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State Capitol News Letter

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Cooter Seems in Lead for Speakership of the House.

SALEM—While he, himself, makes no claims to having it in the bag every indication at this time points to the selection of John E. Cooter, Toledo farmer, as the next speaker of the house of representatives of the Oregon legislature.

Cooter, who is making an aggressive campaign in the interest of the speakership, contacting most of the house members personally, is known to have secured a sizeable block of pledges already. Adding impetus to his campaign this week was a statement from Earl Hill, Lane county legislator, and himself a contender for the gavel-wielding job in event the republicans had dominated the organization, announcing his support of Cooter and urging his pledges to follow his lead.

Cooter's only serious opposition is found in the candidacy of William Graham of Multnomah county, but Graham is admittedly laboring under a two-fold handicap. In the first place there is division in the ranks of the Multnomah delegation with Howard Latourette also ambitious to achieve the honor in spite of the fact that this is his first term in the legislature. Then again there is the added handicap presented by the prospect of Multnomah county domination of the senate in event Harry Corbett is able to hold his line intact which now seems probable. Should Corbett release his pledges, as he is being urged to do, Cooter is still believed to have a decided edge over Graham in the race for the speakership since it is generally conceded that the honor should go to the first congressional district at the forthcoming session.

In the event that Corbett should release his pledges or that he should lose enough votes to prevent his election it now sems likely that Senator W. H. Strayer of Baker county or John Goss of Coos county may succeed to the senate presidency. Either of these men, it is understood, would be satisfactory to the republican majority in the senate, should it be decided to give the honor to some democrat, with Strayer as the first choice by reason of his longer experience in the legislature.

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Governor-elect Charles H. Martin spent a day in Salem last week familiarizing himself with some of the angles of the new job which he will undertake on January 14. The governor-elect sat in at a meeting of the board of control, where all the members were on their best behavior and interviewed a number of officials and department heads relative to state problems with which he will have to cope when he takes over the reins of government.

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Any attempt to provide a mansion for Oregon's governor at this time would be most inopportune in the opinion of officials who are familiar with the state's financial condition and the needs of its many institutions. With many of the institutions overcrowded the state will be hard put to provide new buildings for which there is an imperative need at this time without indulging in the extravagance of a governor's mansion. So far as can be learned here there is little or no sentiment favorable to such a move among members of the forthcoming session.

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State Treasurer Holman will renew his fight for amoritization of state land board loans when the legislature meets in January. Senator Chinnock of Josephine county has agreed to introduce the necessary measure.

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The forthcoming legislative session will be asked to enact a "safety-responsibility" act as a part of a revised motor vehicle code for Oregon. Such a measure, following closely the provisions of the "model bill" of the American Automobile association, has just received the official "okeh" of the legislative interim committee on roads and highways which has spent the past two years in a study of the problem of automobile liability insurance. Members of this committee include Senators Joe E. Dunne of Multnomah county and Clyde E. Williamson of Linn county; Representatives George Winslow of Tillamook, Harvey Wells of Multnoman and W. E. Stockdale of Grant county; John Beakey of the state highway department; James Young of the state department, and Max Flanery of the automobile registration department.

The interim committee in recommending the "safety-responsibility" act turned thumbs down on proposals for a compulsory automobile insurance law as "inequitable and undesirable."

The measure as now drafted would require motorists involved in a traffic accident resulting in damage to property or injury to person to satisfy all judgments arising out of the accident and to establish financial responsibility for any future damages before being permitted to operate a car again.

Purposes and aims of the measure are three-fold:

First, to provide an incentive for careful and safe driving and to control or eliminate the reckless and irresponsible operator.

Second, to compel those drivers who have demonstrated their recklessness to establish evidence of financial responsibility for the future as a prerequisite to their regaining the privilege of driving.

Third, to furnish an incentive for payment of otherwise uncollectible judgments arising from automobile accidents.

