

NEW THEATRE WILL OPEN TOMORROW

COURTS VIEW TOLL ROAD WITH FAVOR

Franchise Now up to the State Highway Commission

APPROVED HERE MONDAY

Courts of Tillamook and Washington Counties Hold Joint Meeting

The tone of the joint meeting of the Tillamook and Washington county courts in the county court room here Monday afternoon indicates the possible granting of the Wilson river toll road franchise. The "buck" has been passed back to the state highway commission with the stipulation that if it accepts the present drawn tentative franchise the two courts will approve.

Write Commission

A letter was addressed to the commission containing this proposal. The letter was signed by Judge E. J. Ward and Commissioners F. W. Livermore and J. M. Hiatt of Washington county, and Judge Homer Mason and Commissioners R. O. Richards and S. G. Reed of Tillamook county. Senator A. G. Beals and E. M. Chandler represented the promoters.

If the highway commission does not accept this franchise another is to be drawn to its satisfaction and will be submitted to the individual courts of Washington and Tillamook counties for their approval, according to the letter to the commission. All members agreed that the other roads proposed are too near parallel with the present road running to Tillamook and that the Wilson river route was selected as the result of a thorough analysis of the problem.

Under the law enacted by the 1925 session of the legislature, the highway commission, in addition to the two county courts, must approve of a franchise for the toll road before such franchise can be granted. After months of negotiating Chandler and Beals had the satisfaction Monday of seeing the courts agreeable. Practically every stipulation and contention made by the court members have been agreed to by the applicants for the franchise.

The tentative franchise covers a period of 25 years, with the privilege of renewal on the same terms and conditions, or conditions mutually satisfactory, or purchase of the road by the public at the expiration of that period. In the event of a sale, the holders of the franchise cannot receive more than the cost of building the road, plus the cost of liquidation.

Chandler pointed out that the highway commission is practically in control and that the hands of the private parties are nearly tied up, except for the assurance of a reasonable return on the investment.

Among the conditions in the contract is one providing that the franchise-holders have but one year in which to complete financing the road and then must deposit a \$100,000 bond to guarantee construction and completion of the road. Meanwhile the franchise is to be placed in escrow in a Portland bank.

The franchise specifies that there shall be at least a 24-foot road if macadam and 18 if concrete. The present plan is for concrete and it is estimated by Mr. Chandler that the cost of the road would be around \$3,000,000.

The toll road is 38 miles long, starting at Agards mill, 13 miles from Forest Grove, following the Wilson river, and ends at a point 5 miles east of Tillamook. It will be 36 miles shorter to the beaches from Portland than the old route through McMinnville.

Regulation of tolls is vested in the public service commission. A tentative fee of \$1 is fixed for the average touring car. Passengers will be charged 10 cent per head. Other vehicles will be regulated.

In event that the promoters do not keep up their agreement as provided in the franchise the road will be forfeited to the state. Free use of the road is given to the government for military purposes. Special provisions are also made for the mail service and for those living along the road.

Representative L. M. Graham of Forest Grove presented the matter to the courts on behalf of the promoters.

A delegation from Forest Grove was present at the joint meeting. A meeting of the chambers of commerce of Forest Grove and Hillsboro will be held tonight in the chamber rooms to consider and discuss the proposed toll road.

Oregon Queen Mother Dies

This picture of Mrs. Catherine J. Adams was taken five years ago when she was 92 and it shows her at work with the needle. She did needlework constantly up until last fall.



QUEEN MOTHER OF OREGON DEAD HERE

Mrs. Catherine J. Adams Dies at Home of Son

CROSSED PLAINS IN 1852
Donation Land Claim Purchased Northeast of Hillsboro in 1862

Mrs. Catherine J. Adams, 96, Queen Mother of Oregon, died at the home of her son, William C. Adams, a mile northwest of Hillsboro on the North Plains road early Tuesday morning.

She was the last of a family of ten children.

Mrs. Adams had maintained reasonably good health up to the very last and was reading continually up to about a week before she died. She had never worn glasses. This pioneer woman would knit incessantly and was only forced to give this up last fall.

Nearly 97

She was born September 30, 1828, at Vergen, Genesee county, New York, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bartlett. At the age of seven years she went to Michigan to live with her aunt and spent her girlhood there.

She was married to Calvin H. Adams May 18, 1848, and eight children were born to the union, two of them before they crossed the plains with the McMillan train in 1852. While crossing to Oregon many hardships were encountered and she and her two children narrowly escaped Indians. These two children were the late Mrs. Sophia Bowlby of the Blooming section, who died several years ago, and the late Joseph Adams, who spent his boyhood here in Hillsboro.

