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Honors Rightly Accorded

Washington county is proud of the honor conferred upon one of its native sons—Judge R. Frank Peters—by the Masonic grand lodge of Oregon. In the selection of Judge Peters as grand master the lodge has given recognition to the true fraternal spirit that activates the life and work of this highly respected Hillsboro citizen. That he will handle the office with dignity and credit to himself goes without saying in view of his past record and the esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

Celebrate Here

The best date you can make for the Fourth of July for a good time and the meeting of old and new friends is right here in Hillsboro at the celebration sponsored by the firemen. Local folk should be there to greet their friends and visitors. Co-operation of every local man, woman and child can best be shown with the firemen through attendance and a friendly boost.

A real political campaign looms in Washington county this year what with both the republicans and democrats well organized for militant activity.

What Other Editors Say

Fewer, But Better Country Newspapers
One of the lessons of the depression which has, apparently, been well learned is disclosed in the latest statistics on production of newspapers in what is known as the country weekly field. These figures show that, in most of the areas in which two newspaper owners had for years maintained the fiction that a town could not get along with one newspaper, one of the papers has gone out through the intervention of the sheriff or a merger has resulted in the elimination of one paper, to give the owner of the one which remained a chance to produce a better newspaper and, at the same time, to establish a healthy lead ahead of the sheriff and creditors.

In every instance in which country towns have one newspaper instead of two, the change has been distinctly for the better, for increased patronage, on the one hand, has prompted the remaining publisher to do a much better job of production, and, on the other, the businessmen, with but one advertising bill to meet each month, are now able to buy more space. Under the circumstances, it is but natural that businessmen and their chambers of commerce should throw obstacles in the way of those would-be newspapermen who, envious of the success attained by able publishers, breeze into a country town with little but the desire to share the success the established publisher has won through years of hard, conscientious effort and loyalty to his community.

Over at Goldendale, a town with a smaller population than Hood River, three newspapers have been merged into one, and advertisers, subscribers and owners will be much the better for the new deal. After all, to the outsider who visits a country town and buys the local newspaper, this same newspaper is the mirror in which this stranger believes he sees the reflection of local conditions. And a poor newspaper carries the message that it is either being published in a dead town or by an indifferent newspaperman, or both.—Hood River News.

Mr. Sloan This and That
It is difficult for the average reader to reconcile Alfred P. Sloan Jr., the bitter critic of the Roosevelt administration, and Alfred P. Sloan Jr., the prophet of prosperity. The president of General Motors company, during his recent visit in Portland, in his addresses and interviews sounded a tone of optimism and confidence. Business, he said, is generally good and will continue so for at least another year with a continuation dependent upon intelligent management. His own company broke all records for sales of automobiles in the month of April, he said, and its profits for the first quarter of 1936 were the largest since 1929, something over \$2 million as compared with \$1 million a year ago.

Yet we find Mr. Sloan a big contributor to the Liberty league, the Crusaders and other harsh foes of the new deal and himself a consistent and persistent critic of the present administration. We assume that his contention is that prosperity is returning in spite of the new deal, but the average citizen, we think, will be disposed against acceptance of such a doctrine. And all governmental measures do have something to do with economic conditions.—Astoria Astorian-Budget.

Our Yesterdays

Fifteen Years Ago
Argus, June 16, 1921—Hillsboro loses to Crown Willamette 4 to 2. Hillsboro lineup: Gray, p. Kretz, c; Palfrey, b; George Henderson, 2b; Duke McCurdy, ss; Foster, 3b; C. Henderson, lf; Jensen, cf; Clay Freeman, rf.
Mrs. Anna F. Vohl died June 12 at Cornelius.
Ray-Maling cannery running full blast on strawberries. Eighty to 100 women employed.
Manager Phelps predicts largest crowd in history of city for Fourth of July celebration. Pavilion nearly finished and grounds in fine shape.
County reported among honor graduates at O. A. C. by Camilla Mills of Forest Grove, who won Clara H. Waldo \$50 prize for the senior womanhood; James L. Mahon, Hillsboro; Earl C. Caudle, Hillsboro, and John Jeppson, Bacona. Among other county students in the class were Charles E. Boge of Cornelius, Harold and Irene Robinson of Forest Grove, Robert H. Warrens of Sherwood and Wilbur W. Wood of Beaverton.
William Tabor Hoyt, owner of Hoyt Jewellery store here, and Alma Sander, married June 12 at Mapleton.
American Legion gives Zenas Olson camera in appreciation of services as adjutant before leaving for India to enter work as missionary.
One thousand people attend county garagemen's picnic at Balm Grove Wednesday.
Thomas G. Williams, resident here 29 years, dies June 14.
Floyd Estep and Ruby Galloway married here June 15.
John M. Ryan and A. J. Miltenberger represent Hillsboro Council Knights of Columbus at state convention in Portland June 13.

