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**Happy New Year**

Happy New Year to all—subscribers, advertisers and friends throughout Washington county and elsewhere. May the New Year bring you success in your undertakings and true happiness to your homes. May the New Year bring us nearer the goal of normalcy in business conditions and an end to the misery and suffering of widespread unemployment.

With the dawning of a New Year we wish to express our appreciation for the friendships and patronage that make it possible to produce a newspaper that is welcomed and wanted in so many homes of this county. May it remain so and be considered as your paper, one to which all of us are contributors in making it more and more useful to the community and its citizenship.

**Plan Classes in Scout Work**

**Sessions Begin Here Next Month in Legion Hall**

Announcement of six indoor meetings to give instructions in scout-mastership was made Monday night by Ralph R. Easter, district scout committee, following the court of honor held in the court house. First meeting is scheduled for January 7. Easter was reporting for Rev. Charles Reed of the training committee.

The other meetings, all to be held in the Legion hall, will be January 13, 20, 27 and February 3 and 10, to be followed by an overnight camping trip. Applications for the course can be obtained from Rev. Reed. Applicants will be organized into a scout troop with experienced scouters acting as patrol leaders and William F. Johnson, field executive as scoutmaster.

While two lectures will feature each session, most of the meeting will be devoted to demonstrations of troop administration with members of the training corps acting as the troop. Anyone interested may attend and parents of scouts and prospective scouts especially are invited. There are no fees and no obligations, it has been announced. Attendance at six of the eight sessions is necessary before a certificate of completion will be given.

Plans have been announced for a joint social evening January 16 participated in by sea scout ship Rainbow of Hillsboro and the Columbia of Portland. Thirty sea scouts and parents of Portland will attend. Ships ceremonies and activities will be followed by a dance.

Third highest award possible in scouting, the eagle palm of bronze, was presented Tom Bronleewe Jr. of troop 218 at the home of Mrs. Loren Bronleewe of the same troop received merit badges in public health and scholarship.

**Farm Prices Up**

This Oregon farm price thermometer registers each month the general level of farm prices in Oregon compared with price levels at other periods.

The "parity" price level, or exchange value point, changes with the index of prices for commodities bought by farmers, taxes and interest payable per acre. It is the point where farm products are supposed to have an exchange value for other commodities equal to the 1910-14 period.

The general level of prices in Oregon at mid-December appeared to be high than at mid-November.

In the country as a whole, the general level of farm prices has not changed much recently and probably will not change greatly during the next few months.

**Highlights in Week's News**

**December 19**  
William Elmer Holt of Miles City, Mont., succeeds the late Frank H. Cooney as governor of Montana. Architects of nation to compete in designing the new Oregon capitol building.  
Leo Hall convicted of Erland's Point, Wash., mass murder and death penalty imposed.  
The British Parliament gives vote of confidence to Stanley Baldwin's government in spite of prime minister's "mistake" on African peace.  
Speedy action by congress favoring payment at once of the adjusted service compensation certificates predicted by Speaker Burns.  
Anglo-French peace plan for Italian-Ethiopia troubles discarded by league of nations.  
Literary Digest poll continues to show majority against Roosevelt administration policies.

**December 20**  
British line up allies among Mediterranean powers for possible conflict with Italy. France ready to defend herself and aid Britain if war should break.  
Senator Borah promises fullest co-operation to make himself or some other progressive republican presidential nominee.  
Sheriffs and district attorneys of state would make slaying of officer first degree murder.  
Gale in Columbia gorge perils traffic.

**December 21**  
U. S. judge at Kansas City declares unconstitutional the Wagner labor disputes act, new deal measure giving employees the right to organize and bargain collectively without company interference.  
British government, with talk of war in air, studies Italy's reaction to swift efforts to insure aid from other nations in case of attack on British fleet in Mediterranean.  
Portland shows fewer families on relief in November as compared with October.  
More than score of deaths attributed directly or indirectly to cold in midwest.