"The 'safety-responsibility' bill is frankly designed to reach the small

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County Men Get Checks Wheat Plan

Payments for Adjustment Program Total $23,000 in This Territory

Hog Fund Due Soon

Control of Dairy Disease to Be Discussed Monday

Wheat checks totaling more than $23,000 were distributed to Washington county wheat growers Saturday and Monday. These checks represent the last payment on the 1933 crop and the first payment on the 1934 crop, the two payments totaling approximately 26 cents on the contract signer's allotment.

This wheat payment of a little more than $23,000 added to the recent hog benefit payments of $15,000 brings the total of $38,000 that Washington county farmers have received during the past month through their cooperation with the agricultural adjustment administration. Compliance forms on the hog contracts have been completed and the second hog benefit payments may reach here yet this year although just when this money will be received is not definitely known.

More Checks Due

There are still some checks due that have not come in yet. Some of these are on contracts which, because of some technicality, had to be corrected. These should be along rather promptly. There are a few that apparently were overlooked in the Washington, D. C. office for which no payments have been received. These have been checked up and should be coming in a short time.

Definite information as to how long these programs may continue is not available now. Announcement has been made that there will be another corn-hog program for 1935 but it would differ in some respects from the 1934 contract. Just what these differences may be will not be known until the contracts are on hand. Announcements as to what may follow the present wheat contract which expires at the end of the 1935 crop have not been made.

Another explanation of the federal plan of abortion control will be made at the Hiteon school Monday at 8 p. m. Obligations of the dairymen and of the government will be explained in detail at this meeting. Drawing of blood samples for this test is progressing rapidly with

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Pension Group Organized Here

A local club sponsoring the Townsend old age revolving pension plan was organized last Sunday afternoon at the Christian church. B. R. Wolfe of Portland, state divisional manager, was the speaker and organizer. More than 100 people gathered for the meeting. One hundred charter members are required for a club. The following officers were elected: R. L. Putnam, Christian minister, president; J. W. Price, vice-president; H. I. Patten, secretary; J. F. Buckland, treasurer. An advisory committee of ten was also chosen.

The club will hold its first meeting next Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Methodist church. The meeting was called for the Christian church, but owing to a county Christian Endeavor rally called for the same time at the Christian church the change was made.

The special feature of the program is to be a dialogue between "Uncle Solomon and Uncle Ebenezer" by Bob Kelly and R. L. Putnam. So-called fallacies of the plan are to be considered in this novel way. All interested in the plan and its promotion are invited.

State Librarian Speaker Before Local Rotarians

Economic conditions have taught the people what libraries can and should do, according to Miss Harriet B. Long of Salem, state librarian, who spoke before the Hillsboro Rotary club Thursday. The program was held in observance of national book week and Councilman M. H. Stevenson of the library board was chairman.

Circulation of books by the state library in 1933 was 6,500,000 an increase of 1,750,000 over 1929 when the country was at the height of prosperity, Miss Long stated. All of this, she said, has been carried on in spite of decreased income for library boards.

The great interest taken throughout the state in reading courses started by the state library was cited by Miss Long, who was later in the program given the credit by Mrs. R. L. Smith, local librarian, as being the one to start this popular library work that has spread to every section of the United States. These courses were offered to help the young people, who were unemployed, and have spread to other and older members of the family. Great bulk of requests is for reading courses in some practical subject in order to help prepare the individual to make a living, she said. Mortality rate for those taking these courses is less than 10 per cent because people have become so earnest. She urged support of the local library boards.

Mrs. Smith stated that more young people than ever were making use of the local library. Circulation of the local library now is 40,000 books a year, Mr. Stevenson pointed out.

Miss Minerva Fuller sang and was accompanied by Miss Mildred James on the piano.

Oregon Goods Featured Here

Local Merchants Co-operate in State Product Drive

Displays of products manufactured in Washington county and Oregon are featured this week in local store windows as part of the "Let's Sell Oregon to Ourselves" program sponsored by the Oregon Manufacturers' association. The event is statewide in scope and designed to stimulate the sale and use of state products.

