

### Party Enjoyed at Hazeldale

#### Birthday Celebrated; Folk Move During Week

(By Mrs. J. C. Smith)

HAZELDALE—Eight tables of "309" were played at the community club card party Saturday evening. High honors went to Katherine Desinger of Beaverton and George Allshin and second to Mrs. J. C. Smith and L. G. Boylow to Mrs. W. A. Jones and C. P. Sylverson. The committee in charge included Mrs. Clarence Walker, Mrs. John Imloh and Harold Shapler.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cushing and their little son Donald of Olympia Wash., spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James Blackburn. Mr. Cushing is brother to Mrs. Blackburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ward and their family and Mrs. Ida Wiley have moved to their home in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kling are living in the house lately occupied by the Ward family.

#### Birthday Celebrated

Mr. and Mrs. John Imloh entertained with a party on Sunday evening to celebrate the anniversary of their daughter Eloise's fourteenth birthday. Present were Dolly, Norman and Buster Rinehart, Virginia, Margaret and Ruth Miller, Amelia, Virginia and Frank Leonetti, Anita Mae, and Robert Long, Anita and Wanda Hesterlee, Willard Roebuck, Ollie Tullifson, Earl Pickett, William Schuch, and Jack Koch, Estella and Eloise Imloh.

#### Family Moves

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hemming, who have been occupying the Fraser farm for the past year, have moved away. Mrs. Donald Fraser has returned and her son Morgan Shelley and his family accompanied her and will make their home here this winter.

Mrs. Mary McHenry was receiving felicitations from her family and friends last Monday, it being the eighty-ninth anniversary of her birthday.

Virginia Miller spent several days of last week in Portland with her cousins.

### Helvetia Teacher Honored Monday

HELVETIA—The school children at Helvetia had a surprise party on their teacher, Joseph Wenzel, Monday afternoon, the occasion being his birthday anniversary. The school children arranged for the party and invited their parents and school patrons to attend. Nineteen were present making a total of 32. After recess it was voted to close school and have a program. Mrs. Elmer Batcher led the singing and musical numbers and recitations were given. Eighth grade girls presented Mr. Wenzel with a large decorated cake with the inscription "Happy Birthday" and 27 candles burning on it. Mr. Wenzel expressed his appreciation for the honor extended to him and said he liked to work in this community. Mr. Wenzel cut the cake while the girls served cocoa and cookies to bill.

The school board and patrons of Helvetia appreciate the services that Mr. Wenzel gives not only as a teacher but also as an electrician and plumber. His efforts and services have helped to get electric light and running water installed in the school. Much of his time in the evening is given to training the Boy Scouts and Junior band besides the community band.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Batcher entertained with a dinner party at their home Friday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Yunker and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Zurcher. The evening was spent playing cards.

Mrs. Fred Yungen and her brother Abe Truman were visiting Fred Yungen at the St. Vincent hospital Sunday night. Mr. Yungen had an operation to remove a cartilage from the knee, the result of a fall from a hay mower this summer. He is improving slowly.

J. Haverstick and family have moved to the Fred Jossy farm at West Union, where they have rented a small acreage for their ponies.

### Telephone Rate Increase Held Up

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exchanges was "clearly discriminatory" he explains that he is "convinced that the tariff should not have been accepted without a hearing being held in the localities adversely affected."

"This was a mistake in judgment

which will not be repeated hereafter," McCulloch said in discussing the situation. "The company has at my request deferred the collection of the toll charges in Tualatin valley and Gresham areas pending a series of informal conferences in the affected localities which will be held soon, at which time all the facts can be given to the interested and affected patrons of the company."

The toll-free system under which the company had been operating the small exchanges in the Tualatin valley and Gresham districts, McCulloch explained, was in violation of the "undue preference" clause of the public utilities act which provides that "if any public utility shall make or give undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular person, firm or corporation or to any particular locality, or shall subject any particular person, firm, corporation or locality to any undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatsoever such public utility shall be deemed guilty of unjust discrimination, which is hereby clearly prohibited and declared unlawful."

