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MORO, OREGON.

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Dutch Ships Taken Over.

Washington.—The goverment took over Dutch merchant ships fn American ports Tuesday. The navy department took control of the ships, which were provided with armed naval guards and manned with civilian and naval reserve crews to supplement the Dutch crews or replace such of the foreign sailors as desired to leave the boats.

Much Booty Taken at Odessa.

Petrograd.—Four regiments took Odessa without a fight, according to advices received here. The Austro-Germans captured enormous quantities of war materials and other booty, the rapidity of the Austro-German occupation having made removal impossible.

Restriction of Sheep Constitutional.

Washington.—The Idaho law prohibiting the driving of sheep upon a cattle range was declared constitutional by the supreme court.

No. 240. Report of the Condition of

The Farmers' State Bank, at Moro, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business March 4, 1918.

Resources—	
Loans and discounts	$116,049 74
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	63 24
Bonds and warrants	6,049 00
Furniture and fixtures	1,153 25
Due from approved reserve banks	35,403 32
Checks and other cash items	2,760 85
Exchanges for clearing house	241 38
Cash on hand	5,629 79
Expenses	141 52
Other resources	78 24
Total	$167,570 33
Liabilities—	
Capital stock paid in	$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	1,250 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	192 39
Individual deposits subject to check	111,953 88
Demand certificates of deposit	100 00
Certified checks	30 00
Time and savings deposits	17,512 50
Notes and bills rediscounted	4,500 00
Bills payable for money borrowed	6,500 00
Other liabilities	531 56
Total	$167,570 33

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss

I, Geo. B. Bourhill, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Geo. B. Bourhill, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of March 1918.

{ L S } J. B. Hosford, Notary Public. My commission expires May 1, 1920.

Correct, attest:
W. H. Ragsdale, W. S. Powell, Directors.

No. 216. Report of the Condition of

The Bank of Moro, at Moro, in the state of Oregon, at the close of business March 4, 1918.

Resources—	
Loans and discounts	$190,808 91
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	170 01
Bonds and warrants	5,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	1,566 65
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	690 43
Due from approved reserve banks	71,747 74
Checks and other cash items	45 00
Cash on hand	9,014 13
Total	$279,042 87
Liabilities—	
Capital stock paid in	$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	25,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	832 83
Due to banks and bankers	23,342 43
Individual deposits subject to check	128,258 58
Time and Savings deposits	10,282 00
Bills payable for money borrowed	65,000 00
Reserved for interest and taxes	1,327 03
Total	$279,042 87

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss

I, F. E. Fortner, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. E. Fortner, cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, 1918.

{ L S } John M. Parry, Notary Public. My commission expires Sept. 29, 1920.

Correct, attest:
L. Barnum, R. C. Atwood, Directors.

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MORO, - - OREGON

The federal food administration has officially fixed the bulk and sacked grain differential at nine cents a bushel. Figured on the average weight of Sherman county wheat this would cause the farmer to get back about 21 cents per sack in the sale of his grain. If the sacks did not cost to exceed 25 cents, the farmer would not have to pay more than 1⅓ to 1¾ cents a bushel for the market priviledges that sacks afford. Under the conditions this is a cheap price to pay for sacks.

The following men will leave Moro on March 30th for American Lake, being five per cent of the Sherman county quota for the next draft. The first quota has been filled and Sherman county has two men more than the first call at American Lake to fill vacancies caused by discharge of any men. Those going on March 30th are: Cleo Herbert Wing, now temporarily at Aberdeen, Wash.; Paul D. Buker, from Grass Valley; Henry Samuel Baker, son of L. W. Baker of Grass Valley, temporarily at The Dalles. In accordance with governmental instructions, these men are not engaged in any work that their absence will affect war production.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Charles S. Gerdon, of Iowa, the first man wounded in the Luneville sector, has been awarded the cross of war by France.

American aerial observers in the rear of the lines have been formed into a squadron under command of a French captain.

Both Austria and Hungary are experiencing a recurrence of labor troubles. Large strikes are in progress at Budapest and Vienna.

It is admitted that offers of peace have been made to Serbia by Austria-Hungary and Bulgaria, but it is stated that Serbia has absolutely refused to consider them.