Following the procedure adopted during the spring campaign, local merchants are displaying goods unrelated to the stores in which they appear. However, practically every local store is featuring Oregon made products either from stock or for other merchants.

Several outstanding Washington county products are being exhibited locally. Frosted Foods and canned goods from the local Ray-Maling cannery are shown at the Seligman studio while a Carnation products exhibit is located in the central window of Weil's department store. Banks Cheese is shown at the Hillsboro Argus, Haley cannery goods at Howe's Clothing store, Scholls Tile at the Portland Gas company office, Tualatin Valley Winery products at Tom's barber shop, and West Woods articles, manufactured by L. Sherman and R. A. Allison of Hillsboro, at the J. L. Anderson jewelry store.

Oregon-made furnishings from Howe's are shown at the Perfection bakery, while Jantzen products from Weil's are located at Fred's Superior market. Imperial Feed & Grain company's mill products are located on Second street. The C. C. store is displaying a variety of Oregon-made products, the Delta Drug store has Bergmann boots and shoes, while Lester Ireland & company has a dsiplay of Zoss ladders and Montag stoves. Bristol's hardware store is again featuring brooms and baskets produced at the state blind school. Selfridge Brothers' Furniture store has a complete assortment of Oregon made furniture in the different lines carried by them. Mrs. A. Abts is dis-

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Local Man Injured in Auto Crash

Fred Harty Victim Hit-Run Motorist on Wednesday Night at Sylvan

Condition Critical

Sheriff Investigates Case; Many Thefts Reported

Fred Harty, 55, of Hillsboro was found critically injured early Wednesday evening on the Canyon road near its intersection with Sylvan road, apparently knocked down and left unconscious by a hit-run driver. Although the accident occurred in Multnomah county, local county authorities are investigating a possible Washington county angle this morning.

First reports from Portland gave the man's name as Fred Hartley but he was later indentified as Harty, a local resident. The man is believed to have been in Portland seeking work and was returning home on foot when struck by an unidentified motorist. There were apparently no witnesses to the accident but officers are investigating all possible clews.

Condition Critical

The injured man was found by passing motorists by the side of the road and was taken to the Multnomah county hospital, where his condition was reported as "critical." Reports indicate that he suffered a fractured skull and a mangled right leg.

Robert Fisher, 12-year old Tigard boy, suffered a gashed head Sunday when the car in which he was riding slid off a Durham road bridge into a ditch. The automobile was driven by Arthur E. Swanson of Tigard route 1.

Numerous petty thefts were reported during the latter part of the week to the sheriff's office Robert Burger of Beaverton route 1 reported the loss of 10 turkeys Wednesday, Harold Cook of Beaverton route 1 told authorities that thieves stole a radio from his home Thursday, while Jack Crop of Forest Grove route 2 reported the theft of an oil drum and three sacks of vetch seed.

Floyd Hall of Shady Brook reported the loss of a 10-gallon drum of motor oil Saturday while W. S. French of Hillsboro route 1 reported the theft of a truck tire worth $20 from his truck Friday evening. Two cars were stripped at the Laurel dance Saturday evening, Harold Haase of route 2 losing a spare tire and A. D. Hill of Laurel a moto-meter.

Bakery at Laurelwood was broken into Saturday morning and a quantity of bakery goods stolen, according to a report to the sheriff by Howard R. Miller of Laurelwood. Entrance was gained by chopping down the back door.

Quantity of lubricating oil and grease and 75 gallons of gasoline

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Roll Call Work Will End Soon

Only one more week to buy a Red Cross membership. Roll call ends on Thanksgiving day, and the Hillsboro workers are asking everybody to help in this great work. Membership contributions may be left with Mrs. E. L. Moore, secretary of the county chapter, at the chamber of commerce, or with Mrs. E. C. McKinney, Hillsboro chairman, at the Argus office. Members of the Business and Professional Women's club are making solicitations.

