

Grand Jury Facing Light Term Monday

Bernards' Case Carried Over

Awaiting Clarification of Frazier-Lemke Standing; Pinball Hearing Delayed

Facing a light term with only four or five cases to investigate, county grand jurors have been called for Monday morning. G. Russell Morgan, district attorney, said this week. None of the cases involve serious charges, he said.

Criminal calendar in circuit court came to a standstill when Judge Howard K. Zimmerman of Yamhill county decided to carry the Martin Bernards trial over, and Judge R. Frank Peters postponed hearing in the temporary pinball machine injunction case.

Await Decision

The Bernards case, which involves several indictments on charges of larceny of shrubbery from Oreno property, formerly owned by Bernards, was carried over pending clarification of an application for review made by Bernards after he was denied the protection of the Frazier-Lemke mortgage moratorium law.

Bernards asked and was denied the right to retain his property under the provisions of the new law. The shrubbery was a part of the property in question, Bernards declaring that it was his personal property and not attached to the land. The land was taken by foreclosure and the shrubbery sold afterwards as personal property.

Pinballs Set Over

In the pinball case, set for hearing April 14, an appeal from the decision of Circuit Judge Crawford in Portland last winter, is said to be in process of reaching the state supreme court for action. The local case involves the same questions as the one in Portland, it is said.

Circuit court jury Thursday found for J. E. and Lea D. May of Forest Grove in an action against W. M. Robinson to obtain possession of property next to the Hillsboro post office. Robinson maintained that the plaintiffs were not entitled to possession.

Orders filed this week in circuit court included decrease in the case of John E. Sester et al vs. Helen Grant, et al. Default judgments were decreed in two suits filed by the State Industrial Accident commission against Forrest C. Turner and Clyde O. Rogers, George D. Seales et al vs. Walter Daneman et al, decree; Federal Land Bank vs. Caroline Hoffman, disallowing motion; Federal Land Bank vs. W. F. VanLoon et al, confirmation of sale; Roy W. Hancock vs. Roy W. Clifford et al, decree.

Orders filed this week in probate court included Charles James Kelley, Louisa Fugate, Jennie E. Nash, Henry Byron Sagaber, Michael J. Kelly, Jessie M. Minton, Arthur Ernest Webb.

Damages Asked for Car Wreck

Seeking damages aggregating \$32,500, two actions in Multnomah circuit court have been filed against Joseph and Robert Meek of North Plains, according to complaints filed this week with Sheriff John Connell.

The complaints are the result of an accident at Cedar Mill the night of October 17 when a truck driven by Joseph Meek and owned by Robert Meek crashed into a car owned by Leslie J. Little and parked before the Haskell's store there. Ella Little, and Doris Little, a minor, were injured.

The first complaint alleges that Ella Little suffered injuries to her right hip, back and muscles and nervous shock and has suffered permanent injuries as a result. The suit seeks \$7500 in damages.

The other is by Lester Little for Doris and asks \$25,000 alleging that the girl suffered a fractured pelvis, permanent injuries and nervous shock, all of which have contributed to permanent injury.

Quarry Worker Recovers from Accident at Laurel

Albert Ruhlin, 34, Midway resident, who suffered a crushed skull when struck by a falling rock in the county quarry at Laurel March 20, was discharged from Jones hospital Friday. The stone caved in a portion of Ruhlin's skull about the size of a dollar, doctors reported. He apparently is suffering no ill effects from his experience.

Somebody Else in Dog House

"Somebody else is in the dog house now," exclaimed Ben Vandye of Hillsboro Tuesday morning to Sheriff John Connell, and explained that sometime during Monday night vandals walked away with the pride of the Vandye back yard, despite the fact that the shingled green stained porch shelter was right next to the house. Now Sheriff Connell is wondering if the officers of the law will be in the dog house if the dog house is not found and returned. The former occupant of the small house was sold last fall.

