

COMMISSION STOPS MARKET ROAD FUND

No Official Notification Is Received

AUTHORITY QUESTIONED

County Court Makes Statement On Announcement That \$21,422 Will Be Held Up

The semi-annual market road appropriation of \$21,422 for Washington county has been held up by the state highway commission, according to an announcement from Portland last week. The county court, however, has received no notification of any such action, and the authority of the commission to do this is questioned. Funds were also withheld from Gilliam, Polk and Union.

Reason Is Given

Washington county has designated 57 market roads, none of which are being constructed according to state specifications, says the report. In many cases it says the supervisors went ahead without any plans at all. The market road money has been widely scattered and dissipated in work of temporary character.

The amounts will be held up until the counties come forward and make satisfactory explanation as to why they have disregarded the law, according to the report.

The trouble is brought about, it is believed, because the authority is divided between the commission and the county courts, by the market roads law, which appears to be inadequate and certainly does not fit the case.

Statement Made

The following statement was issued by the members of the county court:

"The county court, at the beginning of each year, has designated certain roads and appropriated money from the market road funds for their improvement. We also at the same time, passed a set of resolutions prepared by the state highway commission, one of which is as follows, to-wit:

"And be it further resolved that the state highway commission be and is hereby requested to furnish plans and specifications for the construction of said market roads, and that said commission supervise the survey and establishment of grades therefor; and that said commission be further instructed to charge the expenses incurred in making such survey and establishing such grades and supervising said survey and establishment of grades against the portion of the market road funds credited to said Washington county."

"They furnished Charles E. Jones, a competent engineer, to do this work and he arrived and started on our work about the first of June of this year. At that time we had begun work preparing road material and the engineer was unable, in so short a time, to furnish plans and specifications and supervise the survey and comply with all the provisions of the resolution above. In several cases our Market Road funds were used in conjunction with special tax money in the districts to connect or complete certain important roads. Whoever makes the statement that we have wasted our Market Road money, and takes pains to have it published all over the state does us a great injustice. We have had no official notice of this matter from the State Highway Commission.

Report Tillamook Cut

Estimated Cost Shows Trask River Route More Costly

The engineer's report on the two short cuts to Tillamook will be given before a meeting of representatives from Tillamook, Yamhill and Washington counties in the chamber of commerce Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

The estimated cost of the Wilson river route is \$1,421,439.85 and that of the Trask route is \$1,767,054.07. The distance from Forest Grove to Tillamook via the Wilson river route is 54 miles and the other way is 50.8. The maximum grade is the same on both routes and is five per cent. Although there is less road mileage to be constructed on the Trask route the construction is much more costly because of the rough country.

Woman Injured

Mrs. John Dino of Portland was painfully hurt about the head and body when the car driven by Michael Calabrese of Archer station, in which she and her husband, John Dino, were riding, collided with a car driven by E. W. Felt of Portland in Beaverton Sunday night.

Land Settlement Work Is Discussed

Herbert S. Cuthbert of Portland Chamber of Commerce Is Luncheon Speaker

"What Portland is Doing With Its \$300,000 Advertising Fund," was the subject of a talk by Herbert S. Cuthbert of the Portland chamber of commerce before the forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce Monday noon. J. H. Garrett was chairman.

To help farmers get a better price for their product was one of the main reasons given for the campaign. The aim of the publicity, the speaker said, was to appeal to the tourist and out of the tourist travel the opportunity is given to secure the best of citizens. He said it was up to Hillsboro to do its part by doing all in its power to attract those who pass through. Three thousand new settlers have been brought to Oregon through this work.

"If a man can't afford to belong to the chamber, the town can't afford to have him," declared Mr. Cuthbert, in speaking of chamber of commerce work. "Those who belong pay his part of the development work."

Miss Florence Garrett sang several selections, accompanied by Miss Nancy Gavin. Elmer Johnson will be chairman next week.

WILLIAM J. INGRAM, PIONEER, IS DEAD

Resident Of This County For 72 Years

CROSSED PLAINS IN 1852

Eleven Months By Ox Team Over Old Oregon Trail. Donation Claim Near Farmington

William J. Ingram, pioneer of 1852, and a resident of Washington county for 72 years, died at the family home near Farmington Saturday, at the age of 80 years. He was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, November 15, 1844, and came to Oregon by ox team across the plains with his parents in 1852. It took them 11 months to come to Oregon over the Old Oregon Trail.

Settled Near Farmington

Except for a few years spent in the mines of Montana and other places he has made his home on and near the old place all his life.