Local service organizations contributing $5.00 memberships during the past week are: Woman's Relief Corps, Scout Harrington Camp, U. S. W. V., Auxiliary U. S. W. V., Business and Professional Women's club, and Daughters of Union Veterans.

The following extracts were taken from President Roosevelt's speech: "Our people continue to look to the American Red Cross as the kindly and always helpful neighbor to whom they turn for practical aid and in emergency. They do so with the assurance that this national relief agency, with an organization in 13,000 American communities, has not and will not fail them.

"I hope everyone who can possibly do so will respond generously to the Red Cross appeal."

In an official statement, issued from Salem, Governor Julius L.

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Bank of Beaverton Dividend Declared

First dividend in the liquidation of the Bank of Beaverton will be paid about December 1, according to an order signed Tuesday by George R. Bagley, circuit judge. Commercial account depositors will receive 10 per cent and savings account claimants 25 per cent.

Funds on hand for the commercial dividend total $18,441.52 and for the savings dividend $10,846.30. Payments will be made through the First Security bank of Beaverton. E. T Pierce is the deputy superintendent of banks in charge of the liquidation.

County Court Orders Load Limit Reduction

Reduction of 25 per cent in the gross load limit for vehicles using county roads was ordered Thursday by the county court. The reduction order will probably be in effect during the balance of the winter to prevent cutting up roads softened by rains.

Defective Auto Equipment Hit in Safety Drive

Educational and enforcement activities on defective and unsafe equipment on Oregon automobiles will be stressed during the last of six two-week periods of the statewide "Let's Quit Killing" drive, devoted to directing attention to six major causes of accidents.

Figures derived from a voluntary free testing station operated in Portland during the past month have revealed an average of 17 per cent of all cars operated in Oregon have defective brakes, while about 37 per cent have defective lights, sponsors of the safety drive pointed out. Approximately 10 per cent of more than 8000 cars tested in Portland were found to be defective in both particulars—lights and brakes.

Eradication of these defects by close checking of safety elements of equipment by motorists should be a factor in reducing Oregon's mounting auto death toll, believes the Oregon State Motor association, one of the sponsors of the safety campaign.

Suspension and revocation of operator's licenses as a means of removing unfit drivers from the highways resulted last month in 66 revocations by the secretary of state for conviction of major traffic law violations. In Washington county during October there were 18 convictions reported by Justices of the Peace Havens and Barber and by County Clerk Luce with four revocations of driving permits.

County Herds Take Honors

Forest Grove and Reedville Dairies High in Tests

Washington county dairies won first honors in three divisions of the October Yamhill-Washington Herd Improvement association report. Herd owned by Mrs. Thomas Williams of Forest Grove placed high in production for herds of from 20 to 40 head, Robertson dairy, also of Forest Grove, was first in the production division for from 12 to 20 cows, while David Hagg & Sons of Reedville had the high producing two-year old.

Total of 34 herds, consisting of 907 cows, were tested during the month of October, according to J. P. Lohrenz, tester. The average milk production was 576 pounds while the average butterfat production was 27.38 pounds. There were 189 cows producing more than 40 pounds of butterfat and 146 head in the herds tested were dry.

Fairview Farms of Troutdale had the high producing herd for the class of 40 or more cows with 93 cows averaging 705 pounds of milk and 36.3 pounds of butterfat. The Williams dairy at Forest Grove went high in the class of 20 to 40 cows with 21 purebred Jerseys averaging 656 pounds of milk and 39.01 pounds of butterfat. Robertson dairy took first in the class of 12 to 20 cows with 19 purebred Jerseys averaging 547 pounds of milk and 33.78 pounds of butterfat. Elmer Deetz of Newberg took first in the class for under 12 cows with nine purebred Jerseys averaging 741 pounds of milk and 38.48 pounds of butterfat.

