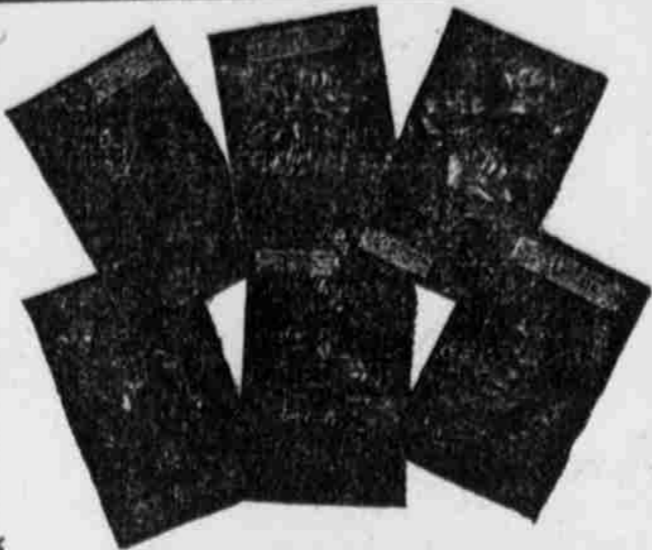


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Washington News

Rhode Island was the first state to have its 1910 census announced. It has 428,556 people. The increase in ten years is 118,000.

Washington City will have one of the first postal savings banks.

A total of 7,145 national banks in the United States responded to the call of the comptroller of the currency for reports on their condition at the close of business on June 30, last. This is an increase of 219 banks since June 23, 1909. The latest returns, announced by the treasury, show that individual deposits have increased \$388,639,616 during that period; loans and discounts increased \$394,275,670, total resources increased \$424,892,033; capital stock increased \$52,563,078 and the surplus and other profits increased \$54,320,283. Circulation increased \$34,320,283. The stated aggregate of resources and liabilities is \$9,896,624,697. The percentage of legal reserves to deposits is 21.22 and percentage of deposits of cash on hand, redemption fund and due from reserve agents is 24.44. The grand aggregate capital stock paid in was \$989,567,114, surplus fund \$644,857,482, undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, \$216,546,125, national bank notes outstanding \$675,682,565, and individual deposits \$5,287,216,312. The total loans and discounts were \$5,430,159,187.

It is reported and generally accepted as true that the republican majority on the Ballinger committee has prepared a report completely exonerating the secretary of the treasury. Representative James has written a minority opinion which takes issue with the majority. The report will probably be made public September 5.

Samuel Gompers has signed a peace agreement with the stove foundry concern and the federal case wherein he was committed for contempt of court will be dropped.

Consul General John L. Griffiths of London has made a report on English postal savings bank for the year 1908. From this report the following synopsis was made by Arthur W. Dunn, Washington correspondent for the St. Louis Star: "With more than three-quarters of a billion dollars of the people's savings deposited in her postal savings banks, England is very well satisfied. The most interesting facts presented by Consul General Griffiths are as follows: In 1908 there were 18,379,991 deposits, aggregating \$217,877,011, and \$9,922,169 withdrawals, aggregating \$220,916,714. The amount withdrawn during 1908 exceeded the amount deposited by \$3,039,703, but in 1907 when financial conditions were less stable the amount withdrawn exceeded the amount deposited by \$10,785,838. The total sum to the credit of the 11,018,251 depositors in the postoffice savings bank on December 31, 1908, was \$781,794,533. Friendly societies opened 227 accounts in the British postoffice savings bank in 1908 and 2,602 accounts were opened by charitable, provident and trade societies. Soldiers stationed abroad are able to remit money for deposit in the British postoffice savings bank through the British war office. In 1908 there were 27,999 such deposits made, aggregating \$210,724. A number of penny banks scattered throughout Great Britain invest their funds in the postoffice savings bank, and a number of

schools make use of the stamp deposit system. More than 5,000 schools in this way encourage habits of thrift in their pupils."

A Washington dispatch to the New York World says: "Cable dispatches to the insular bureau of the war department announce the death of First Lieutenant Edward Y. Miller, U. S. A., governor of Palawan in the Philippines. Beyond that he was drowned last month the dispatches give no details; but they add that the 28,000 natives are inconsolable. The islands had come to revere Miller. Cables from Manila report that in connection with the installation of a new governor, Dean C. Worcester, American secretary of the interior for the Philippines, narrowly escaped assassination by Moro outlaws on the island of Palawan. He was saved by the alertness of his bodyguard, who fired upon the Moros, killing three and wounding others. Secretary Worcester, who was making a tour of the island, was present at the installation. A band of Moros, having planned his death, armed themselves with bolos, and lay in ambush, from which they made a sudden and savage rush upon the secretary."

Senator Bristow, speaking at Manhattan, Kan., charged that Speaker Cannon aided Guggenheim in bringing about legislation favorable to the smelter trust.

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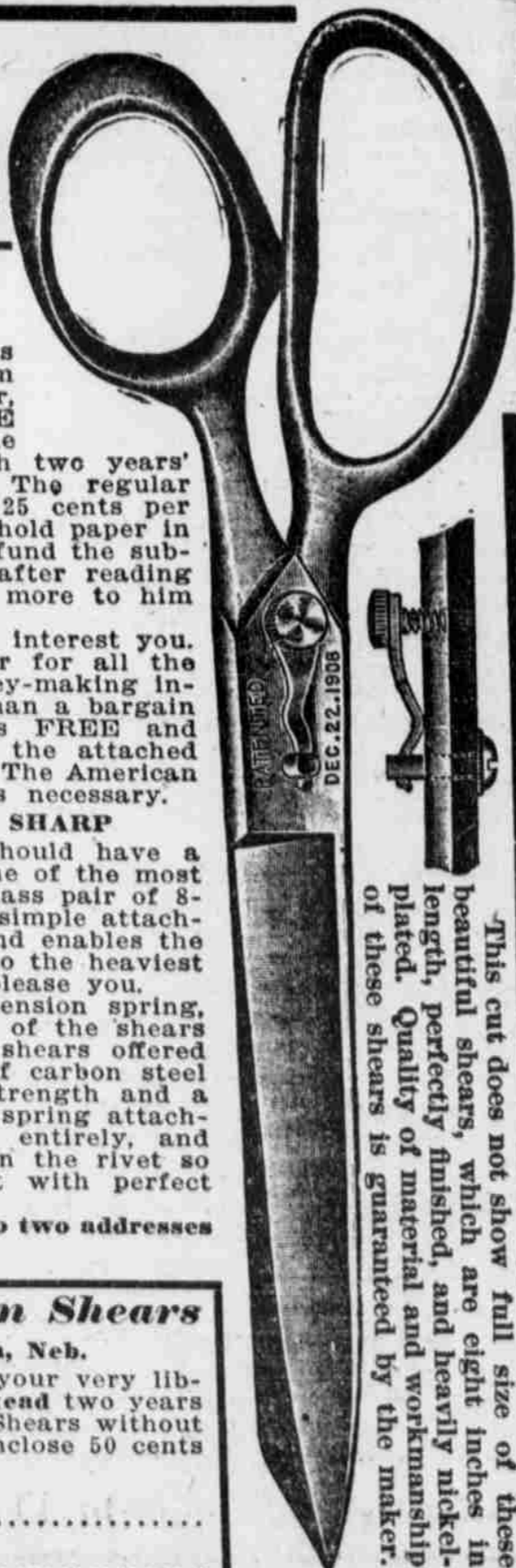
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