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Three-Day County Fair Opens Today

City Gets \$38,000 WPA Grant

Improvement of City Streets to Continue; Dennis Work to Begin

Plans for continuation of Hillsboro's city streets improvement program were being pushed this week by City Manager J. W. Barney as he received notification from Washington, D. C., that a WPA allotment of \$38,000 for that purpose has been approved.

One of the principal projects in mind, Barney said, is the opening of South Dennis between Main street and the highway and extension of West Main from its present extremity to South Dennis.

Grading for the new streets, to be called for in a council resolution, will not get under way until mid-September, however, the city manager said. A number of projects which were either discontinued or tabled in the planning stage when the city's last WPA allotment ran out will come first, it was announced.

Paving Jobs Next

Among these are the first avenue widening now nearing completion and laying of macadam surface on Grant street between First and Second avenues and on Eighth avenue between Washington and Baseline.

A long list of other projects are included in the WPA allotment, which will be very flexible in its application. The type of work to be done on certain streets is not definitely provided for in the WPA grant, although certain street projects are named. Any single project can be abandoned without violating WPA provisions, but no street can be added to the approved grant can be added, Barney said.

A program of street improvement for fall months is expected to be a matter for consideration of the council when it meets Tuesday night.

Two Injured in Plane Crash At Beaverton

Crash landing near Beaverton of a two-seater biplane Sunday evening brought injuries to Harold M. DeCicco and Fred Miller, both of Portland. DeCicco had crashed the plane Friday at a Washington county sheriff's sale for \$480.

Taken to the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, DeCicco was treated for right arm fracture and Miller a right hip injury and a cut lip.

Immediate cause for the crash, Miller told questioners who gathered at the wreck scene, was a fuel pump failure. He was heading for an emergency landing field, but was unable to make it, he said. The plane struck the top of a clump of hazel and dropped to the ground, he added.

Heavy traffic on the Tualatin highway was bottled up for a time by hundreds of motorists who parked their cars to visit the crash scene, which was only 200 yards from the highway, and about a quarter-mile west of Beaverton.

Willamette Vetch to Be Included In 1941 AAA Seed Purchase Plan

(By William F. Cyrus, county agent)

Willamette vetch has been included in the AAA Legume Seed Purchase Program for 1941, according to verbal announcement from the Oregon AAA office. The written announcement of the inclusion of the Willamette vetch and the continuance of this purchase program for 1941 has not yet been received but the inclusion of this special strain of vetch was announced along with statements that the entire legume seed purchasing program would be continued for 1941.

Willamette vetch is the special strain of common vetch grown the past three or four years on a few Washington county farms as well as in other counties. The price set by the AAA for this strain of vetch seed for the 1941 crop is 4 cents per pound. The crop must be grown under certification and only certified seed in 1941 will qualify for the 4-cent price. Seed which is grown from certified seed but which does not make certification in 1941 will be purchased through the AAA at an announced price of 3 cents per pound.

Due to the limited amount of seed of this strain which is available, the total quantity has been allocated to the several Willamette valley counties. This allocation gives Washington county a total of approximately 900 bags of certified Willamette vetch for planting this fall. Because this strain of vetch has proven so vastly superior in the south to ordinary common vetch and because it is in considerable demand in that region as a cover crop, it is imperative that the seed supplies produced under the AAA program be of high quality.

This means that it must be kept as free as possible of other volun-

Fair Chief



Leon S. Davis, manager of the Washington county fair for his third successive year.

Fire Destroys Second Story of Coy Residence

Started in an upstairs bedroom by a careless smoker, fire destroyed the entire second floor of the Minnie Jones Coy residence at 348 South Seventh avenue early Tuesday morning. Insurance covered damages to house and furnishings.

The two-story frame dwelling, located next to the new Jones hospital and tenanted by nurses in upstairs rooms, was seriously damaged by water on the first floor. Furnishings and personal effects on the lower floor were moved to safety, however.

Carl Hult, a proprietor of the Morningview dairy, and Jack Randall, 14, an Oregonian carrier, were first to detect the fire. They saw smoke rolling out of the front bedroom window and roused Mr. and Mrs. Coy called the local fire department.

None of several nurses occupying second floor rooms was in the building when the fire started at about 5:30 a. m., it was reported. Mrs. Coy called the local fire department and the volunteers had the blaze under control shortly after the first stream of water was played on the building. Attempts to save furniture and personal belongings in upstairs rooms were futile, Mrs. Coy said.

