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## New Officials Are Sworn In Last Evening

### Phelps' Message Clear Cut And Forceful

### Asks Municipal Water

### Mr. Cady Bids Farewell; Reports of Officials For Year Made Last Night

With the coming of the new year, the change from the old to the new was made at the city hall last evening when the new city officials took over the reigns of municipal government. Orange Phelps, councilman from southwest Hillsboro for eight years, succeeded M. P. Cady, who has been at the head of city affairs as mayor for two terms.

The new council members are J. L. Anderson and Thomas Connell from southwest Hillsboro, M. H. Stevenson from southeast Hillsboro and H. C. Hill from north Hillsboro. The retiring aldermen are Orange Phelps and John W. Connell in southwest Hillsboro, George Chambers in southeast Hillsboro and J. H. Garrett, who has been a member of the council for eight years, representing north Hillsboro. The holdover council members are C. E. Wells in southeast Hillsboro and W. V. Bergen in north Hillsboro.

The list of appointments made by the new mayor and approved by the council include George McGee as city engineer and acting manager. Mrs. Helen McDaniels will retain her position as recorder and William C. Christensen will continue as treasurer. Benton Heston will again act as city attorney, O. O. Freeman will be police chief and Walter Tews was re-named fire chief. Wilbur Dillon will succeed himself as fire marshal and W. Weaver received the call for night fire patrolman. Dr. J. B. Dinsmore was named city health officer.

The council committees were named by Mayor Phelps as follows: Bergen, Hill and Stevens, finance; Connell, Stevenson and Wells, streets; Stevenson, Hill and Connell, water and light; Wells, Bergen and Anderson, sanitary; Anderson, Bergen and Connell, civic improvement; Hill, Wells and Anderson, parks.

C. E. Wells was elected president of the council and Mayor Phelps appointed Mrs. Edward Schulmerich as a member of the library board. An ordinance regulating the use of violet ray and other machines that interfere with radio was passed.

**Drawback Says Mayor**  
Mayor Phelps in his message advocated a municipal water system, saying that the present water system was the greatest drawback in making the city presentable. He said that the possibility of a municipal water plant should be investigated by the council.

The new mayor pointed out that through the efficient work of the past city manager, C. G. Reiter, a saving of \$5,600 had been made and that this money should be used to make certain changes and improvements in the city hall for the accommodation of municipal business. He advocated adequate quarters for city offices on the first floor and thus save people the necessity of climbing the stairs. He said better quarters should be arranged for the efficient and harmonious fire department, which had done much for the city. He further stated that the firemen were desirous of answering country calls as a service to the communities in the Parolboro trading area. Mr. Phelps expressed the opinion that suitable apparatus be provided for the fire department in serving the outside communities.

**Bid Sidewalks**  
The mayor called attention to the charter amendment allowing sidewalk improvements to be paid by bonding. He said that several miles should be built before next fall as a more economical method was possible through large contracts. Sidewalks in the business district are in need of repair and a clean sweep

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## New City Officials



Orange Phelps succeeds M. P. Cady as mayor of Hillsboro.



George McGee, former county, city and state highway engineer, succeeds C. G. Reiter at the head of municipal business.

## Amendment To Law Is Urged

The legislature should amend the present horticulture law to limit the power of the horticulture board, according to representative farmers present at the Hillsboro chamber of commerce rooms at the meeting of the Willamette Valley Farmers Agriculture association. A committee was appointed to meet here Saturday to draw up a draft of the bill to be presented to the legislature.

Members of the committee from Washington county are John Milne, Joe Cayre, Fred Beach, Albert Hartman and George Bierdorff. The Yamhill members are W. E. Grabenhorst, president of the association, W. L. Vinton, W. L. Duerst, John Bernard and Arthur Christensen, secretary.

Farmers of Yamhill and Washington counties last year suffered a loss of \$12,000 because they plowed up at the order of the horticulture board clover fields said to be infested with the nematode. The farmers took the loss without any damages being paid by the state.

Reports read from other sections convinced those present that the action of the board was unnecessary and that by proper farming and rotation of crops the nematode pest would not cause any particular trouble.

## Large Still Found In Beaverton House

A 65-gallon still, 800 gallons of molasses and 65 gallons of finished product were found in a house at Beaverton by Sheriff J. E. Reeves and Deputy Fred Schindl Saturday. No arrests were made.

A healthy increase over the previous year was noted by W. C. Christensen, cashier of the Commercial National bank. Mr. Christensen was optimistic as to the future.

Optimism over 1929 business prospects were expressed Monday by J. J. Merrill, president of the Shute Savings bank. Mr. Merrill said 1928 showed an increase over 1927.

John Golecke, manager of the Skaggs-Safeway store, said that 1928 was the best year he had experienced during the three and a half years he had been at the head of the local store.

