a trip over the Loop highway last week to view some of the log buildings erected by Lenz Brothers of Sandy, who are submitting plans and specifications for the Legion building in Estacada. They seem pretty well sold on the log house idea, and reports from the Portland Telegram, which is interesting itself in the new building and is donating a part of the lots, indicate that this type of building would be highly approved by them.

The Auxiliary has increased its membership by several within the last weeks, which is gratifying to the members of the post. The ladies have shown in every possible way their willingness to co-operate with the post, and are entitled to at least half the credit for the success of Carl Douglass post. More power to them!

Next Monday evening is the date of the monthly social meeting of the two organizations. Cards will probably be mailed out calling attention to the meeting. It is likely that all members of the post read this column each week, and that in the future it will be unnecessary to go to the expense of sending out cards for each meeting.

Legionnaires are urged to send in items of interest for this column. It

is published for ex-service men and if it is to be continued it must have some co-operation from the members of the post, as well as all ex-service men. It is also desired that the Auxiliary send in items, and keep the folks informed of their activities.

GARFIELD

GARFIELD, April 11.—(Special).—A large caterpillar tractor, in charge of Wilbur Wade, is being used in this district to grade the surface of the roads, with very good results.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gill of Independence, Oregon, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Lawshe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anders and Mr. and Mrs. Hector Anders all from Crabtree, Ore., spent the week end with relatives and friends in this district.

The continued stormy weather has caused many of the ranchers to purchase additional supplies of hay and feed for their stock, and the time has come when a change of weather will be much appreciated.

Do not forget the date of the big community gathering at the Garfield Grange hall, May 25. The committee in charge is arranging for a splendid program of entertainment and athletic sports.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beresford and children of Toledo, Ore., are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Lawshe several days this week.

Garfield P. T. A. meets Friday, April 12, at 2:30 p. m., at the school house. At this meeting the annual nominations for officers takes place and the election will be held at the May meeting. Members of the organization are urged to attend both these meetings.

"Bible Messages Needed Today" is the Christian Endeavor topic for 7:30 p. m., April 14. The meeting will be led by Kenneth Palmateer. A very interesting series of discussions on the second coming of Christ are held at these meetings, to which everyone is invited.

The Garfield Sunday school extend an invitation to all old and new members, to attend next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. A flourishing Sunday school for this community is the object. Mothers are invited to bring their children. A hearty welcome awaits you.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Slavens have taken possession of the ranch recently purchased from J. W. Kinney, located near the grange hall. The community extends a hearty welcome to the newcomers.

Mrs. R. C. Hayes, of London, who died at 72, left a letter declaring she had been paying blackmail for 46 years to a cousin who had "learned her secret."

According to an estimate by Sir Herbert Samuel, the Dead Sea contains four billion dollars' worth of minerals.

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