

### MEDFORD BREAKS P. OFFICE RECORD FOR YEAR 1921

Evidence of Medford's continued prosperity and gradual increasing consistent growth of postoffice receipts is shown by the fact that the Medford postoffice is now in the first class of post-offices, having gross over \$4,000 above the requirements in postal receipts, or 10 per cent. The classification is based on the receipts of the calendar year, although the official change from the second class to first class will not take place until July 1st, at the close of the fiscal year.

Medford's healthy financial condition is reflected unmistakably in the postoffice receipts in recent years. They have shown a steady consistent gain of about 20 per cent during the past year, going stronger in the last of the quarter than the beginning of the quarter, over the corresponding quarter of last year. There was a 24 per cent increase during the past quarter over the quarter of a year ago, and a 25 per cent increase in December over the same month last year. In fact it was the largest Christmas business last month in the history of the Medford postoffice. There has been a gradual increase in postal receipts, since 1917.

Postmaster Warner confidently states that the postal receipts will continue to increase. The recent locating here of the general offices of the California-Oregon Power company from San Francisco, and prospects that the big new saw mill and lumber plant of the Brownlee company will begin operating within the next year, together with other indications, insure increasing postal receipts, Mr. Warner says.

Not only that, but the local post-office is getting more inquiries from prospective locators in Medford from all parts of the United States, than ever before in the city's history—even in the boom days which reached the zenith in 1910.

### SAW MAJOR KILL DOUGHOY

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saw a sergeant while drunk kill a prisoner for asking for a slice of bread. The sergeant, he added, was not court-martialed as far as he knew.

John Fitzgerald of Pennsylvania who was locked up for being drunk, was named by Duner as the prisoner killed.

Duner also gave the names of witnesses, saying 150 negroes and 200 white men were present.

"We were going to mob the sergeant but there were too many automatics," he continued. "Later the colonel, a big Pollock, came up in his limousine and asked if anybody there saw the shooting. Seven of us stepped forward and they put us right away in solitary on bread and water."

Duner, a tall fair-haired chap, gave the committee a refreshing touch of comedy in describing some of the hardships at a Coblenz prison.

"They had a lieutenant, a regular snowbird all hit up," he said. "He used to come back from Italy, where he went for his dope, then he would stand up and say, 'boys, I am glad to see you.' I guess he was for he got us out at midnight for inspection."

U. S. Debt Cut \$180,000,000. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—A reduction of the public debt of more than \$180,000,000 during December has been announced by the treasury, the total debt on December 31 was \$23,619,985,725 on November 30.

### EAGLE POINT BOY ARRESTED UPON FORGERY CHARGE

Jack Winkle, young man of Eagle Point, was taken into custody on a charge of forgery and a charge of having insufficient funds in the bank, by Deputy Sheriff Millard yesterday, and is being held on \$500 bail. His arraignment has been set for next Tuesday before Acting Justice of the Peace Farrell, in order to give the county prosecutor further time to investigate. It is alleged that Winkle passed a \$50 check on the Medford Auto company recently in payment on an automobile he had purchased, whereas he had no funds in the bank, and that further he forged a check for \$17.50 and passed it on C. F. Reichstein. Winkle had been employed as a section hand for some time past.

### Local Briefs

The price of stamped envelopes decreased the first of the year at the postoffice, from 50 cents to \$1.00 a 1000, according to the size and quality, in large lots.

Herbert Guenther, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Guenther, suffered a bad fracture of the right wrist last Friday while cranking a car.

Rain is again the prediction for tonight and Friday. The weather has been moderating the past 24 hours, the maximum of Wednesday being 35 degrees.

Mrs. G. M. Roberts and children will leave Sunday night to visit at Mrs. Roberts' former home in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster, who had been located in Medford for several months past, left Wednesday for Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Fred L. Heath left yesterday afternoon for Oakland, where she will visit her son Frederick and his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Huntington, who spent the Christmas vacation in Salem visiting Mrs. Huntington's parents, returned to Medford the first of the week.

The condition of Paul Leonard, who was operated upon for appendicitis at the Dow Association hospital, Tuesday morning, is still reported as satisfactory.

The next session of the grand jury will be called the third Monday in February. When the jury completes the work of the February term a new grand jury will be drawn.

J. A. Millard, of Medford, was in the city Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of obtaining a concession from the board of directors of the irrigation district to install a service station about half a mile above the dam. In exchange for the concession, Millard proposes to clear the brush from a tract of land bordering the river and will make an attractive auto camping park for tourists. He also includes the placing of several boats on the river at the camp site. The board is taking the matter under advisement.—Grants Pass Courier.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting There will be an adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Western Oil Company held at the office of F. J. Newman, in the Palm Building, Medford, Oregon, at eight o'clock p. m. tonight, at which meeting all stockholders, or other persons interested, are urged to be present, as matters of great importance to the stockholders will be considered. Please be on hand promptly at eight o'clock p. m. 244 F. J. NEWMAN, Secretary.

### G. HILL PROTESTS REAPPOINTMENT ROAD SUPERVISOR

A delegation of Gold Hill and environ citizens called upon the county court Wednesday, and protested against the reappointment of William Van Houten as road supervisor for that district. No recommendations were made for a successor, and the county court took no action.