He was married to Jane Wheeler of old pioneer stock August 30, 1881, and to this union six children were born, four of whom survive. Besides the widow, the following children survive: Dr. Archie P. Ingram of The Dalles, William R. Ingram, Joseph J. Ingram and Mrs. Eva Dodge, of near Farmington, and a brother, LaFayette Ingram, of Oakland, California.

Known For Integrity

Mr. Ingram was well known for his honesty and integrity. Like all early pioneers, he was a hunter and enjoyed hunting in the mountains.

Services were held Monday at the Glen F. Bell Mortuary with the Rev. Len Fishback officiating. Interment was in the Lewis cemetery at Farmington.

Captain Frost Is Honored By Team

Rotary Gives Banquet For Champions. Harry Kent Is Named Captain For Next Year

Captain Laurel Frost of the championship high school football team was again honored by his team mates last night at a banquet given for them by the Rotary club, when he was named as the player affording the greatest inspiration to his fellows on the team. He was presented with a beautiful silver loving cup by the club. Captain Frost won this honor last year.

This banquet by the Rotarians was the official ending of the football season for the champions and pep predominated. Stunts were put on by the Rotarians and the team in a way that none who were present will ever pass up an opportunity to attend these annual affairs.

Harry Kent, three-year letterman and big tackle on this year's eleven, was named as captain of the 1925 team by his team mates.

Fred Wegner, who reports all big football games for the Western Union, and is one of the greatest authorities on the game, complimented the boys on their gameness and sportsmanship. Captain Frost, Coach "Goody" Goodman and Assistant Coach Dallas Rice were speakers.

Finis L. Brown has been admitted to Rotary membership.

WINTER, IN ALL ITS GLORY, TAKES HOLD

Telephone and Water Companies Have Little Trouble

PLUMBERS IN DEMAND

Thermometer Hits Lowest Level In Last Week Than in Preceding Five Years

Winter, in all its glory, laid icy hands on the Pacific Northwest early Monday morning and didn't forget to include Washington county in the first handshake. Indications are that the present weather conditions will continue for some time, according to the weather prophets.

Plumber Is Supreme

As a consequence, his lordship, the plumber, is coming into his own and is in demand on every hand to locate residential trouble in water systems and in the gas. Failure of the gas to kick through in the mornings is causing many to eat in the restaurants.

Although thousands of phones are out in Portland the local telephone system has caused but very little trouble, according to Charles E. Wells, telephone company head. A few farm lines out toward Bethany, which were giving annoyance, have been cleared up. It is understood that lines in the south part of the county towards Scholls and Laurel have been a source of worry.

No Water Trouble

The main water system of the Puget Sound company is intact and no crews have been sent out, was the statement of R. R. Easter, resident manager, this morning.

The big thermometer on the Hillsboro National bank building has been a source of interest and showed the red lower than most Oregonians are in the habit of seeing. At eight o'clock this morning it registered 11 above, while some declare that thermometers of their own have gone as low as 8 above earlier in the morning. This is the coldest spell in five years.

It is no unusual sight to see automobiles driving along the streets more like steam engines than gas propelled vehicles, and many lament not having a little denatured alcohol in the radiator to stay the ravages of winter. Moonshine has been experimented with by Portland police and failed to work.

The snow is heavier on the other side of Beaverton, and on the Canyon road the snow has formed ruts on the pavement, being a cause of no little worry to the motorist.

Sentences For Law Violations Given

Louis Gilbride, Before Court Number of Times, Has to Pay Fine of \$500

Four men were sentenced for liquor law violations by Judge George K. Bagley in circuit court during the past week, and one was sentenced for larceny. George Thompson was given from one to five years in the penitentiary for larceny, but was paroled on condition that he make restitution and report to the parole board.

H. A. Shadden was fined \$500 and given six months in jail. He was paroled on payment of \$100. Robert Carlson, who was found guilty on a liquor charge, received a fine of \$500 and a jail sentence of six months, but was paroled on payment of \$150. Oliver Johnston, on a booze charge, got the usual sentence and was paroled on payment of \$100. Louis Gilbride, who has been before the courts several times before for liquor law violations, got the usual sentence, but has to pay the fine of \$500. He has until December 22 to pay the fine.

R. F. Struntz pleaded guilty to driving an automobile while drunk. His sentence will be announced later. The automobile of Roy L. Williams, who was indicted on four liquor counts, was ordered confiscated and sold.

Martin Bernards of Forest Grove was required to pay the costs of court procedure, amounting to \$26.30, following a trial in which Bernards was charged with transporting grain from Portland to Forest Grove without a proper license. The case was first tried in justice court of Forest Grove and resulted in the defendant's being adjudged guilty and fined \$10, whereupon he asked the fine be raised to \$20 that he might appeal it, which request was granted.

