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## Thirty Scouts Appear Here for Awards

Record Local Class Attends Court of Honor; Weaver Given 10-Year Recognition; Plan Joint Session

Thirty Boy Scouts of the Hillsboro district appeared before Circuit Judge R. Frank Peters at the monthly court of honor at the court house Thursday night and received awards and advancements. This was the largest number of scouts of this district ever to appear at a court of honor although several larger courts have been held on special occasions when members of Portland troops have been represented.

**Nine Second Class**  
Nine boys were made second class scouts, seven second class scouts received nine merit badges, one was made a first class scout, eleven first class scouts received 20 merit badges. Billy Corwin of Troop 226 of Hillsboro and Jack Bauman of Troop 247 of Helvetia were made star scouts, and Mate Nelson Weaver of the Sea Scout Ship "Rainbow" was recognized as a ten-year veteran.

Weaver is an eagle scout and has risen from the ranks. This is the first instance of this award in this district.

Immediately following the court of honor, Scout Edward Janssen of Troop 219 rendered several selections on the accordion. Monthly session of the Hillsboro district committee was held succeeding that. Sixteen men were present.

## Weil Employees Get Pay Boost

Employees of Weil's Department store will find additional salary in their pay envelopes Saturday. Jake Weil announced Tuesday. The raise is the second this year, Weil said, and became effective Monday as a Christmas present to the 22 regular employees of the store.

The raise is an expectation of a larger volume of business in the store during the coming year, Weil remarked. Business this year has been steadily increasing, it is pointed out, and every month has shown a substantial increase over the business of the same month in 1935, Weil said.

## Washington Crop Conference Assures Earlier Information for Farmers Here

With detailed dockets on the new 1937 AAA program now being prepared in Washington, farmers of Oregon will have full information on which to base their crop plans for the next spring three months earlier than last year, says William L. Teutsch, assistant county agent leader at Oregon State college. Teutsch and N. E. Dodd of Baker, chairman of the state committee, recently returned from Washington, where they represented this state in the conference which determined the general outlines of the new program.

## Maritime Strike Boosting Relief, Records Reveal

Effects of the maritime strike now being reflected in the administration of relief in Washington county, figures released in Hillsboro Tuesday revealed.

At the relief office applications are mounting rapidly, according to Miss Alice Maxwell, executive secretary of the relief committee. There are 400 applications for public assistance now, while the office is already administering grants for old age and blind assistance to 418. There are 400 applications for publications for review for recertification to aid through the Works Progress administration.

## Plan Revival Potato Show at Sherwood

Sherwood Commercial club is sponsoring a potato show January 8 and 9 at Sherwood, reports L. E. Francis, assistant county agent. This is a renewal of the old Sherwood potato show which became so well known in the past and which in recent years was discontinued.

## Guernsey Breeders Meet Here Monday

Washington County Guernsey Breeders' association will meet in the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce rooms Monday at 8 p. m. C. W. Robinson, field representative for the American Guernsey Breeders' association, will take part in the meeting.

## Hearing Completed for Stimson Mill

Hearing of a labor dispute between the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union and the Stimson Lumber company, was concluded Tuesday in the United States court house in Portland. The controversy involved the right of the Stimson employees to hold an election for the purpose of forming a union. A union already has been formed by the men, according to reports.

## Many Attend Argus Xmas Show Party

Crowd Subscribers Throng Theatre Early and Late; Merchants Report Heavy Buying During Day

Streaming into Hillsboro from all parts of the county Saturday, Argus subscribers kept the Venetian theatre full of youngsters and grownups from 10 a. m. until 5 p. m. when the last flickering shadow of the play, "Too Many Parents," had sped across the screen into the nowhere.

## County Begins Building Staff for Health Unit

First step toward the formation of the new Washington County health department was taken Thursday when Mrs. Clara Engebretsen of Portland was rendered a contract as health nurse. She will replace Mrs. Margaret Dixon-Logan, county nurse for the last three years, who will retire January 1.

