

Lintotypes Draw Student Interest



The lintotype machines were a source of wide-eyed interest for a class of English students from the Hillsboro high school recently when they made a tour of the Hillsboro Argus office and plant. Talks by Argus department heads acquainted the students with fundamentals of the many-sided newspaper profession.—(Argus photo)

Farmers' Union Meets Tuesday At Barnes School

McKENLEY-ELMONICA—Cedar Mills Farmers' Union will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at Barnes school instead of McKinley. A number of Farmer's Union members attended the meeting of the Kansas City Local Wednesday night.

Several McKinley school children have measles.

Dakotans Visit
Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Mitchell and small son of South Dakota are visiting with Mr. Mitchell's father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mitchell.

Mr. Meurer Honored
Pinocchio club met with Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wightman in Portland Saturday night and celebrated the birthday of J. P. Meurer.

Birthday Celebrated
Mrs. Sigvard Kleppe entertained a number of children Saturday afternoon with games and refreshments in honor of her son Edward's birthday. Those present were Evelyn Ann and Wayne Kolstad, Beverly and Teddy Adams, George and William Litvin, Jerry and Arthur Schofky, Tom Courtwright, Jimmie Berger and Helen Kleppe. Edward received many gifts.

Little Ralph Tonges was taken to Doernbecher hospital in Portland, Monday, for treatment for ear trouble.

Mrs. L. Spicer has returned to her home in Denver, Col., after a visit of several weeks with her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thatcher. Mr. Thatcher has been ill.

Mrs. McCusker, mother of Misses Evelyn, Helen and Lew of this community is quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stevens of Lakeside, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stevens and three children of Hagler, Neb., and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Haligan of Kansas were house guests of the Webke and Kingsbury families last week. The Stevens are relatives.

Fred Courtwright has been a patient in the Portland Sanitarium during the last week.

Farmers Meet Tonight
West Union local of the Farmers' union will meet in the K. P. hall at North Plains March 6 (tonight). Reports of delegates who attended the state convention at Salem, February 18 to 20 will be read.

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Farm Ownership Improved Through Land Bank Deals

Nearly 700 farm families in Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon started on the road to farm ownership in 1940 through the purchase of farms from the Federal Land bank of Spokane, according to Arthur M. S. Stook, secretary-treasurer of the Hillsboro National Farm Loan association, which serves Washington and Columbia counties.

Last year, Stook said, the land bank sold 1,347 farms or parts of farms. Of this total, 422, or 31.3 per cent, were sold to tenants. Another 158, or 11.5 per cent, were sold to former owners of the land, or to relatives of former owners. In most of the latter cases, sons of former owners. Finally, 101 farms, or 7.5 per cent, were returned to former owners under five-year leases with option to buy at the end of the lease period. Other farms sold went mainly to farmers buying additional land to round out their units.

In the territory served by the Hillsboro office, 18 farms were sold during 1940 by the Federal Land Bank for \$45,000.

"Beginning in 1938 there has been a steady reduction in the amount of real estate owned by the land bank," it was reported. "The inventory in the four states during that time has dropped from 3,886 farms to 1,890 farms. During 1940, the bank's sales of 1,347 farms contrasts with acquisition of 312 properties, either through acceptance of deed or foreclosure. This is a remarkable low acquisition record when it is realized that there are approximately 54,000 land bank and land bank commissioner loans in the four states served by the land bank."

"With farm tenancy one of the major rural problems of the coun-

Rodent Control Aid Offered by AAA Program

Putting out poison barley early in the spring, as soon as the ground squirrels first appear, has given excellent results in the eradication and control of these rodents, says Palmer Torvend, assistant county agent. This year, as an added incentive for control of this rodent, the Triple A has announced as a supplemental practice that one part of its program will be devoted to payments for the control of rodents.

The control of rodents under this practice must be completed and compliance reports checked prior to the hibernation dates of the rodents. No credit will be allowed for this practice unless the bait formula is approved for the locality. Follow-up treatments must be used if the first applications of poison does not effectively control the rodents. Payments shall be the actual cost of bait used, plus 50 per cent to cover cost of labor. This practice, of course, affects other rodents besides ground squirrels—such as gophers and moles.

