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## GAS RATE HERE IS AMONG THE LOWEST

Company Official is Speaker  
at Luncheon on Monday

## BULBS ON NEXT PROGRAM

Sale of Enormous Amount of  
By-Products Cuts Rate  
in This District

The present and future of the Portland Gas & Coke company was discussed in an address by J. Earl Jones, assistant sales manager, before the Hillsboro chamber of commerce at the forum luncheon in the chamber rooms Monday noon. Glenn Stapleton was luncheon chairman.

Mr. Jones said that people in the outlying territories were receiving the same service at the same charge as in Portland and that by reason of the large sale of by-products the rate in Portland was lower than all other cities in the United States with the exception of San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York.

The sale of by-products include 50,000 tons of Gasco briquets, 17,000 gallons of tar, which is used on the roads for binder at a saving, naphthalene products for rodent eradication. Besides they manufacture 3,000,000 gallons of motor fuel and 750,000 gallons are sent to Philadelphia, while 2,250,000 gallons are used in Portland. The company manufactures and sell four billion cubic feet of gas, according to Mr. Jones.

The gas company official said that they had 1600 miles of gas line and were prepared to handle a large growth in population throughout their territory. The company employs 900 and has a payroll of \$2,000,000 a year. Dividends for last year amounted to \$380,000 and they paid \$400,000 in taxes last year.

"We are glad to be one of your community," declared Mr. Jones. "The company plans to spend \$1,000,000 on improvements. We are willing to co-operate in the rebuilding of the community."

Harry Hill represented the chamber of commerce at the Portland chamber of commerce luncheon on Monday noon when the railroad merger was discussed.

Bulb growing in this section will be discussed at the next chamber of commerce luncheon by T. B. Higginbotham, who has had considerable success.

## Bagley's Opinion on Tunnel Upheld

The election in October of 1925, creating tunnel district No. 1 in Multnomah and Washington counties, is held void and the legislative act of 1921 providing for the formation of tunnel districts is held unconstitutional in an opinion handed down by the supreme court Tuesday.

The case was taken up to the supreme court on an appeal from this county, the decree of Judge George R. Bagley being affirmed.

Matt Golde was arrested Saturday on booze charges and Frank Rychnick was taken into custody yesterday on an assault charge.

## Mrs. Ann Rebecca Rowell, Early Scholls Resident, Tells Some- thing of Family and Community

(Edward C. Robbins)  
MRS. ANN REBECCA ROWELL, pioneer to the Scholls community, celebrated her seventy-fifth birthday on February 5 by sitting up till midnight the previous Friday night and for the first time in her life listened in to "The Keep Growing Wiser Order of Hoot Owls" from radio KGW.

This interview was picked up on Saturday, February 5, incidental to another assignment, for which the interview crew and official car had gone to Scholls. In fact the official car was about ready to leave when Mrs. J. M. Stretcher suggested Grandma Rowell as a good source for a pioneer story. Over the telephone Mrs. Stretcher secured the appointment.

"What a coincidence this is. Today is Grandma's seventy-fifth birthday," replied Miss Rowell from the other end of the wire. "Who could think of anything better for her to do than to give her biography on the diamond jubilee day of her birth. But listen," said the daughter upon a moment's reflection. "I don't really think she can remember much."

A few minutes later the interview was well under way. "I was born in Virginia near Richmond on the fifth

## Farm Meetings in Chamber of Commerce Sat.

Those interested in red clover growing and red clover seed production are invited to attend a meeting at the Hillsboro chamber of commerce rooms Saturday at 11:00 a. m. O. T. McWhorter, county agent, has arranged for George R. Hyslop of the farm crops department at the Oregon Agricultural college to talk on some recent developments regarding clover production in the Willamette valley. Every clover grower will be interested in what will be necessary for clover seed producers to do to retain their market for clover seed.

On Saturday at 1:15 p. m. Prof. Hyslop will discuss potato production in the Willamette valley, with special emphasis on crop improvement. Potato growers will be interested in the prediction that a heavy planting of potatoes this year will mean a correspondingly low price.

This potato growers' meeting is held by the county agent and the Washington County Burbank Growers association.