An order was given in the case of the Union Central Life Insurance company versus William Kerron, et al. An order was also given in the case of S. R. Rundel, et ux, versus A. W. Schallberger, et ux.

LEGION BOYS PUT CITY IN HOLIDAY REGALIA

Hillsboro was transformed from an ordinary city to that of a holiday center over the weekend by what seemed to many business men on their way to work Monday morning by Aladdin's magic lamp.

The American Legion boys did their part in the transformation by bringing in more than 125 fir trees to decorate the streets. As a consequence of this work by legionnaires every hole for flag pole on the streets of Hillsboro is filled with a little green tree. Nature aided in the work by placing a coating of snow on the trees early Monday morning. Hillsboro is in holiday dress.

SANTA CLAUS WILL RECEIVE LOCAL HELP

Slogan Is "A Christmas In Every Home"

BIG TREE IS DECORATED

Hut Will Be Open To Receive Gifts Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Next Week

Santa Claus will find that he has the earnest cooperation of Hillsboro when he comes on the scene next Wednesday night, for the Christmas chest is now a reality. This was made possible by a meeting of representatives of the various civic organizations Monday afternoon.

Firemen Decorate Tree

One of the big trees on the court house lawn was decorated by the firemen with electric lights Tuesday afternoon, and expresses Yuletide spirit with its many colored lights. The chamber of commerce furnished the fixtures and the Puget Sound Power and Light company is donating the power.

A Santa Claus hut will be placed near the big tree and will be open to receive gifts Monday and Tuesday from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. and on Wednesday morning.

Committees from the various women's organizations will be in attendance to receive the gifts, and the Girl Reserves will also assist.

Accept Anything Useful

The gifts may be cash donations, which will be used in a proper manner, any serviceable clothing, shoes, underwear, food stuffs, canned goods, fruits, nuts, candy, bread, cookies, toys which have been laid aside, but would make some little child happy, and in fact anything which you are not using, but which could be placed in appreciative hands.

The names of needy and deserving families should be given in at the hut. Reports should carry the name, residence, age and number of children, and what is most needed in that family. From these names a list can be compiled so that each family will receive a proper Christmas box. The slogan is "A Christmas in Every Home."

Mrs. J. W. Goodin was elected chairman of the co-operating organizations.

Letters Awarded Champion Eleven

Coach Goodman Honored By Presentation of Sweater From Boys He Had Coached

Letters were awarded the high school football men yesterday afternoon in a high school assembly. Coach Goodman, who has coached the team for four years, losing but five games during that time and but two of them in the last three years, was awarded a sweater with four stripes by the football men and Blue H club—a fitting demonstration of the manner in which the boys regard their coach.

Those receiving sweaters with four stripes, indicative of four years of playing, were Laurel Frost, Brick and Jack Glascoe and Irwin Johnson. Three year men were Melvyn Goodin, Harry Kent and Earl Bowman. Two year men were Ed Ingles, Ashford Mitchell, Fred Meek and Luke Stangel. Those getting sweaters for one year were Marvin Staggert, John Taylor and Irwin Long. Letters were given Robert Kelly, Shelby Forney and Murvel Hoag. Only graduating members receive sweaters and this means that Hilhi is losing 13 lettermen from the championship team.

Robert Sears of Hillsboro was painfully cut about the head Friday evening when his automobile collided with one driven by Arthur C. Shute, also of Hillsboro, at the intersection of First and Jackson streets.

TO HOLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE HERE

Ways and Means of Helping Farmers to Be Discussed

GEO. HARROW CHAIRMAN

Community Chairman For Big Meeting Named; Jerry Heaton Is Secretary

A Washington County Agricultural conference will be held in Hillsboro January 29 and 30, according to the decision of a group of representatives from nearly every part of the county, Monday afternoon. The conference is an outgrowth of the big state economic conference that was held at Corvallis early this year.

Discuss Problems

Ways and means of helping the agricultural situation in the county will be discussed. Many helpful plans resulted from the conference at Corvallis and similar smaller ones in other parts of the state.

George Harrow of Hillsboro was chosen conference chairman and Jerry Heaton of the Hillsboro chamber of commerce, was named as secretary.

Chairmen Named

Commodity committee chairmen selected were: H. T. Hess, Scholls, farm crops; L. M. Guild, Laurel, vegetables, including onions and potatoes; Charles Bamford, Hillside, dairy; D. G. Lilly, Hillside, horticulture; Robert Warrens, Forest Grove, livestock; H. E. Lafky, Forest Grove, poultry; Dr. R. P. Nixon, Forest Grove, nut culture.

