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James Mott to Address C. C. Monday

U. S. Representative is Luncheon Speaker for Hillsboro Group; Slated to Discuss Lively Issues

James W. Mott, Oregon's representative from the first congressional district, will tell the Hillsboro chamber of commerce next Monday noon "how all happened" back at Washington, D. C. during the recent history-making session of congress.

A leading republican and considered a likely candidate for high political honors, Mott will also give some forecasts on the forthcoming special session of the United States congress.

His address is expected to provide one of the most interesting and colorful addresses of the chamber of commerce schedule this year.

A. G. Johnson, district manager of the Oregon State Employment service, issued an appeal at the luncheon Monday noon for co-ordination in maintaining contact with both employer and unemployed.

Factors Employment Office

A branch office at Hillsboro was suggested as a possibility, to serve Washington county. At present this county is included in the district with Portland as headquarters.

Johnson explained the working of the employment service, and told of the "reserve" fund out of which compensation will be paid to the unemployed beginning January 1.

He urged the appointment of a chamber of commerce committee to study the needs of coordination between employers and the unemployed service.

Many layoffs, Johnson said, could be averted through prompt placement of workmen. It is this placement service, he said, that the state is trying to fulfill.

Committees Named

Planning for an active winter, chamber of commerce officers this week announced new committees members and notified committee chairmen of their appointments.

One new standing committee was named to carry on the work of membership. Its duties are outlined as chiefly relating to greeting new arrivals in the business world and introducing them to the industrial life of the community.

Rushlow, chairman last year of the important community relations committee, was selected to head the new group with A. H. Busch, Tom Bailey, W. H. Curran, Ed. L. Moore and R. W. Well as members.

Community relations work was (Continued on page 5, column 1)

Bandit Secures \$11 Sunday Eve

A robbery late Sunday evening at the Evergreen service station, west of the Hillsboro city limits, brought over \$11 to a nervous, thick-set bandit, who was being sought this week by sheriff's agents.

The marauder, who twice "floored" Mrs. Walter Willy during the robbery, entered the establishment and demanded the contents of the cash register.

Mrs. Willy told investigating officers that she was too terrified to comply. At this point she said the bandit struck her to the floor, once on the temple and another time on the cheek. Her husband had previously been called away by the owners of the establishment, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. "Happy" Naught.

The intruder, who wore a red bandana handkerchief and black gloves, backed out the door where a companion was waiting in a car, and sped away without any nervous and uncertain, it was related.

Agricultural Experts to Conduct Hearing Monday on Cattle Test

(By W. F. Cyrus, county agent)

Should unofficial testing of dairy cattle for Bang's disease be eliminated? This is the question which will be given hearing in Hillsboro, Monday, in the county courtroom at 1:30 p. m.

The proposal has been made that the state laboratory be permitted to test samples drawn only by federal or state accredited veterinarians and other individuals officially authorized to draw such blood samples. Before putting this order into effect, hearings are being held at various places in the state for the purpose of informing the dairymen as to why this proposal has been made and to get the reaction of the dairymen as to such proposed change.

Would Eliminate Abuses

In addition to the requirement concerning the drawing of the sample, the proposed order would further make it necessary that every animal from which a blood sample is drawn be definitely identified and that all reactors, whether state, federal, or privately tested, be branded. If this were carried out, it would eliminate abuses that have occasionally developed.

Dr. S. S. Foster, of the bureau of animal industry, in charge of the federal program in this state will discuss "The Status and Program of the Federal Testing."

White to Speak

C. T. White, director of the state department of agriculture, will ex-

Assessment Figures for 1938 Higher



James Mott, United States representative to congress, will address the Hillsboro chamber of commerce Monday noon, taking as his topic legislation of the past session and prospects for the special session.

Increase of \$300,000 Over 1937 Figure Seen from County Assessor's List Released Tuesday

Washington county valuations for 1938 will register a \$300,000 increase, it was disclosed Tuesday by County Assessor J. E. Carpenter in releasing assessment rolls.

