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## The Big Show Is On

Washington county's big fair is on and it promises to be one of the best ever held. There are plenty of special events, together with displays, that will be educational to every resident of the county. Attendance should be a pleasure and, remember, the more the merrier. Big crowds make for a more enjoyable event.

Never before has there been such co-operation as has been exhibited this year and its augurs well for the success of the fair. Hillsboro business houses are closing for a few hours Friday afternoon and an interesting program has been arranged. Agricultural organizations in the county are giving every possible assistance and are planning big doings that are sure to interest all. Local service groups are having a big hand in arranging for such events as the children's pet parade, the historical pageant of Washington county and the "mutt" dog show. Business firms are having attractive exhibits that will add greatly to the interest.

Co-operation of Washington county people can best be shown by attendance. They will enjoy it.

With lots of new people settling in the valley, a special effort should be made by their new neighbors to invite them to attend the showing and enjoy the good times. As a special aid to these newcomers the Argus has arranged for a registration book at its booth and in this way they may possibly come in contact with old friends.

It will be a splendid opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones.

## School Days

"Good old golden school days" are with us again with their bustle and activity for pupils and teachers. It is old stuff and pupils may not believe it, but these days are the happiest of one's life—happy and carefree. They are days of golden opportunities of which every boy and girl should make the most. They are the foundation for later years of usefulness to one's self and the community.

This country has a school system of which it may well be proud and it deserves the support and encouragement of all citizens. The preparation of our youth for the future is our greatest responsibility and it should not be shirked.

Education is an asset that business depression or other failures cannot take away from us, a worthwhile objective for everyone, rich or poor.

## Labor Day

Labor day will be observed here Monday by Hillsboro business firms as usual with a general closing of business. Argus employees will enjoy the day as a holiday and the paper will not be distributed over the county until Friday morning. It is fitting that the nation pause in tribute to the workmen, whose loyalty and hard work in so many instances have had so much to do with the industrial progress of the greatest country on the earth.

Cleaning up and painting of the county fair buildings and grounds will add a great deal to the attractiveness of the fair. This, together with the beautifully arranged Shute park, will make attendance more enjoyable to all. We'll meet you there.

## Try It

Another proverb contest is on and everyone has an equal chance for the three cash prizes offered for those turning in the greatest number of correct answers, represented by the cartoons. For those who did not start in with the first one, both are printed this week in a large advertisement in another part of the paper. Save and turn them all in at the finish of the contest.

Scores of people had lots of fun out of it last time and it proved so popular that the Argus publishers decided to go ahead with another. Those participating must turn in a year's subscription for themselves or a new one for some other person. These subscriptions must be paid during the contest.

Why not gather the family around and have them all help in winning a prize?

## A Fine Place to Trade

Hillsboro is one of the finest trading centers in the Willamette valley and the stores and service institutions are comparable with those in towns much larger. The people, who operate and work in these places of business, are your neighbors and your friends. They are taxpayers and supporters of all local activities. It will pay you to trade with them because the dollar sent away seldom returns to you.

## What Other Editors Say

### Pity the President

Pity the man who becomes president of the United States. It is a terrific job. Anyone who has the power to understand, even very remotely what an enormous job it is and the tremendous responsibility, coupled with the immensity of the pressure that is brought to bear by interests so vast that it staggers the imagination, can view in some small measure just what is required. Pity that man, all the more, if he lacks mental fibre of the highest order; if he lacks the ability to look the arrogantly entrenched powerful in the eye and tell them to go to hades. The man who can do that must needs have power and courage beyond the capacity of the ordinary man to understand. America has had pitifully few presidents who could do that. They incur hatreds in high places beyond measure and dig the pits for their own ruin.—Sheridan Sun.

Father Coughlin, addressing the convention of his National Union for Social Justice after it had voted to back the Lemke candidacy for president, declared that if he could not deliver 9,000,000 votes for the candidate he would be through with the radio forever. Millions of people will now hope that he can be held to that promise after November.—Astoria Astorian-Budget.

A fellow says taxes are worse than death—you can only die once.—Ex.

## Our Yesterdays

### Fifteen Years Ago

Argus, September 1, 1921—Marc Peter, Swiss ambassador, visits Hillsboro Thursday with delegation of Swiss people.