Organizations represented were Pacific Cooperative Poultry producers, Grange, Prune Growers, Holstein, Jersey and Guernsey breeders associations and the Washington County Fruit and Vegetable Growers' association. Besides these many districts were represented.

Frank L. Ballard, county agent leader from Oregon Agricultural college, attended the meeting Monday.

School Census Shows Increase in Pupils

Health Survey of Grades Nearly Completed. Allow For Corrective Steps

Five names were added to the school census this week. The family of Nick Beglinger from Switzerland contributing two and that of A. Vannoot of California three. The final check shows a total of 1108, a gain of 74 over last year.

Interclass basket ball, preliminary to the regular playing season, is now the order of the day and the winners have indicated that a game with the faculty would be a drawing card. There are five men on the high school faculty, including the superintendent, and by drafting Mr. Naldrett, principal of the grade school, a team with one substitute could be made available. Nothing has been heard from the girls' department, but a plan equally interesting might be developed by them.

The health survey of the grades has practically been completed and now remains the heavy task of tabulating the information gathered. In special cases notice of the findings of the examination committee are being sent to the parents this week in order that those who desire to make any corrective steps may be able to do so during the vacation period.

The ground has been leveled in the playshed at the North school and a covering of planer shavings will be used for the remainder of the winter. If they should prove unsatisfactory an effort to secure gravel and sand during the summer will be made.

Sportsmen Will Gather

Legislative Matters Will Be Discussed Tomorrow Night

Legislative measures affecting all sportsmen and that will come before the legislature, will be gone into at the meeting of the Washington County Rod and Gun club tomorrow (Friday) night in the chamber of commerce rooms.

The club is holding a shoot on the Cornelius range Sunday afternoon. All who wish may bring rifles as a rifle range has been provided. There will be eats and everything necessary for a good time. Shooting will start at 9:30.

Herman Salzwedel and family of Shefflin were county seat visitors Saturday.

V. F. Perry of near Reedville was a county seat visitor Thursday of last week.

Show Windows Are Tastefully Arranged

Gift Suggestions Shown To Advantage By Hillsboro Business Houses

The windows of Hillsboro business houses, attractively arranged, furnish the Christmas shoppers with many suggestions for Yuletide gifts. The taste with which they are displayed shows pride on the part of those business men who have them decorated.

The Handy Variety Store looks like toyland and offers ideas for the children. Clothing needs are tastefully shown in the windows of Well's and Miller's. Long's Hardware store windows show that much time and thought was put in on their display, as does Corwin's. The Hanel's Electric, Hillsboro Electric and Puget Sound Power and Light company show windows are suggestive of gifts in electrical appliances.

First Chevrolet company has colored lights that display their automobiles to advantage. Greer-Powers windows make you think of a bounteous Christmas dinner and all that goes with it. Gift suggestions, many and varied, are shown in the windows of the Pharmacy, Anderson's Jewelry store and the Delta. Christmas candles are arranged nicely in the window of the Den of Sweets.

PRODUCTION OF FLAX WOULD AID OREGON

Treasurer-Elect Kay Speaks Before Rotary

MAKE FARMER BETTER OF WILL BENEFIT FARMERS

Opportunities of Profit to Producer and Manufacturer Are Greater With Flax

"I hope that there will be a linen mill of some kind in every valley city before many years, so that farmers will raise more and that there will be more people here with the resultant greater market for our products," declared State Treasurer-Elect Thomas Kay before the Rotary club luncheon last Thursday, in his talk on "State Development and Flax Industry." Senator W. G. Hare was chairman of the day.

Problems Explained

The state treasurer-elect in speaking of the Portland land settlement campaign, brought out the idea that it was more urgent to make the farmers that are here more prosperous than it was to bring others out here to farm. He said that we should give employment to those who come. Oregon was capable of supporting 10,000,000 persons without being crowded and not taxing the resources," he said.

The possibilities of growing flax in the Willamette valley are better than in any other place in the United States, according to Mr. Kay, who said that it was no experiment and that the opportunities for profit are greater to the farmer and to the manufacturer.

Rotate Crops

In his opinion there is no question but what a linen mill would furnish better profits than any other kind of plant in the United States. He showed figures to prove how much greater the profit would be to the farmer and how long it was possible to grow flax on the same land. He said it was better to rotate the crop.

