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YESTERYEARS

Silver gray squirrels released in county this week in 1935

1915 — 100 years ago

The first shipment of Northwest apples to be made by way of the Panama Canal arrived in New York last week and was unloaded in the pink of condition. The shipment was made by the Distributors and the freight on the 23 cars of fruit, including the cost of transportation from island points to Pacific tidewater and thence to New York by boat, was \$5,300. The freight direct to New York from shipping points on the 23 cars, coming by rail, would have been \$8,500.

1925 — 90 years ago

A man, who was arrested near Mosier last week and charged with being in possession of mash for liquor making, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and go to jail for four months, by Justice Henry Meredith, at The Dalles on Thursday. "The next moonshiner that comes before me will get it even harder. The maximum fine is \$3000 and a year in jail."

Dame Rumor was doing her best to maintain her reputation as "a lying jade" when she circulated a report last week that the Apple Growers

high school, will be open to all, and parents are especially invited and urged to attend.

1945 — 70 years ago

From Edward N. Scheiberling, National Commander of the American Legion, the commander of the Hood River post of the Legion, on Friday, received a message recommending that the names of 15 service men of Japanese ancestry, removed from the Honor Roll November 29, after a meeting of the local post, be restored.

Work preliminary to the remodeling of the Rialto theater, which has been closed for several weeks, was started this week, when a crew undertook the job of tearing out the lath and plaster at the front end of eth building, which is to be entirely remodeled, to make Hood River's Rialto theater the most modern in Oregon.

1955 — 60 years ago

Record turnout of students and spectators is expected at the Cooper Spur ski jump area Sunday when the North Slope Ski club honors Bob Moller, president of the organization. Moller, who was paralyzed from the waist down in 1952 during an attack of polio, has



JANUARY 26, 1945 — Political cartoon

Association would have to repack 150,000 boxes of apples which had "gone bad" at Terminal 4 in Portland. It became so instant that Manager Steele sent a man down to investigate. After a careful survey, he reported that the apples, which comprised of 110,000 boxes, were in splendid condition and in shape to keep in prime condition for many weeks.

1935 — 80 years ago

Four of the 25 silver gray squirrels which are to be released in Hood River county arrived this week and are to be set free in a few days. Arrangements are being made by Teunis J. Wyers, in cooperation with the state Game commission, to secure 25 squirrels, and it is hoped that, in time, a number of colonies of these attractive animals will be established in both town and valley.

The Hood River County Health association is sponsoring a tuberculin test to be given to all high school students sometime during February. It is hoped that all parents will allow their children to take the examination. A talk on Tuberculosis, which is to be given to the students in a near-future assembly at the

continued promotion of ski activities and building ski facilities in the Cooper Spur area.

Wy'east student body has completed plans to provide Hood River county with a community birthday calendar and proceeds will help pay for tennis courts at the school. The calendar will list birth dates of residents on the corresponding day and month as well as anniversary dates for married couples. Ralph Kirby, present of the Booster Club, who introduced the plan to students, said it will also have discount offers and free merchandise to those persons whose birthdays are listed.

1965 — 50 years ago

"You may be assured I have March 3 well marked on my calendar, and I am looking forward to being with you for the Orchardist of the Year banquet." There was a trace of a grin on the face of Chamber of Commerce Port Manager Burton Badley as he read this sentence from Governor Mark Hatfield. Not only did it relieve the pressure in finding a top speaker for the annual awards banquet, it assured Badley his arrangements for the 300 guests won't be wasted.



JANUARY 26, 2005: It's ours! — Judie Hanel (center) holds the deed to the building at Third and Cascade streets that will be the home of the Columbia Center for the Arts. Community fundraising efforts and grants have allowed the Arts Center board to purchase the building. Celebrating with Hanel (who is executive director of Columbia Center for the Arts) last Saturday evening at a gathering of Arts Center supporters were Mark Dane and Kate Mills.

A surprised Hood River valley opened its eyes on a white world Saturday morning, but within two days the winter adornment was turning to slush. More than half an inch of rain Tuesday night soaked the remainder of some 25-30 inches of snow that coated the ground. In some areas, there appeared to be even more snow fall. Oak Grove roadside snow was higher than the cars.