**December 22**  
Senator Thomas D. Schall, blind republican senator from Minnesota, died of injuries received in an automobile accident. He was a caustic critic of Roosevelt administration.  
Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania charges that federal work relief in Pennsylvania has been "sold into political bondage."  
Representative Maverick of Texas denounces Townsend old age pension plan as "fantastic," "unjust," and capable of bankrupting the nation in two weeks.  
War in far east menace, Mongolian situation fraught with peril.  
Anthony Eden succeeds Hoare as foreign secretary of Britain. Far reaching army reorganization scheme in the air.  
President Roosevelt places full responsibility for caring for all needy unemployed beyond the 3,500,000 on federal work relief on local governments and private charity.  
NRA terminated by executive order of President Roosevelt.

**December 24**  
Proposals for an expansion of existing neutrality legislation sound in Washington.  
President Roosevelt broadcasts Merry Christmas greeting to nation.  
Dr. Townsend in statement says he expects his fight for \$200 a month old-age pensions to be won in a year.  
Roy Olmstead, convicted king of Pacific northwest run runners almost ten years ago, given pardon.  
**December 25**  
Earthquakes hit in Southern California and China.  
Icy roads take toll of injured. Columbia river highway hazardous.  
Train wreck in Germany gives up 36 bodies.  
American Liberty league makes bitter attack on new deal legislation and policies.  
Portland business reports best holiday business in at least five years.  
Blizzard cripples air, rail and highway traffic and spreads zero cold in the middle west.  
**December 26**  
Clergy, generally, over U. S. critical of plea by committee of 29 high Episcopalians churchmen for reuniting of the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches.  
Three army officers attached to civilian conservation corps in Vermont burned to death in fire that destroys officers' quarters.  
Governor Hoffman of New Jersey says that "at the present time" he did not contemplate a reprieve for Bruno Richard Hauptmann should the court of pardons refuse clemency.  
Oregon State Teachers' association, meeting in Portland, told greatest single extravaganza in Oregon educational organization is the system of 2,900 tiny individual school districts.  
Oregon residents paid \$795,003 in income taxes in 1933.  
Fifty-two known deaths were attributed today in Chicago to exposure, fire or bitter cold and to traffic accidents.

**Turkey Xmas Gifts**

Given by Auto Firm

More than 400 pounds of turkey made up the Christmas gift of Jimmie Whitlatch to employees of the Hillsboro Motor company Tuesday evening. Whitlatch reports the holiday sale of new cars unusually good.

**C. of C. Meeting Set**

Chamber of commerce meetings, adjourned over the holidays, will be resumed January 13 with a dinner at 6:30 p. m., followed by the annual business meeting and financial report, according to Ed. L. Moore, secretary.

**Farm Group to Meet**

Federated Farm organizations of Washington county will meet this Friday in the basement of the court house here at 8:30 p. m. All delegates are urged to attend.

**Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Dixon** of Salt Lake City, Utah, are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Hattie Davidson. Another daughter, Mrs. A. R. Clayton of Oak Grove, visited her during the week.

**Cannery Produce Has Wide Market**

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warehouse was completed in early summer and the pumpkin machinery in the rear of the plant was remodelled.

In addition to this, the nine vining machines, which have been kept in the country, were brought in and housed for operation at the plant as a measure of economy.

Breakdown of the total tonnage disclosed: 23 varieties of produce, 182 tons; green beans, 408 tons; wax beans, 135; lima beans, 212; blackberries, 217; Italian broccoli, 22; black cherries, 102; Royal Anne cherries, 41; peaches, 58; corn, 2990; gooseberries, 15; loganberries, 7; peaches, 76; pears, 3,543; shelled peas, 997; prunes, 1416; squash, 1796; black raspberries, 21; red raspberries, 311; rhubarb, 20; spinach, 562; strawberries, 520; youngberries, 119.

**A Public Disgrace**

It is to the shame of America that Colonel Lindbergh and family found it necessary to leave this country for more or less permanent residence in England in order to avoid threats of kidnaping of their three-year-old son Jon. After their experience in the last four years few parents will hardly blame the Lindberghs for this action.

