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Three Teams Cinch Spots for State Legion Tourney Here

Tournament Plans Near Final Stage

Banquet, Ceremonies, Awards Are Arranged As Ticket Sales Begin

Burns, Eugene, and Oregon City have clinched spots in tourney finals. P. O. Pharmacy and Elks battle in Portland for the fourth.

Plans for the state American Legion junior baseball tournament here August 10 and 11 were rapidly being whipped into shape this week as committee heads and committees got together to buckle down in a final drive to ensure success. Bob Robison of Portland was here to meet with committee heads Tuesday.

Orange Phelps, general tournament manager, announced that advanced ticket sales started Wednesday, with adult ducats for the championship series selling at $1 and children's for half of that. Legionnaires under the direction of Commander Fred Engeldinger are handling sales.

H. L. MacKenzie, in charge of Friday's banquet announced the dinner program will start at 7 p. m. in the Legion hall, with a broadcast going on the air over station KEX from 7:30 to 8.

Opening Ceremonies Planned

Earl Snell, secretary of state, will be on hand here for second day opening ceremonies, it was announced by Paul Patterson, who is head of the game program committee. Mayors of the four cities whose teams will be represented will also be invited to participate, he said.

Included in the ceremonies will be the repeating of the sportsmanship code by all players, led by Bob Robison, state chairman. Flag raising ceremonies each day will be under the direction of the Hillsboro Sea Scouts. Also featured as part of the opening day ceremonies will be a parade staged by the Lions club, Patterson disclosed.

Trophies to be Displayed

Trophies to be awarded to first and second place teams will be on display in the window of Weil's store, it was announced by Jake Weil, chairman of the award committee. In addition to the trophies, each player on the winning team will receive national 40 et 8 medals, and special tournament ribbons will be awarded each player in the tourney. Another award will go to the player voted most valuable, and two baseballs signed by members of the Boston Red Sox baseball team have been secured and will figure in the prizes. Various pictures of players and activities will also be distributed during the series, Weil reported.

Players' Meals Arranged

Tournament participants will be served meals at the Legion hall under the direction of the American Legion auxiliary, which is also in charge of preparing and serving the banquet Friday night.

Meanwhile work on the ball field itself has been receiving attention. Chief interest is in the plan for doubling seating capacity at the ball park by adding 1000 bleacher seats from the new midget speedway track. E. J. McAlear and Tom Bronleewe are in charge of this phase of the tourney.

The publicity committee, under the direction of Verne McKinney, is obtaining pictures of teams and players and is arranging with state and county papers for publication.

Hillsboro District Champs Lose to Oregon City

This group of Washington county boys, sponsored by Hillsboro's American Legion, recently swept to the championship of district 2 with playoff victories over Salem and Woodburn, to win a shot at the state tournament here August 10 and 11 in an inter-district series this week with Oregon City. Bottom row, left to right: Nelson, Hunt, Hammerly, Coates, Wortman, Dierickx, Yount. Back row: Podbelain, Green, Ziegler, McIrvin, Oppenlander, Huson, Stunkard and VanDomelen. Bun Huson and Carl Russell are coach and manager, respectively.

Wilson Cut Ready 1941, Heads Say

Caravan Touring New Route Reports Trip Mileage Cut to 59

A large and enthusiastic Washington county group, their spirits undampened by steady rainfall Thursday evening, returned from Tillamook last week after a caravan tour of the still unfinished Wilson river highway-to-the-sea. They brought with them the assurance of E. J. Griffith, Oregon WPA administrator, and Henry Cabell, chairman of the state highway commission, that the road will definitely be completed next year.

Caravanites found the distance from Hillsboro cut to 59 miles, as compared to more than 100 miles by the old route through McMinnville. The inspection trip was sponsored by the Hillsboro, Forest Grove, and Tillamook chambers of commerce, and was arranged in cooperation with county, state and W. P. A. officials.

Large Crowd Hears Cabell

Cabell, speaking to an overflow crowd of more than 250 tour members at a dinner sponsored by the Tillamook chamber of commerce, pointed out the military significance of the new Wilson river and Wolf creek roads. He cited that, historically, roads have always been built first as military highways, later becoming arteries for trade and commerce; and that the United States was the first nation to build roads primarily for commercial purposes.

The problem facing engineers now, he stated, is to build and locate highways which coordinate military with commercial ends. The new Wilson river and Wolf creek roads fill both requirements, he said.