A gain of \$20,000 in business over 1928 was the experience of the local Thrift store, according to Verne Curry, manager.

The 1928 business was about the same as that in 1927, was the reply of D. A. Kramer, Miller Mercantile manager.

"The Christmas business was much better than expected," replied R. W. Weil, Weil's Department store. "Our dollar sale exceeded that of 1927."

## Sheriff Denies Story That He Neglected Duty

### Says He Was Looking For Bandits, Not Roadhouse

### Berg's Chalet Robbed

### Judge Bagley Issues Order Closing Tigard Roadhouse As a Nuisance

Sheriff J. E. Reeves Wednesday evening strongly denied the inference appearing in a news story in the Portland Telegram Wednesday that he had neglected his duty in connection with the robbery of Berg's Chalet near Tigard Tuesday evening.

## Sheriff On Job

Mrs. A. H. Berg called Sheriff Reeves, told him of the robbery and when asked for a description of the men gave the sheriff a meager description, he said. The sheriff advised her to call the Portland police so that they could be on the lookout for the two bandits. She told him that both wore false mustaches and one was short and the other tall.

Sheriff Reeves immediately had the roads blocked at Multnomah and Newberg, while he started out on a search for the bandits. He told the writer yesterday afternoon that he did not go to the chalet because he knew the men would not be waiting there for him.

The Telegram story said the bandits had a 12-hour start on the Washington county sheriff as the result of his failure to respond to a telephone call from Mrs. Berg, who with her daughter, sat up all night waiting for the authorities to come. Mrs. Berg was quoted in the Telegram as saying that they (the authorities) worry about us for fear that we might be breaking some of the prohibition laws, but when we need help we get no attention whatever.

## Was Counting Money

Sheriff Reeves said that he went to the chalet Wednesday and was told the story of the \$1,600 robbery by Mrs. Berg's daughter and others. He was told that Mrs. Berg has counting the money when the front door bell started to ring and that she was answered two bandits ordered her to stick them up and turn over the money. "She backed up the stairs and into her room."

A suit for abatement of the Berg Chalet as a nuisance was brought by District Attorney E. B. Tongue last week alleging that the Bergs were manufacturing and selling liquor. The sheriff had an order in his pocket to close the place on order of Judge George R. Bagley, but did not close it up because Mrs. Berg said she had several hundred dollars in food that would spoil unless she could operate New Year's eve.

## Demonstration At North Plains

The Mays Bros. Mercantile Co., of North Plains has made arrangements for a power farming entertainment Friday, January 11. They are arranged with the speakers, secured the motion pictures and completed plans to serve a lunch at noon.

That part of the program dealing with the care of the tractor will be in charge of the International Harvester company and will be practical in every way. The men in charge have been handling tractors many years and not only know the tractors from the standpoint of theory, but can operate them and give you the benefit of their practical experience. They will be anxious to answer your questions.

Several reels of motion pictures will be shown. These pictures will bring to the people the latest methods of farming in other sections of the country.

Farming today is dependent on volume production, that is, the producing of more per person on the farm. By increasing the volume per person the cost of production is materially decreased. One of the objectives of this entertainment is to bring through pictures and otherwise, experiences of the outstanding farmers of the present day.

Tractors and other present-day equipment will be on display to offer a first-class study of the various mechanical features. Several new machines have been introduced in the past few years, some of which are making their appearance in our neighborhood for the first time.

## Still In Fox Game Says Dr. Perkins

The Hillsboro Silver Fox farm has not been wiped out, contrary to a story appearing in another newspaper last week, according to Dr. T. L. Perkins, owner, who says that he is still in the fox game. An unknown disease resulted in the death of a number of valuable foxes but the pelts were sold.

Dr. Perkins says he has a number of foxes at the McLain Fox ranch on Rock Creek and that they will be moved to the local farm about June 1. In the meantime, Dr. Perkins says that he is giving his place a good overhauling.

## Receipts Of Post Office Here Take Big Jump In Year

Receipts at the Hillsboro postoffice for the year show a gain of \$1,024.74 over 1927, according to figures compiled by Fred C. Holz-nagel, postmaster. The total for 1927 was \$18,869.93 as compared with \$19,894.73 for the past year. The month of December receipts were increased from \$2,771.34 to \$2,998.01 in 1928, or an increase of \$226.67.

## Building For Year Runs To Large Figure

While home building in the city was almost at a standstill in 1928, two structures of importance—the house at the east end of the high school—have been built with the result that construction within the city during the past year is up to the \$300,000 mark. Home building was considerably more than in previous years and although many permits were issued by the city most of them were for repairs or buildings of a small cost.