Believing danger to patients in the hospital next door was imminent, an unidentified person is reported to have rushed into the new building with cries of "Fire!" which awakened occupants of almost every ward.

Labor Day Causes Day Late Argus

Because of Labor Day, a national holiday, the next issue of the Hillsboro Argus will be published and distributed to subscribers one day late, reaching county readers on Friday, September 6, instead of Thursday as usual.

The county courthouse, city hall, abstract offices, liquor store and all business houses with the exception of refreshment establishments will be closed. The postoffice building will be open to give access to boxes but there will be no window service and no deliveries will be made on the holiday.

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teer vetches. The Oregon AAA committee has requested that applications for this vetch seed be made through the county agent's office with the applicants listing the crop history of the land on which it is to be seeded. Certification will not be attempted when the crop is seeded on land that has grown vetch either for hay or seed within the last three years. The seed is to be drilled so that the drill rows show, the rate of seeding should be approximately 33 pounds per acre, and the growers will pay for the certification of the crop.

Forms Available

Forms for making application for seed are now available in the county agent's office and in the agricultural conservation office, both in the basement of the court house. Seed will not be put out on grants of aid. Farmers will purchase the seed from the dealer.

Continuation of the legume seed program has been verbally announced. Prices of Austrian peas and clover seed are scheduled to be the same as for 1940. Since the south is really more desirous of obtaining vetch seed than pea seed, the AAA officials have announced that peas will be purchased from a grower in 1941 from an acreage not greater than his 1940 acreage. No statement has been made explaining if the above applies to new growers.

Battery E To Get Year Of Training

Mobilization of 41st Division to Include Hillsboro ONG Unit

Sun-tanned and "war weary" after three weeks of intensive training and maneuvers at Fort Lewis, Wash., Hillsboro's Battery E unit of the Oregon National Guard regiment will be mobilized in mid-September and called to the colors for a year of training.

According to plans announced this week by Major-General George A. White, the entire 41st Division including Battery E and other units of the 21st Field Artillery regiment will be mobilized in mid-September and called to the colors for a year of training.

September 16 has been tentatively set as the day of mobilization, according to Art Kroeger, captain of the Hillsboro unit. The ten-day interim between the two dates will give time for all advance preparations.

To include all possible modern facilities and conveniences—electricity, shower rooms and up-to-date kitchens being the chief ones—a new barracks is now under construction on the Fort Lewis reservation, according to Art Kroeger, captain of the Hillsboro unit. The barracks site is located between American lake and Puget sound on what is called the "Third Division prairie," some distance west of camp Murray.

Other Rotary committeemen arranging details of the show are A. M. Janssen of Reedville, Charles Epps and Warren Haley.

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The guardsmen will be governed at camp under regular army rules and will enjoy regular army privileges. These privileges include the right to wear civilian clothes when not on duty, week-end leaves subject to approval of battery commanders and 30 days' leave with pay during the year.

Battery E will be equipped with 22 trucks, trailers and other mobile units, according to advance information. New equipment will also be turned over to other contingents of the 41st division, which now includes 10,000 men from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California.

With recruiting between now and the tentative mobilization date, it is expected that another 3,000 men will be added to this total, and because the end of the year-training period, another 7,000 men to increase the division's strength to 20,000 men and officers.

Local Bank Sets Record of "Loan Every 14 Minutes"

One loan every 14 minutes—that is the record of the Commercial National bank of Hillsboro for the first six months of 1940, according to figures released this week by President William C. Christensen.

The Commercial National bank made 3133 loans totaling \$1,328,111 during the period from January 1 to June 30, Christensen said, setting a record which can be duplicated by few, if any, banks of comparable size in the country.

The new record even surpasses the high mark set by the bank during the year 1939, when a new loan was made every 15 minutes. The year's total was 5478 loans totaling \$2,211,479. Broken down into understandable figures, this record means that loans averaging \$408.74 were made on an average of 25 times each day. Christensen said his bank's smallest loan during the year was \$5 and the largest \$23,864.

Fired Gun, Note Tell Suicide Story

Found beside the lifeless body of Ora J. Meyers, 45, Portland water bureau employee, a suicide note and a .22 calibre rifle with one shell fired prove beyond a doubt that he died by his own hand, according to Fred J. Sewell, county coroner.

State Officer George Aitken, who investigated the case, said the man had been dead for about 24 hours when found in bed at his home on the old Canyon road. A bullet wound in his head told the cause of death.

The body has been removed to the Donelson and Sewell mortuary here pending word from the widow, Alice, and a son, Jack, 17, who are reportedly on a vacation in Canada.