Says Roads Meet Needs

Engineers report, Cabell continued, that the present United States road system is 95 per cent able to fill present military needs. In spite of the urgent need for guns and armaments today, he concluded, spending money for roads is justified, because "Money spent for guns and purely military purposes, however necessary, must be charged off as insurance; but every dollar spent for roads is 95 per cent a permanent and useful investment."

Administrator Griffith conclusively stated that the twin highways are "the most important from a military standpoint of any roads that have been built in the United States in the last 25 years."

Griffith concluded his talk by promising his listeners that the road would be completed next year. His statement was taken to relieve the possibility of a shutdown expected this month due to exhaustion of present funds.

Preceding the main speeches were short talks describing the history and early beginnings of the Wilson river highway by pioneers of the project. Speakers were Loyal F. Graham and John Thornburgh of Forest Grove, and A. G. Beals, president of Tillamook County Pioneer association.

Trip described

The caravan, headed by Cabell, Griffith, and R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer; Circuit Judge R. Frank Peters, County Judge H. D. Kerkman, County Commissioner J. W. Hughes, and local chamber of commerce officials, left Hillsboro Thursday at 3 p. m.

Proceeding to Forest Grove, the tourists were joined by a large group from that district, and were soon turning off the Wolf creek road at Glenwood. The first fifteen miles of the new road were found to be rough and unfinished, with work going forward on several bridges which included one large, steel span across a sheer canyon.

Fire Evidence Seen

The new route follows Gales creek for a portion of the way, and after attaining the summit, parallels the lovely Wilson river from which it takes its name. Scenic beauty of the route is marred by the forest of blackened snags left by the disastrous fires of 1933 and 1939, but underbrush and climbing foliage are already at work to hide the scars, the travelers saw.

At McNamer's camp the group was met by a delegation from Tillamook, and the caravan, 80 cars strong, continued over smooth asphalt paving to Tillamook.

The banquet hall in Tillamook's PUD building was packed by the large crowd, and many people were turned away or had their dinner in the Tillamook hotel across the street. A sea-food dinner was followed by a series of short speeches. Music was furnished by the Tillamook "Hill Billies" and a comedy quartet of Tillamook men.

Rotarians Hear Convention Report

A report on the International convention of Rotary clubs held last June in Havana, Cuba, was the feature of the Hillsboro Rotary club meeting last Thursday. The report was made by Cline Fixott, Portland, a past district governor who attended the convention as a proxy delegate of the Hillsboro club.

Members observed the birthdays of Fred Amacher and W. C. Christensen, both of whom passed year-marks last week.

The meeting marked the first attendance of R. L. (Skipper) Burnett since he became ill several months ago.

Finances Receive Survey in Report Of County Schools

Total receipts for all school districts in the county during the last school year were $765,052.69, it was announced this week by O. B. Kraus, county superintendent of schools. The information was contained in his annual report prepared for the state department.

A break-down of the figures show that receipts and sources were $45,101.68, balance on hand at the beginning of school year June 19, 1939; $352,905.47, amount of special school tax; $122,610.80, county school fund; $53,156.85, elementary school fund; and $11,484.91, state school fund.

Disbursements Shown

Disbursements during the period totaled $705,605.66, of which the largest share, $321,991.91 was spent for teachers' salaries. Other divisions were: textbooks, $11,733.85; janitors' salaries, $32,041.42; transportation, $47,347.34, of which the six union high schools accounted for $36,374.01; new buildings, $36,197.71; and alterations, $27,565.41.

Debt service during the year was $105,272.76, which includes payment on principal of bonds, warrants and other indebtedness. Interest on debt amounted to $17,672.69.

Hillsboro's Share Revealed

Hillsboro union high school received $94,686.80 and disbursed a total of $94,674.53, the report revealed. Teachers' salaries claimed $34,792.13 of the disbursements.

Hillsboro district number 7 grade schools had receipts totaling $48,372.98 and disbursements of $48,372.66, emerging with a balance of exactly 32 cents. The sum of $30,434.00 of the grade schools' share went for teachers' salaries.

New Store Helps Lift City Building To $23,975 Total

The new Safeway store rapidly going up at Second and Baseline enabled the July building permit figures to far outstrip those of June, it was revealed this week by Recorder Ed Bowman. The July new construction total is $23,975, as compared to $8,130 for the June figure.

Even without the Safeway figure of $15,500, the July total is $8,475 or $345 above that of June.

Heading the list of private building are three new residences. Mrs. J. E. Reeves is building a $2350 house on Sixth between Washington and Baseline streets; G. W. Spencer, a $2500 residence at Jackson and Ninth; and Paul Frantz accounts for another $2500 home on North Fifth in the Hillis addition.

