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YESTERYEARS**HRCSD researches enrollment projections in 2005****1915 — 100 years ago**

A procession of Hood River autoists who returned from a celebration at The Dalles Wednesday were stalled on Mosier Hill when one of the leading cars failed to feed its gasoline properly and went "dead" on the steepest portion of the ascent. A.S. Keir came to the assistance of the car and towed it to the top of the hill. A score or more of machines were held up for an hour.

1925 — 90 years ago

At a dinner and special meeting of St. Mark's Church, held in the new parish house on Monday evening, great enthusiasm was shown over the plans for building a new church. Bishop Remington, of the district of Eastern Oregon, was present, and endorsed the plans. It is expected the new church, which will adjoin the parish house on the Eugene St. side and will conform with the attractive style of the parish house, will be finished early in the coming fall.

By the time the Vinegar Plant was blazing from end to end, the fire brigade was concentrating every effort in trying to save the big warehouse of Kelly Bros. R.W. and Fielding Kelly were early on the scene and realized that nothing but a miracle could save their building. As the fire crept west through the vinegar plant buildings, the firemen made a big effort to check the advance of the flames, but the old wooden buildings and the inflammable materials made their task too great.

1935 — 80 years ago

As briefly reported in last week's News, one of Floyd Wrights fishing crews, on Thursday of last week, caught a huge sturgeon which took the combined efforts of four husky men to haul into a boat. The sturgeon was more than 11 feet in length and tipped the scales at 400 pounds. At present fish prices, this catch was a distinct addition to the excellent early catches of salmon.

The great majority of the many entries, some of them from servicemen overseas, had already expired weeks or even months before the war ended, but there were about 20 others, who set their dates for a later period in 1945.

With the object of carrying to News' readers the message that every effort is being made to fill the Seventh War Loan quota within the next few days, a large percentage of available space has been allotted to this most urgent objective this week. Working as the News is under definite paper restrictions, many of the news' items, including considerable country correspondence, had to be held over until the next issue. Readers will, we are sure, realize the situation, which is unavoidable.

1955 — 60 years ago

More than 200 persons gathered at Rockford Grange Hall Tuesday for the annual Pioneer Association meeting and reunion. Included in the program, directed by Mrs. H.D. Steele, were group singing, a solo by four-year-old Tommy Bostwick, piano duets by Lucretia Gillmouthe and Linda Meyers, a reading by Percy Shelley, solos by Rickard Duckwall, accompanied by Eleanor Baker, and trios by Viola Krieg, Alta Spindle and Margery Fox. E.E. Lage read a letter from Fred Wilson, now of The Dalles, recounting old incidents and personage. A talk on the Indians and treaties was given by Martha Ferguson McKewen.

Students can no longer escape the classroom by an excuse for wanting a drink of water at Mid Valley School in Odell. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders moved into the first new wing of the \$238,000 building on Monday and found water fountains in each classroom. New classrooms are also lighted with one wall of glass brick above large windows, acoustical tiled ceilings, birth wall paneling and various built-in cabinets.



MAY 13, 1965: They'll provide decibels in Friday's concert — Boys with a lot of brass will be performing together soon as the valley prepares for its second grade school band festival Friday, May 14, at 8 p.m. It will be in the high school gymnasium. Tuning up here for Friday's music event are Cecil Hutchinson on the bass horn, Gene Jones, left, and Steve Loper on the trumpets. Bands from Mid Valley, Parkdale and May Street schools, directed by Walt Buehning and LeRoy Mauroni, will perform part of the program as a mass band, and each will have its now part in the evening. The program will be at the Wy'east gym, and proceeds from ticket sales will go for summer music scholarships.

Assured by its employees that they wish to continue work regardless of the strike now on in Portland and other areas, officials of the Oregon Lumber Company at Dee are running the mill as usual and are filling orders placed before the Northwest Mill Strike was declared. Special guards have been placed around the plant to meet any emergency and the mill will, if workers are willing to permit it, continue to operate without shutting down.

1945 — 70 years ago

As a result of guessing that the war in Europe would end just 25 hours and 41 minutes prior to the actual official time, T.C. Downs has been declared the winner of the fine Sealy mattress, which last year was offered by the Hackett Furniture Company to the person who most nearly guessed the actual date and time of cessation of hostili-

1965 — 50 years ago

Footings have been poured for a 90,000 box addition to Lage Orchards, Inc., cold storage at Pine Grove and completion target date is August, according to E. Riddell Lage, corporation president. The new addition will double the plant's cold storage, he said. When the first storage unit was constructed in 1960, Lage said the new addition was anticipated. "But we didn't anticipate it quite this quickly," he said.