Oi Sol Manufacturing company, Dr. E. T. Helms, president, and F. J. Sewell, secretary, makes automobile polish.

Colonel George A. White speaks at American Legion meeting here Tuesday.

Mrs. Rebecca A. Whitmore dies here August 29. E. J. McAlear named attorney for Washington county for state bonus commission.

Carnation increases milk from \$1.80 to \$1.95. Willard Newton falls while "playing horse" and breaks arm.

Mrs. David Keene struck and killed by automobile at Forest Grove Tuesday.

J. B. Phillips farm of 80 acres south of Cornelius sold to M. C. Burrell of Casper, Wyo. Lester Ireland 160-acre place above North Plains bought by W. Stahl.

### Thirty Years Ago

Argus, August 30, 1906—J. L. Henderson, former Hillsboro school principal, loses to J. J. Byrnes, swimming instructor, in swimming race from Oregon City to The Oaks.

Oregon Nursery company pulls out of Salem. Teams shipped to Hillsboro to the new purchase. Company employs about 300 men.

John F. Lafferty, 73, Civil war veteran, dies at Gales City August 24.

George Morgan has crew of men excavating for the log pit at the mill site, South Third street.

Bert White threshing machine burns in Patton valley Sunday, while the machine belonging to Charles Spiering burned Monday near Forest Grove.

Mrs. Moses H. McCoy died at Gales Creek August 23.

J. F. Carstens of Banks reports that bear are plentiful above Banks.

Dr. Richard Sandford, pioneer physician, dies at Glencoe August 29. He had practiced medicine 60 years and was an Indian war veteran.

Lawrence S. McConnell, postmaster; Arthur Hall, merchant; and Fred J. Epler, incorporators of Bank of Sherwood.

Mrs. Gertrude Kersten, 69, died at home of daughter, Mrs. Joseph Moore, Saturday.

Opening of local schools delayed until September 24 on account of the hop season.

## Governor Martin on Busy Vacation

(By A. L. Lindbeck)

SALEM—Governor Martin is supposed to be on vacation, but there's scarcely a day when he isn't in his office or traveling around the state.

This week he went to Astoria for the coronation of the queen of the 25th annual Astoria regatta, and to The Dalles for the Old Fort Dalles frolic honoring men who obtained Bonneville dam. Governor Martin, when a representative in congress, worked with Senator McNary in interesting President Roosevelt in the hydro-electric and navigation project on the Columbia river.

The governor proclaimed Sept. 3-5 as Astoria days throughout the state in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the first permanent settlement in Oregon territory. "It is fitting that our citizens should recognize the significance of this anniversary and realize the national importance of the early history of Oregon," the governor said.

In a busy week, the governor went to Portland for innumerable meetings with business men interested in developing the flax industry. Martin even had to forego taking his grandson, Dickie Pyne, of Bremerton, Wash., to a circus because he had to go after more money for the three Willamette valley co-operative flax and scutching plants.

The governor closed more forest areas on the recommendation of State Forester J. W. Ferguson until virtually the entire state's timbered areas were padlocked against fire.

Martin delegated Charles E. Stricklin, state engineer, as Oregon's representative at the Up-Stream Engineering conference in Washington, D. C., Sept. 22 and 23, because of the interest in rural electrification in the state.

The governor's most significant pronouncement came at the Tillamook county fair when he rapped non-producers "who too frequently endeavor to create 'isms' that lead up blind alleys" and said that Oregon's future lies in the way men meet the challenge of utilizing the state's natural resources.

"The outlook for Oregon and Oregon's farmers is brighter than it has been for many a decade," the governor declared. "That progress and development so essential to continued prosperity and growth must be under sound, progressive and energetic leadership of men and women who serve the best interests of the state. It must not be under those non-producing figures who advocate all manner of 'isms' as pseudo short-cuts, but in effect are at the expense of the general welfare.

"When a progressive and aggressive type of leadership is developed, Oregon need stand second to none. Oregon can take leadership herself among the states of this union and I feel certain that we

are well on the road toward assuming our rightful place."

The governor found time to proclaim the week of September 6 as Air week, saying attention of the entire nation would be devoted to air progress from September 1 to 10.

