



Hillsboro Argus

Crew Starts Renovation of Fair Park

Buildings Get New Coat of Paint and Much Needed Repairs

Plan Night Lighting Many Interesting Exhibits Seem Assured

Renovation of the county fair buildings and grounds began Monday morning when crews started painting and repairing in preparation for the annual fall event which opens September 3 and closes the night of September 5.

Much in need of repair and paint, the buildings have received the attention since the depression forced curtailment of the fair program. This year, however, under the direction of Ed L. Moore, manager, efforts are being made to put the buildings in shape.

Plan Special Lighting Special lighting of the buildings and grounds will be a feature of this year's celebration, making the night sessions of the fair doubly attractive, it is believed.

Painting of the buildings was made possible through the co-operation of Donald Templeton, county judge, Herman Kerkman and James Lewis, commissioners. Application for a project covering this work was made to WPA but has been delayed.

Grange and Farmers' Union members are reserving space for their display booths. A number of applications for space is being made by manufacturers and inventors. In the commercial section the Portland General Electric company is taking additional space and will have the finest display ever shown at any Washington county fair, it has been announced.

The boys' club work, under the supervision of L. E. Francis, promises to be outstanding and will include livestock, crops, vegetable, gardening, poultry, rabbits, handicraft, home beautification, livestock showmanship and judging contests. Two special features will be the forestry and home beautification demonstrations.

Rural Re-Hab Fund Tied Up

Government Agency Takes Money for Drouth

Acting on orders from regional headquarters of the Resettlement administration, all money for rural rehabilitation in Oregon has been withdrawn for use in the drouth states, according to advices received here last week by Victor S. Madsen, agent for the county.

According to the telegram, the funds will be withheld until the amount needed in the drouth region is determined at which time loans again will be made available, either through the appropriations already made or through entirely new funds.

However, the orders did not direct the abandonment of applications and Madsen is proceeding to present applications to the county committee for determination and those applications given approval by the local committee are being sent on to the state committee at Corvallis.

This when money again is sent to Oregon there will be no delay in making funds immediately available to carry out plans made along rehabilitation lines here, Madsen said.

At present there are more than 15 applications awaiting final approval.

Washington County School Children Set State Record in Book Reading

If reading books means greater literacy, then Washington county school pupils have what it takes.

State records on file in the office of O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent, show that of 5098 children receiving book league certificates, 1453 of them resided in Washington county.

The certificates are awarded to each child in the grades from three to eight inclusive, who reads a book each month suitable to the pupil's grade and selected from a list approved by the state library. At the completion of each book, the pupil must write a report which the teacher must approve before credit for the reading is allowed.

Washington county pupils led all the state in the number of books read and the number of book league certificates issued, Linn county being second with 1,071 certificates. All the remainder of counties were many hundred certificates behind either of those leading. Last year this county received 910 certificates.

However, Linn county was in first place for schools receiving book league certificates with 12, while this county had only nine. Linn county also led in gold cer-

Local Men to Aid Drive for Edison Fund

Appointment of Mason P. Cady as Washington county sponsor, and Ralph Easter as campaign chairman for the Thomas Alva Edison Memorial Foundation has been announced by O. B. Caldwell of Portland, acting state chairman. Caldwell is vice-president of the Portland Electric Power company.

"The Oregon drive for participation in the nation-wide campaign to establish a living memorial to Thomas Alva Edison is well under way," declared Caldwell. "The Foundation will grant scholarships for 100 gifted American youths each year. At least one scholarship will go to a boy from this state."

Cady announced that money raised in Oregon will become a part of a national endowment fund which will be devoted to the perpetuation of Edison's interest in the advancement of American youth in science, engineering and invention.

Ralph Easter, the local campaign chairman, explains that the scholarships will be awarded to candidates ambitious to follow in Edison's footsteps in creative study and research. Each candidate awarded a scholarship will be privileged to choose the institution he wishes to attend. In keeping with the Edison principle, selection of students will be based upon criteria of fitness for study and research.

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Burglars Rob Cheese Plant Cash, Stamps

Burglars Remove Red Rock Safe Inner Room

Moving the safe into an inner room, out of sight, burglars some time Thursday night or Friday morning broke into the safe of the Red Rock cheese plant. Entrance to the building was obtained with a pass key through the front office door, according to a report made by Deputy Harry Johnson, who investigated the Oregon road.

