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#### **YESTERYEARS**

## Duckwall, Al Groff Company roads get new names in 1955

1915 — 100 years ago

Meetings have been held at both Odell and Pine Grove during the past week to consider the proposition of establishing a high school at Odell. This has met with strong favor and indications are that the school may be established before another school year. It is proposed to combine the districts of Odell, Valley Crest, Fir and part of the Pine Grove for high school purposes.

#### 1925 — 90 years ago

Frank Moore, who dispenses eats and drinks at the Hood River Drug Co. in town and lives on Avalon Way, thought the enemy had arrived when, early Sunday morning, he was awakened by a terrific explosion which shook the house. An investigation revealed that the big pressure tank of an automatic water system had blown up, tore its way from the basement thought rafters, and through the floor of the dining room. It is stated that the cause of the explosion was the failure of the automatic cut-out to work, which permitted the air pressure to increase until the tank could no longer stand the strain.

While the Columbia River at the end of last week stood 30 feet above low water mark, it is a long way below what are regarded as years of really high water. The highest water ever known is 54 feet, recorded in 1894, when the flood water was level with the railroad tracks. That year the river rose one foot a day until the day when the peak was registered, when it made a rise of four feet.

#### 1935 — 80 years ago

Rumors that efforts would be made by a union delegation from Portland to close the Oregon Lumber Company's mill and box plant at Dee, which has been circulating over several days, materialized early Tuesday when, bright and early, four men who admitted they were union delegates, arrived in Hood River and, after eating breakfast, left for the mill at Dee, with the announcement



Gilmore, Matthew Rambo, Ryan Flory and Erik Hidle stand at attention during the playing of "Taps" at Monday's Memorial Day observance at Idlewilde Cemetery, something catches Gilmore's attention. A pair of F-15 Eagle jet fighters fly over the ceremony; they can be seen here directly over Flory's head. The Cub Scouts from troops 382 and 378 were part of a large crowd that attended Monday's morning ceremony.

moved to a permanent location as soon as possible, but for the summer months, Park Street School will be used. The Parkdale and Odell communities will also have child care centers set up. Mothers interested in this program are urged to leave their names with Mrs. Ralph H. Jones, 613 Oak Street, as soon as possible.

#### 1955 — 60 years ago

Two county roads recently were renamed by the county court. Duckwall Road is now Wy'east Drive and is the county road between the state highway boarding the F.L. Moe property south of Tucker's bridge to Duke's Valley Road. It is routed by Wy'east High School. The second road formerly was the Al Groff Company Road and is now the Roy Webster Road. It extends from Dethman Ridge Road to Ehrch Road. The names were changed on May 11 and May

It's knuckles-down for topranking marble shooters in Hood River. Four boys represented the local area Saturday at the state marble tournament at Jantzen Beach that, when they returned to Park. Bob Hackett, local

overcast, and a few drops of rain fell during the morning. But the day was warm and calm as the community paid its memorial tribute. Two parades, a main address, and decorating a monument at Idlewilde cemetery drew more than 200 persons to participate during the morning observance. A \$37,000 community

block grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development was made Tuesday to the city of Cascade Locks. The grant will be used for construction of sewer line, sidewalks, gutters and curbs in the city. In addition to these municipal improvements, the funds will be used in concluding Cascade Locks' urban renewal project.

#### 1985 — 30 years ago

About 10 young people from Hood River (they hope there will be more) will form a "first of a kind" delegation this year to visit sister city Tsuruta, Japan. The tentative plan is to travel to Tokyo, departing for Tsuruta aboard the world famous bullet train. In Tsuruta, the students will be guests in homes throughout their week-long stay, returning to Tokyo on the bullet train at the close of their visit.

more than a game for the former Hood River Valley High wide receiver and his followers. It was a double loss. Not only did Portland upset the Breakers 17-14. but Moser snared only two passes — one on a two-point conversion — and one nullified by the USFL's new red flag appeal. A nice catch by Moser was nullified when refs said he didn't have control of the ball before going out of bounds. Moser did give the Hood River following a few cheers, though, despite the loss.

### 1995 — 20 years ago

As promised, two-way traffic returns to downtown's Second Street overpass this Friday — the first day of the Memorial Day holiday weekend. When the \$8 million Oregon Department of Transportation renovation project began, that agency pledged two lanes of traffic would be restored for the summer tourist season. Just a southbound route has been open the past four months. This week, a state official and project contractor Weaver Construction said the deadline would be met. It will be a tight fit, though.