After a tour of the Tillamook burn, where a \$40,000,000 forest fire raged in 1933, the governor said one-third of the loss would be salvaged.

This is "gambling" month in the courts. The supreme court September 8 will hear arguments in the case of the state versus M. P. Schweimler, ex-Marshfield dart game proprietor, convicted in Coos county circuit court of operating a lottery. The court may sit en banc in the important case, which will decide the exact meaning of the word "lottery," and settle the constitutionality of the law passed by the legislature last year allowing games of skill to be licensed. The court's decision will be state-wide in effect.

On September 17, operators of marble board and pin-ball games will go into Marion county circuit court to seek an injunction against seizure or destruction of the nickel-in-the-slot machines.

On September 21, motion picture theatres will fight to retain their "bank night" awards. Both cases will be of state-wide importance.

Marion county may vote on local option at the November general election. Churchmen are circulating petitions for a vote to restore prohibition. The city of Salem would not be affected by the dry issue. Woodburn will also vote on local option.

The state planning board will report this fall on the state's need for a new \$1,000,000 office building and a \$500,000 library. Governor Martin will submit the report to the legislature in January without recommendation. The executive recently asked the board to make the survey.

In her biennial report to Governor Martin, Harriet C. Long, state librarian, pointed out the need of a separate structure to house Oregon's 365,354 volumes, which are stored in the basement and any other available space in the supreme court building.

Despite an appeal by Morton Tompkins, chairman of the legislative committee of the state grange, the state department of agriculture isn't going to put the 1935 agricultural marketing act in effect unless 100 farmers petition in accordance with law. The grange leader said he wanted the act, successor to the unconstitutional AAA, tested by the state supreme court before the next session of the legislature. So few farmers attended a hearing called by Solon T. White, state director of agriculture, that he decided not to invoke the law. The butter industry already has a case in court in Multnomah county that may settle the AMA's fate. White pointed out.

## Drouth Relief Dims All Other Campaign Factors in Midwest

WASHINGTON.—Some idea of the political repercussions that may follow the charring drouth of the middlewest is furnished by official estimates that more than 2,000,000 people on farms and in farm communities will need direct federal relief before winter.

The Resettlement Administration, only agency authorized to make cash grants, predicts that more than 500,000 heads of families on farms and in small towns dependent on farms will need help.

This means that, if outdoor projects of the Works Progress Administration are discontinued because of unfavorable weather, RA's \$85,000,000 rehabilitation fund may be insufficient to meet the drouth emergency.

Almost 100,000 destitute farmers are working now on WPA projects. If RA is forced to take over support of these men and their families after winter sets in, the monthly outlay would approximate \$9,000,000—much more than now is available to RA each month.

MANY relief authorities questioned the Resettlement Administration's ability to carry the load it forecast for itself weeks ago. This burden was just about half of that which RA now faces.

And use of available funds to meet the drouth emergency would halt most of the activity in regular RA rehabilitation and land utilization programs.

The last federal relief appropriation made available 15 per cent of other earmarked amounts for needs such as the drouth has brought. But it is believed these

amounts will prove of little help in caring for the penniless farmers and their dependents.

The terrific crop destruction wrought by drouth is best illustrated by figures from the Dakotas. A WPA report from Bismarck predicts that 75 per cent of the population of both states will be on relief by fall. Almost 700,000 people live in each state.

BAD crops usually are a handicap to the party holding the reins of government. It is a political axiom that economic misfortunes almost always are laid at the feet of those who are running things.

The Democrats will, no doubt, answer predictions that the drouth will hurt their November chances by pointing to the 1934 congressional elections. That year the Democrats increased their congressional majority right on the heels of a drouth which the Agriculture Department called the worst the United States ever experienced.

And the Republicans may be expected to come back with the assertions that the net Democratic gain of seven seats in the House of Representatives came mostly from the east and that the G. O. P. gained seven seats in four midwestern grain states which, of course, were most affected by heat and lack of rain. The eastern voters have turned against the New Deal since 1934, the Republicans will tell you.

But leaders of both parties, despite their optimistic chortlings, are necessarily very much in the dark about political reaction to the drouth and to drouth relief, for the campaign is just entering the all-important stretch drive.