Discovery of the robbery was not made until morning when the office force arrived for the day. The safe was opened by peeling the front plate from the door, giving access to the tumbler.

Careful search, the report said, failed to reveal any key and finger prints could not be found, indicating that the workmen used gloves. Search still is underway for the stolen Ford V-8 coupe with Washington license used by the Sellers' band, and his escape after the bank robbery, Sheriff Connell said Wednesday.

The coupe has not been seen since the bandit and State Officer Al Johnson staged a gun duel at a local filling station and the bandit escaped with the coupe. The search has been carried on in Portland, Washington county and other places where it might have been hidden.

Club Herds Tested for Fair Exhibits

Seventy head of 4-H dairy cattle were tested last week for infectious abortion by Doctors E. W. Coon and E. W. Alquist, according to L. E. Francis, assistant county agent. These tests were made of all animals six months of age or older which will be exhibited at the county fair by 4-H club members.

In accordance with the ruling of the fair board only those animals which come from a clean herd, free of all infectious diseases, and are free from any other infectious disease, will be permitted to enter the fair grounds.

Frank Branch Riley Talks to Rotarians

Interesting impressions of the International Rotary club convention at Atlantic City, N. J., were given at the Rotary luncheon Thursday by Frank Branch Riley and Secretary Andy Patterson of the Portland Rotary club. Riley spoke of his impression of the force for good of Rotary clubs all over the world and of the seriousness with which members take community service. He said the convention was held in an auditorium that seated 40,000 persons.

Patterson, who also reported on the convention as local representative, gave first hand impressions of the heavyweight championship fight between Schmeling and Louis, which he attended. James Wells, program chairman, said that Will Enschede has been elected by the board of directors to serve as a director to fill the vacancy left by Rev. Charles Reed. W. C. Christensen was appointed to act as a director in the absence of Tom Bronleewe. B. M. Goodman is serving as editor of the Nairator, club publication.

County Test Plan Leads in Sanitation

Dairy Club Leaders, Fair Board Adopt Special Precautions

Requirements Rigid Infectious Disease Menace to Prize Herds

(By L. E. Francis, Ass't County Agent)

Washington county 4-H dairy club leaders and the county fair board lead the state in the program for clean dairy shows by requiring that all cattle exhibited come from clean herds. A few years ago this group of 4-H people, among whom are listed some of the leading dairymen of the county, adopted the plan of abortion testing individual animals that were entered at the fair. At that time they were the first county in the state to adopt this requirement.

This year's step in requiring clean herd test in addition to the individual test, credits the Washington county fair with the honor of being the first fair or livestock show in the state of Oregon to adopt such a rigid requirement. In addition to the above provision for this further agreement and will require, for the 1937 Washington county fair, that all animals exhibited come from accredited herds, which have had two successive clean tests.

For years the introduction of infectious abortion into a herd has been the ever present menace for the exhibitor at fairs and livestock shows. Four-H club work has grown in recent years, so also has the quality of animals exhibited by the dairy members been improved so that at the present time we find 4-H club members owning and exhibiting some of the finest dairy stock to be found in the state.

Too frequently in the past, these club members have lost various numbers of their prized animals because they have contracted infectious abortion. It was with the interest of these club members in mind that the dairy leaders met and agreed and the fair board ruled, that the Washington county fair would be made clean enough that such a menace would not exist and club members could feel free to exhibit their stock without the danger of losing either their animals or carrying disease back into their fathers' herds.

The dairy leaders of the county, and the Washington county fair board, are deserving of much praise because they have forwarded the plan for the term of the dairy division of the county fair, and for once more being the pioneers in a cause which is vital to the entire dairy interests of the state.

Ten Examined for Citizenship

Applicants Will Appear for Papers in November

Ten aliens, the largest number to make application for citizenship in recent year, according to Edgar Freed, state director for preliminary examination by the immigration examiner.

Hearing will be held early in November in circuit court for first papers. Late said, appeared August 7 and were passed on preliminary examination by the immigration examiner.

Petitions on file include Peter Ackerman, Banks, citizen of Switzerland; Mrs. Rose Nickol, Portland, route 2, born in Poland; Caroline Blumenschein, Beaverton, route 2, Denmark; Mrs. Johann Meyer, Hillsboro, route 3, born in United States but lost citizenship through marriage.