Mutt Dog Contest Offers Cash Prizes In 14 Divisions

Fat and funny, big and small—Washington county's "millions" of mutt dogs will have their annual chance to win fame and fortune for proud owners when the Hillsboro Rotary club stages its popular mutt dog show as a Saturday afternoon feature of the county fair.

William Enschede, chairman of the Rotary committee in charge, announced Tuesday that last year's prizes will be duplicated. A top prize of \$3—and possibly more—will be awarded to the sweepstakes mutt and prizes of one dollar each will be offered in the following 14 divisions: Shortest haired, longest eared, shortest tailed, longest tailed, smallest, largest, funniest, thinnest, blackest, whitest, best trick dog and best dressed dog in the show.

The dogs will have their "day" starting at 2:30 p. m. Owners will lead their flea-carriers onto the outdoor stage before competent judges and measuring sticks will be brought into play where any dog exists. Only youngsters 15 years of age or under will be eligible to enter pets in the contest, Enschede said.

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September 15 Set As Closing Date For AAA Seed

September 15 has been set by the State AAA committee as the closing date for purchase of Austrian field pea and hairy vetch under the purchase plan of 1940, according to County Agent W. F. Cyrus. To get these seeds to the southern states in time for them to be sown, the committee feels it necessary for a closing date to be set, he said.

An exception will be made in cases where growers have been unable to get the seed cleaned and shipped. The Friday night program will start at 8:30 o'clock.

Up to Monday night of this week, a total of 8,858,600 pounds of Austrian field pea seed had been purchased in this county by the AAA. Of this total, quantity purchased, 6,232,900 pounds had been actually shipped. According to reports from the warehouses, there were 2,625,700 pounds of pea seed eligible for sale to the AAA. The AAA estimated that the above quantity of seed eligible for purchase is in addition to what would be required for local seeding.

Growers desirous of selling their 1940 crop, if they desire to sell it to the AAA, will need to contact the dealer whom they expect to load a memorandum of purchase prior to September 15. In those cases, if any, where it will be impossible to get the seed cleaned and ready for market by that date, the owners of such seed should call at the county office and make request for an extension. In doing this, it is necessary that they commit themselves as to their intention.

Working arrangements have been made for the 4-H demonstration past season and growers have received their money within four or five days from the time they signed the memorandum of purchase.

Scout 'Camporee' In Shute Park Set For September

Plans for the first annual Boy Scout "Camporee" will be held in Shute park on Saturday and Sunday, September 21 and 22, were discussed here at a Thursday night meeting of Hillsboro district commissioners and Scouters.

Embracing all Scout troops in the district, the Camporee will offer a "revolving" plaque to the troop proving itself most proficient in activities of the organization. The plaque will be held by the winning troop for one year and then be surrendered to the new championship troop.

Among contests slated for the Camporee are camping, cooking, fire by friction, peace competition, boiling water with "two-matches" fire, troop inspection, signaling, first aid and bugling. The two-day camp program includes church services at the park on Sunday.

Roy L. Burnett, district Scout commissioner and skipper of the Sea Scout ship Rainbow, is in general charge of planning the annual event.

Appointed as assistants are Deputy Commissioners Nelson Weaver and Ed Carethers.

In addition to the trio mentioned, Scouters who attended the Thursday night meeting are Herb Staples, R. P. Rasmussen, Carl Johns, John West, Elwood Lehman, T. G. Bronleewe, Ed Seus, W. H. Paynter, Carl Johns, A. M. Janssen, Lloyd Miller and M. Q. Boynton, who has been engaged as Boy Scout swimming instructor at the Pacific university tank this winter.

Selection of Fair Queen Due Tonight

Harvest Pageant, OJJ Show, 4-H Style Revue, Jitterbugging Slated

The annual harvest pageant and coronation of the 1940 "Harvest Queen," starting at 9 o'clock tonight (Thursday), will usher in three nights of gaiety on the Shute park pavilion program of the Washington county fair.

Under direction of Mrs. H. H. Stannard, the harvest pageant will be presented by a cast of 40 Washington county grange members and 4-H youths. In colorful costume, the symbolic characters will unfold the story of the "court of winter" and of the coming of spring. Selection and crowning of the Harvest Queen will climax the pageant.

Ray Gill, state grange master, will place the crown on the head of the queen, whose identity will not be known until the coronation ceremony takes place. Candidates in the annual ticket sale race for this coveted honor are Donna Fletcher, Forest Grove; Erna Staehli, West Union; Marjorie Eby, Gaston; Mary Schank, Hillsboro; Ruby E. 5, Myron Purnoy, Beaverton.