With the 1938 valuation—exclusive of public utilities—set at \$21,666,666, the increase was attributed to a corresponding rise in value of buildings and personal property. Particularly was this true in the eastern end of Washington county.

The 1938 levy will be released within the next month, Carpenter disclosed.

Timber Lands Skid

As has been the case in years past, timbered and logged-off lands registered a decline in value, skidding from \$2,047,735 in 1937 to \$1,911,655 for the coming year.

Tillable lands likewise registered a fall, dropping from \$9,050,790 to \$9,041,780. Reflecting the general fall in land valuations, the total valuations for all lands fell to \$11,678,665 as compared with the 1937 figure of \$11,678,245, despite the fact that the acreage under assessment registered an increase.

As a result of this noticeable decline, the average value per acre (for all lands) will be \$28.36 for next year as contrasted to \$28.49 for 1937.

Tillable Land Average Up

In tillable lands, however, this year was reversed and the average value will go up to \$64.62. The figure for this year was \$64.46.

Hillsboro continued as Washington county's most heavily taxed community, being set down for \$1,511,610, while this year's mark was \$1,484,210. Standing next was Forest Grove, with \$630,390, while trailing were Beaverton, \$433,800; Cornelius, \$162,200; Oreoc, \$31,450; Gaston, \$59,300; Sherwood, \$135,150; Banks, \$59,140; Tualatin, \$52,456.

Areas outside the cities will be valued at \$18,388,770 next year, displacing the \$18,106,295 valuation for this year.

In terms of union high school districts, these are the valuation figures: Tigard, \$902,600; Tualatin, \$1,225,735; Hillsboro, \$4,539,320; Forest Grove, \$4,727,190.

School Districts Listed

School district valuations Hillsboro, \$2,162,430; Forest Grove, \$1,216,800; Tigard, \$657,245; Beaverton, \$1,022,650; Sherwood, \$293,940. All these represent declines over 1937 valuations.

Interesting sidelight on the assessment rolls was the animal census. It was disclosed that there are 3054 horses in Washington county, valued at \$12,960, while there are also 20,970 cattle, valued at \$321,475.

Axes, usually thought of as expensive, drew an average valuation of slightly over \$9 apiece.

Farming machinery was valued at \$219,730, compared to the 1937 figure of \$198,165; while other machinery rose from \$344,160 to \$390,945. Motor vehicles and stock, in sharp rise over the 1937 figure of \$359,830.

Union Makes Charge

Following is the statement of the (Continued on page 3, column 5)

Store Remodeling Project Started

Reconstruction of the Hare and Hartman building on Second avenue to accommodate a retail ice cream store was begun last week.

The new store, operated by L. E. Covell, will contain its own freezing apparatus—one of six stores in Oregon possessing such equipment. The store, which will share quarters with the S. E. Fayram shop, will open in about three weeks.

Firm Releases Building Plans

A new structure to house the veterinarian firm of Nicol, Almquist and Bean will be erected next spring, it was announced Tuesday by Dr. R. J. Nicol.

Located on Third avenue near Lincoln, the structure will offer large opportunities and additional equipment. The present site was recently purchased by Orange Place.

Cost of the building and exact plans have not yet been ascertained. Dr. Nicol disclosed. The new site has been purchased, and construction will probably begin next May.

Finishing touches were being put on the \$12,000 residence for Morris Weil. The structure, hailed as one of the finest residences to be built in the valley this year, is located on Lincoln street near the high school. Under construction at the present time are a number of other houses, representing a total investment of nearly \$35,000. Prominent among these is a new residence for Max Smith, which will cost nearly \$8000. Another fine house is being built for Keith Wilcox, incorporating fireproof siding, and costing nearly \$5,000. Other houses are being built by Stanley Sinclair, C. C. Beers, E. A. Ingredie and D. B. Heidinger.