Rose Eastman, Beaverton, route 2, Hungary; Carl Frank Trausee, Reedville, Switzerland; Catherine Ann Smith, Beaverton, route 1, Scotland; George Heintz, Garden Home, Canada; Mrs. Hedwig Losli, Beaverton, route 2, Switzerland; John Parker Rogers, Oregon, Canada.

Home Owners Loans Large

237 Individuals Get Aid; Loan Total \$411,027

Residents of Washington county received a total of \$411,027 from the Home Owners Loan corporation during the three-year period of refinancing operations which terminated June 13, 1936, according to final figures furnished Edgar Freed, state director for the national emergency council. This sum represented 237 individual loans.

A total of 9,427 distressed home owners in Oregon were extended aid in the sum of \$18,523,499. Of this money, it is estimated that \$1,914,000 went toward the payment of taxes and assessments, the estimated average of tax and assessment payments per loan in Oregon being \$203.

According to the 1930 United States census reports there were 237 individuals.

Local Officers Again Seeking Old John Doe

John Doe is in for a lot of trouble again if he gets caught. His most recent infraction is the theft of an automobile tire and tube over the week-end from Emil Olson for which a warrant has been issued.

In another warrant, in the hands of peace officers, he is charged with theft of a \$20 pinball machine on July 18.

Back through the court records uncountable warrants for his arrest have been made but he always was found to be some other fellow when he was arrested. Sheriff John Connell, despite his long service as a law enforcement officer, declares that he never has seen John Doe although he has headed many searches for him, most of which resulted in the discovery that it wasn't John Doe that was wanted but somebody by an entirely different name.

So Jane Doe and John Doe are still at large, as far as local officers are concerned, and nobody really knows whether John and Jane are husband and wife, brother and sister, or just a couple of folks by that name.

Both of the recent warrants for Mr. Doe are drawn in justice court by A. W. Havens, justice.

Monday K. D. Royce, arrested a week ago in Portland on a charge of parking a truck without lights, pleaded guilty and was fined \$15 and costs. Lacking funds to pay he was returned to jail but given credit for the time he already had served.

According to officers making the arrest, he left the truck parked on Gales Creek road for 36 hours. He told the officers that he turned on (Continued on page 4, column 3)

Launch Move for Another Party in State

Electors Call Assembly Here on August 26

First authentic attempt in Oregon to form a third party is underway through a legal notice published this week in The Argus giving public notice of an independent assembly to be held in Hillsboro Wednesday, August 26, beginning at 9:15 p. m.

Purpose of the meeting is set forth as a movement to nominate independent candidates to be voted on at the general election in November.

The offices include United States president, vice-president, five presidential and vice-presidential electors; United States senator, state treasurer and attorney general.

Signatures to the legal notice include: F. F. Brown, Peter Zimmerman, Ethel Zimmerman, Edith Brostrom, G. W. Thiesens, Smith B. Holt, Frank Saalfeld, Joseph A. Schomus, Carl Francis, J. Cyril Schomus, Albert Streiff, Carrie Streiff, George R. Buickerwood, Frank Young, Frank C. Fluke, Emma Thompson, H. J. Valentine, Everett Vernon Snider, C. F. Hembrick, A. P. Erickson, J. Henry Jacobson, Mrs. J. H. Jacobson and John Plass.

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Labor Slump Indicated by Work Report

WPA Lists Show Low Ebb in Work Applications This Month

Ask Re-Employment Men Seeking Project Jobs Before Winter

WPA work lists, which have been shrinking because of labor opportunities offered during the summer, have again started upward, according to the records in the office of K. E. Tillotson, resident engineer. Peak for the year was in February when 490 persons were eligible to work on government projects, while at present the number is 297.

Up to the present time there has been a steady fall, the records reveal, with 370 in June and 311 eligible in July.

With funds nearly exhausted on the Wolf creek highway, all of the crew employed there, with the exception of 12 men used as fire wardens and fire patrol, has been transferred to work on the Canyon road and other places. Funds from the new appropriation are expected at any time and work will be resumed as soon as this money is available.

In the meantime, crews still are rushing the work along both sides of the summit on the Wilson river road, crews from this side working in Tillamook county to extend right-of-way clearing as far as possible toward a junction with the Tillamook crew before winter.

Because of the fire restrictions, burning of rubbish accumulated in the clearing and grubbing operations is delayed awaiting safe weather for burning. Some of the transportation problems encountered on the upper part of the Wilson river has been solved, Tillotson said, by completion of another mile or more of pioneer road along the road.