The West Coast Telephone company, as now constituted," McCulloch points out in a statement covering the situation, "is the result of the combination of a large number of small telephone companies purchased over a period of years by the West Coast company. It now serves such widely scattered areas as LaGrande and vicinity, Gresham and vicinity, Hillsboro-Tigard-Sherwood-Scholls and vicinity, Marshfield-North Bend and vicinity, Coquille and vicinity, Port Orford and vicinity, Gold Beach and vicinity. Its operations also extend into Oregon, where it serves Crescent City and vicinity. As these small telephone utilities were purchased by the company it merely adopted the prevailing rate schedules of the purchased company. When I assumed this office in March, 1935, and investigated the tariff filings of the various telephone companies I discovered that there were 119 separate and distinct filings by the West Coast company."

"Many discriminatory rates between localities appeared in the tariffs; for instance, in the Gresham locality and in the Tualatin valley there were several exchanges and the existing tariffs of the company permitted calls to be made between local exchanges, which by all the rules of telephone rate making are actually long distance or toll calls, without any toll charge for the same. In no other part of the company's territory, notably at LaGrande, Marshfield-North Bend and Gold Beach, was such a practice permitted."

In considering the whole state-wide picture it appears necessary, under the statute that either the company should be required to do away with all toll rates between local exchanges or to do away with free tolls between exchanges. The practice had to be made uniform so that one locality served by the company would not be unduly discriminated against as against another. Since the almost universal rule in Oregon and in all other states, is to require a toll charge between local exchanges, the natural thing to do was to place the Tualatin valley and Gresham communities in the same status as other communities served not only by the West Coast Telephone company, but by the Pacific company, and remove this 'locality prejudice.'"

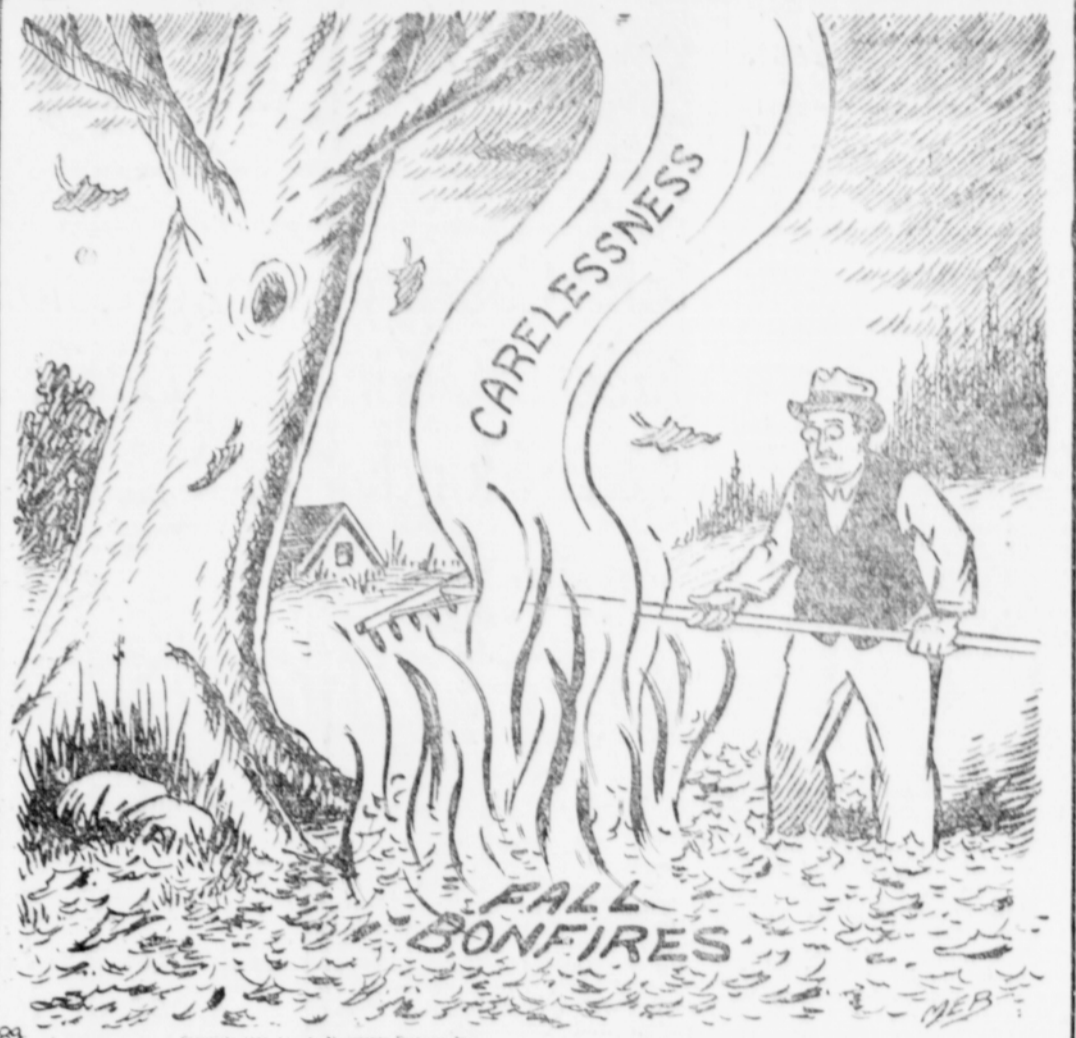
"When the new tariff of the West Coast Telephone company was filed my attention was called to the removal of these discriminatory rates and the introduction of a small toll charge between exchanges. Because of the mandate against prejudicial rates in favor of one locality as against another, and the requirement laid upon me to view the interest of the consumers as a whole and not in favor of any particular locality I accepted the filing."