Thirty Years Ago
Argus, June 14, 1906—H. T. Bagley elected chancellor commander of Knights of Pythias.
Harrison Allen Jones of Mountaineer drowns in Willamette river at Albany while working on steamer.
George R. Bagley buys Dudley farm at Centerville.
Big event at the Portland Hunt club races in Portland Saturday won by Oregon Kid, E. B. Tongue, owner and mount. In the seven furlong race E. B. also won, riding "Our Choice." T. H. Tongue won second in the fat man's race.
Fourth of July committee meets Monday and decides to hold no celebration this year.
Lena Hesse wins free trip to Yellowstone park in Oregonian Yellowstone park contest.
Daniel Thompson Phillips, 82, Oregon pioneer of 1857, dies at Cornelius June 14.
Mrs. J. K. P. Hoyt of southeast of Hillsboro dies June 12.

Knot Hole Views And Interviews

(By Leon S. Davis)
"Let George Do It" once was a popular expression and here in Hillsboro it still is "Let George Do It" in some quarters, the George being George McGee, city engineer. George builds this and that—sewers and disposal plants, airports and parks, street surfacing and what have you. He's probably the busiest man in town.

Perhaps no one has noticed in particular. However, there is a new order of neatness in the flower garden on the vacant lot in the heart of Main street, Mrs. W. F. Garden club, assisted by her children, did the work.

Despite the fact that a campaign for votes this fall must be waged, Arthur Tupper, candidate for county clerk, can be found every day tolling over columns of figures in connection with his work as cost accountant for the county engineer. If he ever talks politics, no one ever catches him at it.

Under the direction of Grant Zumwalt, jailer, some of the ancient maples in the court house yard have been getting a trimming. One tree, carefully preserved at the northeast corner of the court house, has been completely in an attempt to save the tree which has been ailing. Another tree on the west side was cut down because of the rotten heart of it.

The John Connell of Washington county could now say to the John Connell of Whitehall, Mich., "Hi, how are you yarns with you." While our John catches suckers, their John catches 14-pound channel catfish. The John Connells have the best fish in the best fishery by each of the Connells.

BUSINESS CHATS

(By Kayser)
Confusion in the delivery of mail to two brothers with the same initials, after the fact of the underlying reasons behind the organization of the Selfridge Bros. Furniture company at Hillsboro back in 1924. But, whatever the reason, the partnership flourished and prospered. After the death of the senior partner in 1934, the store name was changed to the Selfridge Furniture company and the business has continued to grow under the sole management of George L. Selfridge.

The late L. G. Selfridge launched the venture in 1922 when he bought out O. E. McCarty, who was located in the store space now occupied by the stage depot. His brother, George L., also lived in Hillsboro and, in spite of the fact that one of the brothers used initials and the other spelled out his name, their mail continually got mixed. So, it is highly possible that in 1924 they gave up the struggle and became partners. Then the mail could all be delivered to one place and the confusion eliminated.

The Selfridge Furniture company at the present time is local dealer for Norge electric refrigerators and gas ranges, Kelvinator refrigerators, Philco radios and handles a complete line of furniture, home furnishings and paints.
The firm has three regular employees, Lynn Selfridge, Everett Lawrence and Ed Schukart. The Douglas Radio Service is located in the building, but is not a part of the Selfridge firm.
George Selfridge is active in local civic affairs, being a director of the retail trades committee of the chamber of commerce, and a member of the Fellows lodge. His principal hobby on his few days of leisure is hiking himself to a quiet fishing stream.

CHURCHES

First Church of Christ (Scientist)
Services are held every Sunday at 11 a. m.; Wednesday evening services at 8 o'clock; Sunday school at 10 a. m. Pupils up to the age of 20 years are welcomed. Free reading room open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2 until 4 p. m. Sunday's topic, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?"

M. E. Church (Bethany)
On Germantown Sunday school every Sunday, 10 a. m.; German service, 11 a. m., first and third Sundays; English service, 11 a. m., second and fourth Sundays.
—E. Julius Traglio, pastor.