They lived with Ralph Greer, a cousin, in the Weldo Hills near Silverton when they first came to Oregon and in 1862 they bought the Cushing Eels donation land claim near Hillsboro. They lived on the farm about 18 years and in 1880 moved to Hillsboro. Their home was at Third and Oak streets.

Lived With Daughter

Up until about four months ago she had lived with her daughter, Mrs. Flora Adams Pio in Portland, for the past 12 years. The last few months she had lived with her son near Hillsboro.

Mrs. Adams was a charter member of the Hillsboro Grange and the Hillsboro Congregational church. She attended the East Side Evangelical church while living in Portland. The former pastor of this church, Rev. Ezra Maurer of Tigard, will officiate at the services. She was always faithful in her church duties.

She was an educated woman and a great reader. After coming to Oregon she taught in the pioneer schools for a time.

An active member of the Oregon Pioneer association she was first named Queen Mother of Oregon in Portland in 1920. This honor was accorded her two other years, but her failing health prevented her from attending the last two years.

Twenty grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren survive besides the son, William C. Adams, and the daughter, Mrs. Flora Adams Pio.

The funeral services will be held from the Congregational church Friday afternoon at 2:30 and interment will be in the Hillsboro cemetery.

Named Justice

P. W. Duerr has been appointed justice of the peace at Sherwood by the county court to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from the district of the former justice.

Find Deserted Still

A deserted still was found by Sheriff Reeves yesterday up back of Gaston in the hills. The still was dismantled and had not been used for several weeks.

Recorder Reports

Receipts of the recorder's office for the month of August totaled \$518.60, according to a report filed by Recorder J. H. Davis.

Miss Helen Johnston entertained with a dinner party at her home in Laurelhurst last week for the Misses Eva and Tennessee Weatherford of Hillsboro, who leave Friday for a vacation trip to British Columbia.

Stores Close Monday Account Labor Day

Hillsboro shoppers must do their stuff on Saturday of this week and shop enough to last until Tuesday. Monday is Labor Day and all business houses in Hillsboro, except the confectioners and the like will be closed as per the agreement made just before Memorial Day. At that time Hillsboro merchants decided to close on certain holidays. Many will take advantage of the two days to go to the beaches.

COUNCIL CHANGES NAME OF STREET

Work on Roads Leading Into City Progressing

PHONE RATES DISCUSSED

Work Started Yesterday on Orengo Road; Next Work Is on North Plains

The re-naming of Fir street came up at the council session Tuesday night and this body not being particular named it Walnut street. They want it understood that anyone having any other name to suggest should do so at once.

City-County Co-operate

The city is co-operating with the county in improving roads leading into Hillsboro. The road north from the high school is nearly completed and work started Wednesday on the Orengo road. From there they will go to the North Plains road. The county is doing the work and the roads outside the city are paid for from market road funds and those inside by the city. The work consists of scarifying and rocking.

The Hillsboro Telephone company gave notice of the proposed rate increase. The rate schedule has been filed with the public service commission as told in another article in this issue.

Manager Woodworth of the county fair asked permission to rope off Maple street between Ninth and Tenth streets during the fair in order to better handle the crowds.

The city delivered \$27,000 in 1925 improvement bonds to the Shute Savings bank.

The meeting was very long but most of the time was taken up in a discussion of new telephone rates.

First Fall Meeting of Legion Tuesday

Program of Activities for the Year Will be Arranged by the Veterans

The first American Legion meeting of the fall will be held in the Veterans' Memorial hall on West Main street next Tuesday night and the commander urges all Legion men to be present.

Plans for financing the new hall will be discussed and promulgated at that time. A program for the fall will occupy the attention of the veterans. Polishing and painting details to make the new patriotic hall as attractive from the outside as it is inside will be arranged.

Armistice Day plans and committees will be appointed in order that the celebration of the end of the great war will be better than ever.

The executive committee will hold a luncheon meeting tomorrow noon. There will be a representative here from the Pacific Legion to discuss the organization of a drum corps.

Tongue on Reception Committee
Thomas H. Tongue has been appointed on the reception committee for Vice-President Charles G. Dawes when he arrives in Portland next Monday.

Discover Brown Rot

Warning has been broadcast by O. T. McWhorter, county agent, to farmers of Washington county to watch out for brown rot, a disease that has been rapidly spreading in the prune orchards of the valley. He recommends spraying.

School starts in the Midway school Monday, September 14.

Coffee Club Meets Here September 11

Public Welfare Will be Discussed at First Fall Meeting

The department of public welfare will have charge of the program at the first fall meeting of the Coffee club September 11 in the chamber of commerce rooms, according to an announcement of Mrs. C. E. Wells, club president. Mrs. Wells urges all members to be present.

Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst, a student and leader in welfare work in Portland, will be one of the speakers at the September meeting and she will talk on public welfare. Mrs. Earl Hobbs of Cornelius, president of the county federation of women's clubs, will tell of the work in Washington county. A musical program will be given and dainty refreshments will be served.

Prominent Hillsboro Woman Dies

Mrs. W. F. Boley, Wife of County Assessor Boley, Is Buried Today

Mrs. Nellie Campfield Boley, 62, wife of County Assessor W. F. Boley, died at the family home here early Tuesday morning following an extended illness.

She was born in Wakefield, Ohio, May 27, 1863, and spent her girlhood there. Nellie Campfield was married to Mr. Boley at Peoria, Illinois, June 21, 1905, and they made their home in Chicago for the first two years before coming west. They first moved to Seattle and from there to North Plains for four years. The last 11 years they have lived in Hillsboro.

Mrs. Boley was a kind and lovable woman and she leaves a host of friends to mourn her death. She was ever on the lookout for the happiness of others and especially thoughtful of her husband.

She was originally a member of the Presbyterian church, but later accepted Christian Science and became a devout member of that church.

The widower, W. F. Boley, and her mother, Mrs. Beckwith, survive her. Mrs. Beckwith is 87 and made her home with the Boleys. A brother died two weeks ago in Washington, D. C.

The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Limber chapel. The services at the chapel were in charge of the Christian Science church and the services at the cemetery were conducted by the Eastern Star chapter of which she was a member. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Traffic Violators Nipped by Justice

Jail and Suspended License Is Result of Reckless Driving

Traffic violations disposed of in the justice court by Judge Caley for the week were: G. A. Grab, reckless driving, \$10 cash bail forfeited; E. Lon Rain, speeding, \$15 cash bail forfeited; M. W. Brown, speeding, \$10 cash bail forfeited; F. S. Johnson, \$10 cash bail forfeited; E. L. Houser, speeding, \$8.50; James E. Neilson, speeding, \$15; S. M. Rembouski, speeding, \$10 bail forfeited; D. P. Murray, speeding, \$15; C. J. Jost, speeding, \$20; Aubrey Gill, speeding, \$15; Henry Body, speeding, \$15; Francis Thomas, reckless driving, license suspended for 30 days, committed to jail for 5 days.

Game law violations: Sherman Hutchinson of North Plains, \$25 and costs; W. C. Clark, Portland, \$25 and costs. The total receipts for the month in the justice court were \$464.00.

Case Postponed

The case of J. W. Tilson versus George Rahoutis and the Oregon Iron and steel company which was brought up in court today was postponed until October 3 on account of the absence of plaintiff.

Portlander Arrested

Ferd Hoffman of Portland was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Weckert and Duley at a dance here last night on a charge of being drunk. He was placed in the county jail.

ALL COUNTY PLANS TO ATTEND MOVIES

Richard Dix in "The Lucky Devil" Is First Picture

USUAL PRICES TO REMAIN

Surprise in Store for Theatre Goers at Phelps' New Venetian Theatre

All Washington county is looking forward to tomorrow night and planning to attend the movies in Hillsboro. This not only includes the rabid movie fans, but the lovers of beautiful architecture and splendidly adapted organ music.

Phelps' new Venetian theatre will have its formal opening tomorrow night and the first production is Richard Dix in "The Lucky Devil." The first show will start at 6:30, the second at 8:45 and a third show if necessary.

Theatre Beautiful

A surprise is in store for theatre-goers when they visit Phelps' new Venetian for it is without question the most beautiful theatre in the Willamette valley and for art and beauty eclipses any downtown Portland theatre.

Men have been working night and day in order that Hillsboro's amusement center would not be closed any longer than necessary. Work of tuning the big pipe organ has continued far into the night so that every detail will be at its best.

The beautiful foyer carpet and drapery stage settings are from the Weil's Department store and the American Beauty draperies are being installed by B. F. Shearer Co. of Seattle.

Decorating Excellent

The decorating and art work was done by Carl Berg, an artist of rare ability, who recently returned from a tour of Europe where he obtained many of his ideas for the paintings in the Venetian.

Many have been wondering if the admission price would be increased at the new theatre. When asked concerning this Manager Phelps said that the prices would be the same—adults 25 cents and children 10 cents. Prices will be raised only on rare occasions and for big pictures.

Pictures to be shown at the new theatre are the finest Mr. Phelps has ever been able to obtain for Hillsboro. Big pictures coming include, "The Ten Commandments," "The Iron Horse," "Poly Express," "Son of His Father," "Wild Horse Mesa," and all of Tom Mix's future releases, besides the Warner Bros. classics of the screen.

