

STATE CAPITOL NEWS

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SALEM—Cash on hand in the state treasury shows a decline of approximately \$7,000,000 in the past 18 months, according to a report by State Treasurer Walker a Pearson.

The state's bonded debt after payment of bonds due on October 1, last, was \$38,718,085. Interest paid to date on state bonds issued since 1917 amounts to \$46,667,941.57, or \$8,000,000 in excess of the remaining indebtedness.

The motor transport division of the Public Utilities Commission paid a total of \$1,113,923 into the state highway fund during the first ten months of 1939, according to Commissioner O. R. Bean.

While it yet remains for the supreme court to speak the final word Circuit Judge Lewelling this week probably pointed the way to solution of the controversy over the 1939 tax foreclosure act when he held the time element in the measure to be directory and not mandatory.

Possibility that the huge area contained in the so-called Tillamook burn in Tillamook, Washington and Clatsop counties may be ultimately converted into a public reserve was hinted at in discussions at the forestry board meeting here Saturday.

Oregon industries hit a new high since 1929 during October, according to records of the State Industrial Accident Commission. The October payrolls of industries in this

state totalled \$15,983,573, according to reports filed with the commission. This represents an increase of \$1,664,284 over the payroll figures for October, 1938.

The state forestry board is preparing to bring a friendly suit to test out the validity of its claim for some 200,000 in delinquent fire patrol assessments owing the state by a number of counties. Just what county will be used as the defendant in the suit has not yet been decided.

Budget Director David Eccles is hopeful of trimming nearly \$500,000 from the budgeted expenditures of state activities during the current biennium. Offers of co-operation in his request for a 7 1/2 per cent cut in departmental and institution budgets received by the director, he says, give assurance of a saving of \$466,849.

State employees and officials will have to continue breathing the germs, if any, that gather on the telephone mouthpiece. The board of control this week turned thumbs down on the offer of a company which specializes in cleaning and fumigating telephone equipment.

Interest in the state land board's plan to block large areas of grazing land in eastern Oregon has been revived by announcement of a conference to be held in Salem December 16 to be attended by members of the recently appointed advisory committee and E. H. Rutledge, director of grazing in the federal department of agriculture.

ALBERTA VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Recla and daughter of Kingman Colony and Ed and Phillip Schwer helped the Frank Winkel family celebrate Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brood, who have been visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tensen, left Friday for their home in Yreka, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jensen entertained Mrs. Mary Jensen, Miller, Vera and Lyle, and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tensen and Neil at Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ray and son visited at the Jim Armstrong home in Riverview Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burbank, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hill and Therman, and Joe Buchner had Thanksgiving dinner at the Melvin Jensen home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tensen and Neil and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jensen and family visited Mrs. T. M. Beranek and Carl at Baker Sunday.

Mrs. Gerrit Groot visited Mrs. Dick Tensen and Mrs. Betty LaFrenz in Nyssa Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tensen and Dick and Mr. and Mrs. John Brood were in Nampa Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Post and family of Nyssa visited at the Guy Sweet home Tuesday.

C. M. Tensen attended the horse sale at Ontario Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Loftin of Norwood, Idaho, arrived Wednesday to spend the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Groot, Mrs. Pete Tensen and Mrs. John Brood called on Mrs. Betty LaFrenz in Nyssa Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiasa Tensen entertained at Thanksgiving dinner Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Johnson, Leonard Glascock and Ruby Bogart of Vale, Mr. and Mrs. Les Bogart and Earl and Mrs. Maud Bogart and Woodrow.

Gerrit Stam celebrated his birthday Tuesday with many friends and relatives of the surrounding community calling.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Z. Matthews and family had Thanksgiving dinner at the Joe Matthews home in Payette Sunday.

Edna Hallock and Esther Sweaney spent Sunday with Vivian Higby in Apple Valley.

Don Toomb spent the week-end at Emmett with his folks.

Mrs. W. P. Sewell of Nampa spent the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jensen.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Davidson of Parma, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hart of Oregon Trail and Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Stam were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Case Muntjewerff in Big Bend.

Rickus Van Twick of Valley View, Kees Blocker of Ontario and Pete Tensen were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Groot.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sager and daughter of Weiser and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Klinkenburg and son of Nyssa had Thanksgiving dinner at the Ed Wolfe home.

Marjorie Groot attended Barbara Brown's birthday party in Nyssa Heights Sunday afternoon.

Cooper and Thelma Kelch had Mrs. I. L. Cooper and Thelma Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Dick Butcher at Vale.

Mrs. Luther Fife was a business visitor in Ontario Saturday.

Melvin Jensen bought 28 head of cattle in Weiser Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wolfe and Mrs. Eva Quinley visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sager in Weiser Sunday.

Floyd Rogers of Nyssa had Thanksgiving dinner at the Grant Hallock home.

Mrs. Ethel Lankford and Mrs. Luther Fife were business visitors at Letha, Idaho, Sunday.

Reverend Scherich visited at the O. Z. Matthews home Monday evening.

Mrs. Ed Wolfe and Mrs. Eva Quinley spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Gilbert Klinkenburg in Nyssa.

Virgil Johnson called at the O. Z. Matthews home on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tensen, Mr. and Mrs. Kiasa Tensen and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Groot helped Mrs. Pete Tensen celebrate her birthday on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howell and family of Nyssa, Clifford and B. B. Kelly had Thanksgiving dinner at the Archie Howell home.

Mrs. Lawrence Jensen and son of Twin Falls have been visiting with Mrs. Christine Jensen last week.

O. Z. Matthews was in Cascade on business Tuesday.

BIG BEND—A chicken house containing about 300 chickens was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning on the Hofstetter ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Brumbach and children of Pendleton arrived Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving in the parental E. H. Brumbach home.

