

## Stroke Fatal to President Local Bank

### Career of Ed Schulmerich Closes Monday; Was Born in California Gold Rush Days; Funeral Today

Ending a colorful career as teamster, farmer, businessman, legislator, staunch banker of Hillsboro and president of his institution, death Monday night wrote the final chapter in the life of Edward Conrad Schulmerich, 74, who about two weeks ago suffered a stroke last Wednesday morning, rallied for a time Saturday, to sink again Sunday and Monday.

## Colorful Rodeo Bringing Bit of Old Frontier Here

### Range Riders in Gay Attire Will Add Interesting Touch to Annual "Happy Days" Celebration; Program Growing as More Entertaining Events Added

A bit of the frontier color of Pendleton and Cheyenne will be brought to Hillsboro "Happy Days," July 3, 4 and 5, when wild horses, cowboys in ten-gallon hats and gaudy neckerchiefs, and long-horned steers will furnish rodeo entertainment in one of the biggest shows in the Northwest.

Already a number of well known ropers, bulldoggers, and bucking horse riders are being procured, while the list of horses includes one of the best collections to appear in any rodeo this side of Pendleton.

### Career Closed



Ed Schulmerich, president of the Commercial National Bank of Hillsboro, died here Monday night when he died after an illness of two weeks which culminated in a stroke last Wednesday.

## Crops Damaged by Cloudburst Near Laurel

Creeks went out of banks Friday evening in the vicinity of Laurel hills brought tons of mud cascading down the slopes, damaging orchards by gutting the top soil and drowning lowland fields.

The storm came late in the afternoon and water was reported six inches deep along roads and on fields in some places visited by the sudden storm. Along swales at the foot of the hills, the water piled up in a rushing torrent, covering gardens and fields.

Several inches of brown mud were deposited as the water subsided.

**LAUREL**—A rain and hail storm, which neared cloudburst proportions, poured down on farms on the ridge south and west of the Laurel south at 6 p. m. Friday, washing soil from orchards, cornfields and cultivated ground, doing damage to several hundred dollars. The storm lasted over half an hour, the noise like a distant wind, being audible to surrounding neighbors, although no rain fell on farms less than a mile from the storm center.

Roads were damaged until the maintainer had to be put to work to fill ditches, smooth out piles of rock and remove mud.

Hardest hit were the Amos Watkins, Dewey Mercer, J. Parr, Dr. Menne places of the Japanese strawberry fields on the Bennett place and the J. W. Mulloy and W. H. McNay farms being badly washed.

Ditches in some fields and orchards were as deep as the ground had been to three or four feet deep to four feet wide, on the former Ornduff place. (Continued on page 2, column 3)

## City School Patrons will Vote Monday

### Meeting Here Scheduled for Afternoon; Smaller Units Hold Sessions at Night; Dierdorff Candidate

Monday afternoon and evening school districts in all parts of Washington county, with the exception of union high schools, will hold annual elections and budget meetings.

In Hillsboro, particular interest is directed toward the meeting because of a contest looming for directors of Hillsboro schools, two sets of candidates being in the field.

Petitions on file have nominated Mrs. R. Frank Peters, Mrs. S. W. Melhuish, P. A. Anderson and Carl Russell, the last named for re-election. The two directors elected will serve three years.

The Hillsboro meeting will be in David Hill school beginning at 2 p. m. and will consider the clerk's report and take up any budget matters necessary. Polls open at 2 and close at 7 p. m.

All qualified electors may cast a ballot for the election of a school clerk or director, providing they have resided in the district 30 days previous to the election. However, on budget matters, expenditure of funds, only qualified electors, who also are taxpayers, may vote.

With only one candidate in the field, zone 5 of the non-high school district will go to the polls Monday night. The candidate is William Dierdorff, elected last year for a one-year term when the new zone was created to divide the territory after the Sherwood union high school district was set up.

**Non-High to Elect**—The Hillsboro meeting was filed last week and is the only one recorded. In any of the districts where nominating petitions are necessary, candidates can be elected by writing in names in spaces left on each ballot for the purpose. The method was used quite effectively in Hillsboro last year, although none of those whose names were written in were elected. However, in a spirited campaign, 263 votes were cast.

**Fire Department Sponsors**—Hillsboro Fire department, sponsoring annual "Happy Days" celebration, expects the largest crowd this year ever to attend a celebration in Hillsboro. This expectation is in the face of the thousands of persons attending last year, when the crowd was believed to have set a record.