Special Prize and Travel Trip Won by Marjorie Meek

Argus Contest Closes with North Plains Girl Far in Lead; Smiling Miss Leaves for South Saturday; Candidates Thank Their Friends for Assistance Given

"A new hat and a new dress," mused Marjorie Meek, while the light of a thousand anticipated pleasures danced in her eyes.

She had just learned that, when the final count in the Argus Travel contest had been made, her name led all the rest, and besides she possessed \$10 in cash, a special prize for turning in the most new subscriptions for the last three days of the contest.

Contest Winner



Marjorie Meek of North Plains, was the winner in the Argus Travel Trip contest. "I had a lot of fun," she remarked, and seemed to regret that her work was over. She also won a special prize for the most new subscriptions taken during the last three days of the contest.

Farm Union Contest May 8; to Meet Nights

Farmers' Union annual general oratorical contest will be held May 8 in Veterans hall, Hillsboro, it was announced at the meeting of the county Farmers' unit in Hillsboro Saturday.

Cash prizes are being offered, including \$7.50 for first, \$3, second and \$2.50, third. The winner will enter the state contest, the prize being \$25 in cash and a chance to compete in the national contest in the autumn with all expenses paid.

Night meetings during the summer months were voted at the Saturday meeting. The unit will again sponsor a 4-H club boy and girl for the summer school in Corvallis in June. The contest to select the delegates will be held in May with each union local selecting its candidates from among the 4-H club members in its community and presenting names to the county meeting for the final selection.

Legion Post Meets Here Tuesday Night

Hillsboro post, American Legion, will meet Tuesday night, according to Jake Weil, commander. Weil declares that he will call for reports from all committees, including graves' registration and a special committee appointed to work with other veterans' organizations to work out plans for co-operative efforts in observance of patriotic occasions.

Other matters scheduled for the meeting include a discussion of the county and state police, a swimming pool, and the annual playground program. Lunch will be served at the close of the meeting.

High Prices for Junk Iron Add to Worries of Law Enforcement

High prices for junk iron still continue a thorn in the sides of Sheriff John Connell, his deputies and state police.

Latest escapade of the hardy junkmen was the theft of two tons of fish and side rail plates from Southern Pacific property at Buxton. The thieves left no clew as to where the plates went or when.

Several investigations of farm machinery losses and other thefts still hang fire and state police in this section of the state are faced with a problem in checking junk collectors.

The crowd, when gathered, is delivered in Puyallup where huge mounds of the material await shipment, and police report that identification of stolen material in such a collection is impossible.

In an attempt to curb the thefts, both county and state police are checking names of junkmen, cars and trucks in use and other data which may give future clues to similar thefts.

Prices paid by collectors are said to be considerably under prices obtained in Portland yards and by the firms making a practice of buying

Ross, Antrim Review Work Legislature

Aloha Representative Tells Reason for Voting Against Law to Modify Strikes in Oregon Industries

Relating work accomplished at the last session of the state legislature, Senator E. L. Ross and Ray Antrim were the speakers Monday morning in the chamber of commerce. Dr. J. O. Robb was chairman of the day.

First speaker introduced was Representative Antrim, who lives in Aloha, and who introduced himself as one of C. C. Chapman's "wire hairs."

He opened by declaring that he sat next to J. W. Hughes of Forest Grove during the session and was very friendly to Hughes and took great pleasure in working with him, despite the fact that they disagreed on many things.

Did Not Fail

Antrim declared that despite statements of Chapman to the contrary a week ago, he did not believe he had failed entirely at the last session of the legislature. He related that in his campaign he had promised to introduce few bills and make no "long-winded" speeches.

"I believe that the fundamental principles of the democrats are for the best of all the people," he declared after remarking that he was in the midst of a large audience of republicans. He related that he was attracted to William Jennings Bryan in 1896 and had been a follower of the Bryan ideal ever since. The democratic party, he explained, is devoted to the interests of the people as a whole and not as to special privilege.

Launching out on the various bills he supported, he declared that he voted for the memorial to congress demanding that Bonneville power be left in the hands of the people. Another bill for which he voted and which he defended, was House Bill No. 54, which was designed to annul the effects of the warehousing act under which certificates can be issued and used as collateral for loans by banks.