## Bateman Sues Beer Salesman

Alleging permanent injuries received when he was attacked by Pete Bauer in an argument September 27, 1935, Earl Bateman of Glenwood this week filed suit against the Columbia Distributing company of Portland and Bauer. Bateman asks \$15,000 damages and \$75 for doctor bills.

## Secretaries' Group Asks Fair Changes

Requesting that the state fair board change the dates for the state fair to late September, or early October, the Oregon Fair Secretaries' association met Friday and Saturday in Portland. Ed L. Moore, who is a member, reported the work. All of the county fairs of the state were represented at the meeting, Moore said.

## Last Teachers' Quiz Given Here Friday

Teachers' examinations, which were concluded Friday, constituted the last teachers' examination to be given in this county, according to O. B. Kraus, superintendent of schools.

## Xmas Lighting Adds Gay Air to Hillsboro Homes

Review of the Christmas lighting in Hillsboro Tuesday night revealed a number of attractive settings both outside and interior presentation. Judging on the Rotary club lighting contest was to be made last night (Wednesday) with Mrs. R. Frank Peters, Mrs. W. G. Hare and Mrs. Ralph Easter acting as judges.

## Fund Diversion Would Benefit Local Streets

Proposal to allow the towns and cities of Oregon a share of the gasoline tax and registration fee fund, has been placed before the state highway commission, according to George McGee, Hillsboro city manager and chairman of a committee from the League of Oregon Cities.

## Grangers Hold Annual Meeting

Annual Grange conference for Washington county, the primary purpose of which is the schooling of Grange officers, was held December 16, in Aloha Grange hall with more than 200 members present from 14 county organizations.

## Honors Won at National Show

Clayton Nyberg of Tualatin and Joe Berger of Hazeldale placed second and seventh, respectively, with their ten-car corn exhibits in the junior division of the Grain and Hay show at Chicago, according to word received by L. E. Francis, assistant county agent.

## Rites Held for Rev. R. D. Benham

Funeral services for Rev. R. D. Benham, of Cornelius, pastor, who died at Portland sanitarium Saturday night, were held in Sunnyside Seventh-day Adventist church Tuesday morning.

## Christmas Prophecy

LONG, long ago the Magi came with trophies To pay their homage to an infant King. The vanished years saw shepherds in Judea Find magic light, and pause, remembering That there would be a sign that early morning When One would come with balm for weary scars, A donor of new hope, gay love, warm shelter, Who came to earth attuned to Christmas stars.

## Savings, Loan Forges Ahead During Year

Regular semi-annual dividend of the Tualatin Valley Federal Savings and Loan association of Hillsboro has just been announced and is effective as of December 31. Checks for the dividend will be mailed on January 15 to all investors of record on December 31.

## State Solons, Judges Meet

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Hillsboro postoffice set a record for outbound mail Monday when 140 sacks of Christmas cards and packages started the journey to various parts of the country. L. T. McPheeters, postmaster, said.

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## Oregon PWA Head Holds Grove Meet

Methods of finance and ways to obtain projects under the Public Works administration, were discussed with interested representatives of Washington county political units at a special meeting yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon in the city hall at Forest Grove called by C. C. Hockley, state director of public works.

## Sentence Suspended

George Rice, Hillsboro youth arrested by Portland police for assault and robbery in a filling station holdup October 25, pleaded guilty in circuit court in Portland Saturday and received a suspended sentence pending good behavior.

## Mrs. Lee Injured

Mrs. Dora Lee of Gales Creek is at Smith's hospital under the care of Dr. P. S. Richards of Forest Grove. She sustained a fractured hip in a fall several days ago.

## Tax Payments Show Upturn During Year

Better farm and city incomes for 1936 are reflected in the report on tax collections released this week from the tax office in Hillsboro, which shows greatly increased revenue over the year ago. For the first time in a number of years, the collections have exceeded a million dollars.

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