Monday the firemen's committee signed Tola Zerado, the swaying comet, who will present his sensational swaying tables, an act new to the northwest and heralded as an (Continued on page 2, column 1)

## Melinda Cave, Pioneer, Dies

Resident of Hillsboro since 1868, Mrs. Melinda Boyd Cave, 89, died Monday in the Masonic-Eastern Star home where she had been for the last month. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Donelson & Sewell chapel with burial in Hillsboro cemetery.

Mrs. Cave was born in Platte county, Mo., August 25, 1847, and crossed the plains with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Boyd, in a wagon train when she was 19 years old. The family settled on the W. O. Gibson donation land claim near Dilley.

April 12, 1868, she was married to Riley Cave and came to Hillsboro to make her home. The couple lived in the first log Washington county jail until their home had been completed in 1868. Here she had lived continuously until a month ago when she took temporary residence in the Masonic home near Forest Grove.

Mrs. Cave was a charter member of the Hillsboro Coffee club, and a member of the Tualatin Chapter No. 31, Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving relatives include Rose Cave, Hillsboro, daughter, and four brothers, Humphrey and Joseph Boyd of Dilley, Riley Boyd of Southern Oregon, and James Boyd of Kalama, Wash.

**License Office to Open Here Today**—Washington county motorists will be given expert aid in making out drivers' license renewals with the arrival here today (Thursday) of a man from the secretary of state's office in Salem.

Headquarters for license renewal will be established in the basement of the court house and maintained until July 7. The office will be authorized to make out renewals only and no examinations will be given. Drivers may pay their fee here, and the office will be open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

## Fascinating New Rides of Death Thrilling Youth

Hillsboro has produced a new race of death-defying acrobatic night riders on a investigation by Oregon Electric special officers has revealed.

For nights on end, there came reports of ghostly cars, which passed swiftly and silently along the Oregon Electric right-of-way between Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Orengo.

The rumor became so persistent that railway officials became interested and conducted an investigation, revealing automobiles which passed silently along the rails except for a soft stir of the tires against steel.

**Seemed Incredible**—"Incredible!" exclaimed the investigators, and scratched thick thatches in bewilderment, for how could automobiles glide along narrow rails at breakneck speeds without mishap, and now get onto the rails in the first place?

Nights of vigil followed until at last the mystery was solved. The car, driven down the railway, with the steering wheels untouched by hands, held the course perfectly.

A trial disclosed that once on the rails the cars would continue on the rails just so long as the drivers' hands remained away from the controls.

## Pierce Urges Short Term PEP Contract

Walter M. Pierce, congressman from Eastern Oregon, this week advised Hillsboro against a long term franchise with the PEP company.

The advice was in reply to a request by George McGee, city manager, for Congressmen Pierce in Washington recently.

Pierce suggests that Bonneville power will invade Washington county and be delivered on government owned lines. His letter follows in part:

"I would like to help you in every possible way to give your people some idea of what they may expect to accomplish for themselves when Bonneville is ready."

"I have noted in the paper the promises made by the Portland General Electric company that Hillsboro and locality would get this and that, but however generous these may seem, it would be very unwise for you to enter into a long-term contract to a private utility."

"You have near you examples of very satisfactory operation of municipal utilities. Undoubtedly there will be many lines developed through the R. E. A. Certainly there should be such plans developed."

"The Bonneville bill ought to go through congress very soon and provide some means of administering the power which will be generated January 1, 1938."

"If you ought to look well into the Bonneville matter, this would apply, also, to any city in the country, on the eve of great power development. The private utilities, unfortunately, tied up many rural communities in Oregon when they first attempted to enter the market. It is known that the R. E. A. was beginning an extensive program, and the users did not know it."

## Liquor Taboo in Aid Cases

Liquor has been designated as forbidden fruit for persons receiving public aid of any kind, according to notices sent justices of the peace, and county clerks by the Oregon Liquor Control commission.

Apparently attempts are being made by the commission to procure lists of all persons receiving any type of government relief benefits for the purpose of revoking purchaser's permits. Considerable complaint has been made from various quarters for some time that persons receiving aid were spending the funds for liquor.

## Rising Cost County Relief Hits Budget

### Families and Individuals on Relief Show Increase Over 1936; Funds for Aid Face Big Boost in 1938

Mounting relief load in Washington county is puzzling the county board and efforts are underway to determine the cause and forecast a future peak. Figures show that there were nearly twice as many persons drawing relief, exclusive of WPA, in this county at the peak in February this year, than at the same time the previous year.

