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GEORGE ALEXANDER STATE DRY LEADER

Local Man Will Take Office
at Salem Tomorrow

APPOINTMENT EXPECTED
New Commissioner Native Son
of Hillsboro; Served Here
As Sheriff

George Alexander, ex-sheriff of Washington county, was Friday appointed state prohibition commissioner by Governor I. L. Patterson to succeed William S. Levens of LaGrande, who has successfully administered the office since the notorious Cleaver administration.

Choice Plum
The appointment of Mr. Alexander has been expected for some time as he has had the backing of several strong republican leaders. It was known that he had the inside track over the other applicants. The office is considered one of the choicest plums that the governor can mete out, as it carries a salary of \$4,200 a year.

The new commissioner is to take office tomorrow (Friday) and he has been in Salem off and on for the past week acquainting himself with the work with the assistance of Mr. Levens. Levens took over the office at a time when it was the center of much adverse criticism because of the failure of Cleaver to co-operate with other peace officers in the enforcement of the prohibition laws. He has placed the department on a highly efficient basis, and is said to have the high regard of all sheriffs, police officers and district attorneys throughout the state.

Deputy Since 1925
Mr. Alexander has served as a deputy sheriff under Sheriff J. E. Reeves since 1925, when his term as sheriff expired. Both Mr. Alexander and Mr. Reeves, the only two sheriffs to serve Washington county since the county went dry, have placed this county at the first rank in prohibition law enforcement.

George, as he is known to his many friends in the county, is a native of Hillsboro and has seen considerable service as a peace officer. He was born January 11, 1885, and during his early life spent several years as a railway construction engineer. He lived in Portland for a score of years and played football with Multnomah club, when club football was at its height. He is the son of Mrs. Charles Koenitz of this city. Mr. Alexander is married and has a son and daughter. His wife was formerly Miss Faye Corwin.

He served as deputy sheriff of this county from 1916 to 1918, and from 1918 to 1925 was sheriff.

Contrary to news reports emanating from Salem, Commissioner Alexander says that he will not make a clean sweep in the personnel of the department.

H. A. Ball, Native of Washington County and Former Postmaster, Reminisces On Early Day Politics

(By Edward C. Robbins)
"HAVE you ever interviewed Professor Ball for the Argus?" Mrs. Wes Redmond, president of the Washington County Pioneer association, inquired of the writer at the recent annual meeting of the association. She and the writer were running over a list of possible interviewees.

"No," was the response.
Mrs. Redmond raised her finger and beckoned to Professor Ball to assume a seat beside the writer.

"Yes, I have taught in so many schools in Washington county that I cannot even remember them all," began H. A. Ball in discussing his long experience in the field of education. "Some of the communities where I taught were Tigard, Scholls, Sherwood, Banks, and Buxton. For six years following 1898 I headed the educational system of Washington county as county school superintendent."

He was born at Tigard in August, 1868. He attended the old Butte school, where a number of outstanding citizens of the Tualatin valley once went to school. It stood near the present site of the Tigard union high school.

Larkin Ball, his father, was captain of a wagon train across the plains for the company which established the pony express. He had charge of the train into California. According to his son, that was in the early fifties.

Tax Review Is Complimentary To Hillsboro

A complimentary review of the tax situation so far as Hillsboro is concerned was made in the current issue of the Oregon Voter. What the Voter has to say about two Washington county cities is taken from the review of cities of a like nature in Oregon as follows:

Hillsboro—City tax rate very low in proportion to equalized valuation and population; city debt low; city splendidly improved; tax situation, resources and proximity to Portland make it extraordinarily attractive for industrial investment.

Forest Grove—City tax rate extraordinarily low; per capita city taxes amazingly low; city debt considerably above average; city well improved; city finances must have been capably managed to have enabled city to fare so well at such a low tax cost; tax situation extraordinarily attractive, especially from residential standpoint as well as for establishment of pay roll industries suitable to a high grade residential district near enough to the state metropolis to enjoy suburban advantages.

BEACH SHORT CUT MEETING SUBJECT

Salmonberry Canyon Route Is
Discussed at Beaverton
Saturday Night

Sentiment against a toll road for a short cut to the Tillamook beaches, provided state or county funds could be obtained, was expressed at a meeting at Beaverton Tuesday night to discuss the advisability of sponsoring a road to the Tillamook county by way of Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Timber, Salmonberry canyon and Mohler.