This self-exile of the Lindberghs is an indictment of the American attitude toward crime and criminals. Not only your neighbor or your neighbor's neighbor, but the attitude of all of us. A greater incultation of the English spirit of law and order, creation of the attitude that law infractions should be reported to the proper authorities, rather than to look the other way with the thought that reporting to law enforcement officers would be the act of a "stool pigeon."

Legal technicalities thrown in the way of justice, which result in countless delay of punishing the guilty, contribute much to conditions that undoubtedly influenced the Lindberghs in self-exile.

Reopening of the Hauptmann case by Governor Hoffman of New Jersey after a fair jury trial in the Lindbergh case had resulted in a verdict of guilt in that hideous crime, the resultant publicity and other factors would have their effect on any parents who had gone through the terrifying and sorrowful experience of the famous flier and his wife.

Such action should shame us in this country to a point where we could bring about a complete reversal of American attitude toward crime and changes in legal and court action with resultant speedy punishment of the guilty. May the time come when the Lindberghs will feel free to return to their native land and enjoy the peace and comfort to which they are entitled.

**Register Now**

Just four days more in which to register in order to vote at the special election January 31. One of the most important duties in a democracy is to vote on the questions submitted to the people for consideration and all those in doubt as to whether or not they are eligible to vote should check with the county clerk or the registrar in their district.

The big social event for the community New Year's Eve is the dance at the auditorium, sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who will appreciate the support of all.

The potato control plan, insisted upon by growers in large potato growing sections of the country, may possibly turn out to be a hot potato.

**WPA Workmen in Private Employ**

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The relief committee ended and they now are considered to be employed in private industry regardless of the amount of wages received.

"These men and women are now earning wages the same as persons employed in private industry," they are expected to be able to care for themselves and cannot be given further aid by the relief committee, either medical, hospital, food or clothing.

Another feature of the matter, which Well called attention to, is the fact that the relief committee has declared in connection with the administration of WPA employment or wages. The WPA in Washington county is administered by an office in Portland employing executives from Portland.

Persons to be employed on WPA jobs are selected first by the state employment office through a branch office in Hillsboro under the management of Miss Grace Rucker of Sherwood and the relief committee has nothing whatever to do with selection of these men, Well said.

Workmen injured on the projects are the responsibility of the federal government and are to receive medical attention and hospitalization whenever necessary, from declared in connection with medical attention for workmen's families, they should be handled by doctors in the same manner as any other patient because of their status as privately employed.

**Pair to Jail Cells**

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A belated report about thieves entering his house December 11 was made by J. C. Tanner of Beaverton, route 2, who says shoes, food and an automatic pistol were taken.

A Forest Grove purse snatcher probably was disappointed when he took a look after snatching a purse from Mrs. W. H. Taylor of Beaverton Saturday night. The purse contained \$145, a report to Sheriff John Connel relates.

The sheriff's office is looking for a hit and run driver who, Sunday, struck a cow owned by Frank Pongratz of Gaston as Pongratz was driving the animal across the road. The machine, a coupe, was registered to a Nehalem man.

Following orders were issued this week in circuit court: George T. MacKay vs. Gaston as Pongratz vs. MacKay; Liquidation of bank of Beaverton; Federal Land Bank of Spokane vs. Martha E. and Gilman G. Ross; Anna Wing vs. E. C. Parrott and Viva Parrott.

Orders filed in probate court this week include John O. Mikelson, Henry Gehrke, Tekla Scheckla, Alice Emma Ford, Lee E. Blatchley, Luella Smith, Robert Ellingson, Josephine Shearer Case, Theodore Newstadt, Melvin Cyrus Case, F. A. Lanyon, Mary A. Bisbee, Harry M. Jones, Melissa J. Jackson.

**Rotary Club Holds Father, Son Meet**

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Fighting hearts are necessary for success in life, according to the Rotary, who said, "Rotary does not judge success in dollars but in the doing of something useful and helpful for your fellowman."