John Rassmussen of St. Paul had the high cow, "Pet," a four-year-old which produced 1184 pounds of milk and 92.3 pounds of butterfat. William J. Meier of Salem had the second high cow, "Beauty," a pure bred five-year-old Jersey which produced 1255 pounds of milk and 84 pounds of butterfat.

John H. Fick of Woodburn had the high three-year-old, "Maid," a purebred Jersey with a production record of 1097 pounds of milk and 63.6 pounds of butterfat. Hagg dairy had the high two-year old, "Pinky Four," a grade Jersey making a record of 864 pounds of milk and 58.7 pounds of buterfat.

Prune Code Faces Vote

Vote on the continuation of the prune code and marketing agreement is being taken at this time from the approximately 4400 prune growers in Oregon and Washington. The letter from the state control board accompanying the questionnaire also seeks criticisms of the code and recommendations for corrective legislation to strengthen the agreement.

Establishment of reasonable minimum prices for prunes has stopped speculation, ruinous price cutting and consignment of crops, according to the Oregon Prune Control board. Stability and confidence has developed in the industry with the result that approximately 90 per cent of an estimated 56,000,000 pound crop had practically passed from control of growers by October 15, breaking all former records for early crop disposal.

Resulting gains in dollars and cents are even more noteworthy, the board states. Comparison of code minimum prices with early season quotations indicates that the average price of the 1934 crop was definitely raised at least three-fourths of a cent per pound. Establishment of the one-point sack test for size increased the average return to growers at least $2.50 per ton, it is believed. In addition, a definite minimum price has been established for off-grade fruit for which the grower frequently received nothing in the past.

Inspectors have been provided by the board to examine all lots where dockage was claimed by buyers in grading prunes and to ascertain the mamixum dockage allowable. Arrangements have also been made whereby any grower may obtain bonded warehousing for his prunes on 24-hour notice and be immediately able to borrow up to 50 per cent of the code value.

Details Old Age Pension Meet Topic

Thomas Gentle to Explain Townsend Program at C. of C. Monday

New Officers Speak

Elected Candidates Tell of Plans for Coming Term

Townsend old age pension plan, which has attracted national attention during recent months, will be discussed at the local chamber of commerce luncheon Monday by Thomas H. Gentle of Monmouth. Successful aspirants for city, county and district offices at the recent election were guests of the chamber of commerce this week.

Discussion of old age pension details is expected to result in a large attendance at the chamber of commerce and non-members are asked to make reservations with Ed L. Moore, secretary. Gentle is recognized as a capable speaker and is declared to be well informed on the Townsend old age pension program.

Candidates Speak

That party affiliations must cease to influence the representation of taxpayers was the declaration Monday of J. W. Hughes of Forest Grove, recently elected state representative. He stated that he was confident he could work with his democratic contemporaries and that he would work for the interests of Washington county first and the state second. He declined to commit himself on any proposed measures, declaring that he would use his best judgment as each question presented itself.

George M. Aitken of Garden Home state senator, pledged himself to represent the county to the best of his ability and to "walk the straight and narrow path of liberalism." He stated that he favored giving some concessions to labor, favored the old age pension and would seek the curtailment of governmental costs through the consolidation of state commissions. Establishment of bureaus of industries in each town to encourage industry and stimulate state products was also suggested by Aitken.

That he would serve Washington county honestly, faithfully and conscientiously was the pledge of E.

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Rowell Heads Producer Body

Frank Rowell, Scholls walnut grower, has accepted the chairmanship of the Washington county unit of the Oregon Producers and Shippers association, according to announcement this week by W. H. Perkins, secretary of the organization. Other members of the committee include H. W. Ray of the Ray-Maling company, Hillsboro; Ferd Groner, Scholls; John Thornburg and E. V. Burlingham, Forest Grove.