Other building permits issued during the month were to L. H. Evans, residence on West Jackson, $150; E. E. Howard, residence on East Edison, $950; and E. Klinger, addition to woodshed at 142 West Main, $25.

Man Injured in Fall from Barn

A fall Monday from a new barn he was painting on the Joseph M. Reynolds place, two miles northwest of Hillsboro, brought severe injuries to Elwyn Bottoms, 21, Portland.

He was brought to Jones hospital with an injured chest, abdominal injuries, a fractured nose, and brain concussion. His condition is reported as serious.

The young man slipped from the roof of the barn in an undetermined manner just before noon Monday, and fell 35 feet to the ground.

Local Boys to Attend Beaver Boys State

Twelve boys, 11 from Hillsboro and 1 from Banks, will leave here Saturday to spend eight days at American Legion Beaver Boys State at Hill Military academy in Portland as part of the legion's Americanization program. The boys are sponsored by different groups and individuals. They are to meet at the east entrance to the court house at 1 p. m.

First Entrant

Miss Myreen Pumroy, 19, of Beaverton, was the first candidate to file for the Harvest Queen contest of the Washington county fair. She is sponsored by the Aloha Grange.—(Courtesy The Oregonian)

Queen Contest, Fair Program Plans Underway

Dorothy Fletcher, 16-year-old Forest Grove high school girl, has joined Myreen Pumroy of Beaverton as an early candidate for Harvest Queen of the Washington county fair, it was announced this week by Leon Davis, fair manager. Miss Fletcher is the candidate of the Forest Grove Future Farmers.

Contest plans call for presentation of a $75 diamond ring to the queen and a 17-jewel Elgin wrist watch to her crown princess, with prizes to other candidates in proportion, according to Davis. The organizations sponsoring the winners also receive cash prizes of $50 and $25 respectively, he said.

4-H Clubs Plan Show

County 4-H clubs are planning many and varied exhibits, including competition among the girls in such household arts as canning, cooking, sewing, homemaking, and room improvement. Heading the list in interest will be a style show in which the girls will model dresses made by themselves as club projects.

Girls working in divisions 3, 4, and 5 are eligible for the style show, according to information from club headquarters. Divisions will include: wash dress or suit for school; wool dress, suit, or ensemble for school, sport, or street wear; best dress or ensemble including dress; and informal party dress. Judging will be on general appearance, suitability to the individual, purpose, and economic factors and ethics of the costume.

Girls to Serve Meals

Other competition will find the girls specializing in "$1 Dinners," in which they prepare and serve a complete meal for four persons at a cost not to exceed $1, with a time limit of three hours for the complete task. Winners of the various contests receive free trips to the state fair to enter competition there, officials announced.

Early Exhibitors Listed

Many commercial exhibitors have already signified their intention to take space at this year's fair. In the electric home appliance show the largest exhibitors will be the Selfridge Furniture company and Lester Ireland & Co., of Hillsboro. The Cate Motor company of Forest Grove will use a 50-foot frontage to show the Fordson tractor and equipment, Davis reported.

Other exhibitors already signed up are Jack Rushlow, Kuratli and Wismer, Charles Walker, E. A. Griffith, and the Oregon Finance company, all in the insurance group. The Commercial National bank of Hillsboro has also taken space.

Battery E Leaves for Guard Camp Sunday

Hillsboro's contingent of the Oregon National Guard, the 72 men of Battery E, 218th Field Artillery, will leave early Sunday morning to join its regiment in Portland and continue to Fort Lewis, Wash., for a three weeks' training period, it was learned Tuesday from Captain Arthur Kroeger, in command of the battery.

The battery will drill Saturday night and remain in the armory until the trip to Portland is begun at 4:30 a. m., Captain Kroeger said. Breakfast will be served the men at Compton's Barbecue in two relays, starting at 3 a. m.

The local battery is eight men short of full strength, and Captain Kroeger would welcome recruits to fill the ranks even at this late date, he said. The guard accepts single men, without dependents, 18 or older. They receive $1 for each drill period and $1 a day while in camp in addition to uniforms and food. Pay increases with advance in rank, he pointed out.

Baggage, guns, and other military material left yesterday for the encampment. A shortage of trucks requires that separate trips be made for supplies and men, Kroeger said.

The battery expects to return August 25, end of the training period. It is unlikely that congressional action on any of the proposed service bills will be forthcoming so quickly that the guard will have to remain for a longer period of training, high officials believe, although it is probable that it may be called out in the near future.