"In this connection it must be kept in mind that when any particular locality enjoys a lesser rate for the same service than another locality enjoys, that the second locality is necessarily paying a part of the bill for the first locality. The West Coast Telephone company, like every other utility, requires a certain amount of money to pay its operating expenses and other necessary items permitted by law, and when these charges are not uniform and evenly divided between the various classes of service and various communities served by the company, a prejudicial situation arises which the law forbids."

"The result of the tariff in question undoubtedly increases the cost of telephone service to the Tualatin valley and Gresham areas, but those localities also received the benefit of reduced long-distance charges generally throughout the territory served by the company. The net reduction of the new tariff filed by the West Coast company was an annual reduction of \$5500 in its income."

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### Big Fires from Little Sparks Grow!



### Banks to Elect Officials of City; Honor Rolls Announced

(By Miss Mary Sandy)

BANKS—A mayor, recorder, treasurer and three councilmen are to be elected at the city election November 3. A mass meeting will also be held soon.

**Honor Roll Given**  
Banks high school honor roll for the first six weeks of school is as follows: a one average, Mix Davis; two average, Max Hiatt, Robert Schlegel, Eugene Wirtz, Loretta Davis, Jewell Riding, Peggy Wilson, Ina Lee, Rosencranes, Betty McCann, Robert Hiatt, Johanna Hess, Eleanor Strassel, Jack Seabold, Rita Dwyer, Rita Cop, Etta Bailey, John Hiatt and Evelyn Rinck.

**Loss Game**  
Banks high school football team was defeated by the St. Mary's team Friday afternoon on the Banks field by a score of 18-7.

**Express Appreciation**  
The Banks Football lettermen wish to thank the Banks community and neighboring cities for the turn out at the dance in the gymnasium. The outcome financially was large as well as the number of people present.

Albert Heard returned home Friday after a two weeks' hunting trip in eastern Oregon. There were four men in the hunting party.

Henry McDonald, Vern Prickett and Max Dreezen attended the Blitz Weinhard's jubilee in Portland Tuesday evening.

Evelyn Kessler, Margery Wilcox and Sheila Hall, piano pupils of Mrs. Julia Hufford, played a trio at an Eastern Star luncheon given Saturday at the Heathman hotel in Portland.

Mrs. Howard Wilbur spent the week-end with friends at Port Angeles, Wash.

Miss Moxie Hopkins spent the week-end with friends in Seattle. Saturday she attended the Washington Huskies-Oregon State Beavers football game there.

Charlotte Finck is spending a few days of this week with Mrs. Margaret Koberstein at Dilley.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Burnett and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilcox and two children picnicked on their farm at Seagovins Valley Sunday.

**Make Good Records**  
The honor roll for first six weeks for the Banks grade school is as follows: 1st and 2nd grades, Barbara Denton, Donald Phillips, David Witt and Vernon Cop; 3rd and 4th grades, Barbara Wilson, Marva Finck, Sam Masada and Kay Lion; 5th and 6th grades, Connie Lou Vandorn, Margery Wilcox, Evelyn Kessler and Rosie Kinoshita; 7th and 8th grades, Beulah Shigeno, Norman Lien, Sheila Hall, Rudolph Bernwald, Dickie Vandorn and Mable Kinoshita.

