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Anti-Paralysis Fight Finds Support Here

Orchestra Named for Birthday Ball; Sale of Tickets Underway

Well people will dance on Saturday night, January 29, in order that sick people may get well, when the annual infantile paralysis benefit ball, staged on President Roosevelt's birthday, is held in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows hall at East Third and Main.

"Van's Melodians" under the direction of Cyril VanDyke, will provide music for the Saturday night dance, it was announced this week by R. G. Scott of Sherwood, county chairman for the drive.

For the first time, all funds collected on the occasion of the birthday ball will go to a national organization, the recently-formed Infantile Paralysis Foundation. Through the national foundation's efforts, the fight against the dreaded disease will be carried on with four fronts of action, listed as scientific research, epidemic first aid, proper care, which involves dissemination of new knowledge on the subject which may prevent the crooked backs, contracted limbs, spinal curvatures and twisted bodies that are left as after effects, and funds for orthopedic centers, hospitals and clinics for combating this human wrecker.

"In the World War" it was stated, "each city did not fight independently. They were joined in a united effort. We should be united in this war!"

Will Be Efficient

Prior to this year, on the occasion of these events, the county to which the returns have been split on a 70-30 basis with the smaller amount being sent to the Warm Springs Foundation in Georgia, while the 70 per cent was retained in the district from which it was collected. This system resulted in some waste and inefficiency which will be eliminated by the work of the new county-wide organization for combating the dreaded disease.

"Those who today are fortunate in being in full possession of their muscular power may not fully realize what it means to a human being to be paralyzed by this disease," said Scott. "We can all do our bit towards this cause by purchasing tickets for the ball being held here as part of the nation-wide observance of the day."

An attempt will be made on the part of Washington county to submit a budget to the national organization whereby a sum for the construction of an isolation ward building at the county hospital will be set aside, with additional money for special shoes and braces required by the infantile paralysis victims and transportation to and from orthopedic treatment centers.

Other organizations co-operating besides the list as published last week include Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Woods, representing the I. O. O. F. and F. L. Girls; W. H. Wier of the Knights of Columbus, Mrs. (Continued on page 6, column 4)

National and World-Wide News

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Agricultural Economic Meet Set for Thursday

Farmers to Gather in County Court Room to Determine Course of Action for Year

(By W. F. Cyrus, County Agent)

Thursday morning, January 27, in the county court room of the court house at Hillsboro facts and ideas developed by agricultural economic conference committees will be presented. Farmers in Washington county have been taking inventory the past few weeks. Four committees, three of them composed of farmers, the other one of farmers' wives, have been studying the status of Washington county agriculture, the questions affecting it, data pertaining to the improvements that might possibly be made in some of its units, and, in light of changing conditions and probable future problems, deciding what should be the course towards which effort for improvement should be directed.

Various Questions Asked

What is the approximate minimum size of a farming unit for the various types of farming in Washington county if the operator has not other sources of income and expects to provide a family living? What determines the success of part time farming? Is there any room for an immediate increase in the number of part time farms in Washington county? According to the last census there were in Washington county 228,056 acres in farms with 119,811 acres of crop land. How much additional land now in farms is suitable for agricultural development and how much of an increase in the total crop acreage may be reasonably expected in the next ten years? The land use committee has been pondering these questions and will present its report next Thursday. This group believes that there is an appreciable acreage of land in this county requiring an important change in crops and cropping system if it is to maintain its present level of productivity.

We differ in the various crop acreages we may expect in the next several years and what increases in acreages should take place both from the standpoint of market outlets and from the standpoint of Washington county agricultural production.

Resembles Inventory

While different than the usual inventory of a business, yet it is similar in that it is a consideration of where our various crop and livestock enterprises stand as regards their acreages, numbers, productivity, present market outlets, probable future market outlets, and competition, together with their costs.

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Labor Strike Discussed by C. C. Chapman

Oregon Voter Editor at Thursday Rotary Session; Gives Warning of Future

"America faces a real danger and struggle if present labor strife continues to develop as it has in the past," declared C. C. Chapman, editor of the Oregon Voter, in an address on the "Labor Question" at the Hillsboro Rotary club meeting Thursday.

"If people continue the same voting trends as in 1932, 1934 and 1936, we are liable to be confronted with a condition we have never before experienced in the coming elections," he continued. "And in the face of all this it is encouraging at least to note a growing interest in such matters on the part of the country at large."

"If we are drifting and drifting, and we have already drifted away from many of our American institutions. We have come face to face with a situation under which our children and grandchildren will have to join a union because they can get a job, and which unions have a monopoly and a dictatorship over labor. This is an outright encroachment on American liberty. How long will we tolerate it? How long will it be before we elect only those men to legislatures, to congress and to other public offices who are determined to enforce the law?"