Hood River County residents hungry for a Whopper won't be able to pick one up here, the Hood River Planning Commission ruled Tuesday. In a narrow 4-3 decision, the commission rejected Cascadia Development Company's plan for the fast food restaurant proposed for light industrial property adjacent to the Port of Hood River's industrial area.

### 2005 — 10 years ago

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Affiliate of Oregon and SW Washington announced Monday that Nuestra Comunidad Sana (The Next Door, Inc.) in Hood River has been awarded a \$38,000 Komen Community grant. When Greg Moser and the The medical center's chal-Memphis Showboats came lenge is to advance the local to Portland to take on the fight against breast cancer Breakers in USFL pro foot- remains as great today as ball action Saturday, it was ever, and it will use the grant to reach out to Latinas in the areas in their homes and places of work and worship to teach that breast cancer can be survived if detected in time.

> The Port of Cascade Locks threw a party on Thursday to show off its newly remodeled community center. Invited guests arrived at the Gorge Pavilion to enjoy the festivities, which included gourmet food, spirits and live music from Retta Christie and the Jazz Trio. They also came to admire the elegant look of the 3,000 square foot circular structure in Port Marine Park.

Compiled by Trisha Walker, news staff writer

### **VERBATIM**

# Parkdale Safe Blown, Looted

For the third time with- been made to blow safes in the year, yeggs made another, and this time, successful attempt to blow the big safe at the McIsaac store and post office at Parkdale. Early Wednesday morning, with a roar which awakened a number of people the safe was blown with such force that part of it was shot through the store front into the street. Before anyone got around, however, the yeggs decamped and a checkup made on Wednesday shows that about \$1300 in cash and stamps had been taken. Throughout the day Sheriff Edick and his men kept the wires hot trying to locate a Chevrolet Car, which had been seen in Parkdale at a late hour on Tuesday night.

According to officers, a very heavy charge was used on the safe, which was of the latest, burglarproof type.

Three attempts have May 29, 1925

in the McIsaac store within the past 12 months. Last year, around strawberry time, yeggs tried to blow the safe, but apart from doing considerable damage in the store, were not successful. Later in the same year, another attempt resulted in the big doors being shattered, but the inner door defied the efforts of the yeggs, who got away with goods from the store but no money. Mr. McIsaacs then installed a heavy burglar proof safe of the most modern type and believed no further efforts would be made. The entire loss is fully

covered by burglar insurance. Mr. McIsaacs left last Saturday for Louisville, Kentucky, on Association business, and was expected to arrive in Chicago Wednesday morning.

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The Judiciary committee of the city council is now deliberating on an ordinance which will bar double parking of cars and trucks in the downtown area. It is stated, that double parking on Oak the Lions Club and VFW. Street, especially during 1965 — 50 years ago tourist season, is a real haz-Mosier Library will start ard in the business sections

MAY 29, 1985: Doris Greenough, costumer of the 1985 Lions Follies,

is the fourth recipient of the Producer's Award, presented here by pro-

ducer Pete Benjamin. The producer and director Bev Cron decided

Greenough was the person who had done the most to contribute to

the success of the show. About 30 new costumes added color to the

production, in spite of the late start the Follies got this year.

### 1945 — 70 years ago

Hood River, the majority of the workers at the mill would

be organized, and mill offi-

cials would accept their

terms or the men would be in

There was a general regret in Hood River Friday morning of last week when it was learned that Truman Butler, for many years a leader in this community, had died suddenly while he was resting at Nelscott, at the age of 73. He played a leading part in civic and other progressive movements in the Hood River area and his work for the benefit of this community will ever be associated with its growth.

The Federal Nursery School and Child Care Center, which have been operated here the past two seasons for the convenience of working mothers, has proven so satisfactory that it is to be kept open on a year round basis from now

class A winner, brought home the trophy and an agate marble for winning third in the eastern Oregon championship. He and David Feinauer won ball mitts for winning Classes A and B in Hood River last week, and Tommy Kimbell and James Shroyer, were runner-uppers. The Hood River marble tourney was co-sponsored by

its summer hours next Thursday, June 3. The library will be open 2-3 p.m. on Monday and Thursday afternoons, and from 7-8 p.m. Thursday evenings. It will not be open Monday, May 31, a holiday. Barret-Oak Grove News by

Jane Franz: Spring has sprung and left its mark. "Jasper" had kittens last week. This was a shock to him as well as us. We had to talk loud and long explaining his motherly duties. As if that wasn't enough — a faithful banty hen has flipped her cork and is now crowing at the drop of an acorn! Believe me, things are mixed up around here!

### 1975 — 40 years ago

Old and young and those of ages between all played a role in Hood River County's annual Memorial Day obseron. The school will be vance this year. Weather was