Leater Ireland is sponsoring a remodeling project that is expected to cost \$2,000.

County Land Sale Brings 100 Buyers

Over 100 parcels of Washington county property were sold Saturday and Monday by Sheriff J. W. Connell during the county land foreclosure sale on the east steps of the courthouse.

Corn Program of Bank Topic on NBC Friday

The 4-H seed corn program sponsored by the Commercial National bank of Hillsboro will be featured on the NBC "Farm and Home Hour" over KGW Friday (tomorrow) at 12 o'clock, reports L. E. Francis, assistant county agent.

Joe Berger, leader, and Ed Setniker, members of the Hazeldale corn club, will present a 15-minute discussion outlining the origin, growth and activities of the bank's 4-H seed corn growing and marketing program.

This program, states Francis, has grown to be one of the outstanding 4-H projects in the state and has received considerable recognition. At the present time, there are several counties in Western Oregon that have corn programs similar to the one in this county, most of which have been patterned after the local project.

Charles Lamkin Passes Sunday After Illness

Dr. Charles A. Lamkin, Hillsboro dentist and a resident of this community for 55 years, died Sunday morning after an illness of three months.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Donelson & Sewell chapel with Rev. H. A. Deck officiating. The Masonic lodge, of which he was a member, was in charge of the burial services at Hillsboro cemetery. Pallbearers were John W. Bailey, Cal Jack, W. E. Pittinger, Fred Cornelius, W. G. Hare, and Dr. Ralph Bremer.

He was born August 15, 1882, in Hillsboro, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James C. Lamkin. From 1900 to 1914 he was a registered pharmacist here, then attended North Pacific Dental college, graduating in 1917. He was married in Portland November 26, 1919, to Cora Rhea Bagley, who survives.

Active in Civic Affairs

Dr. Lamkin was instrumental in organizing a National Sons and Daughters society of which he was president. He was chairman of the highway committee of the Hillsboro chamber of commerce and also served as a director and officer of the chamber.

From his earliest years, he was a member of the Hillsboro band. He belonged to Tualatin lodge No. 6, A. F. and A. M., since 1903, and to Gul Reazee Grotto since 1920.

Surviving are his wife and two sisters, Mrs. J. Allen Smith of Hillsboro and Mrs. Alta Wall of Portland.

Four Motorists Hurt in Crash

Four motorists received injuries in a three-way automobile crash Tuesday evening near Beaverton.

The crash of an unsuccessful attempt by a driver to make a U-turn, to pass the car ahead.

Kemper received cuts and bruises after he collided with a car driven by Lloyd L. Ellis of Aloha, who was coming from the opposite direction.

Ed Carothers, who followed Ellis, suffered two broken ribs. Kemper and Carothers were taken to Hillsboro for treatment. Lloyd and "Smoky" Parker, occupants of Kemper vehicle, received minor injuries.

A series of four Washington county automobile accidents over last week-end kept the sheriff's offices "on the run."

Mrs. Kathryn Nolan of Hillsboro was taken to Jones hospital Sunday evening with head lacerations and bruises, requiring 32 stitches to be taken in her scalp, the result of a collision between the car in which she was riding and another car near Corvallis. Gus (Continued on page 3, column 7)

Water District Plan Defeated

By the narrow margin of five votes, the proposed Wolf Creek highway water district was defeated Thursday in election Saturday. The final count was 47 to 42, against the proposition.

The Washington county court will canvass the vote this week-end.

The proposal called for purchase of water from the city of Portland, with the district including nine square miles of territory lying between Elmtonia and West Slope. Farmers have been obtaining water from wells or private resources.

Of the 224 residents in the district eligible to vote, 89 went to the polls. On the original petition 44 had given their signatures in support of the proposal.

Taxpayers' League Revives Activity

Representatives of the Washington county Taxpayers' League met in Hillsboro Monday night to discuss plans for the revival of league activity.