This bill, he declared, would take away from the banker a special privilege whereby he always was (Continued on page 5, column 2)

Morgan Names Local Attorney

Neil J. Stangel, Hillsboro, local attorney, has accepted a position with G. Russell Morgan, district attorney, filling the vacancy left by Walter E. Hutchinson, who began his duties with the Federal Housing administration offices in Portland Thursday.

Stangel has been with Bagley & Hare, attorneys since January 7, 1935, and was secretary to George R. Bagley during eight years of the time Bagley was circuit judge in this district, beginning his work with the firm in February, 1928. He was admitted to the Oregon State bar in 1931.

Hutchinson has been employed with Morgan for the last two years and is president of the young democratic club of this county and chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias lodge in Hillsboro.

He expects to continue his residence here for at least a month longer before moving to Portland, where he owns a home.

Rites Held for Cecelia Simpson

Mrs. Cecelia Simpson, 61, native of Oregon and resident of south of Hillsboro, died Thursday in a Portland hospital. She was the wife of Frank Simpson, who survives.

Final services were held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the funeral home of Rev. H. A. Deck officiating. Burial was in the Odd Fellows cemetery here.

Besides the widow, she is survived by four sons, Earl and John of Portland; Rolfe and Frank Jr. of Hillsboro, and a daughter, Mrs. Eva Sterling of Portland. Her mother, Mariana Johnson; sisters Grace Jennings and Minnie Johnson, all of Portland, also survive.

Teachers Will Meet Sherwood Saturday

Teachers from all parts of the county will gather Saturday in Sherwood for the last teachers' institute of the school year. O. B. Kraus announced this week. Special effort has been made to obtain a 100 per cent attendance.

Feature of the opening at 9:30 will be music by the 50-piece Sherwood high school band. Speakers include Dr. J. Hudson Ballard, Portland, and Dr. Messing, president of the Oregon Social Hygiene society, who will give the closing talk.

Hazard Removed

Traffic hazard on the corner of First and Lincoln street was removed this week when the seven-foot hedge along the west line of the Lester Ireland property was trimmed to a three-foot height. The hedge, for a number of years has obscured the view of traffic from the north on First and the east on Lincoln.

Farm Bureau Man Cites Importance Extension Service

Importance and value of the extension service was stressed by Robert Warrens of near Forest Grove in speaking before the Hillsboro Rotary club Thursday. He also stressed the qualifications and work of County Agent William E. Cyrus as being of particular benefit to this county. "One of the best, if not the best, in the state." This was the opinion of the president of the newly organized Washington county farm bureau.

Labor Situation

The speaker declared the labor situation is a serious problem, pointing out that the process is always the heaviest loser in case of a strike such as the recent one on the Pacific coast waterfront. Warrens holds that the rank and file are for the most part good citizens and is sympathetic to their efforts for better conditions, but that much of the trouble is caused by professional agitators. He asserted that the strikers have no right to take and destroy property or take other illegal means.

It is imperative that the voters send men to the legislature and to congress that are capable and who will truly represent their own district, declared Warrens as he spoke. He also held that farm lands are paying too heavy a share of the state's tax burden in proportion to income. Belief was expressed that the sales tax would benefit the farmer much more than it would hurt.

Sees No Utopia

He can see no Utopia developing as a result of Bonnevillite, saying that the present rates in comparison with other sections of the country are nominal.

The average farmer does not want something for nothing nor does he favor radical legislation or movements, declared Warrens as he spoke. Citing farm bureau history, Warrens declared that the organization does not want a large and indiscriminate membership, but does favor the progressive and conservative farmer.

State Repairs Oiled Highway Hit by Freeze

Additional gravel surface is being added to the Forest Grove-Banks highway between Greenville and Banks, where the winter weather has hit the surface. It is expected that as soon as state oiling crews arrive in the county, the new rock will receive a coating of oil.