## MAN, NEARLY FROZEN, IS DISCOVERED

Tells Story of Being Attacked  
by Two Men on Account  
of Labor Trouble

William Silvers, about 35 years of age, who was found in the hills above Shady Brook last Thursday in a critical condition from exposure, is either demented or crazed from the effects of continued use of moonshine in the opinion of Sheriff J. E. Reeves, who investigated. He was found in a semi-conscious condition and with frozen feet by Deputy Sheriff Oscar Duley, who was sent there on a report from J. M. Tillman of above Shady Brook. The man was taken to the county hospital and is now recovering.

Silvers says that he was stopped at Linnton by two men, who accused him of causing labor trouble at the Linnton mill. He tells the story, according to the sheriff, that these men attacked him, forced him to take a drink and then poured acid on his feet, which were burned. Frightened, he ran into the woods and the hills and wandered around. The next thing he knew he was in the hospital here.

The sheriff says that Silvers admits using his money for moonshine. Deputy Duley tracked the man in the snow near the Columbia county line and finally found him underneath a pile of brush, with no coat on and without shoes.

Sheriff Reeves said that after investigation he was satisfied that there was nothing to the story about his being attacked by two men at Linnton.

## Get Your Dog License

Only 500 dog licenses have been sold so far and the closing time is March 1, according to County Clerk Edward C. Luce. This is only about a fifth of the total and the clerk is anticipating a big rush.

## TELEGRAPHIC SHOOT STARTS ON SUNDAY

Local Gunners, Who Finished  
at Top Last Year, Will  
be Out in Force

The Oregonian telegraphic trap-shooting tournament starts next Sunday and a number of clubs who were not in the tournament last year have entered. Twenty-three clubs were in last year's contest and it looks as though there would be more this year.

The Washington county gunners will be on the job in full force Sunday. Shooting will start at 10 o'clock and run until 12 o'clock.

A new feature in the tournament this year will be a team race between Portland, Salem, Eugene, Corvallis and Washington county. Each one of these are to shoot on the grounds of every other team once during the tournament. Sunday, February 27, all teams are to shoot in Portland; March 13 all teams are to shoot in Corvallis; March 27 all at Eugene; April 3 all at Salem, and April 24th all on the local range. Clubs may shoot as many men as they want to and the score of the ten high men will count. Appropriate cash prizes will be given to the first, second, third and fourth teams in standing at the end of the tournament.

For a number of years past the men who enjoy fishing have been endeavoring to have the Big Nestucca and Little Nestucca rivers and Nestucca bay closed to commercial fishing. The secretary of the rod and gun club has just been advised that these efforts have not been in vain, as these waters have been closed to commercial fishing.

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## PATTERSON INCOME TAX WINS SENATE

Few New Laws Enacted This  
Session of Legislature

## REPEAL MANY OLD LAWS

County Boundaries Are Saved  
by Amendments to Bill  
in the Senate

Governor Patterson's income tax bill passed the senate yesterday afternoon by the overwhelming majority of 27 to 3. Three opposing it to the last ditch were Senators Banks, Klepper and Upton. Senator W. G. Hare, who has favored an income tax from the first, voted for the measure.

Salem, Feb. 16—Oregon State Editorial Association News Bureau—How many new laws have been enacted so far this session? Ten. We are told we are being flooded with new legislation, but in checking through the house and senate calendars only ten new laws could be found. Of the thirty-three house bills and twenty senate bills, fifty-three in all, which were approved by the governor, thirty-four amended present laws, and nine repealed old laws. fallen into disuse. The 582 house bills introduced can be catalogued as follows: Those already withdrawn, 105; those amending present laws, 186; enacting new legislation, including appropriations, 205; repealing old laws, 86. The 265 senate bills: Already withdrawn, 14; those amending present laws, 149; enacting new legislation, 97; repealing old laws, 9.