The Queen's Ball, with Jimmy Amato's orchestra supplying the music, will start at 10 p. m.

Headlining the auditorium program on Friday night will be the 4-H girls' Style Revue, vaudeville by the Oregon Junior Juniors, a novelty act featuring John S. RIGHT FACES—WRONG NAMES

Description lines printed under each candidate's picture on page three, section two, are in error. The pictures should be identified as follows: From left, top row—Donna Fletcher, Marjorie Eby, Mary Schank; bottom row—Myron Purnoy, Erna Staehli.

ney's educated horse, "King," with his English coach dog, "Pal," and presentation of 4-H honors and awards. The Friday night program will start at 8:30 o'clock.

Dancing to the swing rhythm of Monte Brooks and his popular 10-piece orchestra with a "jitter-bug" contest later in the evening will conclude the pavilion entertainment Saturday night starting at 9 o'clock. Brooks, a favorite dance band leader with fair crowds all over the state, will act as master of ceremonies.

"Jitter-bug" couples will be eligible to enter the competition offering a \$15 cash prize to the winning pair. All dancers but the jittery twosomes will be cleared from the floor when the contest is called and selection of the jitteriest pair will be accomplished by the slow and painful process of elimination, the last couple remaining becoming the champion jitterbug.

Sixteen grange members under direction of C. O. Church of Hillsboro will take part in the harvest pageant. Among them will be Mrs. Ruth McReynolds and Merle Pennington from the Winona grange; Margaret Hanson and a partner from the Beaverton grange; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gault, Mr. Silver and Mrs. Lundquist from the Aloha grange, and the following from the Hillsboro grange, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Whitaker, Frank and Joe Whitaker, Mrs. William Forsythe, Ray Chas. and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Chas.

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Fair Bills Popular OJJ Team



Bobby and Tommy Thoman, cousins, pass the buck when it comes to taking credit for their popularity on OJJ programs over station KALE. They're always the hit of the show. They will appear on the OJJ program billed in connection with the county 4-H style show Friday night at the Washington county fair.

County Residents Hail Favorite Oregon Son

Scores of Hillsboro and Washington county people joined with their Oregon neighbors in Salem Tuesday afternoon to acclaim Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon as the republican nominee for vice-president of the United States. Confidence and hope of a greater America and a determination to stand on his record of 23 years' service in the United States senate was expressed by the vice-presidential nominee in his acceptance address.

Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts, minority leader in the house of representatives and chairman of the republican national committee, presided. He hailed Senator McNary as a "great statesman, able legislative leader and a splendid citizen."

Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota, keynote at the republican national convention in Philadelphia, made the notification address and presented Oregon's "Charley Mac" as the vice-presidential nominee. Governor Stassen cited him as "the man to whom the people of all parties and all walks of life are turning as the next vice-president of the United States."

Party workers gathered at the Marion hotel for a luncheon at noon with members of the national committee and the official notification committee.

Oregon and out of state newspapermen were guests of Senator McNary at a luncheon at his farm home—"Fir Cone." Tables were set under the trees by the farmhouse and a general note of informality prevailed. Later all went to the state fairgrounds for the notification ceremonies, where a speaker's platform was provided on the speakers' platform. The Argus was represented by its editor, W. Verne McKinney.

In Caravan Eight cars carrying about 30 Washington county residents made up a caravan which traveled to the Salem notification event. Other caravans went at later periods in the day.

"I endorse the platform and renew my loyalty to the candidate for president, the able, magnetic and forceful Wendell L. Willkie," declared McNary in his opening remarks. This campaign is more than a mere contest between rival political parties. This campaign is a conflict between philosophies—philosophies of government and of action. We must choose between whether America shall advance along the path of her historic mission, or retreat still further into the fields of futility.

"I would be guilty of a narrow selfishness unsuited to the great service I have chosen to undertake if I did not choose to relinquish these advances, where they are genuine; nor to detract from human impulses actuating the president. I shall not seek to indict the new deal's motives."

"The new deal is exceptional in that it, alone, has sought to substitute new states of mind for old, to inculcate reliance on the government in place of self-reliance and to supplant hope with fear of what lies ahead."

Statism Decried "That concept is statism; the doctrine of the ascendancy of the state over the individual. I deny its validity in terms of a youthful, vital America. I charge, moreover, that the diffusion of that concept has impaired the national spirit; and, if persisted in, might well rob us in time of the will to be free."

