

## State Capitol News Letter

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Political Activity in State Breaks Out Following Lull

SALEM—Politics, which had been pretty much in the doldrums in Oregon since the primary election and the convention of the Progressives here in Salem, has taken on new lease of life the past two weeks.

If Oregon is not continued safe for the democrats in the forthcoming battle of the ballots it is not going to be the fault of the democrats. No bet is being overlooked in the campaign to impress upon the voters of the state the fact that the party of Jefferson and Jackson and Wilson is now in the saddle back in Washington and that if Oregon is to keep in step with the nation it should support candidates who can be expected to co-operate with the national administration.

While the visit of the high officials of the administration to Oregon during the past two weeks has been entirely on business the presence of these party luminaries in our midst has not been entirely wasted upon the political picture as it is now taking shape in the state. First there was General Hugh "Crack Down" Johnson, head of the National Reconstruction administration, who came out to Portland for a first hand glimpse of the dock strike.

Then there came jovial Jim Farley, postmaster general and chairman of the democratic national committee, who came to the national pleasure here. Also there was Senator Robert Wagner of New York and Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania. And now comes President Roosevelt himself who is scheduled to reach Portland Friday on his way back to the national capital after a visit to the Hawaiian Islands and in his train such notables as Secretary of War Dorn and Secretary of the Interior Ickes, not to mention a flock of lesser lights, the presence of whom can not help but leave a distinctly democratic tinge on the political atmosphere in Oregon.

And all the while General Martin, democratic candidate for governor, has been busy making political hay while these democratic luminaries have been casting their final vote for the Oregon landscape. The general, who has been in Washington until congress adjourned, has been getting about the state in a big way since his return to Portland, making speeches at every opportunity, doing his share of hand-shaking and visiting personally hundreds of voters whom he is depending upon for support in the general election next November.

In the republican camp, too, there has been much activity. Their campaign can be said to have gotten underway with the meeting of the state central committee in Portland last week at which Arthur W. Priaux, young Clatsop newspaperman, was elected to the chairmanship which carries with it responsibility for the success of the campaign. Right on the heels of the state central committee meeting in Portland came the big state-wide convention of the Oregon Republican club in Eugene on Saturday at which E. Britt Nedry of Eugene was installed as permanent chairman and the meeting was capped by a spirited debate precipitated by the attempt of a revolving faction headed by Brewster Weiss, Lowell Paget and Jerry Buckley of the Multnomah delegation to install Dr. P. O. Riley of Hillsboro as head of the organization.

Both the state central committee meeting and the convention of the republican club the democratic national administration and General Martin, the democratic candidate, were roundly condemned for attempts to monopolize credit for the return of prosperity or such portion of it as had been turned to come back after a prolonged vacation. In the meantime Joe Dunne, the republican standard bearer in the state campaign, has continued his every beaming and hand-shaking tour of the state, which was climaxed this week by his visit to the regatta at Devil's Lake, where Dunne officiated as admiral of the water carnival.

While the progressives have not been making a great deal of noise since their nominating convention, at which they nominated Peter Zimmerman as their candidate for governor, that does not mean that they are asleep on the job. On the contrary they have been very much active in a quiet but very effective way. They are understood to be about ready to throw forth again with announcement of a board of strategy and a plan of campaign that will keep their candidate in the political spot light right up to the opening of the polls on election day.

Seekers after funds at the hands of the state emergency board are going to find pickings pretty slim from now on. In fact the board members have already earned a reputation as "hard boiled bunch" in the opinion of state department heads. Confronted at the outset of their meeting here last week with applications totaling \$154,000 the board rolled up its sleeves, got out their knives and went to work. When the smoke lifted two of the six applications were turned down cold, the applications of three severe pruning and only one request had been allowed in full.

At that the board approved deficiency appropriations aggregating \$13,000, leaving only \$46,500 in the emergency fund for the remainder of the biennium. It still has five months to go before another legislative session.

Requests of the supreme court and circuit courts for deficiency appropriations totaling \$44,000 found little sympathy at the hands of the board. Both applications were turned down cold as not representing (Continued on page 10, column 1)

## Plans Shape County Fair This Month

Minton to Manage Exhibit Following Two-Year Lay-Off Here

## Free Gate Planned Fair Board Taking Active Part in Management

Washington county fair will be held in Hillsboro August 30, 31 and September 1, under the direction of C. D. Minton of Forest Grove, vice-president and manager, after a lay-off of two years due to lack of funds. R. M. Banks of Banks is county fair board president and H. T. Hesse of Hillsboro is treasurer. Mrs. Ed L. Moore of Hillsboro is acting as secretary.

A free gate or no admittance charge is expected to attract large crowds. Income from dog racing as provided under state laws is being used for money for holding the fair, which together with income from concessions is expected to defray all costs. A full premium list will be provided soon.

Last county fair was held here in 1931 under the direction of the fair board. In 1932 and 1933 a 4-H club fair was held. All ranges in the county have been invited to participate and several have already promised to have booths. The only limit on exhibits is on livestock, all of which must come from this county.

