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Rural Fire Protection Law Drafted

Proposed Legislation Is Result of Action Started at Local Meet

Nearing the goal which was established at a meeting of Washington county firemen several weeks ago...

Judge H. D. Kerkman of Washington county, J. C. Moran of the state firemen's association...

Main provisions of the law are as follows: 1. Repeat of certain existing laws which stand as obstructions...

2. County courts, in consultation with the state board of forestry, shall zone and re-zone as often as necessary...

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Grocery Stores Here See First Food Stamps

A trickle of orange and blue food stamps were seen in Hillsboro's grocery stores Monday as Washington county officially came under provisions of the surplus marketing plan.

It will be some time before any large number of the stamps find their way into local grocery tills, however, inasmuch as many eligible public assistance families will not have funds available to purchase the stamps until the next batch of public welfare checks are distributed...

The stamps are being purchased through a public assistance program through the Hillsboro office here, where subsistence families who may not be eligible for the stamps through regular relief channels are being supplied.

With each \$1 book of orange stamps purchased by a public assistance family, the plan gives 50 cents in blue stamps. The orange stamps are accepted at face value for all grocery foods with a few minor exceptions and the blue stamps are accepted in purchase of certain foods designated by the surplus marketing administration as surplus foods.

The list of surplus foods at present, effective until February 28, includes butter, raisins, rice, pork (all cuts, fresh, including chilled or frozen, pickled, salted, cured and smoked but not cooked), packed in metal or glass containers, pork lard, corn meal, Irish potatoes, fresh oranges, fresh apples, fresh pears, fresh grapefruit, onions (except green onions), shell eggs, dried poultry, hominy (corn) grits, dry edible beans, wheat flour and whole wheat (gram) flour.

Surplus food lists will change from time to time according to the changing available supplies.

The new commercial schedule follows: First 150 kilowatt-hours, 3.5c a kilowatt-hour; next 350 kilowatt-hours, 2.4c a kilowatt-hour; next 1000 kilowatt-hours, 1.2c a kilowatt-hour; next 13,500 kilowatt-hours, 0.66c a kilowatt-hour; next 25,000 kilowatt-hours, 0.72c a kilowatt-hour; next 60,000 kilowatt-hours, 0.48c a kilowatt-hour; excess above 100,000 kilowatt-hours, 0.36c a kilowatt-hour.

A demand charge for first 10 kilowatts of demand per month; demand charge of \$1.14 per kilowatt of demand in excess of 10 kilowatts of demand per month. The energy charge for use in excess of 30 times the demand shall be subject to a reduction of 0.8 mills per kilowatt hour from the otherwise applicable rate.

Subterranean water from the city's new well near the Masonic home will be flowing in Hillsboro mains by June of this year, it was declared Monday by J. W. Barney, manager of the municipal utility system.

Disclosure of future plans for development of the system here came in explanation of the 1941 budget included in the utility commission's first annual report, released last week. The budget calls for \$18,000 to be expended on new mains and service improvements.

A booster pump, well pump and a settling tank as well as mains connecting with the reservoir line to Hillsboro must be installed before the new water will be available, Barney said. The additional water will boost pressure in city mains during the summer season when demands on the reservoir supply are at their peak, thereby eliminating the extreme fire hazard from inadequate water supply which harassed this community last year and in years previous.

The \$18,000 estimated construction figure for the current year lists \$7,000 as the over-all cost of installing the two pumps, \$4,000 for pipe and fittings to be used in re-erecting the distribution system here, \$4,000 for labor in laying of new and replacement distribution mains, \$2,500 for new meters and other service purchases and \$500 for five new hydrants.

The settling tank at the well is being constructed to sift out small grains of sand which are now coming up with the subterranean water before the water is re-pumped to the main from the reservoir, Barney explained.

Hillsboro has been selected as the next meeting place of the Northwest Oregon Fire Directors association and Henry H. Young, local fireman, has been appointed to arrange a meeting place and a program. It was announced this week following a dinner meeting of the group in Portland.

Aloha-Hillsboro community dinner will be held this year Thursday evening, March 13, it was announced Monday by Ted Emerson of Aloha. The get-together is held each year in the grange hall of that community.

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Earnings of Utility Reported

The Hillsboro water system is making money. According to the first annual report of the city utility commission, covering the ten-month period from February 27, 1940, date of the city's utility purchase to December 31, 1940, net earnings were \$17,733.01.

This figure, however, does not make any allowance for depreciation, according to M. H. Stevenson, utility commission chairman. The annual report lists total revenue for the period as \$36,285.13 and total operating and maintenance expense, \$13,446.46, the difference of \$22,838.67 representing gross earnings before the payment of the utility interest.

The net earnings figure is obtained after an income deduction of \$5,105.66, most of which is for interest accrued on the revenue bonds issued at the time the system was purchased from the Peoples Water and Gas company.

Largest part of the water utility revenue was domestic sales of \$20,911.32 and commercial and industrial sales of \$10,812.81. Operation expenses are listed as follows: source of supply, \$1,493.36; pumping, \$421.94; purification, \$1,331.99; transmission and distribution, \$1,534.93; commercial office, \$2,439.98; and general expense, \$1,884.28, total operating expenses being listed as \$9,106.68.