Other guests at the Thanksgiving dinner were Mrs. Irene Nighingale of Ontario and Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Pheasant. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Brumbach returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hatch and Merle of Bend arrived Thursday at the Harvey Hatch home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Case Muntjewerff were Thanksgiving guests of their son Gerrit and family in Adrian.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Roberts and daughter of Baker spent last Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Roberts.

Miss Virginia Miller, who attends the university, spent her Thanksgiving holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Miller and returned to Eugene Saturday.

Mrs. W. F. Hamilton and little son left for Knox City, Missouri, to spend a month visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris and children of Vale, Mr. and Mrs. E. Eskew and Kenneth and Mrs. L. Eachus were Thanksgiving guests in the Claude Eachus home.

Members of the Wade In club spent Friday evening roller skating in Nampa.

Viola McGinnis of Nyssa visited over the week-end with her sister Rose McGinnis.

Club meets Tuesday at the home of Mrs. H. B. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Welsh were guests at the Earl Osborne home in Kingman Colony for Thanksgiving dinner.

Mrs. H. B. Williams visited Mrs. Geo. Kaylor Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvon McGinnis entertained at a Thanksgiving dinner for relatives those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith and children.



Wm. Fretwell and sons transacted business in Caldwell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Higgins were Ontario visitors Saturday.

Mrs. H. R. Hatch spent Thanksgiving day at the CCC camp with Mr. Hatch.

Miss June Clark left for Pendleton Wednesday evening to spend her Thanksgiving vacation with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schelmer and children of Newell Heights were Thanksgiving guests in the Elfers home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Stam of Nyssa, Mr. and Mrs. Z. Davidson of Parma and Mr. and Mrs. Hart of Owyhee were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Case Muntjewerff.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mauer and his parents of Wilder and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Prosser and children were guests in the George Swiger home Sunday when Mrs. Swiger was honor guest at a birthday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ferguson and children of Apple Valley were Sunday dinner guests in the Hatch home.

The Jolly Janes prepared a sunshine box which they presented to Mrs. Harry Russell Wednesday. Mrs. Russell has been confined to her home several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism.

Miss Melba Fisher, who spent the past two weeks visiting relatives at Culver City, Calif., returned home Friday evening.

E. H. Brumbach and Joe transacted business in Caldwell Wednesday.

MUCH ENTERTAINING ON THANKSGIVING

NEWELL HEIGHTS—Mr. and Mrs. Roy McNeal of Lincoln Heights were dinner guests at the Cecil Smith home Sunday. In the afternoon both families visited the Glenn McGinnis home at Mitchell Butte.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Collins of Nampa and Otis Kurtz of Middleton were Thanksgiving dinner guests at the M. L. Kurtz home.

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Mike Woods and M. L. Kurtz were Nyssa and Ontario business visitors Wednesday afternoon.

well and Ray and Jesse Huffman and Mr. and Mrs. Huffman.

J. S. Stout and Leo Wood have been sawing apple wood the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Van Landingham were callers in the community Sunday.

A surprise miscellaneous shower was given Mrs. Allen Reed Tuesday afternoon at the Emil Vertrees home where Mr. and Mrs. Reed are staying during Mr. and Mrs. Emil Vertrees absence. Mrs. Reed was called to the Apple Valley packing house one day last week where the crew presented her with a combination electric toaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Leigh of Parma spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Howard Jones.

Lawrence Cornell is hauling wood from the hills for sale as fuel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller spent Sunday afternoon at the Leon Morgan home in Ten Davis.

Grandma Barker and Mrs. L. Cornell were guests of Mrs. Howard Jones Thursday.

Miss Mayme Rucker was an overnight guest at the Pettit Bailey home Sunday.

DeWayne Conyers and Albert Baxter, who are enrolled in the same CCC camp as is Ross Summy called at the E. A. Summy home on Sunday evening as they were going back to Chatcolet.

Mrs. Levi Stephens was on the sick list last week.

Correcting an error in last week's news: The Christmas party of the Ladies Aid will be Thursday, Dec. 21st at the J. H. Correll home instead of Dec. 23 as it appeared in the last issue. A gift exchange among children present as well as adult aiders is to be part of the program.

Lawrence McCrory heard recently from his sister, Mrs. Mayfield, who is now somewhat better after a long illness after leaving Idaho and returning to Illinois.

Mrs. Poage and Mrs. Waldo Smalley spent Tuesday in Nampa, guests of Mrs. Poage's daughter, Mrs. Floyd Scott.

John Peterson spent from Thursday until Sunday noon visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Erick Peterson. He returned to Riggins Sunday evening.

The farm known as the old Rucker farm, sold recently for \$700, it is reported. Dave Magee, who rented the place last year, has been looking for a location, but like many others, Mr. Magee finds good farms are scarce and are held at a premium. The Fred Osterkamp farm, according to reports, was also sold and several changes in this locality are expected.

Everett Fritts and Reuben Henshaw were business visitors in Ontario recently.

Mrs. Howard Jones is giving a shower Saturday afternoon complimenting Mrs. Lawrence Cornell, who before her marriage was Miss Edna Baker.

Mrs. Charles Huffman entertained at dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bailey, Miss Irene Weeks and Miss Thelma Root of Nyssa, Mr. Dudley King of Ros-

Visit Pastor— Last Sunday morning six young people from Kuna, Idaho, were guests at the local Methodist Community church. They had brought a lunch with them, which was warmed up in the basement of the church, where they ate with the pastor, Rev. Millard Scherich. Until about two months ago, Dr. Scherich was pastor of the Methodist church at Kuna.

In Boise— Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Wray spent Thanksgiving day in Boise.

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