Neil Richardson briefly told of his two round-the-world trips as a cadet officer.

For the first time in the history of the club the son of a member became a member of the local club. Charles E. Wells had the pleasure of welcoming his son, James, into membership.

Herbert Harris, past district governor of California, will speak at the luncheon January 2.

**Prize Turkey Stolen in Pre-Holiday Theft**

Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Hardwick of Beaverton route 2, who live north of Beaverton between the Walker and Cornell roads, were the unwilling donors of a Christmas dinner, they reported to Sheriff John Connel Thursday morning. Someone, during the night Monday, helped themselves to four prize turkeys from the Hardwick flock. Among the birds taken was a 40-pound tom turkey recently purchased for \$14.

**Pneumonia Fatal to Local Woman**

Ill for eight days with pneumonia, Myrtle Bell Hobin, 46, Hillsboro, wife of Richard Hobin, died Monday afternoon. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from the Four-square Gospel church with burial in the Banks cemetery.

Mrs. Hobin was born January 20, 1890, in California and had been a resident of Hillsboro and vicinity for a number of years. Surviving are four sons, Leslie, George, Harry and Gerald, and six daughters, Mrs. Olive White of Vernonia; Mrs. Leota Brisbane of Cornelius; Deana, Thelma, LaVonia and Pearl of Hillsboro.

**Highway Walking**

The lot of the pedestrian is a hapless one and one of great danger as witness the reports of sudden death coming to many people who exercise their right to walk on the highways. The victims are so many that serious consideration should be given the question by lawmakers, public officials and all citizens.

The driver is under a terrible handicap at night, due to the blinding lights of approaching cars, rain and fog and other conditions that make visibility poor, dark clothes that one cannot see and similar conditions. The pedestrian should step clear off the highway when cars are approaching. He can never be sure that he has been seen by the driver and he may be struck down through no fault of the motorist.

One person here has advocated the enactment into law for several years of a measure that would require pedestrians to carry a light while walking on the highway, the same precaution that is required of automobiles, etc. Others feel that paths should be provided off to the side of highways and pedestrians prohibited from walking on highways. The first would be most economical if coupled with extreme care on the part of the pedestrian, which doesn't seem to be in the cards, but the latter would be safer.

**What Other Editors Say**

**The New Deal Hit Again**

The supreme court, in a decision granting a Louisiana rice milling group an injunction against collection of AAA processing taxes, foreshadows a probable adverse decision against the whole AAA structure when the case involving that institution's legality come up for decision.

The supreme court has ruled adversely against the new deal in almost every constitutionality case so far, and there is no reason to believe that it will rule differently in the AAA case, since the AAA is based upon the same delegation of powers by congress that the court ruled illegal in previous decisions.

Farmers who are making money under the AAA after many lean years will go back to their old status of being the only major American unprotected industry if the AAA goes into the ash can. If they want the AAA's policies to continue in force, they will probably soon have to start agitating for passage by congress of a substitute act that will accomplish what the AAA accomplishes while remaining within the limits of the constitution.—ASTORIAN-BUDGET.

**Mrs. May Blades Accident Victim**

Mrs. May Blades, former Hillsboro school teacher and more recently teacher at the Centerville school at Kelso, Wash., was instantly killed when struck by an automobile December 19, while walking to a Christmas program. Another teacher, Doris Rudolph, who was with her, was injured.

Martha May Hartley was born May 11, 1885, near Banks, the daughter of James C. and Martha Givens Hartley. With her parents she moved to Maryhill, Wash., in 1905. She secured her high school education at Tualatin Academy in Forest Grove and her normal school course at Cheney, Wash.

She taught in Klickitat county for four years, and was married October 16, 1912, to Arnold Blades. After the marriage, the couple remained at Maryhill until 1916. They then moved to Hillsboro where Mrs. Blades died in 1920. Mrs. Blades again resumed teaching duties, teaching in the Hillsboro schools for nine years and the West Union school for two years. She moved to Klickitat county, near Maryhill, in 1930 and had her home at Centerville at the time of death.