Transmission and distribution expenditures of \$3,460.82 constituted the major portion of maintenance expense. Other maintenance items were source of supply, \$493.17; pumping, \$118.95; and purification, \$266.84.

Mains installed. Construction activities for the ten-month period are shown in another section of the report. The system was improved with installation of 15,511 feet of mains, including 10,403 lineal feet of replacement pipe and 5,108 feet of new pipe. The cost of these new and replacement mains is set down as \$9,781.75.

Costing \$655.28, 900 feet of 12-inch pipe was installed for the reservoir overflow at Dille and \$4,127.35 is cited as the expense of drilling a well near the Masonic home. Of special interest is the fact that 192,382 gallons of water were pumped through the city mains during the ten months. Cash on hand as of December 31, 1940, was \$12,190.76, the report showed.

The tentative budget for the current year also part of the report, lists \$45,000 as anticipated revenue. With \$9,300 cash on hand after December, 1940, bills are deducted from the year-end balance, \$3,000 for a total of \$34,700. 1941 are estimated at \$34,300.

Out of this sum will come fixed expenses of \$34,000, leaving \$20,300 for improvement of the system. Contemplated improvements listed include \$4,000 for a booster pump and \$2,000 for a well pump, both to be installed at the city's recently developed water source near the Masonic home. (For complete details on future development of the water system, see story on this page.)

Estimated \$460 in Anti-Paralysis Funds Raised. Washington county's 1941 contribution of anti-paralysis funds, raised by three dances celebrating President Roosevelt's birthday plus other special functions, will total about \$460 when all returns are in, it was estimated Tuesday by Mrs. C. O. Churchill of Hillsboro, county chairman of the drive for ladies' organizations.

Mrs. Churchill said collections for her part of the drive totaled \$292 by Tuesday and a number of workers in outlying communities were not yet to be heard from. The total for this county last year was about \$340.

Speaking for Frank A. Smith of Beaverton, county chairman, as well as for herself, Mrs. Churchill extended thanks to the many organizations and individuals who gave their time and services to the humanitarian cause. Fifty per cent of all funds collected in the county remain here for local anti-paralysis work.

Internal Revenue Bureau Opens Hillsboro Office. A Hillsboro office of the United States department of internal revenue with F. W. Baumann, deputy collector, in charge was established in Room 13 of the Commercial building this week.

Baumann, who is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Long of this city, has been acting as a district representative of the U. S. I. R. conducting department business in a three-county area since the local office opened, but it is believed that regular office hours here will be established soon. He will be glad to give income taxpayers assistance on their problems when in his office.

Federal income tax returns must be filed on or before March 15 by every single person having a gross income of \$800 or more, every married person not living with husband or wife and having a gross income of \$800 or more and married persons living with husband or wife and who have an aggregate gross income of \$2000 or more.

The normal tax is four per cent on the amount of the net income, arrived at by deducting legal exemptions and credits from the gross income. There is also a surtax on the surtax net income in excess of \$4000 and a defense tax of 10 per cent of the combined normal tax and surtax.

A personal exemption of \$2000 may be claimed by the head of a family, who is defined by income tax regulations as one "who, because of a legal or moral obligation, supports and maintains in one household a dependent individual or individuals, closely connected with him by blood, marriage, or adoption."

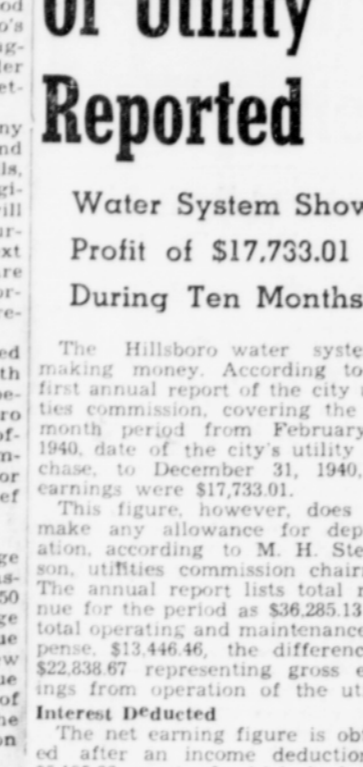
A credit of \$400 is allowed for each dependent. A dependent is one under 18 years of age, or one who is physically or mentally defective and incapable of self-support. He need not live with nor be related to the taxpayer.

A husband and wife contribute to the support of a dependent, the \$400 credit may be taken by the one contributing the chief support, and it may not be divided between them. Likewise, if two members of a family contribute to the support of a dependent, the one who contributes more than one-half of the support may claim the credit.

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Remains of Fire-Gutted Church



Only a smoke blackened chimney and a few charred structural timbers remained Sunday to mark the site of the Visitation church at Verboort destroyed by fire which broke out near the furnace at about midnight.—(Cut courtesy Oregonian)

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33 Draftees To Depart Wednesday

Washington county's second contribution of manpower to Uncle Sam's growing selective service army will be started on a year of military training Wednesday. Seventeen men from the Forest Grove draft area and 16 men from the Beaverton draft area will comprise the county's February quota of 31 selective service recruits.