The dissatisfaction over Van Houten, according to members of the court centers upon his refusal to rehire his neighbors who quit county road work for higher paid employment, and were refused jobs when they came back. Van Houten is classified as an expert and efficient roadbuilder by the court.

The county court delayed the work of drawing a jury list for the coming year, for a week or ten days, owing to the amount of detail necessary, with the placing of women on the list. The law leaves it optional with the woman whether she serves or not, but is compulsory with the men. It is held that the new law increases the expense and decreases the efficiency. Two hundred and fifty names one-half women, will be drawn.

The remainder of the session was devoted to auditing bills and attending to routine matters.

### PORTLAND MAN SHOOTS HIS WIFE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 5.—William J. Johnston, employed at a street car barn, shot his wife and himself at their home here today, according to the police who said jealousy was the cause of his act. Both were taken to a hospital in the same ambulance. Johnston was unconscious.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 5.—Numerous counterfeit \$10 and \$20 bills have been passed here recently, according to government operatives, who are of the opinion that the spurious currency has been manufactured here.

The bills are one-eighth of an inch shorter and narrower than the genuine.

### MINERS REFUSE TO TAKE WAGE CUT

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Jan. 5.—When an attempt was made to open mine No. 2 of the Davis Coal company at Scott's Run, near here, at a lower wage scale today, several score miners declined to work and nailed up the entrance to the plant. They then marched through the district in an attempt to bring out employees at other mines and held several mass meetings. Leaders of the men said they would not return to the Davis mine until assured they would be paid according to the scale agreed upon in 1920.

Salem Births Exceed Deaths. SALEM, Ore., Jan. 5.—Births exceeded deaths in the city of Salem by 56 during the year ending January 1, according to figures announced by the city health bureau today. There were 387 children born during the year, and 331 deaths were recorded. Five more boys than girls were born during the year.

### BUILDING BOOM IN CITY CONTINUES, NEW PLANS MADE

The increased building activity which began in the city some time ago shows no signs of abating. New residences are going up in every section of the city and although some of them are not pretentious, all give promise of being structures which will reflect credit upon the community.

The bungalows built by Henry Callaghan and Carl Bowman on South Holly street and the C. I. Hutchison residence on West Main are nearly complete and ready for occupancy.

A. J. Vance is erecting a bungalow on West Main near Orange. C. J. Seaman is constructing a modern stucco residence on Crater Lake avenue. Ben Lindas and family moved the first of the year into a California bungalow situated on Crater Lake avenue finished recently by R. C. Kinley.

Frank P. Farrell of the Medford Land and Insurance company is erecting two strictly modern three room bungalows on Oakdale near the Washington school. These structures will incorporate every modern convenience.

An up-to-date duplex bungalow on South Riverside is just receiving the finishing touches of the painter's brush and tenants are at the present making arrangements to occupy it. This structure has been built by W. H. Merritt.

It is understood that other buildings and residences are under construction between this city and Ashland and between here and Central point and that many other Medford people are contemplating building in the near future.

### CLEANUP WEEK FOR METHODIST EPISCOPAL

SPOKANE, Jan. 5.—Methodist Episcopal churches of the Portland area, which includes Washington and Oregon, have set aside the first week of next April as "cleanup week" when churches and parsonages and surrounding grounds will be renovated.

This was announced today following the close here last night of the two-day session of district superintendents of the area. Other action included:

Endorsement of the appeal of the Kimball school of Theology at Salem, Ore., for a loan of \$5,000 from the Methodist board of equalization; designation of March 12 as a day when the interests of the school should be presented in all Methodist churches of Washington and Oregon.

### News Summary of Last Night

WASHINGTON—Representative Britton's resolution would request Harding to suggest to arms conference withdrawal of all allied troops on Rhine.

New York—\$40,000 worth of silk and truck taken in daylight holdup.

Washington—Japan has accepted in principle all Root resolutions concerning submarines. Kato announced.

Philadelphia—Sprunt announced he would not resign to take senatorship.

Washington—Senate prepared for final fight in Ford-Newberry contest.

Washington—Major H. L. Opte denies charges of shooting soldiers before senate.

Washington—Mrs. A. Mitchell Palmer, wife of former attorney general dies.

### Market News

Livestock. PORTLAND, Jan. 5.—Livestock market unchanged.

Butter. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 5.—Butter steady. Extra cubes 25¢@30¢; under grades 20¢@22¢; cartons 40¢; prints 35¢. Butterfat No. 1 churning cream 55¢ f. o. b. Portland; undergrades 54¢.

Portland Wheat. PORTLAND, Jan. 5.—Wheat: Hard white, hard winter 11.06; soft white, white club, northern spring 11.05; red Walla 11. Today's car receipts—Wheat 40; flour 7; hay 4.

San Francisco Market. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(State Division of Markets)—Broilers 35¢@35c. Celery \$2.20@3.75; lettuce \$1.50@2.75; mushrooms, small box, 50¢@75¢; onions white globes \$6.50@7.50; spinach, 7¢@10¢; sweet potatoes \$3.75@4.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Butter extra 29 1/2¢. Eggs, extra 41¢; extra pullets, 37¢; undersized No. 1, 34¢.