Similar resurfacing is underway on the Farmington road, between Beaverton and Hazeldele, where strips of the oil surface broke down from the freezing. Smaller spots have been patched and oiled already.

Engineer Here

L. D. Marr, engineer for the state highway department, located at Hillsboro during the completion of the contract in 1935 from Hillsboro to Beaverton when the main highway was resurfaced, will again be a resident here.

He, with a crew of five men, will be in charge of survey work between here and Forest Grove preliminary to paving construction, and will act as chief inspector during building of the new pavement. The crew will be accompanied here by their families.

Safe Width

The highway contract, already let to Warren-Northwest company of Portland, calls for approximately five and a half miles of surfacing. The present highway is 16 feet wide and to this will be added two feet of additional pavement on each side, bringing the total width to 20 feet. To this will be added an eight-foot shoulder of gravel on each side, making a safe width of 36 feet with paving and shoulders.

When cars driven by T. Inagaki of Banks and Perry Schaefer of Hillsboro collided near Huber Friday, K. Yamamoto, 55, and Inagaki were injured. The men were taken to a Portland hospital for treatment.

Cornelius Girl Hurt in Crash

Thrown to the pavement from the automobile in which she was riding, 16-year-old Cornelius girl was taken to the hospital Saturday noon for treatment. Her injuries included scalp lacerations, and bruises. It was first feared that she might be suffering from a concussion and possibly skull fracture.

The accident happened when the car in which she was riding with her brother, Linden, 14, and another driven by Elsie M. Zuercher, Hillsboro, route 1, collided at the intersection of Jackson street and Third avenue. Others in both machines escaped uninjured.

Aid in Land Grants Counties Move for

Decision to send two men to Washington, D. C., in the interests of federal aid in connection with O & C land grants withdrawn from taxation, was reached at a meeting of the board of county judges from 17 of the 18 land grant counties. Judge Donald T. Templeton said this week.

Washington county has more than \$100,000 coming from these federal lands while one of the southern counties has more than \$200,000 due. The last payment was given in 1933. Legislation easing the situation is being sought through congress, Templeton said.

Engelinger Returns

Fred Engelinger returned home Tuesday from a few months' visit in Southern California.

Peters' Ruling Sustained in Higher Court

Supreme Court Ends Action Brought Against Hillsboro by Portland Engineer to Collect for Work

Lethal blow to the A. C. Forrester suit against the city of Hillsboro to collect \$2163.50 alleged due for engineering service, in connection with the new sewage disposal system was dealt Tuesday by the state supreme court in a ruling upholding an action last October by Judge R. Frank Peters in circuit court.

Judge Peters had ruled on a demurrer, filed by Paul Patterson, city attorney, contending that the Forrester action was without foundation in that he was not under contract by the city as provided in the city charter.

Charter Quoted

The charter provides that the city shall not be bound by any contract or liable in any manner unless the same shall be authorized by ordinance or resolution in writing and properly approved by the city officials when the sum is in excess of \$100.

In upholding the decision of the lower court, the supreme court ruled that the "plaintiff was bound to know the extent of authority of the manager of the city who employed him, and when he proceeded with the performance of the work without compliance with the plain mandate of the charter, the risk of non-liability was assumed."

Forrester first came to Hillsboro in connection with a proposed relief project designed to make tests of sewage disposal for the city to assemble data in preparation for the construction of a sewage disposal plant.

Wanted Experiments

He requested that he be allowed to install a test disposal system of his own and it was assumed that he would carry on the experiments at his own expense, the city then agreeing to defray the expense of transportation of the tanks and equipment to Hillsboro and furnish pumps, location and sewage for the tests.

A relief project was set up which included assistants for Forrester in making chemical tests and carrying on the necessary experiments with commercial sewage from the cannery for the purpose of demonstrating that the Forrester system (Continued on page 7, column 2)

Knights to Hear of Police School

Sergeant Jewell of the Portland police department has been delegated by Harry Niles, chief of police of Portland, to speak at the district convention of the Knights of Pythias to be held Wednesday night in North Plains. It was announced this week Jewell will tell of his recent experiences in the case of the state police school session of the national peace officers.