Major projects still under way with WPA labor in this county include the Wilson river road, Shady Brook road, Sherwood high school, (Continued on page 6, column 5)

Legion Groups at Convention

Delegates, Musicians Leave for Roseburg Meet

Members of the local American Legion and Auxiliary left last night on their way to the Roseburg (Thursday) to attend the state convention which opens at 10 o'clock this morning in Roseburg for a three-day session.

The organization of three delegates from this county, besides six delegates from each organization, the Auxiliary is sending a sextet of musicians who will participate at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the state Auxiliary band concert.

Delegates from the legion include P. L. Patterson, Jake Weil, commander-elect, and W. F. Cyrus, commander. Leon S. Davis, W. A. Griffith and Val Abadie, alternates. From the Auxiliary are Mrs. W. F. Cyrus, president; Mrs. P. L. Patterson, and Mrs. Fred Caldwell, delegate. Mrs. E. A. Griffith, Mrs. C. J. Crittenden and Mrs. Leon S. Davis, alternates.

Members of the trio, quartet and sextet include Mrs. L. C. Kramien, Mrs. C. E. Wells, Mrs. John Puhols, Mrs. Fred Caldwell, Mrs. C. J. Crittenden, Mrs. Leon S. Davis and Miss Mildred James, accompanist.

This year the sextet is not competing against the larger units, it is estimated.

County Preparing to Merge Offices

Preparations are underway in the basement of the county courthouse to install a photostat machine which will be in operation by January when the office of county clerk and county recorder are combined, Donald T. Templeton, county judge announced this week.

The machine will be installed on a rental basis of \$20 a month and will enable the county to cut the office force by at least two typists. In addition the machine will permit of absolute accuracy, being used by a typist to copy each recorded instrument.

Where legal papers are copied by typist, the services of a reader are required to compare the new record with the document being copied to avoid mistakes. The machine is simple and an operator with a small amount of practice becomes proficient in its operation.

County Farmers Given More Time on Reports

Changes in Conservation Program Brings Additional Three Days to Complete Work Sheets on Crops

(By Wm. F. Cyrus, County Agent)

Because of recent changes in the agricultural conservation program which apply only for the 1936 crop year, the Washington county committee has decided to give farmers of the county who did not file work sheets an opportunity to do so for three days only. Those farmers who may want to participate in the 1936 program due to these changes may file their work sheets at the county agent's office Saturday, August 15, Monday, August 17, and Tuesday, August 18.

Many Tourists County Visitors Since January

Turning their backs upon sun parched plains and ruined fields, the angard of what is said to be the greatest exodus since the pioneers is filtering through the mountain passes into the northwest. Already this tide is flowing in Washington county in increasing numbers.

Every day in Hillsboro automobiles from drouth states can be seen all loaded with passengers and baggage. They all tell the same story of drouth and discouragement, and all look hopefully upon the abundant fields here as a possible haven from the disaster which they left behind.

While most of the visiting foreign cars are registered at the borders of the state, already, since the first of the year, 85 machines from 14 states have been registered at the official registration office in the chamber of commerce.

Registrations are made without charge by Ed. L. Moore, secretary of the chamber of commerce, and information concerning the county, state and northwest given. Maps can be had for the asking along with pamphlets prepared by various states telling of vacation spots and worthwhile trips.

Of the states registered locally, Washington naturally leads with the number of cars, making a total of 30, which California comes second with 27. Seven machines have been registered from Kansas, six from Nebraska and four from South Dakota. Other states registering cars include North Dakota, Montana, Illinois, Colorado, Arizona, Wisconsin, Idaho, Canada has furnished three machines for registration.

The fact that most tourist machines are registered at the borders indicates that the cars coming to Washington county had this as a destination and that the passengers were visiting in the county, or were preparing to make residences here.

Moore has summed up the visitors as 25 per cent tourists and visitors; 50 per cent as persons looking for work with the idea of attempting to return themselves to farms or industry, and the remaining 25 per cent looking for business locations or were prepared to (Continued on page 5, column 3)

Crew Battling Stubborn Fire

Homes Endangered As Slash Swept by Flames

With more than 75 acres of dry slash and second growth timber already consumed, a fire was raging uncontrolled into green second growth on the Slinko tract, about two miles east of Hillsboro yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon.