Pumps started pushing water into Dee Irrigation District ditches Wednesday through an emergency program by-passing structures heavily damaged during December's floods. At the same time, a huge crane was lifting pumping equipment into place near Oak Grove to fill Farmers Irrigating Co. needs. Both projects are part of a \$187,000 Federal-financed contract to provide much needed water while



MAY 11, 2005: Pet week visitors — Veterinarian Mike Foss shows Little Feet Preschool students baby pigs during Friday's National Pet Week open house at Foss' Alpine Veterinary Hospital on Frankton Road. Foss and his staff hosted more than 200 preschoolers and kindergarteners during the day, letting them see and touch the dogs, goats, horses and pigs. "A lot of kids never see a pig, even though we live in an agricultural county. This just exposes them to it," said Foss, who enjoyed the day full of youthful visitors. "I still haven't lost my enthusiasm for a baby horse. It's still a thrill," said Foss, in practice for 21 years including 17 years in Hood River.

arrangements are being made to repair flood damage to both irrigation systems.

1975 — 40 years ago

The county started working toward a balance budget last week, but it was apparent that it will take a liberal injection of federal revenue sharing funds to get the job done. Most of the \$138,000 in federal revenue sharing earmarked for Hood River County will be used for operations — not special outside projects.

Claiming prizes as the youngest and oldest hikers in the walkathon event last in April are two of the winners on a long list issued on May 10. The senior participant in the March of Dimes fundraiser, for the second year, was Bob Thoman of Parkdale. The youngest was Lee Lage, 5, whose sister Heidi was the youngest on the list last year.

1985 — 30 years ago

Portage Days court members, selected last week at a benefit fashion show at the Charburger banquet room, are Angela Groves, Tara Tiller, Marjorie Stubbs, Melissa Stubbs and Brandi Walker. One of the five will be selected as queen during Portage Days, the annual observance held in Cascade Locks. Representatives of the Bank of Oregon did the judging; the announcement was made Tuesday evening last week.

It was a "once-in-a-lifetime" chance, and Parkdale students didn't miss the opportunity to toss a pie at their principal, Doug Mahurin. It was done and accepted with good humor, based on a reading challenged posed by Mahurin to participants in a reading program. He promised to take a whip cream pie in the face if they read 8,500 books, and they topped that figure by more than a thousand. The students screeched for joy as a representative of each class tossed a pie at Mahurin, who faced the group through a hole in a bean bag board.

1995 — 20 years ago

A five-month controversy came to an apparent end Wednesday night when the Hood River County Planning Commission denied an appeal of a billboard approved in March, despite opposition from local residents. The appeal was concerning Meadow Outdoor Advertising's land use permit that was approved by the commission to establish a 10x32-foot single faced billboard in the parking lot of the Meredith Gorge Motel on Westcliff Drive.

With the largest carousel collection in the world, Hood River's International Museum of Carousel Art wants to make sure it has a home somewhere on the waterfront. Brad Perron, son of Duane and Carol Perron, who amassed the collection, will address the Monday, May 15, joint meeting of the Waterfront Advisory Committee and Marina Planning Committee. The proposed building would be one-story except for the central portion that would be high enough to accommodate the 26-foot-tall Looff.

2005 — 10 years ago

A Cascade Locks conundrum hung over the Hood River County School District's May 11 discussions on student enrollment projections. Board members and district official heard Barry Edmonston, director of the Population Research Center at Portland State University, summarize the Center's completed School Enrollment Forecast for the district for 2004-2005. The school district requested the study in order to plan for long-range classroom space needs, which is already a problem area. District growth could be an even greater problem in Cascade Locks, if the proposed Warm Springs tribal casino is built and more families with children settle into Cascade Locks, according to Superintendent Pat Even-son-Brady.

— Compiled by Trisha Walker, news staff writer

VERBATIM**Issue Viewed At Koberg**

A dispute involving a popular Columbia bathing beach was the subject when three State Highway division representatives were guests at a Chamber of Commerce forum last week.

The three reviewed progress in a contested case involving several recreation sites along the Oregon side of the Columbia River on the Bonneville pool. It includes Koberg's Beach, which annually attracts thousands of bathers and boaters each year.

The beach about two miles east of Hood River will be affected when the Corps of Engineers changes pool levels under a new Bonneville dam plan which will turn it into a peaking facility.

The Corps of Engineers and State of Oregon are in disagreement over payment to compensate the state for removing or replacing the recreation areas.

Representatives of the state told the local group that plans to call for developing Koberg's beach to offset effects of the pending changes. The dispute also involves Viento and Mayer State Parks in the Mid-Columbia.

Plans for Koberg's beach call for developing the area in the present general location.

They said that the development would have to wait, even if the state and Corps reached an agreement to morrow. The money has not been placed in the current budget, they said, and couldn't be used until the next biennium.

But they offered assurances that were the focal point of the audience questions — that the state does not intend to abandon the beach area when pool levels rise over parts of the present beach.

— Hood River Noews, May 15, 1975

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