She leaves to mourn her departure, two daughters, Mrs. Claude Miller of Maryhill and Miss Hazel Blades, a student at Cheney Normal school; a brother, Dr. H. H. Hartley of Goldendale, and one grandson, Robert Arnold Miller.

Susan R. Messler, 58, Beaverton route 2, suffered cuts and possible internal injuries Saturday morning east of Beaverton when the Messler car, driven by H. H. Messler, and a car driven by Mrs. George Zimmerman, Yamhill, route 2, collided.

Mrs. Florence Hill suffered a broken bone in her foot and Mrs. C. Schroeder an injured back when the Schroeder car and the Charles B. Hill car collided near Beaverton. Both women were from Portland.

**Semi-Annual Meet Townsendites Set**

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registration books close. This is being done in all the Townsend clubs of the country, but especially in Oregon now so that every voter may have a voice in the special election next month.

President Putnam pointed out the distinction between a "sales tax" and the "transaction tax" set forth in the bill. "A sales tax," he said, "is placed on retail value or selling price to the consumer of goods and commodities, whereas a transaction tax covers each and every transaction in the production of an article from the producer to the consumer, thus making it the most equally distributed tax yet devised. Further more, it can be seen the transaction tax touches neither the producer nor the consumer, it is a tax on the sale of the article, i. e. A. drew Mellon may sell a million shares of stock and never pay a cent sales tax, but under a transaction tax he would pay at least \$20,000."

**Seal Sale Quota to be Realized**

Prediction that Washington county would go over the top on the 1935 Christmas Seal quota was expressed this week by Mrs. Harry R. Morgan of Hillsboro, county chairman. A total of 82 schools and communities have reported to date and of this number 61 have equalled or exceeded the quota assigned.

Receipts banked to date amount to \$503.62, according to Mrs. Morgan. A number of the larger communities, Middleton, Tigar, Watts, Beaverton, Sherwood, Forest Grove, Dilley, Midway and Glenwood, have not made final reports.

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**Public Forum**

**INTERESTED IN EARLY ROAD INFORMATION**

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Editor Argus—To those of us who remember the conditions of the roads of this county forty or fifty years ago, the present state of our highways and byways is a source of wonderment and marvel.

All then knew of the terrible need, but few, or none could point out a method by which the desirable end could be accomplished. But a wonderful work has been done and well done.

It would be interesting to know when, where, and by whom was the first hard surface road constructed in this county.

Of course, no one person can claim all the honor, yet there must have been a leader of the many willing followers.

My memory would set the date about 1890, the location, between Forest Grove and Gales Creek, and the outstanding leader, the late John Heisler.

The writer will welcome all information that will serve to lead to definite settlement of these questions and will subscribe toward a suitable monument to its builder.

May we have the use of the memories of those who have witnessed this transformation that we may bestow the proper gratitude and honor where they belong ere time erases the memories of those who can give us the direct information.

Please don't be afraid to speak up and give any information you may have on these questions, as we should make a suitable gesture toward honoring those who have contributed so much toward our present well-being.

Letters directed to the undersigned, or to The Argus will be thankfully received.—L. E. WILKES.

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**SAFETY SIGNAL ALWAYS THERE**

When the driver steps out of a new 1936 Hudson or Terrapont to remove a spare tire or to get out some baggage, he is protected from rear-end collision by means of an ingenious warning signal contained in the tail light, which shows red regardless of whether it is tilted up when the trunk cover is raised or whether it is in its natural position.

Extreme care was taken by the Hudson engineering staff in studying out the problem of protection. In the conventional type of tail light the license plate is placed beneath it with a white light shining down to illuminate it at night. In the new Hudson and Terrapont tail light, the license plate is set above the tail light, with a white light shining up on it, while a red lens is set in the bottom. This red lens shows clearly for several hundred feet when the trunk lid is elevated, providing a wide margin of protection for the driver if he stops on a road at night to remove anything from the trunk.