"We need more meetings of thinking citizens—more meetings such as this—to bring the labor problems before the public and to discuss them, rather than by small cliques as is being done. Little or no publicity is being given the moves which are having and will have great influence upon the lives of all citizens."

Racketeers in Business

"There are more racketeers in business than there are in labor. Get rid of the idea that the labor unions are merely a racket. They are operated democratically, by the majority rather than by small cliques as many believe. Behind every union racket, you can find some business man holding the strings."

"Additional difficulty in conducting the public work under conditions such as this is the attitude of the radio authorities in setting up a rigid program."

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Law Officers Plan Co-operation in Activities



Oregon peace officers assembled in Portland last Thursday to plan co-operative efforts in capturing fugitives. Included among those who played a prominent part in the gathering were those pictured above, who are, left to right (seated): C. P. Pray, head of the state police; C. C. Spears, in charge of the Portland office of the federal bureau of investigation; Leonard W. Jenkins, commissioner of Portland police; standing: Sheriff Sexton of Wasco county; Sheriff Martin T. Pratt of Multnomah county; Sheriff John W. Connell of Washington county.—Picture courtesy Oregonian.

Small Fruits Subject for Coming Meets

Berry growers and interested farmers are invited to attend the all-day meetings for small-fruits discussion next Monday and Tuesday.

Monday's session will be held in Olson's hall at Sherwood at 9:45, and the Tuesday meeting will take place at the Industrial American Legion hall at 9:45, according to County Agent William F. Cyrus, who is arranging the parleys.

"Although the program is devoted particularly to topics of interest to the growers of small fruit, there are many questions on the program which apply to farming generally in this section," Cyrus said in urging attendance at the meetings.

"Practices, cropping methods and soil management programs that will lessen loss of soil by winter washing or erosion, will be discussed and there will be some slides made up from photographs taken locally showing the seriousness of the erosion problem together with control methods that are actually being used. Farmers on some of our best hill soils are becoming concerned about the annual loss that has been occurring and which is increasing from year to year."

"Anyone interested is invited and will be most welcome. Complete program for the meeting is as follows: "Handling Cultivated Soils to Prevent Erosion," illustrated by lantern slides, A. W. King, extension agent, Washington county; "Insect Control on Small Fruits, Including Spittle-bug, Root Weevil, and Crown Borers," illustrated by slides, E. W. Edwards, "Farm and Crop Management Ideas for Small Fruit Farms," W. F. Cyrus; "Discussion on Small Fruits and Their Control, Crinkle, Mosaic and Raspberry Leaf Spots," illustrated, S. M. Zeller, plant pathologist; "Summary of Fertilizer Demonstrations and Fertilizer Uses on Small Fruits in Washington county," W. F. Cyrus, County agent; "Buying Fertilizers," A. W. King.

Peace Officers to Hold Quarterly Meet Here Friday

Hillsboro will play host Friday to the quarterly meeting of Northwest Peace Officers Association, to be held in the garage hall here, with from 80 to 100 expected to be present.

Fourteen counties in the northwest section of Oregon make up the district from which the membership of the association began Monday, included as members are all sheriffs, chiefs of police, district attorneys, marshals and persons interested in law enforcement. Area included extends as far east as The Dalles and as far south as Eugene in Lane county, which was taken into the association in the past year.

President of the association is District Attorney Henry of Benton county, with Sheriff Carpenter, also of Benton county, as secretary-treasurer.

A banquet is planned for Friday evening as the closing feature.

County Judges Urge Relief Property Tax

SALEM—Relief from the ever increasing tax load being imposed upon property owners was urged by county officials attending a meeting of the interim commission on state and local revenues here Friday.

Earl B. Day, county judge of Jackson county, told the commission that "property owners are not going to stand for the constant increase in their tax load."

Pointing out that counties are limited in their financing to tax levies against property Day said it has been necessary for most counties to increase the levy each year to the full extent of the constitutional limit in order to meet increasing obligations heaped upon them by each succeeding legislature.

Burden Heavy

"Every county in the state is having difficulty in meeting its share of the social security burden," E. L. Phipps, former county judge of Wasco county, told the commission. "Read funds and other functions just as important as social security are being necessarily curtailed in order to meet this new obligation."

Frank L. Shull, Multnomah county commissioner, said that in his county 39 per cent of the 1938 tax levy was for social security purposes while another 35 per cent was for debt service. Shull urged that the state restore the liquor revenues to the counties to which the Knox act gave them in order to reduce the property tax. He also suggested that the state take over the entire burden of old age assistance as another means of relieving property taxes.