The Oregon Producers and Shippers association is a new statewide organization which was started as a result of the longshoremen's strike in Portland last summer, according to Perkins, who was in the county a few days ago interviewing growers and shippers. At present 28 counties are organized and the entire state will be fully organized before the end of this month, he declared.

This association for the first year at least will dedicate its efforts to an attempt to prevent further financially disastrous labor disorders. We are not particularly concerned with the source of these disputes between labor and employer, but we do insist that the producers and the public generally have some rights, and we are going to endeavor to protect them.

It has been conservatively estimated that the longshoremen's strike last summer cost the people of Oregon $50,000,000. That gigantic loss, coming as it did when the entire nation is striving toward economic reconstruction, has proven a serious handicap to this state.

"Through a campaign of education, this association is going to point out the absolute necessity of better coordination between the citizens and officials of Portland and the producing areas of this state. The agricultural counties of Oregon have made Portland the great seaport and commercial center it is today. The people of Portland—and that includes both labor and employer—must recognize the rights of this great producing hinterland, and make a more honest effort to settle its labor controversies."

Dairymen Convene Here Monday Eve

All dairymen, including those shipping to Portland, and local distributors are to meet in the Hillsboro chamber of commerce at 8 p. m. Monday at the call of the state milk control board. This is the first of a series of such meetings planned, according to Chairman Harlan.

Information on production quotas, amounts received by dairymen in other large markets, etc., will be given at the meeting.

County Unit Farmers' Union Will Meet Here

Washington County Farmers' Union will meet in the Legion hall in Hillsboro December 1 at 10:30 a. m. This is to be an all-day meeting with a pot luck lunch.

Business Leader Here; Discusses Trend of Times

The big business slant of the "new deal" was given a representative group of local business men Monday afternoon in a visit at the chamber of commerce with Gardner Pool of Boston, vice-president of Frosted Foods, Inc., who is here in connection with local operations of the company.

Attitude of the president on utilities and the heavy expenditures are disturbing business, he said. Mr. Pool expressed the belief that business would not move ahead very fast until several questions were cleared up. He felt little effort would be made to balance the budget until the 1936 election was over. Business, Mr. Pool said, is not so disturbed over the possible extension of NRA, but expressed the thought that more progress could be made under voluntary cooperation by business rather than through government control. Mr. Pool expressed great faith in our institutions and held to the belief that we can not spend our way out of depression.

The government, he said, would probably get a full measure of cooperation from business if confidence in the future is restored.

Business in the east has shown some improvement, but the third quarter was not as good as the second quarter of 1934, according to Mr. Pool. He said that conditions in the food lines were much improved.

Mr. Pool just came north from a visit with the former president, Herbert Hoover, in Palo Alto, Cal. He served under Hoover in the department of commerce and with him during the war.

Bargain Day Event Planned

Christmas Opening Program Scheduled December 1

Holiday season in Hillsboro will get under way December 1 with the third bargain day event of the year and an official Christmas opening. Colored street lights will be turned on. Santa Claus will be present with candy gifts for the children, holiday stocks of merchandise will be on display and 28 local tradesmen will feature a special bargain article for the occasion.

Merchants are carefully studying NRA code regulations in regard to price to give buyer all possible advantages during the shopping event. A full page advertisement in the Argus next week will carry the bargain messages, 5000 reprints of the advertisment will be distributed through the mail to every home in the trading area, and a public address system will be installed in the business district to assist shoppers in locating stores co-operating in the event.

Distribution of gifts from the chamber of commerce will be held at 2 p. m. Presents are planned for men, women, boys and girls in addition to paper plates good for 25 cents in trade at any of the stores participating in the event. Special parking privileges will be granted during the day to accommodate the anticipated crowd.