"We hold that the theory of the last frontier is only figurative. Land, if you had to work it, never was free. Men paid for it in sweat and blood and loneliness, if not in dollars."

"As long as great rivers run idly to the sea; as long as vast reaches (Continued on page 6)

Variety of Activities Scheduled

Exhibit Buildings Will Open at 9 A. M. Today; Contests, Shows Set

The curtain will rise at 9 a. m. today (Thursday) on Washington county's long-awaited agricultural extravaganza, the annual free fair.

Crammed with varied activities for every hour, the three-day program will include free vaudeville shows afternoon and evening of each day in the outdoor theatre, dancing in Shute pavilion, the Harvest Pageant, coronation of the "Harvest Queen," a jitter-bug contest, a pig-driving contest, the 4-H girls' "Style Revue," an OJJ talent show, the annual mutt-dog show, the northwest Oregon archery contest and numerous other events.

Exhibits Ready Exhibits and booths in the Farmers' Union Grange and 4-H buildings, will be open to the public throughout each day, with an added section this year, the "Hobby Show," located in a new upstairs section of the Farmers' Union building.

Cattle Entries Many Blueblood livestock from the county's outstanding dairy farms will completely fill stalls of the new cattle barn, only recently completed as part of an \$8000 WPA project. The building used last year was destroyed by fire a few days after the fair closed.

A separate building has been constructed for poultry exhibits. Space for poultry was originally partitioned off in the cattle barn, but an unprecedented number of cattle entries this year made it necessary to use the entire barn for the dairy livestock.

Activities of 4-H boys and girls will lead off the first day program. Girls' 4-H demonstrations will start at 9:30 a. m. to continue all day and 4-H boys will get livestock judging under way at 10 o'clock. Hogs, crops, poultry, rabbits, handicraft, forestry and home beautification will be judged before noon, and the competitive program will continue through the afternoon, starting at 1 o'clock, with sheep judging, sheep showmanship and hog showmanship as main scheduled events.

Outdoor Shows Set Free vaudeville shows in the outdoor theatre are slated for 4 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Star of the show will be a professional act featuring "King," the educated horse, and "Pal," an English coach dog. The talented pony and his canine colleague have a "bag of tricks" guaranteed to entertain both young and old, one of their many accomplishments being an ability to count and tell ages.

Promising laughs and thrills is the second feature of the vaudeville program a pig driving contest. Pigs will be lined up at one side of an open area and at a given signal, contestants will attempt to drive the squealing porkers across the area and through numbered holes in a prop fence.

Bagpipes to Play The Clan Macleay bagpipe band, a perennial attraction at Washington county fairs, will be a third number on the 7:30 show. The harvest pageant and coronation of the "Harvest Queen" in the Shute park auditorium, starting at 9 o'clock, will conclude the first day's activities. For details on Shute pavilion activities, see story in column five.

Dairy cattle judging by 4-H boys and various demonstrations by 4-H girls will start at 9 a. m. on Friday and continue all day. At 1:30 p. m., the first outdoor theatre show will (Continued on page 8)

County Schools To Open Tuesday

"Back to school" will be the order of the day for thousands of Washington county students and high school students on Tuesday, September 3, and for a larger number on the following Monday, September 9. For news on opening of county schools, see the special "Back to School Section" on page one of section two.

Style Revue, Dollar Dinners Top List of 4-H Girls' Activity at Fair

Demonstrations in canning, homemaking and clothes-making; four cookery demonstrations and three "dollar dinner" servings, a home economics judging contest, a special bread baking contest and a climactic three-day program of activities laid out for Washington county's 4-H girls at the county fair, according to plans outlined in the county school superintendent's office.

The "Style Revue," a showing of clothing ensembles made and modeled by the 4-H club girls, will be seen by fair crowds as a Friday night entertainment event in the spacious Shute park pavilion. Judging of the "Style Revue" will take place in the 4-H building at 3 p. m. Thursday.

"Dollar dinners," always one of the most popular events to be staged in the 4-H building, will be served according to set rules and regulations. First, the cost of all materials used in a dinner to serve four persons must not exceed one dollar. Second, no more than three hours must elapse from the time the make-believe housewife starts preparing the meal until after it has been properly served, eaten, and the kitchen tidied up as it was originally.

"Cooks" Named Scheduled to prepare the three dinners are Laura Millet, North Plains, from 1:45 m. to 2 p. m. on Thursday; Natalie Bergin, Beaverton, 5 to 8 p. m., Thursday, and (Continued on page 8)