Shooting Mishap Brings Death to 12-Year-Old Boy

John Hugh Clark, 12-year-old son of W. W. Clark of Hillsboro, was fatally wounded Sunday when he was accidentally shot in the abdomen with a .22 caliber rifle fired by W. R. Manley, local greenhouse operator. The boy died at Jones hospital Sunday evening after an operation and blood transfusion failed to save his life.

Deputy Sheriff R. H. Busch, who investigated the accident, reported that Manley was engaging in some target practice in a field on the eastern edge of the city. The boy, in company with an older brother, emerged from a little gully and started to cross the field just as Manley was firing from a prone position.

John, a student at Peter Boscow school and a member of Hillsboro Boy Scouts Troop 216, was born in Nebraska, but has lived in this city about 9 years. He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clark; two brothers, Robert W. and Harry A.; and two sisters, Caroline E. and Thelma L., all of Hillsboro.

Services were held Wednesday afternoon at Young's Funeral chapel. Burial was in the Odd Fellows cemetery, the Rev. O. W. Weniger officiating.

Clerk's Office Gives Semi-Annual Report Of County Finances

Total receipts for Washington county during the half-year ending June 30, 1940, were $834,735.10, it was revealed this week in the semi-annual report of the office of County Clerk W. A. Tupper.

Outstanding warrants showed a slight increase over January 1, moving from $7,939.48 on that date to $8,248.34 on June 30.

Total disbursements during the period were $661,072.51, leaving a cash balance as of June 30 of $283,901.15, the report shows.

Council to Act On Paving Bids

Bids for laying approximately 180 tons of asphalt paving in city street construction work, chiefly on the widened portion of First avenue between Main and Jackson, will be opened and considered by the city council in its regular meeting Tuesday, August 6, it was announced this week by city officials.

The council will also act on the appointment of a new council member to serve the unexpired term left vacant by the death of Mrs. Anna Wells, council president. Her term would have expired at the end of 1940.

Other business expected to occupy the council will be consideration of an ordinance extending the restricted parking area in downtown streets, and study of a projected bicycle ordinance.

Floridan Visits Here—

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Phillips of Holywood, Florida, spent Monday and Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gifford. Mr. Phillips is a cousin of Mr. Gifford.

Non-High Board Votes Contracts

The county non-high school board met Tuesday night in the office of O. B. Kraus, county superintendent, to clear up left-overs from the last school year and get ready for the new.

Bus contracts were renewed for Banks, Tigard, and Forest Grove high schools for transportation during the coming year, and the board voted to re-enter tuition contracts with county high schools, Mr. Kraus said.

Balance due the schools for unpaid tuition were paid after perusal of the claims. Next meeting was set for August 23 in the superintendent's office, at which time parents of non-high district children are invited to bring their questions before the board.

McNary Notification Moved Up One Day

Date of notification ceremonies for Senator Charles McNary's vice-presidential nomination has been moved up a day and will be August 27 in the Salem state fair grounds, it was announced Tuesday.

Governor Harold Stassen of Minnesota will give the notification between 4 and 5 p. m. before Oregon residents and representatives of each state's republican convention delegation.

Train, Car Crash Fatal to Portland WPA Worker

Harry A. Smith, 40-year-old WPA worker, was killed and two companions injured when their car smashed into an empty Southern Pacific logging train at the Baseline street crossing at 3:55 a. m. Tuesday.

Smith, driver of the car, died at 7 a. m. in Good Samaritan hospital in Portland. He was rushed there by Arrow ambulance after receiving treatment at Jones hospital. His address was given as 4300 S. E. 76th avenue, Portland.

Bruce Baxter, 34, of 511 S. W. Jefferson street, Portland, was reported at Jones hospital to have received a fractured leg and severe face cuts and blows. Marvin Lamora, 28, of 4931 S. E. Glenwood, Portland, suffered minor head cuts.

The three men were on their way to Camp Manning where they were employed on a WPA road project working on a part of the Wolf creek highway. The train was backing south across the highway and the car, a 1938 model Ford coupe, crashed into the empty flat thirteenth from the rear of the train. Two of the train cars were derailed and the coupe, wedged into the bent car it had struck, was dragged 42 feet south before the train was stopped.

L. V. Fisher, 2535 S. E. Clay street, Portland, was conductor of the train. A picture of the demolished coupe may be seen below.

Locals Fail Second Try For Finals

Visitors Play Steady Ball to Take Second Straight Game, 10 to 3

Oregon City's American Legion junior baseballers blasted Hillsboro's hopes to play in state tourney Wednesday afternoon at the athletic park by taking the second straight game of the section playoff, 10 to 3.

The visitors scored once in the second, four times in the third, and ran in three more in the sixth and two in the seventh to leave the local boys hopelessly behind and clinch a spot for themselves in the state finals here August 10 and 11.