The meeting failed to bring definite results as the backers of the proposed road sent word at the last minute that they would be unable to attend.

As most of those present were from Hillsboro, Beaverton, and Forest Grove, and knew little about the proposed road, the meeting took the form of an informal discussion over the relative merits of the proposed Wilson river road, the Salmonberry road, and the Trask river route.

All the speakers agreed that a short cut to the beaches should be constructed as soon as funds were available, although there was some difference of opinion as to which route should be taken.

Speakers included Representative L. M. Graham of Forest Grove, N. Bangs, prominent timber resident, J. W. Raynard of Beaverton, John Thornburgh of Forest Grove, Commissioner Frank Livermore, and Carl Broderson of Forest Grove. R. A. Hanna of Beaverton presided. Mr. Hanna pointed out that the new route would mean a saving of 25 miles over the Wilson river road.

SALE OF BUCHANAN FIRM NEGOTIATED

Transfer Will Take Effect
About August 1

DETAILS NOT COMPLETE
Negotiations Have Been Carried
On For Purchase For
Several Weeks

Negotiations for the sale of the Buchanan Grain & Feed company, which have been going on for some time, are practically completed it was learned yesterday from C. B. Buchanan, president of the company. The sale will be one of the biggest business deals consummated in Hillsboro in years.

Details of the transfer haven't been worked out, and the names of the purchasers were not given out. The transfer will probably occur about August 1, according to Mr. Buchanan. It is understood that the head of the new company has had considerable experience in the game. This deal includes only the Hillsboro warehouse, all other properties having been disposed of. The Tillamook branch has been purchased by Herman Reese, who formerly lived here, and who has been manager of the Tillamook warehouse. Mr. Reese took over the place about July 1.

The sale does not affect the Buchanan-Cellers company at McMinnville, in which Mr. Buchanan is interested.

The principal stockholders of the old company were C. B. Buchanan, Fred Siegrist and R. W. Kreitz. Mr. Buchanan has been interested in the grain business in this county for 25 years and in the future he plans to devote his time to farming and the grain company at McMinnville. Mr. Siegrist has not decided as to what he will do.

Further announcement will probably be made next week.

OREGON IS CENTER INTEREST IN EAST

Many Families from Middle
West Respond to Urge and
Come Westward

Portland, July 14.—Interest of the farmers in the mid-west is focused on Oregon as never before. That is the message conveyed to the Land Settlement department of the state and Portland chambers of commerce daily by the new arrivals from the midwestern section.

W. H. Livingston, of Sioux City, Iowa, who arrived in Portland with L. A. Frisbie of the same city, declared that the name of Oregon is heard constantly now, whereas formerly California was the topic of conversation among those who were looking to the west.

Low prices of farm land in Oregon, ability to produce a greater diversity of crops, and favorable climatic conditions are the most important factors offered by these newcomers as the reason for the increasing interest.

Since the first of July many families representing a number of the states of the midwest have responded to this urge and have joined the westward tide of emigration. Many families have also come from the other states of the Pacific coast. According to the records of the Land Settlement department thirty of these families have called during the first ten days of July at the Portland office for information and guidance in making a wise selection of farm lands.

From River Forest, Illinois, came Richard Stoltzenburg with his family. They spent several days looking at farms on the McMinnville loop, and were well satisfied that Oregon is indeed a land of promise. Most of the arriving families are found to have sufficient means to make substantial investments in Oregon agricultural lands, a fact most encouraging for the increased prosperity of the state.

Turner Buys at Aloha
James Turner, who recently sold his barber shop on Second street to L. E. McDowell of Corvallis, has purchased the building occupied by the Aloha Market at Aloha and will use it for a barber shop and residence. He will move his family to Aloha shortly. The McDowell family has moved to Hillsboro.

Constable Appointed
O. D. Dreeszen has been appointed constable of the Banks justice of peace and constable district.

Game On Sunday Becomes Comedy After Sixth Frame

Roy Field's Hillsboro ball tossers
proved too much for the Duniway
Athletic club of Portland on the
local grounds Sunday, and after
the sixth inning it turned into a
comedy. The final score was 13 to 4.

At the end of the sixth inning the score stood 12 to 0 in favor of the local boys. Luke Stangel, who had blanked the Portlanders in every inning, went behind the bat and "Chuck" Hoag went on the mound, while Bill Ziegler, regular catcher, went to Hoag's place on second.