## Mean Development

The new high school and the court house are considered big steps in the development of the city and the community. Both structures are such that they will be a source of pride to every resident.

The addition to the Tamiesie building at Third and Main, housing the Lester Island Lumber Co., is being rushed forward to completion by the contractors and will be ready for occupancy within a short time. The cost of this together with the re-finishing of the main building will amount to more than \$10,000.

## Lyons Has Plans

E. J. Lyons of Turlock, Cal., owner of valuable business property on Main street, was here during the year for several weeks with the view of replacing his frame buildings with a modern structure. He told friends when he left that he would build in the spring. Prospects of other building in the business section this year are bright but no announcements have been made.

## Hillsboro People Making Good Use Of Local Library

Books borrowed from the Hillsboro library during the year totaled 23,080, an increase of 250 over the previous year, according to a report submitted to the city by S. C. Killen, secretary-treasurer of the board.

Books on hand at the beginning of the year totaled 5788—442 were purchased, 12 were donated and 65 replaced. Seventy-one books were withdrawn as worn out, 35 were lost or taken from library and 13 were destroyed on account of contagious disease.

Borrowers' cards at the beginning of the year amounted to 1,887 and 345 were added during the past year, while 242 were withdrawn, leaving the number at 1990.

Receipts included \$122.86 in fines, \$66 in contributions, \$6 for lost books and \$2,000 from the city. Balance on hand December 15, 1927, \$54.20 and balance on hand December 15, 1928, was \$64.80. Expenditures were made as follows: 866 for books, 15 for magazines, \$88; water and light, \$101.66; building and grounds, \$96.10; fuel, \$123.80; miscellaneous, \$56.34.

## Annual Farm Group Meeting Is Tuesday

The annual meeting of the Washington County Farm Loan association will be held at the chamber of commerce rooms at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday. The present officers of the organization are as follows: Martin Larsen, Bethany, president; Thomas Williams, Forest Grove, vice-president and A. E. England, Hillsboro, secretary. The directors are John Kirkwood of Reedville, D. G. Lilly of Forest Grove and F. L. Brown of Laurel.

## Reynolds Truck Is Burned On Monday

The delivery truck of the Reynolds' Grocery was burned Monday at the Dad Follis Service station on Tenth street, when gas that was overflowing from the truck tank came in contact with a heated exhaust pipe. The top and a load of groceries were burned.

## Needs of City Are Talked By Cross Section

### Men and Women, Picked At Random, Express Views

### Better Things Desired

### Various Suggestions Come Out at Question As to the Greatest Need

What does Hillsboro need most in 1929? Various suggestions dealing with the advancement of the community were made by the many Hillsboro citizens picked at random by the writer. The thought gained from the interviews is that the people of the community are desirous of bringing about a bigger and better Hillsboro.

The suggestions vary all the way from a "more progressive spirit" to a "sewer in the east end of the town, or landing places for boats." If someone else has a good idea that hasn't been advanced, the Argus would be glad to hear further and consider the story until everyone has had his or her say.

Here is what they had to say in brief—

V. W. Gardner of the Pool-Gardner Lumber Co.—"Better lighting in the business district."

Morris Weil of Weil's Department Store—"Hillsboro people to trade at home."

Richard E. Wiley, manager Oregon-Washington Water Service Co.—"Encourage people to plant trees and work with the power company so that the trees will not interfere with the wires. Line the highway with trees. Would like to see the street lighting improved."

Jerry Davidson, advertising salesman Argus—"Better street lighting and community advertising."

Tom Shuck, Tom's Barber Shop—"Street lighting, remove poles and cut sidewalk back on each side of Main street."

Stanley Hubbard, advertising manager Venetian theater—"Better lighting in the business district. Hillsboro is the darkest town in the valley."

H. L. MacKenzie, MacKenzie Motor Co.—"More progressive spirit. Mrs. Helen McDaniels, city recorder—"Better lighting, recreational center for the children and new city hall."

E. R. Bailey, Bailey's Tire Shop—"More payrolls."

H. R. Chantler, county road department—"Better lighting."

W. C. Christensen, cashier Commercial National bank—"Good Laundry."

Ralph Easter, manager Tualatin Valley division Portland Electric power company—"Shed its country town and make modern looking

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## Laundry Up For Sale On Monday

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## Take Office Monday



John W. Connell, former sheriff, will again take over that office Monday.



N. A. Frost returns to the office of county school superintendent after an absence of several years.

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A sedan license 146-577, owned by Harry W. Briggs, was ordered confiscated. Orders were given in the following cases: N. Cronwell Noren vs. L. H. Peters et al; Grace Pett Scudder vs. James M. Scudder.

A divorce decree was granted Thomas A. McDonald from Bertha A. McDonald.