Lacked Punch

Hillsboro picked up one run in the fourth and added two more in the eighth, but couldn't find the necessary punch to win. Hilton, winning pitcher, held the losers to seven hits, well scattered. Hillsboro's only scoring burst was sparked by Bill Ziegler's two-bagger in the eighth.

Lack of control and loose playing had much to do with Hillsboro showing, while Oregon City performed well both at the plate and in the field. Hilton and Knoop, winning battery, showed themselves to be potential tournament threats.

	R	H	E
Oregon City	10	8	0
Hillsboro	3	7	0

Batteries: McIrvin and Huson; Hilton and Knoop.

Sunday's Game Spotty

In the first game Sunday on the Oregon City diamond, the local juniors were unable to find their batting eye and wound up on the short end of an 8 to 1 score. They committed 5 errors in the field and connected safely only 6 times at the plate.

Brobst, Oregon City hurler, fanned 6 and issued 2 walks, while Podbelain fanned 3 and walked 2 in five innings and McIrvin whiffed 5 and issued 2 passes in the last four frames.

Oregon City scored twice in the first, pushed across two more in the fifth, and tallied four in the last of the seventh. The last four runs were scored on two hits, and the bases were still loaded when the third man struck out to end the inning.

Hillsboro Scores in Ninth

Only Hillsboro score came in the first of the ninth, when Coats led off with a single. Greene followed with a double to right field and McIrvin poked a single into left to bring in Coats. Ziegler drew a walk and the bases were loaded, but the rally bogged down when Greene was tagged out at home on Aden's throw-in after catching Van Domelen's fly to center. Huson ended the inning by fanning out.

	R.	H.	E.
Hillsboro	1	6	5
Oregon City	8	11	0

Batteries: Podbelain, McIrvin and Huson; Brobst and Knoop.

Babson Predicts Industrial Boom As Defense Program Sets Pace

(By Roger W. Babson)

BABSON PARK, Mass.—**Business in the second half of this year should be very active in most lines—maybe the best final half in history.** More real jobs, fatter pay envelopes, modestly higher farm income, bigger dividends than in the first half of 1940, or in the final six months of 1939 are assured. There will be no noticeable gain in living costs, but taxes will be the heaviest in a quarter-century. The next few months will be a period of intense industrial activity as our mammoth defense program gets under way.

This defense program will put the "oomph" in the industrial boom ahead. If peace comes in Europe before the program gets going full blast, there will be a temporary halt in the upswing. **The longer peace is postponed, however, the greater the possibility that business activity will break all previous records some time in 1940 or 1941.** Specifically, I estimate that business in the second half will run about 6 per cent above the same period in 1939, and also 6 per cent higher than in the first six months of this year.

Halt To Depression

Readers will recall that in my outlook for the first half of 1940 I predicted a gain of 10 to 15 per cent over the same months of 1939, but a downward trend from the high levels of January first. This gain was 11.5 per cent and business is 6 per cent under the New Year level. I also said that we would have either a boom or a crash (no half-way course) in the second half of the year. I felt that it was impossible at that time to say which it would be. Now, however, I predict for the balance of this year a real boom in most industries.

Pace-setter in this industrial expansion ahead will be the heavy industries. Steel operations are scheduled to reach a new peak for any six-months period on record. They are entering the second half at close to 90 per cent of capacity, the highest mid-summer figure since 1929. Machine shops, metal foundries, airplane factories, shipyards, railway-equipment plants, have huge backlogs of orders. Only a shortage of skilled labor can prevent these industries from breaking all previous records.

Railroad Revival

The next few months may well see the railroads pull themselves out of the doldrums for the first time in ten years. Rail traffic is almost sure to reach new highs since 1930 and there will be openings for thousands of railroad workers. The railroad revival may be short-lived, however. Electric power plants, textile mills, lumber camps, copper, lead, and iron mines, truck factories, should all get "their cut" of expanding activity.

Home-builders should handle a fourth again as many "jobs" as in the late months of 1939. With factories frantically pushing expansion plans, many industrial contractors should see their business doubled. Building costs are expected to move upward, too, but less than 5 per cent. Real estate values and activity will improve noticeably, especially around shipyards and in other areas where the defense program is concentrated. Rents for factories, offices, and single houses may be a little firmer.

More Real Jobs

Naturally an industrial revival, such as is now in prospect means more jobs and bigger payrolls. **I would not be surprised to see a million jobless people go back to work before snow flies!** Wage rates will not be much higher—perhaps only 2 per cent on the average. The

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