Reedville will play the local squad at Athletic park Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The Reedville management is determined to show the locals a thing or two and are bringing out one of the fastest semi-pro batteries from Portland.

BLINDFOLD DRIVER PROVIDES THRILLS

Sixteen Layers of Bandage
and Hood Over Eyes of
the Driver

Thrills aplenty were furnished to hundreds of people of Hillsboro on Main street at noon on Tuesday by Ali-Din, "the man with a thousand eyes," who drove blindfolded a Buick sedan from the V. Richter garage.

Ali-Din drove up and down Main street at the rate of 35 miles, making the turns at the intersections, stopping within inches of cars and poles, swerving from what appeared to be inevitable disaster to those riding in the car, stopping "right now" from 35 miles per and making intersections by inches. All of this while he was blindfolded.

Attendants had some difficulty in getting the bandage placed tight enough on the head of the wonder driver, causing a delay of several minutes in putting on the act. Sixteen layers of bandage, as well as a hood, were over the eyes of the driver. This bandage was so tight that the man's face was almost blue. The placing of the blindfold was witnessed by city officials and others.

Councilman Lester Ireland, Chief of Police O. Freeman, Fire Chief J. J. Hanel, and W. Verne McKinney of the Argus rode with the mystic in his wonder drive. Ali-Din gave the following instructions to his passengers: "Do not say anything to me. If you want me to stop, think stop." And then the ride commenced and the writer probably isn't giving away any secrets when he expresses the opinion that any one of the passengers would willingly have exchanged places with any of the spectators. The passengers said that they wouldn't have missed it, but "once was enough."

Chief Freeman violated the instructions and called "Stop," when it appeared that the big Buick, going at the rate of 35 miles, would hit another car broadside. A woman in a small sedan was almost ready to jump when the wonder driver stopped within a few feet of her car.

Mayor M. P. Cady was invited to make the ride, but a business engagement at McMinnville prevented.

Ali-Din's passengers in the wild ride were of the opinion that he would start off sort of soft and easy but they had a rude awakening when he started out from the curb like a shot.

Ali-Din has been at the Venetian theater every night this week, starting Sunday, and will be there tomorrow.

In Metropolitan Area
Hillsboro is included in the Portland metropolitan area in a census report for 1930 at the suggestion of the census bureau and the United States chamber of commerce. This does not interfere with the individual listing.

Start Shipping Logs
Shipping started Monday from the logging camps of C. H. Weaver and Blue Lake at Cochran and the Sunset Logging company at Hulbert, according to Hugh Rogers, S. P. official.

Store Celebrates Anniversary
The Reynolds' Cash Grocery is having an anniversary event Saturday and are offering specials on nationally advertised goods. Prizes of various kinds are being offered, such as to the heaviest man and lady, the best looking family, the largest family, and several others.

ROAD PROCEEDINGS STOPPED BY COURT

Damage Demand Thought Excessive
By Officials

LEGALITY IS ATTACKED
Construction of Connecting
Link on Orenco Road Held
Up By Demands

All proceedings for the construction of a connecting link in the Cornelius Pass-Orenco-Hillsboro market road through the E. J. Lyons place east of Hillsboro were cancelled by the county court in regular session last week.

This followed a demand for \$1,667.50 for right of way through the Lyons property by Thomas H. Tongue, representing Mr. Lyons, who lives at Turlock, Cal. Mr. Tongue intimated that he would carry it up to the circuit court if necessary because of alleged irregularities in the petition.

The road has a jog in it at present and the state market road engineer refused to approve of the road with this jog on the grounds that it was not in line with the tendency of road construction for the future. The strip of road not completed is about 80 rods long, according to the court, and most of it is through the Lyons property.

The road is completed on each side of this property and on the Hillsboro side right up to the corner of the Lyons tract. At this point it intersects with a county road from the south. It might be possible to cut back and go across a piece of land on the opposite corner, but this is planted to strawberries and would also mean foregoing the use of a small strip of market road that is now constructed. In case this strip went through it would leave a three-cornered strip that would have to be used for road purposes in order to make all the connections.

The old road would be vacated and given over to the Lyons property, the rock taken out and the road plowed up and smoothed over. This same thing was done with a man at Sherwood, who gave his right of way in order that he might have the benefit of a market road. The county put the land in such shape that one would never know that a road had ever been through there.