Of the twenty house bill introduced by individuals, not committees nor county delegations, eleven were by men with no previous experience in the legislature and three by men in their second session. Briggs of Jackson county, serving of the first time and second youngest legislator of the session, has a larger number of successful bills than any other representative, three. McCourt of Multnomah, the youngest legislator, has a lone. Burdick, Hamilton and Collier jointly have four. Committee on repeal of laws, seven. Joint ways and means committee, two. Swan, one; Multnomah delegation, one; Potter, one; Fisher, one; Peterson, one; Josephine and Douglas county delegation, one; committee on railroads and transportation, one; Clark, one; Scott, one; Gordon, one; committee on constitutional law, one; Snell, two; Sievers, Olson and Clark, one; Buchanan, one; Clark, Sievers, Chidgren and Senator Jones, one.

Five of the total twenty state bills signed by the governor were introduced by the judiciary committee. Of the remaining fifteen, four were introduced by Strayer, three by Knut Anderson and Edwin Kiepkle pleaded guilty to the larceny charges against them Tuesday and will be sentenced Saturday. They were charged with several burglaries in and around Hillsboro during the last few months. Hoover has six indictments against him and Kiepkle has eight.

Knut Anderson was fined \$500 and given a six-months jail term on a booze charge and then paroled on payment of \$250. Mrs. L. Frances McNeil was found guilty by a jury of a liquor law violation. L. Bates pleaded guilty to possession. Harry V. Mason and George Patterson were arraigned.

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## Schools, Banks and County to Close Tuesday

Next Tuesday is Washington's birthday and as usual the offices in the court house as well as the two local banks will be closed. Anyone having business for that day at any of these places will have to make a change on their calendar. Schools throughout the county will observe the day with appropriate exercises.

The streets in Hillsboro will be bedecked with flags and the American Legion urges all to have their flags out.

The schools in Hillsboro will have patriotic programs on Monday afternoon at 2:45, and there will be no school on Tuesday.

## SEVERAL LARCENY BILLS REPORTED IN

Two Plead Guilty to Charges  
of Larceny and Will be  
Sentenced Soon

Thirty-three true bills and six not true were reported in circuit court Monday morning by the grand jury. Ore Hoover faces six larceny indictments, including four for larceny in a dwelling, one for burglary and the other for grand larceny. Edwin C. Kiepkle has eight counts against him, including one for grand larceny, one for burglary and six for larceny in dwellings. George Patterson faces a charge of grand larceny. Officers are of the opinion that the arrest of these three clears up the robberies and burglaries here in the past few months.

Knut Anderson, L. Bates, Frank Turk and Nelson Waddell were indicted on booze charges. Andrew Weller is charged with carrying a concealed weapon and Harry V. Mason has a non-support charge against him.

A divorce decree was granted Benjamin Hall from Petra Hall. Harry Turner was given a parole and orders were given in the cases of Walrad & Wright, Inc., vs. H. E. Thayer and Fred Hoss and F. A. Hamlin vs. H. E. Thayer.

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## BROWN BROTHERS TO HAVE NEW SHOP

Quarters for Tin Shop Are to  
be Constructed Soon

## WITH TWO NEW GARAGES

Mohr Bros. to Construct An-  
other Concrete Building,  
29 by 99 Feet

Building construction in the city for 1927 was given further impetus this week with the announcement that a building will be constructed for Brown Bros. Tin Shop on Third street between Washington and Baseline streets, by Mohr Bros. The land has been purchased by Leonard and Lloyd Brown and they have taken out a building permit for a \$7,000 structure.

The new quarters of the tin shop will be a continuation of the buildings that are being constructed to house the R. J. Higdon Motor company and Bert C. Shipley. Shipley purchased the land from Mohr Bros. and they are constructing the building for him. Party walls are being used in the construction.

The Brown building will be 39 by 99 feet and will be of concrete. The building on the corner, which will house the Higdon company, is 99 by 99 and Shipley's building is to be 60 by 99 feet. Work on the foundation started Monday of last week and a good start was being made on the walls until yesterday when rain delayed work.

The Brown brothers have been in business here in Hillsboro for several years, Leonard for 12 and Lloyd for nine. The tin shop business has grown to such an extent that it has outgrown their present quarters.

## MANY ENJOY SUN- DAY SCHOOL MEET

H. A. Kuratli Re-Elected Sec-  
retary; Martha James  
is District Leader

The annual convention of the Washington County Council of Religious Education at the Methodist church at Tigard Saturday and Sunday was attended by nearly 300 delegates and visitors. "Spread the Good News," was the theme of the meeting.