The building is of sturdy construction, mostly steel and concrete, with concrete floors. There is very little wood construction in the building.

Veteran Movie Man

Manager Phelps of the Venetian is the oldest Oregon moving picture exhibitor still in the business. He is on his 17th year of operating theatres in Hillsboro.

The work of plastering the theatre was done by Oscar Jacobs and a crew and it is pronounced one of the best jobs of the kind ever seen.

A visit will convince anyone in Washington county that Moving picture comfort may be obtained right at home.

P. U. Looking for Large Registration

Freshman Class of at Least 100 Now Assured, Says University Report

When Pacific University opens on September 21 it will greet the largest number of students in the history of the school. A freshman class of at least 100 is now assured. It is possible that the registration will have to be closed shortly. Both McCormick and Herriek halls will be filled and a good many will have to room in town.

The campus and all of the buildings are being put in order. This work is all being done by college students. Over 100 students have been given jobs for the year to help them earn their way. There is still an opportunity for a few more students to earn their way so that if any Hillsboro students are planning to come they should apply at once and also reserve a room.

Fair Premium Lists Being Distributed

Various Exhibits and Events at County Show Promise Much Activity

The premium lists for the Washington county fair, September 23, 24 and 25, have been completed in the Argus job printing department and are being distributed by the fair officials. The premium list is a 24-page book giving a list of the prizes and a short history of the First Annual Washington County fair. The book tells how the fair was made possible and gives a list of the contributors.

Anyone desiring a premium list should notify George L. Woodworth or Wilford W. Phillips at the chamber of commerce.

An educational exhibit, featuring the trapping and poisoning of rodents such as gophers and grey diggers and the trapping of moles will be staged by the U. S. Biological Survey at the fair. This exhibit contains a replica of gopher, mole and grey digger mounds and tunnels, showing places to locate the traps and to place poison baits.

This exhibit was shown at the Pacific International Livestock show last year, and as an educational feature it received much favorable comment.

A. W. Moore, junior biologist of the U. S. Biological Survey, will be in charge of this exhibit.

The Washington county fair board will hold weekly sessions in the chamber of commerce rooms here every Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Three big dances are planned for the Washington county fair, September 23, 24 and 25. The first on Wednesday will be an old-time dance with Walker's orchestra furnishing the music. The Orpheus Girls' orchestra will play the second night and Tubby's Vagabonds will play for the last night.

Union High Is Planned

Meeting Held at Laurel Monday Night to Make Plans

Plans for the organization of a Hillsboro union high school district were discussed at a meeting at Laurel Monday night. The plans discussed call for the uniting of 18 outlying school districts for the union high.

Finis Brown of Laurel is one of the promoters for the outlying districts. Dr. J. O. Robb is chairman of the Hillsboro union high committee. The plan will be discussed at the next meeting of the Hillsboro board.

TRANSPORTATION IS FURNISHED PUPILS

Board Plans Experiment to Scholls and Laurel

TOTAL MILEAGE IS 25.3

Everything in Readiness for the Opening of School September 14

Transportation will be furnished the high school students in the Scholls-Laurel district for a year as an experiment, according to a decision reached by the Hillsboro school board Tuesday afternoon. This is in line with a vote of confidence given them by business men in a recent joint meeting of business men and school board.

The board is (asking for bids) to furnish transportation. The bus will go out the Farmington road to Farmington where it will start picking up students and from there on to Scholls, around through Midway and Laurel, back to the high school. The total mileage is 25.3.

Everything will be in readiness at the schools by the day school opens, September 14, according to Principal B. M. Goodman, who acts in the capacity of superintendent since the abolishment of that office. The new grade unit is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready.

The list of grammar school teachers: Ruth Jones, Maud A. Lake, Emily Young, Adella B. Wardrobe, Beatrice Brown, Adele Pilkaer, Mrs. Susanne Paine, Mrs. Marie Priest, Mrs. Hattie Ball, Blanche Bride, Helen Hansen, Mattie E. Case, Mary Alice Wood, May Blades, Martha Owsley, Mrs. Josephine Case, Mrs. Myrtle Krueck, Mrs. Bertha Pennington, Phoebe Doyle, Junia M. Johnson, Edrie L. Melhuish and Principal Hugh Naldrett.

Make Excessive Claims

Excessive claims of property owners have caused the county court to give up the idea of straightening out a county road at Olsen and the claims have been disallowed. Some bad and dangerous curves have caused users of the road to appeal to the county court to make the change.

Arrested Last Night

J. Linden was picked up by Deputy Weckert and Duley down near St. Marys last night and was placed in the county jail on a charge of drunkenness and liquor possession. He carried his home with him and the knight of the road is said to be contented with the Hotel Reeves.