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BANK REPORTS SHOW PROGRESS

Springfield's Advancement Indicated
by Increase of Resources and Individual Deposits

There can be no more reliable criterion as to conditions in a town than its banking business.

Therefore the official financial statements of Springfield's banks published in this issue of the News are interesting as showing the city's commercial growth.

The total deposits in both of the banks have shown good big increase as compared with the last previous statements, issued about three months since.

Also, and indicating that more people are now making their homes in the city and adjacent country, both banks give the further and still more satisfactory information (not called for in the official statement) of substantial increase in the number of individual accounts.

STATE CONVENTION OF AMERICAN LEGION

[Furnished by Randall Scott delegate from Springfield Post].

The past week saw the organization of what is destined to be one of the most potent forces in the state, making for better citizenship and truer Americanism for generations to come.

The first Oregon state convention of the American Legion was convened at the Multnomah hotel, Portland, Wednesday afternoon, September 17.

It was eminently fitting that the session was called and addressed by that true American, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., one of the founders of the national movement.

Ninety-three delegates reported from all parts of the state. Oregon stands first in the number of posts organized in proportion to population, having in the neighborhood of fifty local organizations. Portland post leads with a membership of over 4,000, and it is estimated that there are in the state at large over 30,000 men who have served in enlisted service during the war and are therefore eligible to membership.

A banquet at the Multnomah hotel was followed by a stirring address on Americanism and the Legion by Mr. Roosevelt to 5,000 people in the municipal auditorium. The rousing reception accorded Mr. Roosevelt was only paralleled by that given the president earlier in the week.

The convention session proper was called to order Thursday morning by Chairman H. K. Zimmerman, of Astoria. The entire morning was consumed in hearing and debating the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws, headed by F. F. Korrell, of Portland. The constitution as finally adopted provides for an executive committee of fifteen, equally distributed throughout the three congressional districts. The only paid officer is the secretary, who will have his offices in Portland and will devote full time to work of organization and administration. By a majority vote of the convention, a measure was killed which was to have made the governor, speaker of the house, and president of the senate honorary members of the State Legion.

The afternoon was taken up with the consideration of resolutions submitted by the committee. The resolutions as passed, and which were published in the daily press, form a good index to the far-reaching interests of the movement, and bespoke its motto: "NOT POLITICS, BUT POLICIES".

A large planing mill at Coos Bay will suspend operations for lack of cars.

ONE MORE WEEK IN WHICH TO PAY TAXES

Penalties and Interest Added if Allowed To Become Delinquent

In order to avoid delinquency, with consequent charges of penalty and interest, the second installment of 1918 taxes paid in person must reach the sheriff's office not later than Saturday, October 4. All remittances sent by mail, however, and bearing post-mark date within the time limit will be accepted as of date of mailing.

The last day before delinquency, the day this year falls on Sunday, making payments in person necessary a day earlier, as the tax department closes on that day.

The law reads:

"The first half of all taxes legally levied and charged shall be paid on or before the 5th day of April next following, and the second half on or before the 5th day of October next following.

"Interest shall be charged and collected on any tax or half a tax, not so paid, at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction of a month until paid.

"All taxes not paid on or before the said 5th day of October shall become delinquent, and if not paid on or before the 5th day of November next following, a penalty of 5 per cent shall be charged and collected thereon, in addition to the interest provided therein.

"The days or dates herein specified and provided are final as to the application of all interest and penalty charges, irrespective of any such day or date falling on a Sunday or legal holiday."

A LITTLE BERRY TALE

W. T. West and son, 1 1/2 miles east of Newberg, planted blackcap raspberries in 11 acres young prune trees.

They sold \$4500 worth from this berry patch, a mere by-product of a young prune orchard.

This crop of small fruit grown as fillers in an orchard shows possibilities of this industry.

There is such a demand for young plants they can probably sell several thousand dollars worth of young canes that will now come up.