After considerable discussion of tax problems, trend of government spending, proposed bonding of the counties for public ownership of utilities, and other matters, it was decided to proceed at once toward arrangements for a public meeting in Hillsboro of all taxpayers interested.

The meeting probably will take place sometime in November with tax authorities from out of the county as speakers. Following this meeting it was decided, a full program would be placed in the hands of a newly-active tax fighting body.

Immunization Clinic Starts November 6

A smallpox and diphtheria clinic will open at the Washington county health offices beginning Saturday, November 6, in inaugurating the fall program of immunization.

A 25 cent charge will be made for the smallpox vaccine and the toxoid to defray expenses. Any pre-school or school child may come to the clinic, accompanied by a parent or bringing a slip giving permission for the tests.

Hours for the clinic are from 9:30 to 11:30 a. m., county health officers announced.

P. G. E. Slices Electricity Rates Here

Reductions Announced by Utilities Manager Will Govern Hillsboro Consumption Estimates

Substantial reductions in Hillsboro's schedule of electric rates, as announced by the Portland General Electric and the state utilities commissioner will give the average residential consumer an opportunity to cut his electric bill by five or ten per cent.

R. R. Easter, manager of the Hillsboro branch of the PGE, disclosed that the rate reductions for Washington county were substantially the same as those of Portland.

Commercial listings will be the same, but there are some differences in the residential lighting schedule, he said.

Base at 40 Hours

The base residential use in Hillsboro will be 40 hours, whereas this has been set in Portland at 34 hours. Hence the table of reductions in this county is based on a slightly higher amount of consumption.

In Hillsboro, residential lighting rates have been set at five cents per kilowatt-hour for the first 40 kilowatt-hours per month. The former figure was five and one-half per cent.

Rates for the second 40 kilowatt-hours and all excess over that amount remains at three cents and one and eight-tenths cent per kilowatt-hour, respectively.

Two new sections, Easter pointed out, would be of particular benefit to those using a minimum "load" requirement—although all households will enjoy lower rates.

Commercial Rate Same

Commercial schedule for Hillsboro is now the same as for Portland. The first 100 hours use of demand is rated on the "primary schedule," excess at the secondary schedule.

Primary schedule: Five cents per kilowatt-hour for the first 200 kilowatt-hours per month.

Four and twenty-five hundredths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 800 kilowatt-hours per month.

Three and seventy-five hundredths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 1000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Two and five-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for all in excess of 2000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Secondary schedule: Two and five-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the first 400 kilowatt-hours per month.

One and nine-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 1200 kilowatt-hours per month.

One and four-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 2000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Nine-tenths cent per kilowatt-hour for all in excess of 3600 kilowatt-hours per month.

Rev. Dungan Named to Post

A conference of the West Willamette association of Congregational churches at Forest Grove concluded Thursday with the election of Rev. T. A. Dungan of Hillsboro as moderator.

He will succeed Rev. Harper K. Burns. Other officers elected Thursday included Mrs. C. E. Mason, associate moderator; Mrs. Harry Barrett of Forest Grove, scribe.

On the credentials committee are Rev. Burns, Rev. J. M. Barber of Hillsdale and H. Stevenson of Hillsboro. The Pacific university committee included Mrs. J. L. Searcy of Hillsboro, Mrs. M. H. Metcalf of Beaverton and Max Recher of Forest Grove.

Dr. Paul R. Reynolds, secretary of the educational division of the Congregational and Christian churches, and Rev. E. L. Shaver, of Boston were featured speakers.

Pomona Grangers Meet October 27

Quarterly meeting of the Washington county Pomona grange will be held Wednesday, October 27, at the Tualatin grange hall, with the organization holding its business meeting in the morning.

A list of entertainers and speakers during the all-day meeting has been lined up, grange leaders said. The Hillsboro grange will meet October 28 at 8 p. m. for initiation of the first and second degree members.

Efforts are being made to bring the national grange session to Oregon next year. Last meeting was held in this state in 1921.