Banks M. E. Church
Sunday school every Sunday at 9:45 a. m.; Mrs. Fred Wolford, superintendent. Preaching services by Ellsworth Tilton, pastor, every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Ladies' Aid meets first and third Wednesdays at 2 p. m.

Tualatin Plains Presbyterian Church (Four miles north of Hillsboro) Sunday services: Preaching, 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 10:15 a. m., C. E., 7:30 p. m. Women's Missionary society last Wednesday of month.

The Congregational Church Sunday: Church school, 10 a. m.; Richard E. Wiley, superintendent; Morning worship, 11 o'clock; sermon, "The One of Pharaoh's Character Dramatization." Chorus—"Lead, Kindly Light," Pugh-Evans. T. Arthur Dungan, acting minister.

All Saints Church (Episcopal) Services for the second Sunday after Trinity, June 21, will be held as follows: Church school, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon by the vicar, H. Mrs. Irving P. Johnson, at 10:30 a. m.; the bishop of Colorado will speak Thursday, June 25, at a silver tea sponsored by All Saints Guild at the home of Mrs. George Fischer. She will review Anne Lindberg's recent book, "North to the Orient."—Reginald Hicks, vicar.

Pilgrim House June 21: Public chapel worship, at 9:30 a. m. Pastor will speak on "The Secret of Contentment," the third in a series of sermons on the 23rd Psalm, the "Little Creed." Text: "I shall not want." June 23: Midsummer eve; the Vigil of St. John Baptist, June 24: The Nativity of St. John Baptist.

All Sunday services of public worship during the summer will be held at the usual time.

The Great American Home



Honeymoon Mountain

(By Frances Shelley Wees)

THE STORY

CHAPTER I—Bryn James Brynildson III, a tall, brown young man of wealth, and his cousin, Tully Forbes, are discussing Bryn's coming marriage. Tully says he has a scheme to get Bryn's wealth from him. Should the girl, Deborah, whom Bryn had met at the office of his attorney, Ted Holworthy, marry Stuart Graham before her twentieth birthday, she will inherit a vast fortune from her grandfather, Stuart had greatly disapproved of the girl's choice and he had refused to give her a cent.

CHAPTER II—Tully and Bryn await Deborah in a hotel in Frisco. Deborah is a girl of twenty, a beautiful girl, a girl who has a certain something about her. She is a girl who has a certain something about her. She is a girl who has a certain something about her.

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Democrats Grab Early Lead

With 'Oh-for-a-Button' Boys

(By Special Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—The regular election year attempt of both parties to snare voters into supporting their candidates by getting them to join some league or club for this or that is going full blast in both camps.

Organizations set up by the national committees to bag the independent or the progressive vote, are preparing to send out their sales of literature, buttons, and medals.

The volume and variety of such appeals to the great American instinct to join something and wear its insignia can be expected to rise steadily as the campaign gets hotter.

The Democrats apparently are leading in formation of such organizations thus far, chiefly because they have known all along their candidate would be. Three "non-partisan" affiliates to lend efforts to re-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt have already been organized, and a fourth is contemplated.

The labor vote, which many observers feel will be largely for Roosevelt anyway, will be sewed up by the Labor Non-Partisan League, sponsored by Walter George Berry, of the late NRA and president of the Peeling Pressmen's Union; President John L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers Union; and Sidney Hillman, head of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

The organization will make an active campaign in every state, but will concentrate on such pivotal states as Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois, and Ohio, where the labor movement is strong. It has been hinted that this organization might be continued after the election and lead to the formation of an independent labor party in 1940.

A bid for the church vote is being made through the "Good Neighbor League," actively headed by Stanley High, former dry leader and editor of various religious publications, and supported by a group of social workers, educators, church leaders, and philanthropists.

Co-chairmen with Mr. High are George Foster Peabody, retired banker and trustee of the Warren Springs, Ga., Foundation, and Lillian Wald, founder of the famous Henry Street Settlement in New York City, and a pioneer in public health nursing and social work.

The third organization to promote Mr. Roosevelt's candidacy in the recently created "Committee of One"—the name taken from a phrase in the president's Jackson Day speech. It has a rather surprising list of organizers. One is Senator Bennett Champ Clark, of Missouri, who time and again, has opposed New Deal measures in the Senate.