Fair buildings are being renovated and put in readiness for the opening in four weeks. President Banks will have supervision of livestock and Treasurer Hesse will be in charge of grange exhibits, farm crops and horticulture. Minton will be supervising the 4-H club work, exhibits and County Agent W. F. Cyrus is in charge of the 4-H club livestock. Other department superintendents are: Mrs. Robert Warren of Forest Grove, floral; Mrs. Elizabeth M. Vincent of Hillsboro, domestic art; and Mrs. M. C. McKrether of Beaverton, domestic science.

Manager Minton, who has been a member of the fair board for years, succeeds Ed L. Moore, manager for several years, who is continuing his duties as manager of the fair again this year. Minton has been interested in agricultural fairs since 1896 and has served as manager of the manufacturers' and land products show at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition since 1924.

George L. Woodworth, prominent granger, was manager for the first fair here in 1925. He was followed by Finis L. Brown, active community leader at Laurel, in 1926, 1927 and 1928. Ed L. Moore, secretary of the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce, had charge of industrial exhibits and concessions in 1927 and 1928 and was manager in 1929, 1930 and 1931.

## Progressives Plan Session

Peter Zimmerman of Yamhill county, independent candidate for governor, will speak here August 10 at the Hillsboro grange hall before a meeting of county "progressives." The public is invited. Arrangements were made by Henry Jacobson of West Union, Ray L. Antrim of Aloha, R. Hornecker of Hillsboro and A. E. Lewton of Forest Grove. Questionnaires will be given candidates for the legislature in this county to determine their stand on future legislation.

## County Students Receive Diplomas

Diplomas were awarded to 13 eighth-graders this week following the special examinations last Saturday at the office of the county school superintendent. The tests were given for pupils conditioned at the time of the regular eighth grade examinations. Successful students were as follows: Wallace Jones and Louise Webb, Forest Grove; Glenn Pringle and Grace Bowne, Kinton; Hasting Denney, Margaret Scott, Marjorie Scott, Glenn Wheatly and Maxine Coe, Beaverton; Lester Schlegel, Harrison; Edward Holboke, Thelatin View; Donald Bunn, Durham; Mary Shaw, Metzger, and Margaret Miller, Hazeldele.

## Dixie Mountain Planning Reunion

Dixie Mountain pioneers will hold their annual picnic and reunion for the eighth consecutive year August 12 at the Tannock picnic grounds. George W. Peavy, president of Oregon State college, will give the main address of the day at 11 a. m. There will also be other short talks and music during the program hour. Afternoon will be given over to visiting by the pioneers and sports events for the young folks. All pioneers of Dixie Mountain and their children and friends are invited to be present at this reunion and picnic. A basket dinner will be served at 12 o'clock.

## Veteran Officer New County Agent Aid Named Here



L. E. Francis Appointed to Succeed Joseph Belanger Effective Wednesday

## State College Man Assistant Formerly Located at Polk County Office

Appointment of L. E. Francis as assistant county agent here, succeeding Joseph Belanger, former assistant, who left July 25 to become agricultural agent in Morrow county, went into effect Wednesday. Francis has been emergency assistant in Polk county for the past four months and his transfer to this post was approved recently by the state board of higher education.

## Cheese Firm Wins Verdict

Verdict for the Banks Cheese company was returned Tuesday afternoon by the jury impaneled to hear evidence in the \$2500 damage suit brought by Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Lippert of Banks against the manufacturing company. The plaintiffs alleged that their property had been damaged to the extent of \$2500 by refuse which was dumped at college by the defendant.

## Banks Company Successful in Defending Action

Francis was assigned to Polk county last March to assist in the rush of work in connection with the wheat and corn-hog programs. Other activities during his stay in that county included 4-H club work, poultry, wheat and soil fertility projects. He acted as assistant to J. R. Beck.

## Dairy Club Cup Offered

New 4-H club contest for county dairy clubs is being started this year by the local Carnation Milk company. A large silver cup is to be awarded as a perpetual trophy to the club making the best showing at the county fair and will be 30 upon payment of the fine.

## School Taxing Plans Discussed by Kraus

Features of the county unit system and a Grange county equalization plan, proposed to equalize the school tax burden in the various districts, were compared Thursday at the Rotary club by O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent. Kraus made no recommendations regarding the plan, but confining his talk to the salient features of each.

## Woodyard Projects Planned by SERA

Approximately 500 cords of stumps are being sought by Leon S. Davis, personnel manager of the county SERA office, for use in proposed community woodyard projects. Persons having suitable stumps for sale are asked to communicate with Davis at the local office.

## Irrigation Tour to Visit County Projects Tuesday

Visits to three Washington county farms are scheduled for the first morning of the fifth annual Willamette Valley irrigation tour next Tuesday and Wednesday. Irrigated projects on the Ed Freudenenthal farm near Hillsboro and the Robert Warrens and John Thornburgh farms in Gales Creek valley will be high points of interest on the observation trip.