Rev. F. C. Butler of Gaston was named president of the group and H. A. Kuratli of Hillsboro was re-elected secretary. Martha James was made head of the Hillsboro district.

District presidents are as follows: P. Patton, No. 1, Gaston; Orval Hutchinsin, No. 2, Forest Grove; Mrs. J. J. Hutchinson, No. 3, Banks; John Boy, No. 4, Corvallis; Finis L. Brown, No. 5, Laurel; P. E. Lewis, No. 7, Tigard; H. A. Kuratli, No. 8, Hillsboro; Mrs. Jesse Bates, cradle roll superintendent; Gaston; Mrs. Ed Wilson, young people, Linnton, route 2; Mrs. S. L. Carlyle, missionary, Orengo; Mrs. Harry Stewart, home department superintendent, Tigard; and Prof. Frank Taylor, educational superintendent, Forest Grove.

The delegates voted to instruct the county delegation to the legislature to pass a bill prohibiting the advertising of cigarettes or cigarette papers except in newspapers.

Those who attended the session from here said that the address by Dr. Pennington of Pacific college on "The Pathway to Peace," was one of the best they had ever heard.

## "Just Like a Woman" Staged by the Grange

"Just Like a Woman" will be staged tomorrow (Friday) night at the Grange hall by the Hillsboro Grange. Mrs. E. G. Cox is directing the play and the proceeds will go to augment the building fund.

The cast of characters is as follows: Joshua Alexander Smith—a farmer .....George L. Woodworth Bartholemew Smith—a son living in Buffalo .....B. L. Adams John Austin Havestab—Polly's lover .....Alva Logan Mrs. Smith—Joshua's wife

Mrs. Ida Hornecker Doris Duncan—a neighbor's daughter .....Lucile Cook Polly Pepper—a little country girl who has been doing domestic work in the city.....Elva Logan

N. A. Ham of Hillsboro was on the fishermen's special Saturday to points on the P. R. & N. The reel in fish was very small for the large party of 138.

## Eastern Market Prospects Are Declared Good

Market prospects are good, according to Bert E. Maling, manager of Ray-Maling, Inc., who returned on Sunday evening from an eastern business trip, which included visits to the markets in Atlantic City, Kansas City, Chicago, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Detroit. Business conditions in the East are good in the opinion of Mr. Maling.

Mr. Maling expects to leave for another eastern trip in the interests of the local concern about March 1. He will remain about two months.

An increased acreage in the territory adjacent to Hillsboro is reported by the four field men from the cannery.

Mrs. Maling, who accompanied him, remained in the East to visit relatives.

## COMPULSORY T. B. TEST IS FAVORED

S. T. Hulit Elected President  
County Guernsey Club  
Here on Tuesday

The compulsory test for bovine tuberculosis was favored in a resolution passed Tuesday by the Washington County Guernsey club at the annual meeting in the Hillsboro chamber of commerce rooms. They recommended that the expense be defrayed from public funds.

S. T. Hulit of Hillsboro was re-elected president of the club. The other officers are: Ed Reiben of Banks, vice-president; John Mulloy of Laurel, secretary-treasurer, and H. T. Hesse of Scholls, sergeant-at-arms. The program committee for the year will be Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Hesse, H. D. Nave, E. L. Moore and O. T. McWhorter. The committee to arrange the Guernsey exhibition at the county fair is composed of H. D. Nave, John Spies of Beaverton and H. T. Hesse.

The county fair board was asked to provide additional classifications for livestock, including senior and junior calf classes and classes for animals four years old and over.

A vote of thanks was given to the chamber of commerce for the use of their rooms and dining room for the meeting.

A. J. Evers, president of the Holstein club, and D. G. Lilly of the Jersey club met with the Guernsey breeders to discuss county exhibits of dairy cattle.

## DISTRICT TEAMS TO COMPETE AT MAC

Hillsboro Likely to Represent  
County in Tournament  
March 4 and 5

Plans for the first annual Washington, Tillamook and Yamhill county basketball championship tournament at McMinnville March 4 and 5 are nearing completion, according to Frank A. Bauman, superintendent of McMinnville's schools, who heads the district board of directors and is in active charge of all arrangements.