Chief Niles, in delegating the sergeant to the convention, says that the speaker will take a prominent part in the educational work to be inaugurated in Oregon and the northwest in the near future and it is expected that this section will soon become followers of J. Edgar Hoover and other great peace officers.

Arrangements for Jewell's appearance were made by Charles Walter of North Plains and L. A. Long, bailiff in Judge R. Frank Peters court.

Sheriff John Connell will introduce the guest and the meeting will be attended by Knights from McMinnville, Yamhill, Gaston, Forest Grove, Hillsboro and North Plains.

Chief Niles recently purchased a summer home site on Dairy Creek from A. C. Shute and declares that he expects to learn all about fishing and farming from the natives of North Plains and Dairy Creek and outfit Sheriff Connell on his own grounds.

County Grange Council Plans Buxton Meeting

Washington county Grange council will meet Wednesday at 1:30 p. m. with the Green Mountain Grange at Buxton, according to James R. Forsythe, state district deputy for Washington county. A good potluck dinner will be served at 7:30 p. m. Evening session will open at 7:30.

This week began Monday with readings of vaccinations given last week in the Forest Grove schools, and a vaccination clinic in the Cornelius school.

Tuesday a tuberculosis clinic was held in three Tigard schools, including the high school, public school and St. Anthony's. Two-hundred children were given skin tests there in the first tuberculosis clinic of 1937. Dr. McDonald said.

Specialist Helps

Dr. A. T. King, tuberculosis specialist and assistant physician from the Oregon State Tuberculosis hospital at Salem, was present. In addition to this work, the health department has been conducting clinics Saturday mornings each week in the unit office in the court house from 9:30 to 11:30 for school children. Vaccinations and immunizations are given at these clinics. A small charge is made to defray the cost of the vaccines and anti-toxins, Dr. McDonald points out.

Dr. McDonald and Miss Engenbretsen made 178 individual inspections and visited 27 schools. There were 26 cases of communicable disease reported.

Speaker Monday



R. J. Seacore, manager of the Rose City Branch, First National bank of Portland, and former manager of the Hillsboro branch of the same bank, will be speaker at the evening meeting of the chamber of commerce Monday, it has been announced. Seacore is scheduled to relate his reactions in the recent daylight bandit raid on his bank in Portland.

Guard Company Observes Tenth Anniversary

Headquarters company, 1st Battalion, 162nd Infantry, Oregon National Guard, celebrated the 10th anniversary of its organization Monday night with drill. The company was organized April 4, 1927.

Of the original company of 25 men and two officers, 1st Lieutenant Arthur Kroeger, 2nd Lieutenant Neil Stangel, and Sergeant Perry Walker, all have served the full 10 years and have received medals for that amount of service. Ray Dillon, another of the original members, recently rejoined the company.

Number Reduced

From the original strength of 25 men, the company has been cut to 17 under the national economy act passed by congress in 1933, and there is no indication that the full peacetime strength will be returned.

During the 10 years of organization, the company has been given a very satisfactory rating four times which entitles the company to a blue streamer on the guidon. A similar rating now will bring a red streamer decoration. All other ratings have been satisfactory.

January 28, 1933, the company was struck a serious blow when the Commercial building at Main and Second burned and with it almost all of the company equipment.

Medal Awarded

Monday night the discharge to the Marine corps of Corporal Wayne L. Rood was announced and an order from the adjutant general read awarding him a medal for five years of service in the company.

His discharge brought the appointment of Private First Class Lester W. Batchelor to the rank of corporal and the advancement of Private Don H. Wick to private first class. Wesley Ketcham was enlisted to fill the vacancy.

Hiring Teachers Postponed Week

Hillsboro public school board, in session Monday night, postponed action on the hiring of teachers to a special meeting April 12.

Last night (Wednesday) the high school board met and held further discussion of the proposed vocational department, which was adopted. The new course would carry an additional instructor and care for a class of approximately 45. Federal funds would be allotted under the Smith-Hughes act to care for a part of the expense.