With the ratification of the treaty of peace with Germany the Soviet congress in Moscow has dissolved. Up to the last, some of the chief members of the Soviet congress opposed the hard terms of the Germans, but to no avail.

On their front near Toul the Americans frequently shell German positions and compel the enemy to evacuate the sectors under fire. The Germans themselves are at times putting the Americans under an extraordinarily heavy artillery fire in which explosive shells of large caliber and gas missiles are used. The Toul sector apparently has been picked by the Germans as a favorite spot upon which to expend their noxious gases.

Saving Daylight Bill Passed.

Washington.—The daylight saving bill has passed both houses of congress and has gone to the president. The plan is to set clocks forward one hour at 2 a. m., on the last Sunday in March and set them back an hour at the same time on the last Sunday in October each year.

ANS TAKE NIKOLAYEV

Russian Wheat Storage Center Taken by Germans.

London.—The Germans have occupied Nikolayev, in addition to Odessa, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd.

Both Odessa and Nikolayev were taken without fighting. The fleet at Odessa had fled to Sebastopol.

The Germans immediately suppressed the soviets in both cities and seized the naval yards at Nikolayev.

The German advance continues in the direction of Kherson.

Niolayev lies about 70 miles northeast of Odessa, and is reported to be Russia's great wheat-storing center. It has a great navy-yard and is the seat of a military governor who is commander of the Black Sea fleet.

Kaiser's Policy in Russia Denounced.

London.—The supreme war council of the allies issued a statement condemning German political crimes against the Russian and the Roumanian peoples, and refusing to acknowledge Germany's peace treaties with them, and also declaring: "We are fighting, and mean to continue fighting, in order to finish at once for all with this policy of plunder, and establish in its place the peaceful reign of organized justice."

According to Forest Supervisor Ephraim Barnes, the largest number of cattle and sheep that have ever grazed in the Minam forest reserve will be pastured there this summer. Mr. Barnes says permits have already been granted for grazing privileges for 15,000 cattle and 80,000 sheep.

In the belief that the country needs men in the army and in the fields more than in jail, Justice of Peace Glenn Taylor at Medford is allowing convicted bootleggers in Jackson county their liberty whenever he is convinced that the public welfare is not endangered by their freedom.

The crop and farm labor survey which was taken throughout the state under the cooperation of the government and Labor Commissioner Hoff, has been completed and the summaries will be ready for publication by the last of this week, according to J. W. Brewer, farm help specialist, who had direct charge of the work.

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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the CONCORDIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MILWAUKEE

of Milwaukee in the State of Wisconsin, on the 31st day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital paid up	$ 750,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	$1,715,740.82
Capital stock increase	150,000.00
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	103,786.10
Income from other sources received during the year	144,271.92
Total income	$2,113,798.84
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year	$ 704,681.16
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	60,288.48
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	510,660.00
Taxes, license and fees paid during the year	33,875.05
Amount of all other expenditures	263,449.90
Total expenditures	$1,570,904.59
ASSETS	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	$1,458,084.00
Loans on mortgages, collateral, etc.	1,088,300.00
Cash in banks and on hand	287,581.89
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1917	348,962.08
Due from other companies for losses paid	8,806.46
Interest and rents due and accrued	29,971.33
Total assets	$3,116,945.65
*Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	1,441.01
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$3,115,504.64
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$ 176,462.48
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,664,365.49
Due for commission and brokerage	73,926.32
All other liabilities	94,374.01
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of $750,000.00	$2,009,130.30
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	$3,144,916.38
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance written during the year	$ 624,075.00
Gross premiums received during the year	9,694.41
Premiums returned during the year	1,884.04
Losses paid during the year	4,361.30
Losses incurred during the year	4,095.65
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1917	685,571.00

THE CONCORDIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MILWAUKEE,
By GUSTAV WALLAESER, JR., President.

Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service:
H. G. EFFINGER,
501 Merchants Trust Bldg., Portland, Or.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the PACIFIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of New York, in the State of New York, on the 31st day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital paid up	$ 400,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	$1,054,656.18
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	55,037.05
Income from other sources received during the year	1,795.38
Total income	$1,111,488.61
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year	$ 482,108.53
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	39,930.56
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	196,818.00
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	34,472.51
Amount of all other expenditures	1,115,614.58
Total expenditures	$ 794,289.18
ASSETS	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	$1,088,694.00
Cash in banks and on hand	179,622.09
Premiums in course of collection written since Sept. 30, 1917	251,796.18
Interest and rents due and accrued	6,046.80
Total assets	$1,526,158.66
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$1,526,158.66
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$ 163,527.38
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	689,375.32
All other liabilities	15,069.44
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock	$ 867,972.54
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	$1,348,736.22
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance written during the year	$ 70,517.99
Gross premiums received during the year	71,832.59
Premiums returned during the year	34,128.73
Losses paid during the year	6,201.99
Losses incurred during the year	12,146.86
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1917	28,051.65

PACIFIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
By C. V. MESEROLE, President.

Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service:
SEELEY & CO., Gen'l Agts.
and O. W. DAVIDSON, Portland, Or., Attorney in fact.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

UNION FIRE INSURANCE CO.

of Paris, in the Republic of France, on the thirty-first day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of deposit capital	$ 200,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	$ 695,561.97
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	34,561.34
Income from other sources received during the year	440.53
Total income	$ 730,563.84
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year	$ 366,494.23
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	207,962.92
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	16,835.19
Amount of all other expenditures	22,483.02
Total expenditures	$ 613,775.36
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned (market vkalue)	$ 00
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	$ 928,556.59
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	00
Cash in banks and on hand	86,397.68
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1917	212,056.05
Other assets	4,697.94
Interest and rents due and accrued	12,125.50
Total assets	$1,243,833.76
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	2,814.99
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$1,241,018.77
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$ 90,806.44
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	530,970.44
Due for commission and brokerage	69,978.50
All other liabilities	14,000.00
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock	$ 705,755.38
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	997,001.13
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance written during the year	$ 998,983.00
Gross premiums received during the year	12,328.67
Premiums returned during the year	3,326.63
Losses paid during the year	2,633.25
Losses incurred during the year	3,584.89
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1917	660,248.00

UNION FIRE INS. CO., of PARIS, FRANCE.
Starkweather & Shepley, Inc., U. S. Mgrs.
By E. G. PIEPER, Supt. of Agencies.

Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service:
A. D. Trunkey, Spaulding Bldg., Portland, Ore.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

NEW JERSEY INSURANCE CO.

of Newark, in the State of New Jersey, on the thirty-first day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital paid up	$1,000,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	$1,405,983.33
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	114,537.07
Income from other sources received during the year	199,743.02
Total income	$1,720,263.42
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year	$ 588,024.12
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	0
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	443,761.65
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	35,956.05
Amount of all other expenditures	222,750.77
Total expenditures	$1,290,492.59
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	$ 274,561.75
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	1,246,971.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	502,505.65
Cash in banks and on hand	106,911.31
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1917	275,367.91
Due for reinsurance on paid losses	2,626.41
Interest and rents due and accrued	15,128.20
Total assets	$2,425,072.22
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	00
Total assets admitted in Oregon	$2,425,072.22
LIABILITIES	
Net claims for losses unpaid	$ 193,351.10
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	820,611.27
Due for commission and brokerage	5,000.00
All other liabilities	100,350.00
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of $1,000,000.00	$1,119,312.37
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	$1,510,133.47
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance written during the year	$1,405,935.00
Gross premiums received during the year	22,051.99
Premiums returned during the year	6,912.08
Losses paid during the year	1,757.71
Losses incurred during the year	1,839.68
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1917	904,381.00

By J. B. GUTHRIE, Ass't Secretary.

Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service:
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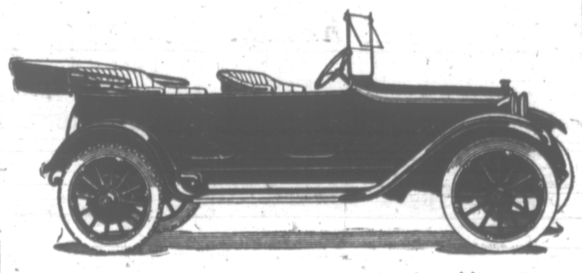

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