## County Wheat Board Elects

Complete roster of officers were re-elected by the Washington county wheat control board here Tuesday night for the 1934-1935 fiscal year. That compliance certification work under the wheat production control plan was rapidly being completed and that second benefit installments on the 1933 crop and the first allotments on the 1934 crop may be expected soon after the compliance forms reach Washington.

## Benefit Allotments Expected After Compliance Filed

Officers elected for the coming year include: William J. Enschel, Hillsboro route 4, president; Perry Langer of Sherwood, vice-president; Arthur W. Connell, Hillsboro route 1, treasurer; and John W. Kamna, Hillsboro route 5, and R. Glenn Ritchey, Forest Grove, members of the allotment committee. W. F. Cyrus, county agent, will again act as secretary of the board.

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That no new wheat contracts are to be signed at this time was the announcement of the board in answer to queries regarding compliance work with wheat contracts for the 1935 crop year. The board's decision last year covers the 1935 crop, it was declared.

## Nedry Named State Officer

E. B. Nedry of Tigard, delegate of the Washington county chapter, Oregon Republican club, was elected permanent president of the state organization Saturday at Eugene. He will report on the first state convention at the next meeting of the county club August 10 at 8 p. m. in the local chamber of commerce.

## Local Guardsmen Return From Camp

Local headquarters company, 2nd battalion, 162nd infantry, Oregon National Guard, of 19 members were demobilized Tuesday and returned to Hillsboro in the afternoon after nearly two weeks at Camp Tulelake. The company was called out July 19 along with other groups to be held in readiness for action during the longshoremen's strike in Portland.

## Man Found Dead Near Beaverton

Theodore Newstead, 68, was found dead by neighbors in the garden of his home on the Conner road, four miles southwest of Beaverton, this morning. It is thought that he had been dead since last Wednesday afternoon, death being ascribed to high blood pressure and cerebral hemorrhage.

## Drouth Facts Told by Visitor From Nebraska

Newspaper reports of the drouth in the middle west are not exaggerated, according to Charles Watt of Guide Rock, Neb., who is visiting with L. H. Peters of Mountaineer. There is not enough grain and corn in the fields to harvest, he said. Watt, his wife and two children, are planning to locate in Hillsboro.

## Mrs. J. Case Dies Friday in Portland

Thirty Years of Service in Hillsboro Schools Record of Veteran Teacher

## Funeral on Monday Local Woman Principal at Junior High Four Years

Mrs. Josephine Case, 66, principal of the local junior high school, died Friday morning at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, bringing to a close a service of nearly 30 years in the Hillsboro public schools. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the local Congregational church with Rev. H. A. Deck officiating. Interment was at the Hillside cemetery near Greenview.

## Teaching Career Long

She started her teaching career at Forest Grove in 1893 and continued until June, 1896, when she was married to Melvin C. Case in the Portland hospital. Her husband was appointed principal of the Hillsboro public schools in 1897, and Mrs. Case taught here that year. In 1900 Mrs. Case was elected county superintendent and served eight and a half years. He died in 1916.

## Many Injured in Auto Crash

Four persons were injured in a three-car collision which occurred late Sunday evening on the Tualatin highway near the St. Mary's school for boys. J. J. Birrier of Vancouver, Wash., driver of one of the cars, suffered severe cuts on the head and right wrist, the latter requiring 13 stitches. Mrs. Birrier and four-year-old son Donald received cuts and bruises, while James Falberg of Hillsboro suffered head injuries.

## Wheat Averaging 12 Bushels Acre

Wheat is averaging around 12 bushels to the acre in the county harvest, according to Howard Hadley of the Imperial Feed & Grain company, who says the quality is the worst he has seen since going into the grain business. He says most of the wheat is unfit for milling and is good for feed wheat only. The yield is the lowest in years. Tests show it running from 55 to 57 pounds to the bushel.

## Prune Growers Here Name Representative

F. J. Lewis of Forest Grove was elected Washington county grower representative on the Oregon-Washington Prune Control board this morning at 10 o'clock in the county agent's office. At the same time Joe Loomis of Forest Grove and Henry C. MacDonald of Forest Grove were named as members of the sixth district control board, which comprises Washington county. John Thornburgh acted as temporary chairman.

## Legion Jamboree Set for Sherwood

Washington county jamboree of American Legion and Auxiliary will be held at Sherwood August 9. It will follow a celebration over burning the mortgage on the Argonne post building, which is now free of incumbrances. Speakers will include June Valiant of San Francisco, regional rehabilitation officer of the American Legion, and Carl Mosier of Portland, state adjutant, Jack Eakin of Dallas, past state commander, will present badges from the post to all past commanders of Argonne post.

## China Pheasants Liberated Locally

Total of 500 China pheasants were released last Wednesday at 16 farms in north and south central Washington county, according to R. R. Easter, chairman of the wild life committee of the chamber of commerce. The liberation was part of the program to increase the number of game birds in this area. Owners of property on which the pheasants were released have been asked to prevent the killing of the birds this season so that the stock may be built up. The birds were provided by the state game commission.

## Service Ended Allocation of Federal Fund Made

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