Commissioner Frank Livermore said that the court would have been willing to pay what the property was worth, but that the amount asked was too much for what they claim is white land. The commissioner said that it was difficult to get up a petition that did not allow some loophole for a lawyer to claim that it was not regular.

The court had planned to start the work on this gap in order to have it finished this fall.

Another strip of this market road past Frank Imbric's and J. C. Beckner's is being scarified in order to put it in a passable condition.

Court officials pointed out that if the heavy demands for damages were allowed in every place they were asked that the county would have nothing left with which to build roads. They contend that the road construction of such a permanent character is a direct benefit to the property and that free right of way will hurt no one.

The court hopes to have a petition presented that will meet with all the requirements of law in every de-year or so.

Weil's Department Store Has Picnic

Weil's Department Store closed its doors at 5 p. m. Wednesday, and the proprietors, employees, families and guests started the annual trek to the upper waters of Gales Creek. A dip in the creek, a bountiful picnic dinner, the evening spent around a huge campfire and in playing games, speaking and entertainment, horseback riding, and fine music furnished by Walter Tews and his radio, all contributed to making the annual picnic the finest enjoyed in many years.

The following made up the happy throng: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Weil, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Weil, Miss Foster, Mr. Morris Weil, Miss Rosanne Weil, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tews, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Abel, Miss Dorothy Abel, Mr. and Mrs. Gremgard, Miss Eunice Gremgard, Thurston Gremgard, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cull, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Lytle, Miss Marion Lytle, Miss Emma Mohr, Mrs. McPherson, Miss Mildred McPherson, Miss Beth Whitcomb, Mrs. Kirk, Sid Flatner, and George Johansen.

Savings & Loan Association Is Moving Forward

A dividend at the rate of 7 per cent per annum was declared by the Washington Savings & Loan association at its annual meeting held Monday at its home office here. In accordance with the state law the directors also added a substantial amount to the reserve fund which is provided for any possible contingency.

The officials of the association expressed themselves well satisfied with the fine growth made during the period just closed. J. M. Perason, general manager, stated that all indications now point to a continued activity in home building with probably the better homes predominating hereafter.

"The association was formed to encourage thrift and promote home building," he said, "and has always stood ready to foster these ideals."

The following board was re-elected for the ensuing year: George G. Hancock, J. H. Shearer and D. D. Bump of Forest Grove, and Dr. J. O. Robb, E. L. Johnson, George T. McGrath and J. M. Person of Hillsboro.

TITLE OF CITIZEN VESTED WITH FIVE

Yesterday Naturalization Day
in Court; Fines Meted Out
in Liquor Cases

Five were vested with the title of United States citizen in the circuit court room here yesterday. C. V. Tomlinson, chief naturalization examiner, conducted the examination. The new citizens are: Alvey Leeis Chase, Hillsboro; Gottfried Krautscheid, Hillsboro route 4; Carl Axel Anderson, Cherry Grove; Mary Virginia VanDerVen, Cornelius; and Mrs. Agnes Ruth Luchs.

The applications of eight were continued, one postponed, and two were dismissed.

Fred Keller pleaded guilty to possession and was fined \$500 and given a six months' jail term and then paroled for \$500. J. Whitlow, who received the usual \$500 and six months, was paroled for \$250. Sentence on Burt Smith was postponed during good behavior. Argument on motion of Loren C. Harper to withdraw a plea of not guilty was taken under advisement by Judge Bagley.

In accordance with a mandate of the supreme court in the case of Henry David and Elizabeth David vs. J. H. Brokaw and Nannie Brokaw, the suit is dismissed and the defendants and appellants recover from the respondents the sum of \$224.85 costs in the supreme court, and \$36.10 in circuit court.

A divorce decree was granted to Elsie Bonfigt from Albert Bonfigt. Orders were given in the following cases: Gregario Mastranda vs. Antonio Cosentino et ux; Iva May Kebernick vs. Reginald Kebernick; W. W. Mellar vs. Joseph Yates et ux; and J. W. Briggs et ux vs. Anna Masterson et al.

Mrs. Bryant Put On Big Committee

Mrs. Emma Bryant, county school superintendent, was named a member of the resolutions committee of the National Educational association for 1927 at the annual meeting of the association in Seattle last week. Mrs. Bryant says that the meeting was the most enthusiastic ever held.