Local firms co-operating with special bargains are Selfridge Brothers, Lester Ireland & Company, Sprouse-Reitz Co., C. C. Store, Bristol Hardware, Howe's Clothing Shop, Weil's Department Store, Delta Drug Store, Perfection Bakery, Fairway Market, Kruchek Grocery, J. C. Penney Co., Safeway, Curry Grocery, Hillsboro Meat Co., Fred's Superior Market, Palm Drug store, Imperial Feed & Grain Co., Hillsboro Feed Co., Pool-Gardner Lumber Co., Goar's Woman's Shop, Power's Grocery, Wiley's Grocery, Oakes' Grocery, Columbia Food Co., Hillsboro Argus, J. W. Copeland Yards and Hillsboro Pharmacy.

In addition MacKenzie Motor company, Service Garage, Commercial National bank and the Hillsboro Motor company will have special advertising on the re-prints mailed out in the trading area.

Civil Service Office Announces Examination

Examinations for chief of the enforcement division of the alcohol tax unit under civil service will be given soon and applications are to be filed not latter than November 27, according to word received this week by Miss Angie Harrington at the local post office. The position is open on competitive examination and further information may be obtained at the post office.

Grove-Hilhi Grid Squads Clash Here

Vikings Rated as Favorites Over Hillmen for Annual Thanksgiving Classic

Rivalry Runs High

Locals to Meet Oregon City in Friday Night Clash

Annual Washington county "civil war" between Hilhi and Forest Grove grid squads, a football classic that seldom fails to thrill spectators from the start to the finish of the game, will get under way on the local gridiron at 10:45 a. m. Thanksgiving day. The Vikings, rated as favorites in the coming clash, have an open week to prepare for their traditional rivals, while Hilhi will meet the strong Oregon City eleven at 8 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) night at Oregon City.

Pre-game dope gives Forest Grove a decided edge, although the district record of the two teams is nearly a stand-off. The Vikings have won three games and lost two in the district schedule while the Hillmen have won two games, tied two and lost one. Both elevens have played eratic football during the season but both should be in top form to play the best games of the year on Thanksgiving day.

Upsets Frequent

Considering the intense rivalry between the teams and the fact that both are preparing for the hardest game of the season, dope doen't mean a thing and anything can happen. In fact the "underdogs" in the annual grid classic have so frequently played inspired ball to either upset or give the favorites a close race that "dumping the dope bucket" has become as traditional as the game itself.

Dope on the game is too muddled this year to hazard a prediction of the final outcome. Considering district records, Tillamook defeated Forest Grove 19 to 0 and a few weeks later Hilhi staged a startling 12 to 0 victory over the Cheesemakers. McMinnville trounced the Vikings 12 to 7 and the Hillsboro team came out with a 7 to 7 tie. The rest of the record is equally bewildering. Hilhi took Newberg 57 to 0 and Forest Grove won 48 to 0, the Grove defeated Tigard 26 to 6 and Hillsboro was held to a 0 to 0 tie by the Tigers, Beaverton took the Blue and White into camp 12 to 0 and then Forest Grove nosed out a 7 to 6 victory.

Hilhi was ranked a decided favorite in the 1932 clash and lead 10

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Budget Meet November 30

County budget for 1935, proposing a tax levy of $395,911, will be submitted for the approval of taxpayers at the public budget meeting November 30 at 10 a. m. in the Venetian theater at Hillsboro. Taxpayers are asked to bring copies of the budget if they have saved them from either of the official county papers.

Tax millage on the budget to be submitted amounts to 16.1 mills on a county valuation of $24,606,953. The tax for general purposes is set up at $155,294, for school purposes $93,778 and for the road fund at $146,838.

Principal increases over the 1934 budget occur in items for the care of the poor, old age pensions and personal tax collector. The budget also includes allotments for the retirement of outstanding general fund and road fund warrants. Reductions are noted in the items for election and registration expense and maintenance of market roads.

No organized action of taxpayers has been reported to date, but members of the budget committee are anticipating attacks during the meeting against several items in the budget.

