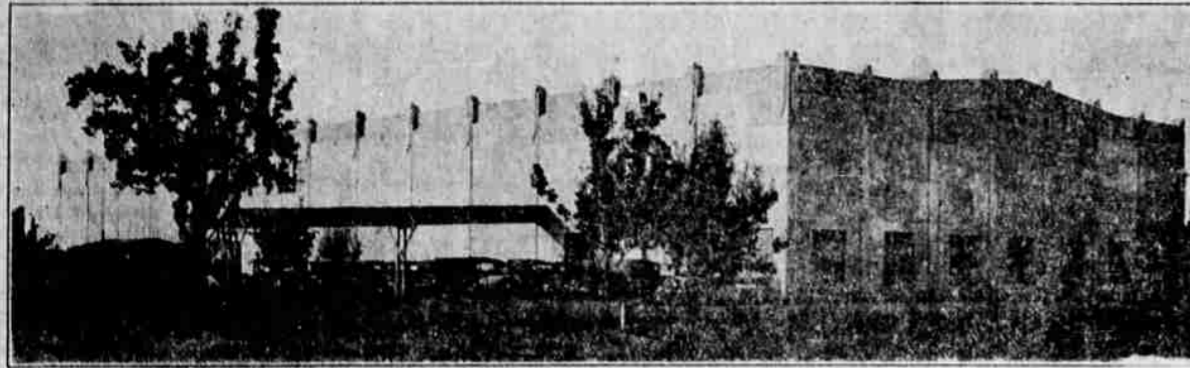


Southern Oregon Sales Completes \$200,000 Plant During 1929



One of the outstanding building projects of the 1929 season was the erection of a new packing, pre-cooling and storage plant...

The Southern Oregon Sales, Inc., during the past year, completed a new packing, pre-cooling and cold storage plant at Pacific Highway and Stewart Avenue.

States Department of agriculture, in making experimental shipping of heavy lardings, and the 720-package load was the result.

P. O. RECEIPTS SHOW STEADY CITY GROWTH

1929 Breaks All Records at Medford Postoffice—Total Approximately \$92,000, a 5 Per Cent Gain Over 1928—3 Times Total 10 Years Ago.

Table with columns for Year, Amount, and Receipts. Shows annual postal receipts for Medford, OR, from 1910 to 1929.

A far cry from the little post-office in 1910 when George Martin was postmaster and carried on a blacksmith business on the side, assisted by two men in the office, is the Medford postoffice of today with a payroll of 37 men under the direction of Postmaster William J. Warner, who reports that 1929 was the most prosperous year in the history of the office.

Since then growth has been steady, each year finding the post-office ahead of the mark of the previous year, causing additional help to be employed.

FIRE LOSES PAST YEAR HIT LOW RECORD

Medford Has One of the Best Fire Departments of Any City Its Size on Coast—New Fire Hall Built in 1929.

A credit to Medford is the construction of the new central fire station completed during 1929 on Front street at the intersection of Third and is pointed out as one of the best equipped fire halls in Oregon.

The fire department each year on Armistice day also gives exhibition drills at the Medford hotel in the use of life lines, life nets and other life saving equipment.

By years, fire losses for Medford are as follows: 1925, \$42,994.22; 1926, \$28,144.71; 1927, \$28,587.12; 1928, \$18,821.70; 1929, \$18,971.83.

Medford's New Central Fire Station Erected During 1929



Medford's Central Fire Station, constructed during 1929 at the corner of Front and Third streets. The Medford Fire Department's fire fighting equipment is also shown.

Office building of S. O. S.—showing General Manager Paul Scherer on extreme right and office force consisting of Vernon Turpin, Mrs. Royce Finley, Stephen Benson, Mrs. Dorothy Torrey, Luther Deuel, Major S. M. Tuttle, assistant manager, is not shown in picture.