Glen C. Wade, Oregon manager for the Townsend movement, appeared before the commission to advocate a transaction tax as the solution for the financing problems being faced by both the state and the counties. Wade explained that this proposal would mean only a temporary measure to meet the emergency until the federal government enacts the Townsend program which he expects soon.

Remodeling of Garage Begun Here Monday

Remodeling of the McAlear building on the west side of East Third avenue between Main and Washington streets began Monday in preparation for a new Hillsboro super-service station to be taken over shortly by A. H. Busch.

E. J. McAlear, Hillsboro attorney, became sole owner of the building, formerly occupied by the Sholes Hudson-Terraplane agency, a month ago. With the start of remodeling work this week, the Sholes agency was moved into temporary quarters in the Christensen Machinery works building on East Washington street.

Busch, proprietor of the service garage on the east side of Third avenue, has been in that business for 15 years. In taking over the new location he will be moving his place of business just across the street from the building he has occupied for the past 15 years. Archie Lockman is handling concrete work in connection with the remodeling, while W. F. Tews and A. L. Chase are doing the carpenter work. The building will be ready for use about February 1, E. J. McAlear, owner, said yesterday.

19 Boys Escape Injury in Upset

Nineteen boys from Camp Reecher escaped without injury when the dump truck in which they were riding was sideswiped, driven into a ditch and overturned on its side by a sedan driven by Roy Parker of Delley. The accident occurred five miles northwest of Forest Grove near Rippling Waters, according to a sheriff's report.

The truck was carrying 19 children, John D. Howell, Alfred Thain, Woodrow Howey and Archie Gay, all riders in the CCC truck and workers at Camp Reecher, were bruised slightly when the truck was shoved off the highway and into a roadside ditch three feet deep.

Everett Lindberg, 29, route one, Beaverton, and B. H. Connelly, 49, Portland, were arrested late Friday afternoon after the car in which they were riding, driven by Lindberg, smashed head-on into the car driven by Chris Pihl, route two, Beaverton, a quarter of a mile east of West Slope on the Tuatlatin Valley highway. No one was injured in the smashup. Lindberg was booked on a charge of drunken driving while Connelly was held for being intoxicated on a public highway, with Deputy Sheriff's Halffe Ireland and Ben Cornelius making the arrests.

Typographers' Strike Paralyzes Flow of News

Multnomah Typographical union, which supplies all three Portland papers, went on strike for shorter hours and higher wages.

Union leaders called the strike, which had been hanging fire for over a week, at 1 p. m. Saturday, just as work on the Sunday edition had been started. The Journal, publisher of an early Sunday edition, managed to come out with a full-sized Sunday paper. Oregonian readers, however, were confronted with a partly-blank, hastily-tossed-together four-page front news section in which a Centerville, Wash., granite installation raved one of the top headlines. Caught just as the typographers usually began their Sunday make-up work, the Oregonian Sunday version came out sans an advertising section or sports section, and with just a gesture at a news section.

Papers Make Statement

Typesetters' statements appeared on the front pages of all papers, announcing the forced suspension of publication due to the Multnomah Typographical union's strike-call.

"The contract of the three Oregon newspapers with the union expired December 31, 1937," the statement said. "For several weeks prior thereto efforts were undertaken for a new contract. The union presented demands as regards to wages and hours which were impossible to meet. Since the union persists in its refusal to arbitrate and in its determination to strike, the Portland newspapers are compelled to suspend publication rather than surrender the principle of arbitration."

Voting by the 250 members of the union Friday night rejected two offers, made by the three newspapers acting together. One offer, rejected 133 to 111, would have given a new 18-month contract with a wage increase to a \$9 a day minimum for 7 1/2 hours a day work, and \$9.50 for a similar period of night work. The offer also provided for opening the contract in six months to arbitration of wages and hours. Second offer was for a one-year contract with wages and hour conditions to be set by arbitration. It met a 161-to-84 defeat.

Statement Sent Strikers

No joint meeting of strikers and publishers has been held since the strike began early Saturday afternoon, but Federal Labor Controller Ernest Marsh was said to have discussed the situation with leaders of both sides.

About 200 non-striking employees of the Oregonian issued a statement to striking workers Tuesday urging settlement. "The 109 striking Oregonian typographers have plunged into idleness and cut the income of 3000 other part time or commission workers. You are striking against our right to work as well as for your own differences," the statement said in part.

Meanwhile, practically all of the nearly 250 striking printers had signed applications at the Labor Temple for strike benefits. Married men will receive 40 per cent of their usual stipend, single men only 25 per cent.

Radio News Helps

Meanwhile, newspaper readers turned to radio for news in time of the emergency, but in general were not fully satisfied by increased attack by broadcasters to keep the public informed. Seattle and other daily papers refused to accept the Portland refused to increase the usual quota. In Portland the demand for papers resulted in grabbing up of all out-of-town papers available Monday.