Another is Herbert Bayard Swowe, former New York newspaperman, a frequent Al Smith supporter, and an intimate friend of Bernard M. Baruch. Swowe formerly was regarded as a bitter anti-Roosevelt man.

State of Oregon Law in Doubt

(By A. L. Lindbeck)

SALEM—Legal authorities who have had opportunity to study the recent opinion of the United States supreme court in the New York case are pretty generally agreed that the principle of minimum wage legislation has been dealt a blow from which it can recover only through resort to a constitutional amendment. Oregon was the first state to enact a minimum wage law, the act passed by this state in 1913 and upheld by the U. S. supreme court in 1917, has been closely followed by most of the other 16 states, which have written minimum wage legislation into their statutes since that time.

The proposed state-owned radio system for use of the police bureau and highway department has now progressed to the stage where bids will be received for installation of the system at the meeting of the highway commission in Portland on June 27. Fourteen installations are contemplated. Three stations of 1000-watt capacity each will be installed at Salem, LaGrande and Klamath Falls. Small stations of 50-watt capacity will be installed at Roseburg, The Dalles, Portland, Astoria, Bend, Coquille and Burns. Still smaller stations of 10-watt capacity will be installed at Pendleton, Baker, Eugene and Grants Pass. It is estimated that the installations will cost \$50,000, of which the federal government will supply 45 per cent.

A balance of more than \$4000 still remaining in a relief fund established by state employees in 1931 will be used for the benefit of any employee who was on the state payroll at the time the fund was created and who might be in need of some relief in the future. This fund, administered by members of the fund committee at the meeting of the week. The money has been tied up in the First National bank of Salem and has only recently been released. Approximately \$85,000 was contributed by state employees toward the relief of needy persons at the time.

Continuation of the program of adult education after this year will depend upon the availability of federal funds, according to Robert J. Maakee, director of the program. Maakee said that 10,345 adults are now enrolled in the various courses being offered in the 25 counties and giving employment to 252 other wise jobless teachers.

Two Salem citizens who witnessed the laying of the cornerstone for Oregon's old capitol in 1873 were present to watch Governor Martin turn the first dirt for the proposed new capitol last week. They were H. S. Bolle, 91, and Mrs. Ida Babcock.

State departments and institutions are already beginning to give attention to their biennial budgets for 1937-38. Budget requests for the next two years are expected to be submitted for the current biennium because of the gradual increasing cost of all commodities. It is also expected that strenuous efforts will be made to restore the 1932 base from which it was reduced by the legislature in the legislative session of 1933.

State employees who have been escaping federal income taxes in the past may not be so fortunate in the future. This applies especially to employees of self-supporting departments. The state, through Uncle Sam was rounding up contributors to his purse came in a request for a list of employees of the industrial accident commission, together with their salaries for the past four years. This department is supported by contributions from industrial employers and receives no state funds. A number of other state departments are in the same category, notably the public utilities commission, the motor transport division, the liquor control commission and the banking department.

Mrs. Clara Patterson, superintendent of the state industrial school for girls, plans to ask the next legislature for a new building—a recreation gymnasium, auditorium and a post office. The institution now has 61 inmates housed in two cottages.

Mexican Divorce Warning Issued

(By Portland Better Business Bureau, Inc.)
Thousands of schemes annually are called to the attention of the Portland Better Business Bureau, but one of the most unique rackets of recent months is that of various lawyers practicing in Southern Texas and Mexico who offer to obtain mail-order Mexican divorces for residents of the United States, according to Lyle L. Janz, manager of the Better Business Bureau.

Recently, a postal notice was issued against an attorney engaging in this practice from Fort Worth, Texas. He had represented to his clients that for one hundred dollars he would restore them to the status of single persons free to enter into a new marriage.

However, according to the findings of the postal department, these Mexican divorces obtained through the mails, from courts wholly lacking in jurisdiction over the parties, do not secure divorces valid in the United States—even their validity in Mexico seems to be open to question.

The Better Business Bureau reports that those engaged in this scheme should be held responsible through advertising and other means. Oregonians to be wary of sending money to such operators.

Quiet Rear Gears

Pinion and ring gears, which drive the rear wheels by action on the rear axles, must be properly meshed to insure quiet operation of an automobile and avoid undue wear, according to the Oregon State Motor association. Gear tooth wear, together with bearing wear, may be indicated by a humming noise in the rear.

Trucks on Farms

Motor trucks in use on farms of the United States last year totaled 900,385, according to a statistical report received by the Oregon State Motor association.