The fire started in 75 acres of slash and timber owned by Dick Schoeller and Ben Heinick Tuesday morning, burned all night with a crew of 25 to 30 men on the fire line, under the direction of Cecil Kyle, fire warden for this district.

At noon Wednesday, the fire apparently was under control when it suddenly jumped the fire line on the Books property and began its march westward, driven by a strong breeze.

In the path of the fire, across the Oregon road, Tuesday, was the Otto Steinke place. Several times after the fire reached the road and during the night and Wednesday morning, sparks set fire to the Steinke woods. Should the fire jump the road, the Steinke buildings will be in danger.

In the Schoeller tract, some wood was burned and a force of wood (Continued on page 4, column 7)

Jail Breaker Caught; Pals Before Court

Grand Jury Indicts Trio for Escape Here Last Week; Dotson Pleads

Stairt Eludes Net Pair Part After Release; Gault Admits Guilt

"I'm glad to be back." Charles Dotson, fugitive from the Washington county jail told Jailer Grant Zumwalt as he was returned to his cell here Thursday morning, by Deputy Harry Johnson and Portland police.

With Dotson were two alleged pals, Anetta Edmond, 26, and Dan Gault, 23. The Edmund woman was captured with Dotson in a house near Sandy, where they had taken refuge under an assumed name. Gault was arrested in downtown Portland last week and the woman is alleged accomplices in the escape.

Nothing to Fear Dotson, on his return, also told Zumwalt, that he had nothing to fear. "If you had come at me," he said, "I'd have given you the gun."

Dotson, with L. H. Stairt, escaped from the jail Tuesday night, August 4, at 9 o'clock when Zumwalt released Dotson from his cell to make a telephone call to relatives. Dotson backed Zumwalt into a storage room along with a prisoner at the point of a gun after taking the jail keys. He released Stairt and they fled together.

The Edmund woman, who is more red head than blonde, is said to have been posing as Dotson's wife and at the house where the pair went into hiding, she told the woman of whom she rented the room, that they were just married.

Tuesday, a few hours before the jail break, Gault and the woman were in Hillsboro and she visited Dotson. It is believed that she gave him guns at that time, one for himself and one for Stairt. Gault said to have remained outside.

Contrary to the first suspicion that a car was used in the jail break, Dotson related how he, accompanied by Stairt, ran north from the jail and into the country. Tuesday, a few hours before the jail left him, he said.

He made his way north to the railway tracks and so across the hills, where he aroused a young (Continued on page 3, column 1)

Options Taken on Farm Land

Several Washington County Tracts Included

Four Washington county farm tracts have been included in the options approved by the federal government for the rural resettlement administration. The administration plans to cut the larger tracts into farms of 25 to 60 acres, construct buildings, and lease or sell to farm families selected by the rehabilitation department. Options on 4,142 acres in Washington, Yamhill and Polk counties were approved.

Farms optioned in this county include that of Fred L. Beach, Cornelius; Ben Birdsall estate, Hillsboro; Scott E. Campbell, Cornelius; and John Cummings, Forest Grove. Similar options on 2,915 more acres in the three counties have been forwarded to Washington for action, according to Walter A. Duff, regional director of resettlement.

Occupants for the farms are to be selected from tenant farmers, young farm couples unable to finance farms of their own, families from land retirement projects and service men with farm experience and farm families who have made application under the rehabilitation program of the resettlement administration.

Dogs to Right of Them, Dogs Behind Them; and Dogs! Dogs! Doggone!

Plans being formulated by the Rotary club committee in charge of the "Mutt Dog" show at the county fair, promise the "dog-dogged" show of its kind ever held in Washington county.

Dogs with masters, and if the dogs can't find masters they're invited anyway, will be on display, contesting for prizes. The committee, which includes J. M. Person, chairman, H. A. Deck and W. J. Enschede, are making their forecasts of success on the idea that every boy has a dog and almost every girl can get one.

"Any old dog will do," Person declares, "just so he comes to the fair at the end of a collar and chain. Unless properly restrained, the dogs will be barred."

There will be a place for the blackest dog, the cleanest, largest, longest haired, best dressed, most unusual, shortest, shortest tailed, whitest, dirtiest, smallest, shortest haired, best trick, longest and longest eared dogs.

With the dog control board discovering dogs in this county no one ever heard of before, Person