Early Resident Is Dead

Benton Phillips, Pioneer of 1846, Dies at Manning

Benton Phillips, 778, Oregon pioneer of 1846 and a resident of Manning for 36 years, died of bronchial pneumonia December 11. He was born in Missouri, March 13, 1846, and came to Clackamas with his parents September, 1846. He was married to Miss Laura Mills, May 18, 1876, at Clackamas.

Deceased is survived by two sons, one daughter, five grand children and one sister. The sons are W. B. Phillips and J. W. Phillips and the daughter is Mrs. Olive Lee. He was a charter member of the Green Mountain Grange No. 295, at Manning, and the Grange conducted the services at Forest Grove Undertaking parlors Saturday. Interment was in the Clackamas cemetery.

Wins Points

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 17—Anora Joos of Hillsboro has been awarded 25 points toward a varsity "O" sweater for playing on the second team in interclass volleyball. Miss Joos is a freshman in commerce and a pledge to Delta Omega sorority.

COUNTY AGENT WORK COVERS LARGE FIELD

All Agricultural Lines Aided By McWhorter

FARM VISITS ARE MANY

Saving of \$28,769.02 Secured To Farmers Through Purchase of Salvage Powder

During the past twelve months 410 farm visits were made to Washington county farms, according to a report of the county agent and 2562 called at the county agent's office on business. The agent spent 204 days in field work and 98 days in the office. Took a leading part in 99 meetings and demonstrations and assisted with 30 others, making a total of 129 meetings having a total attendance of 4330. Wrote 1658 individual letters.

Distributed 327,900 pounds of war salvage stumping powder to 731 farmers, at a saving of \$28,769.02. There has been a revival of land clearing. One dealer reports selling more of the regular stumping powder as a result of the renewed interest in land clearing.

Potato Seed Improvement

He continued the work on potato seed improvement. Eight growers out of fourteen passed all field inspections for certified potato seed. Eight growers are making special effort to eliminate as nearly as possible Mosaic and Wilt diseases by roguing out diseased plants during the growing season.

Burbank potato trials on the farms of Otto Brose, of Sherwood, and Fred Sewell, of Hillsboro, without exception, show the selected strains of Burbanks from Washington county and adjoining counties yielding the largest amount of marketable potatoes per acre. In some instances selected potatoes from Chehalis Mountain yielded three times as many marketable potatoes as did Burbanks used in parts of the county. This was in the same growing test.

The agent assisted growers of certified seed in finding a market for potatoes with 36 growers in the Willamette valley.

He exhibited potatoes at the ninth annual Land Products show for growers, which won first and third in the Burbank certified seed class in competition with other certified Burbanks from the Northwest.

Farm Crops

He continued silage corn improvement work, assisting growers to secure acclimated seed. Helped with the selection of seed corn, and sale of selected seed.

Conducted two corn variety growing contests on the farms of Frank Herb of Banks, and B. K. Denney at Beaverton. Results show such acclimated local varieties of corn as Minnesota No. 13 and Golden Glow still in the lead in production.

Assisted three growers in certifying 44 acres of White Winter and Foley wheat; two growers to certify 35 acres of Hannschen barley; five to certify 53 acres of Gray Winter, Shadeland Climax and Senator oats. One man made special selection of Rink wheat that strictly pure seed may be obtained.

Inspected grain on 14 farms. Cooperated with the Hillsboro chamber of commerce in staging the second annual corn and potato show, at which choice and selected varieties of corn and potatoes were exhibited, and exhibits collected for the Land Products show.

Grimm Alfalfa

The county agent continued Grimm alfalfa work. Assisted 120 farmers in securing registered Grimm alfalfa seed for planting. Held 10 alfalfa field meetings, attended by 168 persons, for the purpose of discussing growing methods as applied to Grimm alfalfa. Wrote a circular on Grimm alfalfa; 800 copies distributed.

He assisted a group of farmers from Yamhill and Marion counties each, on an inspection trip of Washington county alfalfa trials. Secured 90 tons of ground lime rock from the state lime plant for 48 Washington county farmers. Kept records of yields of alfalfa on Fred Sewell's and Sherman Hyre's farms. Three cuttings yielded 5 tons 600 pounds on the former, and 6 tons 210 pounds on the latter.

He made a survey of alfalfa and clover stem rot on forty farms. Started three phosphate tests on alfalfa. Three growers are trying out Haron timothy.

Horticulture

He held seven pruning demonstrations attended by 122 fruit growers. A demonstration of the long system of pruning, and close pruning in the same orchard showed the trees pruned the long system making 1 9-20 inches more circumference growth in one season. Arranged for