1975 — 40 years ago

A small cemetery near Frankton road past the west edge of Hood River has remained hidden from most people for generations. But it hasn't escaped the eyes of vandals, authorities learned recently. Tumbled headstones, deep holes, piles of earth and shovels now mark the grave sites. An iron fence that once surrounded the cemetery now traces only one half the circumference.

Mt. Hood and the Hood River Valley have been pictured around the world on fruit box labels for years. Now an upper valley resident would like to spread the fame another way — on labels of fine fruit wines. Lester Martin, who lives on Woodworth road, plans to have the product of his small, modern, on-farm fruit winery on the market for local people to savor within a couple of weeks, and he'll also explore marketing his wines in other areas.

1985 — 30 years ago

The 80-year-old Hood River Hotel, which has rested idle for nearly 15 years at Second and Cascade streets, may be given a second life soon if a proposal to restore the three-story structure goes as planned. Gayle Weisfield proposed to city counselors Monday a restoration of the building that she would spearhead at little or no cost to the city of Hood River. The response was enthusiasm and excitement, and now Weisfield will continue the planning stages of the estimated \$1.25 million project. She hopes to have preliminary plans mapped out within the year.

Champion International announced Tuesday its Dee hardboard plant will be one of several permanently shutting down because of continuing unprofitability in the wood products industry. Plant Manger Dick Davis met with workers this week to review

the decision, which will remove Champion entirely from the Hood River scene after many years as one of the county's largest industries.

1995 — 20 years ago

Voters in Cascade Locks will get a chance to see their input in action on the March 28 ballot. Cascade Locks city councilors unanimously approved a resolution Monday that determined the current city charter is outdated and in need of amending, therefore putting amendments to the charter before a vote of the people. The original city charter was drawn up in 1937 and was last amended in 1978.

Two of Hood River County's most successful community service agencies, HOusing for PEople (HOPE) and the Migrant Head Start Program, teamed up in recent weeks in an effort to expand the Parkdale Child Development Center/Migrant Head Start program to the Odell and Pine Grove areas. If all goes well, the Odell Migrant Head Start site could be operating as soon as July.

2005 — 10 years ago

The Hood River City Council has a new member who plans to bring the interests of the Hispanic community to the table. Martin Campos-Davis is well qualified to represent the Latino population, according to Mayor Linda Rouches, who said that perspective has long been sought by the elected body. "I take the opportunity to serve on the Hood River City Council to heart. I look forward to representing one of the populations of the city that may not have had a clear voice," said Campos-Davis of the appointment.

The Cascade Locks High School girls basketball team has been on a roll this season, jumping out to a 7-0 start before evening out a bit at 11-3 overall (3-3 in the Big Sky Conference). Coach Donna Nolin's club has shown strength, maturity and athleticism in most every game this season, including last Friday's 39-24 road win over Arlington. Nolin specifically commended the play of junior forward Holly Goblen.

— Compiled by Trisha Walker, news staff writer

VERBATIM

Buttons make offer on bridge road

This week, a representative of the Button family, who own the property through which the proposed road to the bridge head will pass if this one of the three plans is accepted, stated that the family will be willing, if the county wishes it, to deed the land required at a very nominal cost, providing the county will move the old house which now stands immediately above where the cut would be made. He stated that the Button family recognizes the importance of the project to Hood River; and will do all in its power to aid the project.

There is also reason to believe that at least one member of the county court is strongly in favor of the project of making a

cut through the Button property directly east of the bridge over Hood River and extending the road to a point just east of the Standard Oil plant, at which point it would enter the old ferry road. This new road would pass beneath the railroad tracks almost on grade and would be entirely free from high water trouble.

Many residents of Hood River strongly favor this project, and both local newspapers are agreed that this is the most logical plan to secure a permanent road between Hood River and the Oregon-Washington bridgehead, the Glacier having editorially endorsed it in this week's issue.

— Hood River News, January 30, 1925



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