Comparison shows that on the direct load of January, 1936, there were 257 families and 794 individuals drawing \$3,011.65 for that month. During January of this year, 474 families and 1633 individuals drew \$6,874.44. Peak for 1937 thus far was reached in February when 536 families and 2037 individuals received \$7,308.03. The load at the end of May was 346 families, 1046 individuals receiving \$4,946.71.

Comparison of expenditures for 1936 with the present time show cost of public assistance making a total of \$37,496.43 in 1936, while expenditures to June 1 of this year reached \$31,469.24. Meanwhile cost of administration of the relief fund has been reduced nearly a half over the high point of 1936.

Last year the county budgeted \$9,000 for general public assistance in 1937, which is family relief. In the first five months of this year, \$10,059.47 of county funds have been expended, placing this budget item already in excess of the original figures prepared by Donald T. Templeton, county judge.

Judge Templeton points out that the average expenditure for a month is \$2,011.89 with a slight decrease in May. Averaging the remaining seven months with this figure, a cost for this type of relief at \$12,932.22 or a total of nearly \$23,000 for the year.

**Old Age Fund Close**—Old age pension payments will be nearly within the budget of \$22,000 for 1937. Templeton's figures show with \$9,209.43 expended to June 1 and an estimated \$12,893.22 needed to carry through to the first of the year.

While the county hospital is budgeted for the year at \$12,372.21, there was expended to June 1 a total (Continued on page 3, column 1)

## Rotary Hurls Defy; Chamber Placed on Spot

(By W. G. Hare)  
The world loves a winner, but only members of the chamber of commerce appreciate their own squawks. When a horse has been left at the post, if his owner has a good sportsman he never crabs about the winner taking the money.

President Patterson's lament re the recent chamber of commerce-Rotary club baseball game, comes with poor grace, especially when coupled with the statement that his team was a half hour late. This statement implies that he has better players than those used in the recent game. If so let him trot them out.

**Forecasts Acceptance**—The chamber of commerce in our teeth by President Patterson will, of course, be accepted. In order to prevent elbism after we have administered a second defeat to the chamber of commerce team, a clear understanding should be reached. We have on our roster three outstanding players, whose amateur standing might be questioned, namely: Babe Ruth "Andy Anderson," Lefty Hubbell "Al Amacher," and Ducky Medwick, King of Swat "O. R. Gates."

We realize that by using these stars the question is not as to whose banner victory shall perch upon, but the objection of the score. If there be any objection to the use of these players, it should be announced prior to the game and reasons therefor stated.

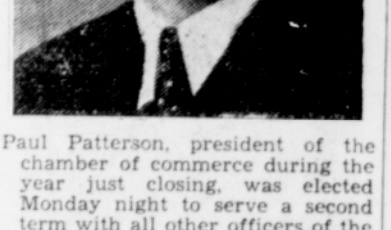
**World Pitch Backward**—We are willing that our pitchers Dizzy Dean "C. E. Wells," and Daffy Dean "M. H. Stevenson" be required to stand facing base and to toss the ball backwards, without looking at the plate. It is believed this handicap, while slight to these artists of the mound, will tend to equalize the contest.

We want all agreements as to time, length of rounds and character of punches to be delivered, specified in writing and subscribed and sworn to by all members of the chamber of commerce.

The high regard which we have before for entertainers for the chamber of commerce has been lost. We are constrained, however, to extend some consideration because of the chamber's past service, as a haven of refuge for tired pinocchio players.

## City Council Delays Vote Bond Issue

### Appointment of New Auditor Authorized Effective on July 1; Baseline Parking Rule Order Enforced



Paul Patterson, president of the chamber of commerce during the year just closing, was elected Monday night to serve a second term with all other officers of the organization.

Search of city charter, Paul L. Patterson, city attorney, told the council Tuesday night, fails to disclose the right of the city to condemn public utilities for public possession. On the question of the question of a \$12,000 bond issue for expenses of a condemnation suit, was to have been passed at the Tuesday night meeting and a date set for a special city election.

Councilmen decided to delay election machinery until the city attorney had completed his study of powers granted by the charter and state law. Action will be taken at the July 6 meeting.