The first drainage district under the new bonding act is being formed in Multnomah county.

GAME SEASON FINALLY SETTLED

In an opinion given by Attorney-General George M. Brown to Mr. M. A. Biggs, district attorney for Harney county, the shooting season for ducks, geese and other migratory waterfowl has been definitely settled. Confusion has existed in the minds of many shooters on account of the difference in the federal and state seasons. The state can't legislate within the closed season of the federal regulations, but it can legislate within the open season. The federal open season is three and one-half months, but the state, if it cares to, may close any portion or all of this federal season. The shooting season, therefore, which must be observed by hunters throughout Oregon, is as follows:

For Multnomah, Clatsop and Tillamook counties, the open season begins on October 1st and closes December 31st. In all other counties of Game District No. 1, which comprises all that portion of Oregon lying west of the summit of the Cascade mountains, the season opens on October 16th and closes on January 15th. In all counties of Game District No. 2, which comprises all that portion of Oregon lying east of the summit of the Cascade mountains, the open season begins on October 1st and ends on December 31st.

It had been hoped that the federal and state laws would conform, and recommendations to this effect were made by the fish and game commission, the rod and gun clubs throughout the state, the Oregon Sportsmen's League, and many individual hunters who had given much study to the seasons. The original draft of the Game Code included a uniformity of seasons, but the position was taken by the game committee of the legislature that the federal regulations were unconstitutional and, therefore, would be inoperative. Since the legislature has adjourned, two federal courts have upheld the federal regulations. It was the clear intent of the legislature to give equal hunting seasons. This would have been accomplished had not the federal law intervened. The state law is operative and shall be enforced in so far as it does not conflict with the federal law. The dates given above are those within which hunters may shoot and be within both the federal and state law.

Roseburg growers have sold a hundred carloads of apples to Spokane packers.

SCHOOLS OPEN WITH 400 ENROLLMENT

Increase in Lower Grades—Shortage in High-School Attendance Due To Industrial Conditions

The Springfield city schools opened Monday morning with a total enrollment of four hundred. This is about the same as the opening attendance of last year and just thirty short of the opening week in 1917.

Enrollment in the lower grades shows an increase. In the first grade there are fifty-two beginners, compared with forty-three last year and thirty-nine in 1917. The shortage this year is in the upper grades and High school, and is no doubt due to present industrial conditions.

Following is the opening enrollment in the several grades:

Mrs. Page, First grade	35
Miss Halvorson, First and Second grades	28
Miss McCann, Second grade	33
Miss Kollogg, Third grade	34
Miss Lindahl, Fourth grade	34
Miss Stein, Fourth and Fifth grades	24
Mrs. Montgomery, Fifth grade	29
Mrs. Trachsel, Sixth grade	34
Junior High—Seventh and Eighth grades	60
High School—Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth grades	89

The teaching corps in the grades and High school have been assigned as follows:

- Elizabeth C. Page, First grade;
- Grace McCann, Second grade;
- Opal Halvorson, First and Second grades;
- Lois Kollogg, Third grade;
- Emelia Lindahl, Fourth grade;
- Eula Montgomery, Fifth grade;
- Charlotte H. Stein, Fourth and Fifth grades;
- Laura Trachsel, Sixth grade;
- Zelda Hamilton, History-Civics;
- Bertha Harpole, Geography-Agriculture;
- Jessamine Nelson, Language-Reading;
- Elizabeth James, Arithmetic;
- Margery Machen, Mathematics-Science;
- Vera Derflinger, English;
- Nora J. Plank, Commercial;
- Martha Williamson, Domestic Science;
- Harold M. Mabrey, Manual Training;
- F. M. Roth, principal of High school, History;
- F. B. Hamlin, superintendent, Algebra and Teachers' Training class.