Members of the committee which prepared the estimates are Oscar Hagg, chairman; James L. Batchelder, secretary; W. J. McCready, County Judge Donald T. Templeton and Commissioners H. D. Kerkman and James Lewis.

Continued Improvement Farm Conditions Foreseen for 1935

College News Service—Continued improvement in agriculture through 1935 is foreseen by trained agricultural observers from all parts of the United States who gathered recently in Washington for the annual agricultural outlook conference, reports L. R. Breithaupt, extension economist at Oregon State college, who was called to the capitol to assist in the conference.

The national report issued following the conference points out that greatly reduced supplies of most farm products, and some improvement in consumer buying power, will likely bring about a higher level of farm income the first half of next year than was had during the first half of 1934.

Breithaupt is now preparing state outlook reports dealing with the various enterprises important to Oregon, in which he will adapt to local conditions the information brought out in the national meeting, and supplement it with information on conditions in this state. The first section to be released late in November, deals with horticultural crops.

National farm production is expected to be bigger than the unusually small production this year, the national conference decided. In general they think a small improvement in buying power of farm families may be expected, although in those areas severely affected by the drouth, cash incomes next year will be extremely low.

The outlook reporters expect a substantial advance in prices of all meat animals. They say fewer animals will be slaughtered, and those slaughtered will weigh less and will be much below average in quality and finish. The reduction in slaughter is expected to be pronounced after next February, and the greatest relative shortage will develop next summer. The decrease in pork production will be relatively more than that of beef or lamb. No material expansion in livestock numbers is expected before 1936.

As for prices and credit, Breithaupt says the economists figure that the prices of commodities used in agricultural production probably will average somewhat higher than in 1934, at least until the middle of 1935. They hold that the credit situation will continue to show gradual improvement above the bad conditions of the past several years. Drought stricken farmers without security, however, will need special consideration. The demand for production credit will probably exceed that of 1934 since the accumulated needs for equipment and repairs are much greater than in recent years.

Breithaupt reports that work had not been completed on the new corn-hog contracts when he left Washington. Oregon wheat growers are looking forward to learning more about the future of the wheat plan when George E. Farrell, chief of the wheat section, visits the annual convention of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league in Arlington December 7 and 8.

Pension Program Established for Employes Local Cannery

Assurance of old age retirement incomes for General Foods employes was given this week in an announcement by B. E. Maling of Hillsboro, president of B. E. Maling, Inc., local General Foods subsidiary. The plan, which affects the corporation's employes in 45 plants and 29 sales divisions and districts in this country and Canada, will go into effect as of September 1, 1934.

Joint contributions of corporation and employes will provide fixed monthly incomes to be paid employes when they reach retirement eligibility—age 60 for women, 65 for men, according to the announcement. General Foods will pay more than half the total cost of the retirement plan. Although income payments start when women and men employes are 60 and 65 years old, respectively, retirement then is not obligatory. The plan also provides that employes with the company's consent may elect to retire, and receive income at a reduced rate, at any time within 10 years of customary retirement age.

Amount of monthly income will depend on length of service and rate of earnings prior to retirement. Payments by the corporation and the employe obtain for the participant a retirement income more than twice as large, on the average, as he could purchase individually through annuity insurance.

An example: An employe 30 years old, earning $35 a week, will contribute toward the plan $1.84 forty-eight times a year, and his payments will be matched by General Foods. If he remains in the same earnings classification and makes this same weekly contribution until age 65, his retirement income will be $112 monthly. Actuarial studies show that the average man of 65 can look forward to another 12 years of life.

"For years we have been working on the development of a plan to eliminate old age insecurity for our employes," states C. M. Chester, president of General Foods. "The system we are now instituting has several unusual features. All participating workers have the option if they should leave the corporation of : 1—having their contributions returned or, 2—leaving them with the insurance company as a paid-up annuity. But if they have participated for 15 consecutive years, they can, by leaving their own deposits with the insurance companies, receive retirement income based on the corporation's contributions, as well as their own.

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