### PHOENIX MEN PLAN A NEW YEAR'S MEET

An evening of music, brief "New Year's" talks, and a general good time, with refreshments, has been arranged by the Phoenix Brotherhood for Friday night, Jan. 6th, at Clyde hall, Phoenix, beginning at 7:30. All the members of the Brotherhood and other men of the village and vicinity are invited individually or with their ladies as desired.

Among the subjects to be presented and discussed in short talks are, "The Farmers in 1921-22," "Some Notable Things in Science During 1921," "The World Internationally and Otherwise This Year." These will be brief and snappy, and the "after dinner hour" will be worth a whole evening. If you are looking for a good time come.

### MILD ATTACK ON JAP PACT

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It is asserted that the purpose of the contract being the maintenance of the rights of the parties, when aggression threatens those rights and the parties meet and determine the efficient means of meeting the aggression, they are in honor bound to execute the "means" decided upon. Unless behind the treaty there is the power to enforce it, and the understanding that the power shall be used to meet the exigencies of the particular situation, the instrument is a useless and futile ultimatum.

"In arriving at the correct construction we may be assisted by the final conclusions reached by all parties upon the cognate provision of the League of Nations covenant. Here are Article II. of the Quadruple Alliance and Article X. of the League:

"The New Quadruple Alliance—Preamble provides for 'maintenance of the rights of the parties to their insular possessions and insular dominions.'

"Article II.—If the said rights are threatened by the aggressive action of any other power, the high contracting parties shall communicate with one another fully and frankly in order to arrive at an understanding as to the most efficient measures to be taken, jointly and separately to meet the exigencies of the particular situation.

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"Article X. of the League of Nations—The members of the league undertake to respect and preserve against external aggression the territorial integrity and existing political independence of all members of the league. In case of any such aggression, the council shall advise upon the means by which this obligation shall be fulfilled.

"It was finally conceded that under Article X. of the League of Nations, if there was the aggression therein referred to, the members of the league were obligated, if necessary, to employ their armed forces to repel the aggression. Article X. of the league undertakes to respect and preserve the territorial integrity of the members of the league. Article II. of the new alliance undertakes to maintain the rights of the parties in their insular possessions and insular dominions, and this means to maintain Japan's rights in Japan against any aggression.

Jap Premier Quoted "The Japanese premier speaking of the new treaty, recently said: "The quadruple entente, which for Japan replaces the Anglo-Japanese alliance, is much wider in bearing and removes all chances of war. The Washington conference has opened a new epoch in the Pacific and the world. I believe the entente will result in making the Japanese people happier because it will lighten their burdens, and that by reason of the guarantee we obtain the position of Japan is strengthened in the far east."

"Here is an official utterance that the new alliance supersedes the old offensive and defensive British-Japanese alliance, and is much wider in bearing and that its guarantee strengthens Japan's position in the far east. "Because the New York Times was the leading exponent of the League of Nations covenant and is now one of the leading advocates of the Quadruple Alliance, its construction of the two provisions is pertinent and instructive. It calls Article II. of the new alliance a clumsy paraphrase of the second sentence of Article X. of the covenant and says:

"Mr. Lodge and other enemies of the league covenant have undertaken a deal of explaining to make it appear that under Article II. the use of power is not provided for. Their protestations are futile. The use of power is implied quite as clearly in the new treaty as in the old.

Again: "The effect of the instrument, broadly speaking, is to make the

United States a party to an agreement which the League of Nations has already made binding upon the other three parties. "This construction of the treaty is that if the parties agree upon the 'efficient means' of meeting an aggression, they must carry out their agreement and execute those means with their power and their armed forces. From the language employed no other logical conclusion apparently is possible.

Of course what I write is written of the document as it was put before us. The policy of treaties of this sort has been so recently discussed that at the moment I do not attempt to reiterate views held in common with the overwhelming majority of our people. Upon the facts now presented and the treaty as it stands, among many others, is the one important question—Shall the United States, either jointly with Great Britain and France or separately, guarantee or underwrite Japan?

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Everything marked down.		\$2.45 Comforts	\$1.79
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Children's Rubbers 49c, 77c		\$6.00 Comforts	\$4.39
Men's Rubbers	\$1.29	Shoes	
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Heavy Fleece Cotton Union Suits, sizes 42, 44, 46	\$1.59	1 lot \$3.50 Shoes, this sale	\$2.29
Men's Heavy Wool Mixed Union Suits	\$2.29	Infant's Shoes .95c to \$1.79	
Men's Heavy Wool Unions	\$3.95	\$4.50 Growing Girl's Shoes	\$3.49
Men's extra heavy All Wool Union Suits	\$4.39	Overalls and Coveralls	
Boy's heavy Cotton Union Suits now	98c	Men's 220 weight Blue Bib Overalls, on sale	\$1.10
Gloves		Men's Heavy Blue Bib Overalls	98c
A big stock of Men's Gloves of all kinds. On sale at greatly reduced prices.		Boys' Overalls 75 and 95c	
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