More Rooms Join Junior Red Cross

Additional enlistments of Washington county school rooms in the Junior Red Cross program have brought the enrollment of rooms up to a total of 50, it was announced Tuesday.

Included in the new enrollees are eight rooms from Beaverton, two from Hill school, and one apiece from Jackson and Forest Creek.

Gales Creek Youth "In Time"



Because he was on duty in forest fire patrol service, Frank Sargent of Gales Creek in Washington county, who is shown above (right) with E. G. Mason of the Oregon State college forestry school, was allowed to register at the Corvallis institution as the 4000th student. Sargent is a sophomore in forestry.—(Cut courtesy The Oregonian)

Volstead Act Rears Head as Books Combed

Remember the halcyon era of the Volstead act?

Echoes of prohibition days were heard in the court house Wednesday as District Attorney Russell Morgan began to unearth old indictments for possession of liquor.

Four years have passed since the repeal of the act—18 years since it was enacted. During that time many cases—how many, no one knows—brought indictments which were not acted upon.

These are still on the books, and to clear the records Morgan is undertaking the investigation. It is not likely, he said, that any of the old indictments will receive any prosecution, since the federal law is no longer in existence.

Many of the cases dug up Wednesday go back as far as 1920—just after the Volstead act had gone into effect—and furnish an interesting story of prohibition and its reception by the public.

Higher Income on Farm Seen

Although the index of the general level of farm prices in Oregon has dropped approximately 10 per cent since June and, at 80 per cent of the 1929-1930 average, is three points under September, 1936, agricultural income in Oregon during the year 1937 is expected to exceed that of 1936 materially. Such are the conclusions to be drawn from data given in a review of the agricultural situation just released by the Oregon State college agricultural extension service.

The gain in agricultural income is attributed to an expected year-around average farm price level running around 12 per cent over the 1936 year average, and to a prospective increase of about three per cent in the gross volume of agricultural production. Data in the report show that farm prices were at a relatively high level during the first half of 1937, declining during the summer and fall months under new crop influences. In general, the season has been very favorable for crops, both in Oregon and in the country as a whole.

Although the report states that the estimates are quite preliminary in nature, the increase in total agricultural income in Oregon in 1937 over 1936 may approximate 15 per cent and may amount to as much as \$20,000,000. Including the value added by agricultural manufacturing operations, and farm sales of numerous specialty farm products, as well as income from the principal crop and animal products, total agricultural income is expected to reach \$150,000,000 or more in 1937—the greatest since 1929.

"Considering the purchasing power of the dollar, Oregon's agricultural income in 1937 has the appearance of being even better than in 1929, if present prospects work out," says the report. "In 1929, the United States index of prices paid by farmers averaged 101 per cent of the 1926-30 level, against a probable average of 86 for 1937."

"On the other hand, however, the census shows that the income is considerably greater number of farm operators in Oregon, consequently the purchasing power per farm family has not increased to the same extent as total agricultural income."

Bethany Man Dies Tuesday

Christian Schindler, 74, who had lived in the Bethany section for many years, died at Jones hospital here Tuesday morning. He had been ill with heart trouble.

He was born in Berne Canton, Switzerland, July 20, 1863, coming to the United States 61 years ago. Surviving are his wife, Annie Schindler, Portland, route 3; four sons, Alfred and Christian Jr., both of Portland route 5; David of Gladstone and Herman of Hillsboro; and a daughter Lena of Portland route 5.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Dickman officiating. Burial will be in Bethany Presbyterian cemetery.

Christian Church Celebrates 75 Years of Service Sunday

The Hillsboro Christian church entered upon its 75th year of existence Sunday with 350 members and former members and ministers attending anniversary services.

Rev. Len B. Fishback, Baker minister here from 1920 to 1928, preached the anniversary sermon in the morning. At noon a jubilee dinner was served to over 220, with Miss Dulcinea Brown, Portland evangelist churches, in charge as toastmistress.