CAR SHORTAGE STOPS LUMBER SHIPMENTS

Cottage Grove Sentinel: The annual car shortage is becoming serious with Cottage Grove shippers of lumber, and the result is that much lumber that could be sent out on orders already on hand is being piled on docks, thus adding the expense of extra handling. Some of the shippers claim to be receiving not over 25 per cent of their requirements and no immediate relief is promised. The Booth-Kelly company at Springfield claims to be 50 per cent short of its rolling stock requirements, so that all of the mills of the valley probably are affected.

Eugene Register: The following changes have been announced in the rural mail service out of Eugene, effective November 1: Leonard N. Mathews, of Goshen, has been appointed carrier on route No. 2, which serves the territory between Eugene and Springfield, and all north of Springfield between the forks of the Willamette and McKenzie. John R. Maxwell, who has been carrying route No. 2, will be transferred to route No. 3, relieving Miss Jane Irene Maxwell, who has been serving temporarily for several months.

OREGON LEADS WEST IN WAR SAVINGS

San Francisco, Sept. 26.—Three western states of the Twelfth federal reserve district, Oregon, Utah, and Nevada, ranked among the first ten states, territories, and possessions of the United States in the per capita savings and investments in thrift stamps, war-savings stamps, and treasury savings certificates for the first seven months of 1919, according to a report of the treasury department. Oregon took third place with a per capita investment of \$1.45 and a total of \$1,309,922.42; Utah eighth with an average individual investment of \$1.30 and a total of nearly \$600,000 while Nevada stood ninth with \$1.26 per capita and a total of approximately \$150,000.

Ohio led the nation. With an average purchase of \$2.41 the people of that state lent the government \$12,807,368.32, nearly twice as much as any other one state. In other words, Ohio is the thriftiest state in the nation. The Philippines was lowest with a per capita investment of .005.

The grand total subscribed by the fifty-three states, territories and possessions of the United States for the period of January 1 to July 31 was \$95,400,470.21.

The country is far behind the quota asked by the government at the beginning of the year to help meet the cost of the war. A per capita quota of ten dollars for every man, woman, and child in the country was set at that time, which would total \$1,000,000,000. If the people of the United States failed to sober up immediately from their spending "jag" and invest, they will pay that billion in taxes.

Oregon Weekly Industrial Review

Clackamas county is to vote on a \$1,700,000 road-paving bond issue.

Echo will vote on a water-bond issue November 4.

A new company has been formed to operate coal mines between Coquille and Bandon.

Cottage Grove is to have a \$130,000 garage building.

Roseburg is to have a new two-story garage building.

Portland is to get a \$35,000 knitting mill plant.

Corvallis—The Agricultural college gets \$30,000 for another dormitory.

Albany—A 60-stall apiary near this city produced 8,500 pounds of honey this season.

Work has started on Forest Grove's new Congregational church.

Hood River—Lack of laborers is holding back county highway work.

The Dalles has sold \$47,500 bonds and started street-paving work.

Hood River will ship out 100 carloads of potatoes.

Corvallis poultrymen are making extensive additions to their plants.

The Roseburg cannery has shipped two carloads to Des Moines, Iowa.

The new Farmers' State Bank opens at Wilbur October 1.

A confectioner at Albany is installing electric baking ovens.

Bend—120 acres of irrigated land near here sold for \$12,000.

Salem—The DesChutes County Irrigation Company has incorporated, with capital stock of \$50,000.

Lebanon is to have new shingle mill.

Baker—Two fine streaks of ore have been uncovered at the Highland mine.

Two Portland bakeries are to build \$30,000 additions.

Albany has awarded a \$13,646 contract for paving four streets.

Roseburg—Douglas county will have the largest prune crop on record.

Pendleton has authorized more paving and sewers.

Powers—A gold strike is reported near here assaying \$30,000 to the ton.

Traces of oil have been found in Coles Valley, Douglas county.

At the hearing of the meditation board in the matter of the Salem printers' wage scale it was shown that living expenses in the Capital City are lower than in fifty other cities.