Those attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bryant, Mrs. Esther Allen, Mrs. Della Lane and Miss Vera Poe, all of Forest Grove, Mrs. Josephine Case, Mrs. Blanche Bride, and Miss Cora Ware, all of Hillsboro.

Sell Flag Outfits

A group of legionnaires will call at Hillsboro homes tomorrow (Friday) night to sell flag outfits. They will meet at Weil's Department store at 7 o'clock.

Peculiar Leaf Displayed

A two-colored leaf — green and white — was found at the end of Edison in the Garden Tracts and brought to the Argus Tuesday afternoon by Henry Hartly.

Townsend Thrift Manager

George W. Townsend, who has been employed with the Thrift store here for a couple of months, succeeded S. D. Sloan as manager of the local store Monday. Mr. Sloan takes charge of Store No. 50 at Lents.

GOLF ENTHUSIASM AT HEIGHT SUNDAY

Golf Course of Forest Hills Is
Officially Opened

MATCH GAMES INTEREST
Charter Memberships in Country
Club Will Be Closed
September 1

Washington county golf enthusiasm was at its height Sunday with the formal opening of the Washington County Golf Course and Forest Hills Country club at Blooming, three miles south of Cornelius. It was in the nature of a homecoming for the golf players of this county, who have gone far afield for their play.

Morris Well Starts Play
The formal opening program was at 9 o'clock and included the flag raising, a few words by President Morris Well, introduction of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin, who own the course, and Bill Benham, club professional. President Well started the play by driving off at 9:30. The program was largely attended and scores of cars were to be seen at the club house all day long. The business of getting acquainted was an enjoyable one which lasted throughout the day.

Forest Hills represents the united interests of Forest Grove and Hillsboro and the county contiguous, where golf is coming into its own for the first time. Interest is running high in the new course and it is expected that it will add much to the social life of the county.

Pretty and sporty is the verdict of experts who have seen the course. The condition of greens and fairways for the first nine holes is remarkable considering the time that the course was started. A creek, which ambles over the entire nine holes, furnishes a natural hazard among others that will give the average player some worry. A second nine will be constructed as soon as conditions will permit.

Club House Attractive
Considerable attention has been given the club house, which is in charge of Mrs. Martin. Refreshments of various kinds may be purchased at the club house, which is fitted up in a comfortable manner. A grove in the center of the course, where picnic facilities have been provided, is an attractive feature that will be appreciated.

Players from various county centers as well as from other nearby

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* Attention to Ads *
* Will Mean Saving *
* "I could have saved the price *
* of my subscription by taking *
* advantage of the specials of *
* fered by the Hillsboro Phar- *
* macy in its ad in the Argus *
* last week," declared a sub- *
* scriber. *
* The same is true of the other *
* business houses that advertise *
* and use display space in the *
* Argus. The careful and wise *
* buyer will patronize the adver- *
* tisers because their goods are *
* dependable. Advertisers must *
* be truthful and live up to their *
* advertising. *
* Local business houses using *
* display advertising in this issue: *
* Weil's Department Store, Miller *
* Mercantile, Venetian Theater, *
* Hillsboro Pharmacy, Skaggs *
* & Safeway, Thrift, Lester Ireland *
* & Co., Washington Savings & *
* Loan Association, Wigwam Con- *
* fectionery, Vaught's Grocery, *
* Commercial National Bank, *
* Shute Savings Bank, Service *
* Garage, Used Car Exchange, *
* Oregon Monument Works, E. L. *
* Ross Garage, George J. Lim- *
* ber, Glenn F. Bell, Hillsboro *
* Concrete Brick & Tile, Cream- *
* lin Dairy, J. W. Copeland *
* Yards, Cady Motor Company, *
* Bert C. Shipley, Max's Quality *
* Bakery, Hillsboro Feed Com- *
* pany, Britton-Foster Lumber *
* Company, R. J. Higdon Motor *
* Company, MacKenzie Motor *
* Company, V. W. Gardner Lum- *
* ber Company, Rippling Waters, *
* Balm Grove Dance Hall, Port- *
* land Gas & Coke Co., Rey- *
* nolds Cash Grocery, Ray- *
* maling, Joseph Fossati Co., J. *
* A. McMillan of Hazeldale, Cor- *
* win Hardware, D. P. Corrieri, *
* Connell & Sewell, Inc., Dr. Dar- *
* land, Hillsboro Transfer, and *
* Oregon Telephone Co. *