Toasts Given

Toasts on "The Backward Look" were given by the pastor, Rev. R. L. Putnam; A. A. Beery, L. B. Fishback, E. M. Patterson, and Victor Mitchell.

C. E. Swander of Oregon Christian Missionary convention of Portland, gave a talk on "The Forward Look."

Climax to the anniversary services was in the afternoon, with greetings by Mayor J. H. Garrett, Rev. Henry Young of the ministerial association, and C. F. Swander.

Eugene Man Speaks

Rev. E. M. Patterson, Eugene, delivered the afternoon address on "Reminiscences." Rev. Patterson, whose father was active in the

Committee Draws Up '38 Budget

Proposed Increase of \$967.48 Asked for Next Year; Patrol Car Need is Center of Discussion

After toying with the possibilities of installing a police patrol car, the Hillsboro municipal budget committee decided Tuesday night upon a proposed budget that marks a \$967.48 increase over that of the current year.

This budget will be submitted to a hearing of taxpayers November 24.

The committee ratified the estimates of the budget over that of George McGee, with one exception—that of the recorder's salary. The committee raised estimate for the recorder from \$1200 to \$1500.

The proposed budget also made a \$300 allocation for an audit of the city's books previous to 1937, and for a monthly report by A. L. Amacher, auditor.

Discussion, however, centered on the issue of a police car. The council's decision to drop the matter came only after it was evident that the added expense would necessitate evasion of the six per cent limitation law.

Councilwoman Mrs. C. E. Wells put in a bid for installation of a patrol car, precipitating a remark from Chief O. O. Freeman that he would not use his own car any more for patrol purposes.

Crandall Audit Brings Answer by Treasurer

A reply to charges recently made in an audit by Max Crandall, former city auditor, relating to the financial condition of the city's improvement funds and printed in the Argus, was issued Wednesday by City Treasurer W. C. Christenson.

The answer of Christenson and other officials of the Hillsboro municipal government followed an announcement that the mid-year audit report of Crandall was not accepted by the finance committee of the council.

Christenson's reply follows: "The following is a summary of the present condition of the improvement funds and bond as of June 30, 1937:

Uncollected bonded liens \$34,131.11
Property taken over by city 32,031.46

Total assets \$66,162.59
Outstanding Improvement Bonds Refunding issue "A" \$27,500.00
Refunding issue "B" 23,000.00
Street and sewer issue 8,859.23
Rebonded liens 8,500.00

Total liabilities \$67,859.23
"This statement by the treasurer contradicts the report of the auditor that there was a deficit of \$33,505.91 in the improvement fund due to assessment collections not being applied to reduce outstanding bonds."

Background Sought

"There is being included in the budget for the coming year an item to provide for the installation of a new set of books and the obtaining of more definite sources of a correct statement of the present condition of the city funds. The finance chairman, E. A. Griffith, has (Continued on page 6, column 3)

Assault Charge Faces Hunter

Robert O. Butterworth, 26-year old Hillsboro hunter, faced a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon following a hunting incident October 8 in the Ochoco forest of Eastern Oregon.

State police arrested Butterworth following a complaint by Edward H. Griffin, 71, and Martin P. Griffin, 65, both of Barton, near Oregon City.

They told of being fired upon while camped at night, and the elder brother exhibited a three-inch wound along his left shoulder blade to back his story. A tire was also punctured, they said, and all three slugs assertedly entered the tent.

Butterworth, a truck driver, was arrested after police checked the caliber of the bullets and the description of the car. He said he thought he was firing at a cougar, aiming at the reflection from license-plate holders on the Griffins' vehicle. He believed these reflections to come from the eyes of the non-existent feline.

After the shooting, Butterworth sped away, police said. Two brothers were in the Butterworth party, as well as two other hunters.

Budget Approved

No taxpayers appeared before the hearing of the non-union high school budget Saturday morning in the courthouse, and the \$40,331.60 levy approved by the budget committee will stand, it was announced.