Two other men—one from each board area—will be sent at the same time to replace those in the county's first quota who were rejected at the army induction center in Portland last month. The February group of 33 men will be transported to Portland in a specially chartered Oregon Motor Stages bus scheduled to stop in Forest Grove at 11:15 a. m., in Beaverton at 11:45 a. m. and to arrive in Portland at 12:07 p. m.

Names Released. Both draft boards Saturday released a tentative list of those who will start military service. Including volunteers, transfers and men called, the list is subject to change in the event that others volunteer or in case the few physical examinations still pending are not passed.

The 18 men being supplied by the Forest Grove board are Faurest Anderson, Hillsboro; Melvin Madson, Forest Grove; Robert Van Voorhes, Hillsboro; Albert Wilkes, Hillsboro; Donald Jively, Corvallis route 2; John Hamilton, Forest Grove; and Ralph Hess, Hillsboro; Carl Dethlefs, Gaston route 1; and Homer Kizer, Hillsboro, all volunteers; and the following called men in order: Frank Pongratz, Banks, star routes in order of call are Jack Seabold, Hillsboro, and Robert VanDomein, Banks route 1.

The 15 men being supplied by the Beaverton board are Willis R. Eidsenck, Tigard; Robert W. Gaither, Beaverton; all volunteers; William A. Smith, Beaverton, and Aaron LaFore, Hillsboro route 4, transfers, and the following called men: Alfred J. Carson, Sherwood; John W. Conkle, Portland route 6; William P. Hein, Garden Home; Kenneth A. Price, Sherwood, and Albert C. Grossen, Hillsboro route 1.

A list of Beaverton board alternates, in the order that they would be called to replace a man who might be cancelled from the tentative list, has been given as follows: Donald A. Hindman, Danbury, Neb.; Russell E. Wilkes, Hillsboro route 3; Clifford O. Gunderson, Tigard route 1; and Clyde H. Sanders Jr., Sherwood.

The men will be met at the bus station in Portland by a non-commissioned army officer, who will escort them to the Multnomah county armory, induction center. And from then on, well, Uncle Sam will take over.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Wells of Redmond spent a few days this week at the C. E. Wells home.

Flow of Investment Capital Held Vital Need for Nation's Future

If the United States is ever to return to its system of enterprising industrial development and to the prosperity for which it was once the "envy of the world," there must be a resumption of the flow of investment money into industry and business, it was declared here Monday noon by Clifford L. Wolf of Fordyce and company, Portland, in a talk on investment banking before the Hillsboro chamber of commerce.

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Individual savings invested in these industries when they were but "dreams" for the future are now bringing enormous wealth to the country, but individual savings today are locked in bank vaults, unproductive and dormant. At another corner of the investment-production-consumption triangle, the businessman who at one time looked hopefully toward future expansion is now beset with fears and doubts, Wolf said.

One of the major factors in the slowing down of economic machinery represented by the investment-production-consumption triangle, Wolf charged, has been the trend of the federal government toward state capitalism. The United States government, he said, now includes 42 lending agencies in competition with investment bankers, commercial banks, insurance companies and sometimes, even in competition among themselves.

"This trend, in my opinion, is bad," the speaker asserted. Pointing to the spreading doctrines of state capitalism as now prevailing in some countries of the world, Wolf said the next step to expect, as we have seen it elsewhere, is government control of industry where government capital has been poured in, embittered competition between private investment and government credit—and finally, with one step leading to another, government control of the lives of individuals who work in industry.

Maintenance of the flow of investment capital, in the light of the present national trend, becomes one of the preeminent problems of the present time, Wolf declared.

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Benefit Dance Raises \$125 for Band Uniforms

The Hillsboro high school band uniform "benefit" to the tune of \$125 from the benefit dance held in the high school gymnasium Friday night. It was sponsored by the Rotary and Lions clubs.

Marking the social function as a success from the viewpoint of a student, the dance was also a success for the 100 local couples who attended the affair and from available reports, "a good time was had by all."

Of the student corps of ticket sellers, Robert Weil was first for total sales and Bob Halverson was second. Principal John Cox has expressed thanks to those who bought tickets and to local businesses and individuals who helped with furnishing and decorating, among them being Newsham's floral shop, Selfridge furniture and Mrs. J. M. Person.

Served Punch. Mrs. R. P. Rasmussen, Mrs. O. C. Halverson and Mrs. Tom Bronson served punch to the dance guests. Mrs. Jacobson, Caroline Healey, Eugene Newbery, Jack Kennedy, Bob Bristol, Elmer Stroeder, Bob Coats, Pat Hoefel, Lois Robson and Betty Snelson also served.

Under direction of Elsie Mae Cimino and Syver Raud, the decoration committee was composed of Carol Voelker, Don Cady, Robert Bristol and Adelbert Hafner. Girls who ran the check room were Doris Mae Jacobson, Caroline Healey, Willa Bunch and Merriel Miller.

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