## L. B. Haley Plant At Bethany Progresses

A market has been gradually developed for the canned chicken and other products from the L. B. Haley plant at Bethany until his sales amounted to \$4,000 in the period from September 1 to December 15. During the first few months that the business was established there was little or no market.

## Annual Meeting Of Chamber Is Tonight

The annual meeting of the chamber of commerce will be held in the chamber rooms tonight (Thursday) at 8 p. m. The present officers are: R. W. Weil, president; W. Verne McKinney, vice-president, and W. C. Christensen, treasurer. The retiring directors are Dr. J. O. Robb, and W. C. Theda, who has served in Glenn F. Bell's place for the past two months. Dr. Charles A. Lamkin is the holdover member of the board.

The new officers will be formally introduced at the forum luncheon next Monday.

## Scout Honor Court Next Tuesday Eve

A large class of Boy Scouts will receive honors at the court of honor in the circuit court room Tuesday evening, according to R. Frank Peters, chairman of the court.

## New Officers Take Hold On Monday Morn

### Connell and Frost Only New County Servants

### Appoint New Deputies

### Re-elected Officials to Start New Terms; Mrs. Morgan To Aid Frost

### Only two new officers take over positions at the court house next Monday morning when the changes are to take place. The new officials are John W. Connell, sheriff, and N. A. Frost, school superintendent.

### Many Re-elected

### Re-elected officers starting on another term are: E. C. Luce, clerk; W. F. Boley, assessor; E. B. Sappington, treasurer; James W. Davis, recorder; J. M. Hiatt, commissioner; George R. Bagley, circuit judge; Earl Hobbs, surveyor, and E. E. Tongue, district attorney. County Judge E. J. Ward and Commissioner F. W. Livermore are holdovers.

### When J. E. Reeves steps out of the office next Monday, almost all of his staff will be replaced with new faces. Charles Follett, well known traphooter, becomes chief criminal deputy. Paul Parsons of Forest Grove and Fred Schendel of the present force will be deputies in the criminal department. Harvey Elmer of Tigard, Newell McClum of Aloha, J. E. Bennett of Scollars and Mrs. Viola Sundberg of Aloha, who is with the present staff, will be in the tax department. Grant Zumwalt will be day jailer and James W. Morgan will be deputy school superintendent.

### Mr. Frost has appointed Mrs. Zola Morgan as deputy school superintendent. Mrs. Morgan was deputy when Mr. Frost was in office before and also under B. W. Barnes.

## Injuries Fatal To Beaverton Citizen

### Charles T. Myers, 45, of near Beaverton, died Saturday at Weatherly Surgical hospital in Portland from shock and internal injuries sustained when he slipped and fell against a pile of timbers where he was working on the dock of the Fullnomah Box company. The entire pile gave way and he fell with it into the river. He was rescued by fellow workers.

### He was married in Portland 13 years ago to Miss Jessie Reed of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

### The widow, a sister, Mrs. Lulu Wetzel of Vancouver, Wash., and two brothers, William T. Myers of Portland, and Arthur Myers of Richmond, Cal., survive.

### Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1:30 at the Forest Grove Undertaking chapel under the auspices of the Holbrook lodge, A. F. and M. Interment will be in the Lincoln Memorial park, Portland.

## Hilhi Quintet Will Battle Oregon City

### The Hilhi basketball team will play a practice game with the Oregon City quintet at Oregon City Friday evening. Coach B. M. Goodman does not anticipate a victory because of lack of practice, but says the team should give a good account of itself when it meets Tillamook here January 12 in the first conference game. Goody says the team looks better than last year.

### The coach would not give the starting lineup, but says the team will be picked from the following, who are working hard for first team positions, Leonard Rea, Charles Blazer, Milton Johnson, Herbert Sahnon, Robert Patterson, James Dinsmore, Lee Gable, William Freeman, Harold Pasley, Rupert Kennedy and Delbert Turner.

## Reiter Leaves To Take New Position

### C. G. Reiter, accompanied by Mrs. Reiter, left Friday for Bend to become the first city manager of that municipality. Mr. Reiter, who has served Hillsboro in that capacity for four years, goes to the central Oregon city with a large increase in salary together with more responsibility.

### Mr. Reiter was Thursday presented with a handsome desk set by his associates in the city government here. The presentation was made by J. H. Garrett, councilman. Councilman W. V. Bergen engraved the message of good will and the names of the donors on a copper plate accompanying the gift.

## County Court Sets Levy For 1929 Tax

### The millage levy for the county for 1929 is 25.3 not including the high school tax, according to Assessor W. F. Boley. The following figures were prepared by the county court: state tax, \$249,063.52; general fund, \$219,603.36; county school fund, \$98,000; county road fund, \$108,028.69, and high school, \$75,000.