The opera, "Paints and Patches," has been selected by the teachers of the Banks grade school to be put on before Thanksgiving. The opera features gypsy characters. Miss Helen Dickerson is the director. Those taking part are the four upper grades of the school.

**Curio Exhibit Interests**  
The curio exhibit put on by the Mothers' club in connection with the silver tea Friday afternoon proved interesting. The oldest thing on exhibit was a pair of scissors two hundred years old, loaned by

W. S. Atlee. These were used by Mr. Atlee's grandfather in England to trim fetlocks on his fine horses. Among the other interesting things exhibited were two quilts and two shawls over a hundred years old and a prayer book printed before the revolutionary war, a collection of old pictures of the town and community attracted a great deal of attention.

Mrs. Carl Stribich and daughter Lucille came to Banks Sunday and took Mrs. Stribich's grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Dodds, to her home in Forest Grove for dinner. A long drive in the afternoon was also enjoyed by Mrs. Dodds.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moss and son Roy of Philomath spent the week-end with relatives in Banks.

Mrs. Tom Engen and son Le Banks and Mr. and Mrs. Carl White of North Plains drove to Troutdale Sunday to see Lauren White, who

is in a tuberculosis sanitarium there. They report his condition as fair.

David Wilson of Alaska is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chester Davis and sons.

Mrs. E. E. Parks and daughter returned to her home in Portland Friday after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kauffman. Mrs. Kauffman accompanied her home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hopkins of Pasco, Wash., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hopkins.

Mrs. Charles Shipley of Banks and Mr. and Mrs. George McFarlane and daughter of Forest Grove spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Parney and family at Foss.

Mr. and Mrs. Niles Jenkins of Kelso, Wash., spent the week-end with relatives in Banks. Mrs. Jenkins will be remembered as Miss Cleo Parney.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hutehens of Taft spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hutchens. They had just returned from a trip to LaGrande.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hutehens and son of Tillamook visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hutchens Wednesday.

The Fir Grove Sewing club met for the first time since last spring Tuesday, with Mrs. Bernard Sellers. A pot luck dinner was served at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Enzie and two children of Geneva, N. Y., are visiting Mrs. Enzie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Conant, Mr. Enzie, who is the horticultural experiment station connected with Cornell University, is on a 33-day leave. They plan to return home by way of Long Beach, California, where they will visit Mr. Enzie's parents.

A picnic was enjoyed Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Sellers. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Enzie and two children Philip and Beverly of Geneva, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Conant, and Kenneth Shirdor of Banks and Mr. and Mrs. Sleaman of Portland. Other callers during the day were Mr. and Mrs. Jake Narup, Mr. and Mrs. John Narup.

**A Personal Note from the pen of Chas. L. Walker**



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Two books were purchased by Miss Lane from the money which was collected on Penny Day in the high school. The books purchased were "Glorious Adventure" by Richard Halliburton and "Congorilla" by Martia.

F. G. Allen company of Portland will supply the senior class members' class rings of pins. Eighteen orders have been given to Miss Giltner, the senior class advisor, six for pins and guards and twelve for rings.

**Auxiliary Plans Dinner**  
American Legion Auxiliary will hold a pot luck dinner Wednesday in the Banks Legion hall. The members and their friends are invited to come and work on a quilt to be raffled off at the bazaar, which will be given November 28.

**Skating Party Saturday**  
Banks Epworth League is having a skating party at the Hillsboro rink Saturday. All the young people are invited to go. They will meet at the church at 7.

Amos Sellers is spending a few days of this week visiting friends in Portland.

The Epworth League of Banks was not represented at the Salem rally day due to lack of transportation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolford and sons Lyle and Vernon and daughter Juanita of Banks and Hazel Wolford and Dolly Dolan of Monmouth visited the Lincoln county beaches Sunday. They drove across the Newport bridge and arrived

at DePoe Bay in time to witness the funeral services of the two young men who were drowned there October 4. The ashes of the men were placed in a small casket and then covered with flowers and sunk 20 fathoms out in the ocean.

Lyle Wolford returned home Friday after spending a month working at the Frank Genzer home on Green Mountain.

Pete Jacobs left Thursday for Illinois to make an extended visit.

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