

George Roberts Named Head of Savings Concern

George M. Roberts, prominent Medford attorney, was elected president of the First Federal Savings and Loan association of this city at a meeting of the directors last week. Announcement was made Saturday that he has accepted the post held until recently by the late William H. Fluhrer.

Since coming to this city in 1912 Roberts has been active in civic and business affairs of this community. In 1916 he was elected district attorney and served for four years. Roberts was appointed a special prosecutor during the D'Autremont trial of 1927 and handled the defense of Horace Manning in a widely publicized case in 1934.

Prior to the acquisition of the Medford National bank by the U.S. National bank of Portland, Mr. Roberts was a director of the institution. He was elected president of the State Bar association in 1940, and is now a director of the California Oregon Power company.

The First Federal Savings and Loan association of Medford, which Roberts now heads, was chartered in 1934 to a group of Medford business men headed by Fred L. Heath, as president. The new company became a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank system, and secured insurance on all savings accounts up to \$5,000.

Although the institution was formed with assets of approximately \$60,000, growth brought the company's assets in 1940 to approximately \$287,000. At that time William H. Fluhrer became president and served in that capacity until his death. Assets have grown during the past eight years to \$914,000.

A. J. Hanby is vice-president of the association, R. F. Kyle is secretary-treasurer and manager and Mary Jane Myers is assistant to Kyle. The board of directors include Roberts, Hanby, Kyle, Herb Grey, Max Peirce and W. H. Reichstein.

Game Commission News

PUBLIC SHOOTING AREA ON MALHEUR REFUGE EXPECTED TO ATTRACT MANY HUNTERS

For the first time a portion of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's Malheur Bird Refuge will be opened as a public shooting area this season. The Fish and Wildlife Service has set

aside on area of from six to eight thousand acres of the 270 thousand acre refuge for the duck and goose hunters. The area is located near the Narrows between Malheur and Darney Lakes. The public shooting arrangement is of a cooperative nature with the Oregon State Game Commission furnishing personnel and managing the shooting area. Although the bulk of the shooting will be pass shooting, recent reports from the district state that there are many ducks and geese present and if weather conditions are favorable hunting success should be excellent.

The Game Commission will also be operating two other public shooting areas for waterfowl this year. The other two areas are at Summer Lake on the Game Commission Waterfowl Management Project and a large section of the Chewaucan Marsh located near Paisley, Oregon. Both of these public shooting grounds are located in Lake county and at each one a fee of two dollars a day will be charged. This fee is to offset the costs of administration. Due to the fact that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service maintains and administers the Malheur Wildlife Refuge no fee will be charged at the Narrows.

Recent reports from Summer Lake state that the largest concentration of Snow geese ever seen in the valley is now present. Conservative estimates by Game Commission field men state that there are better than 100 thousand of these geese in the valley with more arriving daily. A good concentration of ducks is also present, but the only honkers there at this time are those that nested and were hatched on the project this year.

Success on the Chewaucan area last year was higher than at Summer Lake, but this was probably due in part to the fact that comparatively few hunters took advantage of the opportunity of shooting in this district.

CROP Program To Start November 1st

Christian Rural Overseas program better known as CROP to the nation's farmers who have adopted it as their own European relief plan, is driving toward the opening of actual field collection of foodstuffs in 18 of Oregon's 36 counties on November 1. According to state CROP director Miles G. Blickenstaff, visits to farmers may be delayed in a few of the counties a week or ten days because organization of county committees has been late.

Seven of the Oregon CROP county groups have already set goals of at least one car of foodstuffs. Cheese milk (processed) eggs, grain and prunes are included in the contributions destined to European unfortunates.

"No effort will be made to develop regular CROP organizations in the other 18 counties because the time is too short," Blickenstaff reports. "Oregon's help to the hungry of Europe will be most valued during the winter, and must arrive overseas in December to give time for distribution. That means it must leave here about Thanksgiving."

"In counties where local CROP organizations do not exist, we will greatly appreciate the efforts of any farm or church organization, or any individual leaders to secure part of a car of food for the Oregon CROP train," Blickenstaff said. "Interest in our work has been shown in Malheur and other counties, and we expect to have several cars from 'unorganized' counties."

Tillamook, Benton, Umatilla, Polk, Washington, Gilliam, and Clackamas counties have fully organized CROP committees, and are engaging volunteer workers who

will call on farmers and accept contributions between November 1 and 11. Others now organizing and expected to be ready to take the field at the same time are Linn, Marion, Lane, Wasco, Sherman and Morrow counties. Those in which some delay is likely are Coos, Union, Douglas, and Yamhill.

Giving through CROP follows the American pioneer pattern of sharing goods with temporarily distressed neighbors. It is the farmer's own plan, with collections in the hands of farm and church people, and distribution abroad in church hands. Church World Service, Catholic Rural Life and Lutheran World Relief, sponsor the program.

"There have been a good many comforting assurances that Western European nations, through better crops, and through ECA and UN programs, are well along the recovery road," Blickenstaff said. "Circumstances of many people have no doubt improved, but are still far from good, as every visitor

can testify. In any event, CROP reaches people not touched by any other agency. It gives solely to the

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THE Oregon State Grange, now 75 years old, would be derelict in duty to its 32,000 members and to more than one million Oregon citizens if it did not point a finger of alarm and warning at an attempt by the Idaho Power Company to strip Oregonians of their fundamental rights in hydroelectric resources.

At issue is a bill (S.B. 99) amending licensing and acquisition provisions of the Oregon Hydroelectric Commission Act. Such an amended Act would permit the Idaho Power Company to erect a dam on the Snake River in eastern Oregon under conditions immediately favorable to it and entirely unfavorable to the long-range development of hydroelectric power for all Oregonians.

Unless you prevent such an attempt by a NO vote on November 2, a wise and just law that has been in force since 1931, and that has protected Oregon's river resources for Oregonians, will be changed and weakened to the point where your fundamental rights will forever be in jeopardy.

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