SHIPMENTS OF PRODUCTS FOR 1929 LARGE

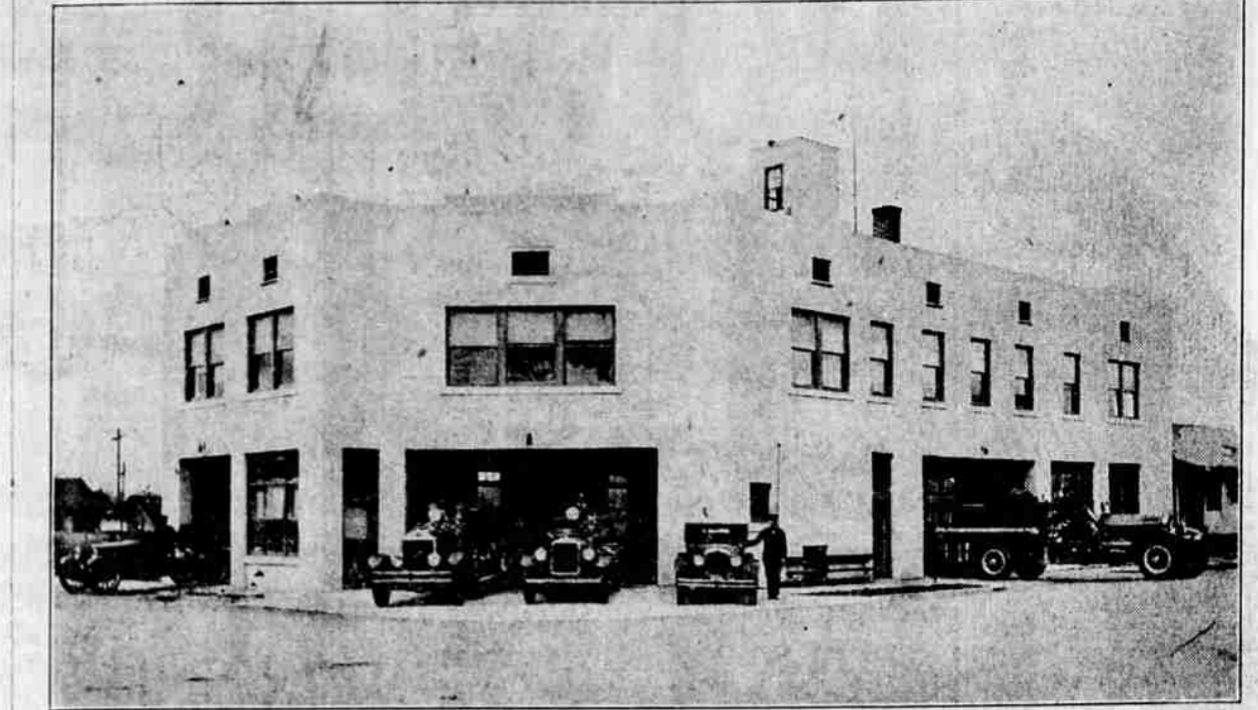
Estimate Value of Products Shipped at \$12,250,000—Greatest Revenue From Fruit Crop—4000 Carloads of Lumber Shipped During Past Year.

If figures of carlot shipments from Medford and nearby Jackson county points during the past year are fairly accurate, estimates place the value of products shipped at \$12,250,000, of which the fruit crop is valued at one-half.

The 1929 crop of pears and apples resulted in gross revenue of \$4,127,649, of which apples brought in \$1,111,434. A total of 4871 cars were shipped, according to chamber of commerce figures.

The same is true of the various other products shipped from the valley, with the majority shipped from this city. Medford Chamber of Commerce figures recently compiled estimated the following carload shipments: Lumber, 4,980; cannery products, 225; cement, 1299; box shuck, 875; grass seed, and allied products, 18; poultry, 27; vegetables and small fruits, 60; miscellaneous, 39.

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Keynote, Civic Council Work

Perhaps a statement as to the conditions leading up to the formation of the Central Civic Council, and an explanation as to its functions, is the subject of this article.

Applied to other community welfare projects. The Central Civic Council does not in any way usurp the functions of commerce, nor does it attempt to in any way interfere with matters of civic administration.

By K. I. Dazey. The organization is yet in its infancy, and therefore cannot make an exhaustive report to the community of any major achievements.

Jackson County Has An Ideal Location

Jackson county is located in the southern part of western Oregon. The county is bounded by the Cascade, Coast, Siskiyou and Umpqua ranges of mountains.

The statement that "In unity there is strength" while it may be a hackneyed truth, is nevertheless a truth, and in existing and securing the combined support of the various organizations whose individual members have pledged themselves to community service and to ethical conduct, there can be no question but that an opportunity for definite and constructive accomplishment is before us.

New Secrets of Our Universe Shown by Harvard Astronomers

"All things flow," said Heraclitus 2,500 years ago, and the latest findings of astronomers at the Harvard college observatory, confirm this ancient guess.

Group of ninety peculiar stars known as eclipsing binaries. They are so called because under the telescope each star is found to be really a system of two stars revolving around their common center of gravity.

On a recent visit there, George W. Gray writes in the Washington Star, as I sat in his office asking Dr. Harlow Shapley about these things, he picked up a recent photograph made with one of the powerful telescopes at the Harvard southern station.

"It seems to me that we have possibly a key to the process by which our Milky Way has been built up," continued Dr. Shapley. "Every time one of the globular clusters sweeps through our system it is subjected to the enormous gravitational pull of the larger mass of the Milky Way. Thus stars are drawn away from it, while clusters may be captured, and it is not improbable that the great open cluster of blue giant stars in Orion is the remnant of a globular cluster which invaded our system trillions of years ago.