Hungry Thief Visits Local Restaurant

Possessed with a hunger which exceeded his caution, a thief late Thursday night or early Friday morning entered the Godfred restaurant on East Main street by breaking a side window.

Class in Lip Reading Being Organized Here

Hillsboro class in lip reading under the adult educational program was announced this week by Mrs. Lorea Smith, teacher. The class will meet Tuesday and Friday each week at 1:30 p. m. in the library, and is open to the public.

Pharmacy Draws Many to Opening

More than 3000 persons passed through the Hillsboro Pharmacy Saturday during the official opening, according to a count made by Harry Bates, owner. More than 33 gallons of ice cream was passed out in cones for hungry youngsters, also.

The crowd was believed to be the largest ever to attend an official business opening in Hillsboro and brought families to Hillsboro from as far away as 40 miles. Announcement of the opening was through the columns of the Argus by advertising and news story.

"Don't ever let anyone tell you the Argus can't draw a crowd," Bates declared after the event.

Action Begun to Bring Back Pin Machines

City Council Favorable to Request of Operators in Vote Taken Tuesday Eve; Ordinance Being Drawn

Pinball machines, ruled out of Hillsboro a year ago this month, were on the way back this week. Ordinance licensing the machines was authorized at the council meeting Tuesday night when the council voted unanimously for their return.

Committee to set the amount and method of license was appointed by Mayor J. H. Garrett to include Dr. J. O. Robb, Arthur Kroeger and L. C. Kramien. The ordinance will be given a hearing Tuesday night at special session.

Trade Lost Here

Clem Eslinger, representing the pinball operators, speaking in behalf of the machines, pointed out that Hillsboro is surrounded by the devices with a resulting loss of trade to the amusement centers of the city. He declared that the operators would be glad to pay any license within reason to operate inside the city limits. The sum of \$1000 a year was suggested as the maximum amount to cover two blocks of ten machines each.

Dr. Robb, in casting his vote favoring the licensing of the machines, declared that any ordinance authorizing the games, should be "air tight" as far as minors were concerned.

The pinball games were voted out a year ago on protest of the Hillsboro P. T. A. and other organizations, despite a vigorous protest by pinball operators and those who wished to play.

Attempt Return

Since ten several attempts have been made to restore the games here without result. Meanwhile a temporary injunction is in force in the county prohibiting Sheriff John Connell and G. Russell Morgan, district attorney, from removing the machines from the county grounds that they are a gambling device. In the state, the situation is snarled by reason of a new law passed by the recent legislature defining them as gambling equipment and a pending referendum on this law, which followed veto of the emergency clause by Governor Martin.

An appeal from a ruling by Circuit Judge Crawford in Portland declaring the machines a lottery, is being prosecuted by the operators for presentation to the state supreme court, but attorneys are of (Continued on page 6, column 1)

General Fund on Cash Basis

General fund of Washington county is on a cash basis for the first time since early in 1933. It was announced this week by Mrs. M. A. Boscow, county treasurer. The change was made when a call was issued for warrants now outstanding.

Warrant Out Against County Road Fund Has Been Reduced to \$26,000

Mrs. Boscow reported, but this debt probably cannot be wiped out until the middle of the summer or later. July 1 the county will receive approximately \$30,000 from the state for road purposes.

Additional expense caused by the winter freezing will furnish an extra drain on the road funds, Mrs. Boscow pointed out.

County Health Department has Busy Month Reported in March

March report of the Washington county health department discloses a busy month in which employees of the health department were pressed for time to keep abreast of demands.

The reports shows that 929 children were vaccinated against smallpox; 62 immunized against diphtheria; 12 immunized against typhoid fever, and 39 given the skin test for tuberculosis.

Visit Schools

During this time Dr. D. C. McDonald and Miss Clara Engenbretsen attended meetings, where five talks on health and the health program in this county were given. Among the places where these talks were given were, Scholls Grange; Forest Grove and Tigard Parent-Teacher associations, and Hiteon community.

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