As the strike went into its fourth day (Continued on page 2, column 2)

Joe Berger, Hergert Take Corn Prizes

Two Majority Youths Capture Majority of Honors at Hillsboro Bank's Show

Joe Berger, Hazeldale, and Stanley Hergert, route 2, Hillsboro, shared high honors in the eighth annual Commercial National Bank corn show held last Friday and Saturday in the bank lobby.

Berger placed first in the 25-car exhibit and second in the yield per acre contest with a yield of 80.4 bushels per acre. Hergert won first honors in the yield-per-acre contest having a yield of 89.3 bushels per acre, and placed second in the 25-car class.

Outstanding club participation in the show was that of the Hazeldale Corn Club, of which Joe Berger is leader. The eight members of the club all exhibited, this being the only club that participated 100 per cent. Five of the eight members placed.

Banquet is Highlight

The highlight of the banquet which the bank held each year for the club members, leaders and parents, was a tribute paid to the memory of the late Ed Schulermer, which was made by club members as an expression of appreciation for his interest in 4-H club work and his founding of the 4-H corn project and show in the county.

Principal speakers at the banquet were Dr. E. E. Ford of the Oregon State college crows department, who was the official contest judge, W. L. Teutsch, assistant state county agent leader, and W. F. Cyrus, county agent. Dr. C. G. Christensen, president of the Corn Club, discussed the importance of the county corn project and the value of the program to agriculture and rural life, and Cyrus discussed the economic importance of the county corn project and the development and outlook of the corn growing enterprise in Washington county.

Bank Men Talk

W. C. Christensen, president of the bank, and J. L. Seary, cashier, each spoke briefly pledging the bank's support in the 4-H corn program in future years. Ferd Groner, principal grower of Schollis, discussed cultural methods recommended for corn raising and announced that he would sponsor a yield-per-acre contest for the club members and farmers in the county during 1938.

Orlando Phelps, Hillsboro theater owner, was present at the banquet and passed out theatre tickets to the club members. Washington county (Continued on page 5, column 2)

Health Officers Hear Reports

Officers of the Washington county Health Association met Wednesday night in the court house, with Orange Phelps, president of the association presiding.

Mrs. Zola F. Morgan, chairman of the county Christmas Seal sale drive to raise funds for the tuberculosis association's anti-disease fight, presented her report on the 1937 sale, revealing that she had received \$12,446.10 from the county, marking the highest total ever reached. All rights in the school districts, through which the sale was handled, had included their returns in this report, she said.

In the course of the seal sale, a (Continued on page 5, column 6)

Oregon Property Taxes Hit by Monday Chamber Speaker

"You can't rightfully invite anyone anywhere if the conditions are such that the thing they most prefer to own is so encumbered that they would rather rent than own it," declared Horace Dryer, regional vice-president of the National Real Property Board, in a luncheon address to the chamber of commerce here Monday.

Talking on the subject of "Taxation," Dryer declared that in 20 years in the real estate business in and around Portland, he has noted a constantly slowing market.

"Increased sales attack is necessary now," he said, "where in 1907 and for several years following all one needed to do was to find someone willing to sell property in order to make a sale."

"Cause of this great dropping off in real estate demand is the constantly increasing tax burden on the property owner in Oregon," Dryer asserted. Lack of interest and action on the part of the public has resulted in the building up of annual tax collections and mounting of the burden paid by the property owners.

"Blank Checks" Decried

"When I started my efforts to have the huge payment of property taxes cut down several years ago, everyone asked 'Where are we going to get the money?'" he said. "Until you have some other system than handing the county and state the authorities what amounts to a blank check, you won't be able to save any money. The tax debt in Oregon is already so great that it requires 30 per cent of our annual taxes to pay interest on past debts and refund or retire bonds."

The state of Washington, he pointed out, has provided a solution to these property taxes.

"I sold everything in Oregon except my home and a small farm,"

In the course of the seal sale, a (Continued on page 5, column 6)

Daily Publication Found Impractical Here

Inquiries as to whether the Argus would publish daily during the period of the suspension of the Portland dailies to further increase its service to the community have been numerous during the past four days.

After investigation, the Argus finds it financially impractical to attempt publication of a daily or every-other-day newspaper. Advertising, on which a paper's financial structure is based, cannot be increased sufficiently to carry any but a small part of the heavy additional costs. It is also a long standing policy of the Argus not to accept outside competitive advertising.

Arrangements were completed late Wednesday to serve the territory with wire news from the International News Service.

A fairly complete summary of weekly news will be published weekly. Bulletins will be posted in the Argus window throughout each day.

Portland and surrounding territory went without daily newspapers for the first time in more than 75 years this week as members of the