The McMinnville chamber of commerce has heartily endorsed the tournament and merchants are expected to decorate their windows specially for the visitors. Linfield college is co-operating heartily by donating the use of its gymnasium for two full days without charge.

While expenses of the visiting teams are to be paid by the teams in case of a deficit, it is expected that the games will draw sufficient crowds to defray the expenses for all contestants.

The tri-county race has settled down to a field of not yet exceeded eight contestants. Dayton, in the Yamhill county league, has cinched a right to play as has Tillamook in her county and Hillsboro seems to have done this in Washington county. McMinnville and Newberg high schools are also assured a right to start in the tourney March 4, but the remaining places lie between Beaverton, Banks and Cloverdale, providing the first named might spill the dope and upset Hillsboro. The winner in the Cloverdale-Banks melee will also come to the McMinnville playoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hergert of near Mountindale were in town yesterday on their way through to Portland. Their son, Alvin Hergert, has just received a diploma in applied electrical engineering from the Chicago Engineer Works.

## COUNTY ROADS ARE PRAISED BY STATE

Engineer Jones is Speaker at  
a Big Meeting Here

## MANY FARMERS PRESENT

Under New Methods and Cost  
Record Accomplish More  
at Less Expense

Washington county has probably made the greatest advance of any of the counties in the past two years and is now one of the leading counties in good, modern, economical and well-planned road construction.

This comment on road conditions in Washington county was read from the report of the seventh biennial report of the state highway commission to the governor of Oregon, by Charles D. Jones, county engineer and market road master, at a community meeting in the chamber of commerce rooms Thursday night.

Delegations from Sherwood, West Union, Scholls, Farmington, North Plains and Pumpkin Ridge were present to hear the story of roads. Sixty-three were here from outside districts. Roads seem to be of greater interest to the public than anything else.

Engineer Jones explained the market road law and of how the intent of the law passed by the 1920 legislature was right, but that in practice it was not so good. The supervisory plan was well ingrained in Washington county and in some places the supervisors were capable, but many times they were not, because of constant change. Until the law was amended in 1925 the market road funds were used to swell the district funds, whereas now the district money is used to swell the market road funds. In the first years of the market road system there were no plans and in most cases the supervisor didn't follow what plans there were, according to the engineer. Money spent during that time was \$432,008.15, making an annual market road cost of \$85,401.63.

"The legislature amended the law to provide for a designated system in 1925," stated Mr. Jones. "The county court co-operated with the highway commission in designing the system. Satisfaction with this plan is proved by the amount of money voted to co-operate with market road funds. We are working toward a system of main arteries.

"The market roads are based upon the greatest good to the greatest number as are the state highways. The state would not have such a good system if they allotted their money around to the various counties to do with as they saw fit.

"The old system was strongly entrenched in this county and it was hard to break down. Most of the designated market roads traverse the roads already laid out. Only two have entirely new routes and that is because of the fact that they may later become state highways and a following of the old roads would be duplicating costs.

"The angle in the river road to Scholls from Witch Hazel is caused by a lack of right-of-way and of the desire to benefit people in the vicinity of the wireless tower. The angle there, where it parallels the highway for a short distance, is caused by lack of right-of-way. There is some agitation at Scholls for a highway from Groner gap through to Reedville and thence north to Orengo and the Cornelius pass.

"The amount expended in 1925 and 1926 was \$315,708.40. \$194,110.89 was from the market road fund or \$97,055.45 per year. District co-operation amounts to \$121,597.51. From the beginning of the market road plan the market road fund was used to co-operate with the districts, but with the amended law it provides for other funds co-operating with the market road fund.

"A cost keeping system was authorized to keep a record on market roads, county road funds and shops

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## Has Unique Windows

The MacKenzie Motor company has a unique window display, which gives a talking point for Ford cars. A placard shows the difference in cost between a Ford coupe and the lowest price in other makes. The card suggests that the balance be used to buy furniture. Furniture, which can be bought for the difference, is on display in the next window through the courtesy of Lester Ireland & Co.