**New Auditor Asked**—Complaints of councilmen on lack of monthly auditor's statements, culminated at the meeting when the council voted to empower the mayor or to appoint a new auditor to replace Max Crandall, the appointment to be effective July 1. Several of the councilmen have been demanding monthly reports on the condition of the city funds, showing income and expense in the various departments.

Complaint was registered that the Black Hawk, eating house and refreshment establishment east of the park, was operating pinball machines in violation of the city ordinance and was inside the city limits.

George McGee, city manager, explained that for a number of years this building had been considered as outside of the limits but that a complete check of the boundary disclosed that the east line of the city limits very definitely placed the building inside.

**Coast Action Forecast**—The council was advised that arrest of the proprietor would be the only available method of disposing of the question through a court action in which the boundary would (Continued on page 7, column 2)

## Guernsey Club to Hold Picnic

The Washington County Guernsey Breeders' club will hold a four and one-half day picnic, starting at 10 a. m. It will start on the Christensen farm at Laurel, thence to the John Mulloy farm, also at Laurel, after which a picnic lunch will be enjoyed.

In the afternoon the group will visit the Hult farm at Hillsboro and also the Taylor Guernsey dairy at Hillsboro.

Jack Robinson, fieldman for the American Guernsey Cattle club, along with another speaker, will also be present.

All members and anyone interested in the Guernsey cattle of the county are invited to make the tour and attend the picnic, according to Marylin H. Kraemer, secretary and treasurer of the club.

## Many Bands Sign for Parade Here

Hillsboro Fourth of July parade this year will not lack for music, the Rotary club parade committee promised this week with the announcement that six bands had agreed to assist. The committee is headed by R. E. Wiley and includes W. Verne McKinley, Orange Phelps, E. J. McAlear, J. M. Person and Frank Pyle.

Three fraternal and three commercial floats have been promised, while several have agreed to enter decorated automobiles. The parade will begin at 9 a. m., forming on West Main and First avenue.

## Many Attend Grange Meet

Nineteen delegates from Washington county were registered for the annual State Grange convention, which closed Friday night in The Dalles. Sixty-three resolutions pending views on farm problems were acted upon.

The sessions were held in the warehouse on the Port of The Dalles dock. The building is more than 1000 feet long and easily housed the convention.

Delegates registered from Washington county included Harry Schmetzler, Mrs. William Schmetzler, Sara Forsythe, James R. Forsythe, C. Van Kleeck, Sarah Van Kleeck, Elmer Pennington, M. B. Pennington, C. S. Hayes, Mrs. C. S. Hayes, Alura Hines, Gertrude Meek, George A. Kirkpatrick, Erma Kirkpatrick, A. L. Whitaker, Erma Whitaker, Leland A. Flint, Ivy Flint, Oscar Hagg.

## Daffron Named Honorary Head County Veterans' Association

Dan Daffron, 91-year-old Forest Grove Grand Army veteran, was again re-elected honorary president of the Washington County Veterans' association at the annual picnic of veterans and their families at Shute park Sunday. Other officers are: John Anderson, Disabled American Veterans, Forest Grove, first vice-president; Ernest Hite, United Spanish War Veterans, Hiteon, second vice-president; E. W. Plapp, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Hillsboro, third vice-president; and Mrs. Harold Jensen, D. A. V. Auxiliary, Forest Grove, secretary. Offer of D. A. V. to serve as host group for next year at Shute park here was accepted.

**Cites Preparedness Need**—"We must guard our liberties at all times," declared Captain Cicero Hogan of Portland, rehabilitation officer of the Disabled American Veterans and former commander Portland Post No. 1, American Legion, principal speaker. He cited insidious influences that were working toward the overthrow of the American government, but said he was not afraid for America as long as the veterans groups live and remain on guard.

Need of preparedness so that in case of another war the United States will not find itself in the position that has existed in every other war in which it has participated, was stressed by Hogan, who declared that much loss of life in the Spanish-American and World wars can be ascribed to unpreparedness and the teachings of pacifists. No other notes were made that the man who has gone through it, but who realizes the need for preparedness as much as he, averred the speaker.

The youth of our country must appreciate the price of their heritage and be willing to carry the burden, declared Hogan.

"I trust that as American citizens we shall always see to it that the Stars and Stripes fly forever over his country and mean what it does today," declared Sam Hanson of Portland, senior department vice-commander U. S. W. V.

**Well Gives Welcome**—Other speakers were W. A. Williams of Forest Grove, who said "Damn a man who does not respect a soldier" and carried on the plea (Continued on page 8, column 2)