Ground squirrels are already appearing in some localities, and for the most effective control of these squirrels, poisoning should be done before the young are born. Poison barley for this use has been prepared for Washington county under the supervision of the United States Biological survey, in cooperation with the county agent's office, reports Torvend. Farmers may obtain this poison from local feed dealers all over the county or at the county agent's office.

try, a healthy condition in the northwest is indicated by the rapid return of farms acquired by the land bank to resident ownership."

Grangers Find Seed Exchange Meet Success

SHADY BROOK—Washington Grange met Saturday with a pot-luck dinner at noon. Attendance was good. The seed exchange was a success and the agricultural committee decided to have a shrub and plant exchange at the next meeting. The home economics club will meet March 12 in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joe Baker of Mountandale. Members are requested to bring thimbles and scissors in order to sew.

Mrs. Sarah Palmer of Garibaldi visited her niece, Mrs. Otto Solberger, last week. Secretary-treasurer to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hall. Mrs. Sadie Loftis of Pumpkin Ridge spent part of last week visiting her sister in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Dorland, Miss Cora Dorland and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cutting were guests at a dinner party Sunday at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Marion Sumner, of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Richard have moved into the home of Mr. Richard's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Graf.

Elect Officers
Columbia Pig club held its second meeting Monday evening at the home of the Olsen boys. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Joey Baker, president; Steven Meek, vice-president; Dale Olsen, secretary-treasurer, and Steve Meek, reporter. Leader is Vincent Meek. Kenneth Logan gave a demonstration of filling out record books. Discussion next meeting will be on the subject, "How to make a pig trough." They will meet next time at the home of Joe Baker on March 24 in the evening.

Farmers' Union To Meet at Roy

SCHIFFLIN—Verboort local of the Farmers' Union will meet next Wednesday evening in Moore's hall at Roy. Dairy Co-op pictures will be shown.

Mrs. Roy Heinrich returned home last Thursday following a visit with Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Schaus of Snohomish, Wash.

Roy Heinrich spent Sunday fishing with Gus Tulke and John Caldwell on the Neustuca river.

Mrs. Chester Koble is confined to her home with a nervous condition.

Skating Party Monday
Walther League skating party, scheduled for this past Monday, has been postponed until next Tuesday evening, March 11, in Shute park rink.

Board Meets Friday
Zion Walther League executive board will meet Friday at 8 p. m. in the parish hall.

Party guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ennis, Friday evening, were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Art Luft, and Art Sauer of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Kerkman, Don and Maxine, and Mrs. Edwin Jesse and children. Art Sauer, who is a fireman, showed several reels of films depicting the life of a fireman as well as some pictures of wild life and other subjects.

Robert Moon a student at Pacific University, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam

County 4-H Members To Be on Broadcast

Washington county 4-H club members and leaders will take in a radio program to be given over KOAC on Monday, March 10, at 7:30 p. m. Ellen Jaquith of the Mountain Home community, and Clayton Nyberg of Tualatin, will talk over with Kathleen McCrae, home demonstration agent, and Palmer Torvend, assistant county agent, some of their past 4-H club experiences and the reasons why they are leading 4-H clubs now, reports Torvend.

Others to appear on the program will be Kenneth Logan, member of the Mountaindale Pig club, and a group of six girls from clubs in the Heywood community. These

latter will present the musical part of the program. The girls are Beverly Quaring, Katherine Quaring, Katherine Warnke, Winona Russell, Janice Meyers, and Fay Ludlow. Their accompanist will be Joan Baldwin.

Farm Question Broadcast Topic

"Can the Family Sized Farm Survive?" will be discussed by Walter A. Duffy, regional director of the farm security administration for Idaho, Oregon and Washington, and Ray W. Gill, Oregon state grange master, both of Portland, as a Pacific Northwest feature of "Western Agriculture," NBC network program to be carried over radio station KEX at 7 a. m., Friday, March 7, announces Victor S. Madsen, county FSA supervisor.

Effects of mechanization, drought migration, consolidation of family-type farms and problems reflecting the difficulties of many farm fam-

Scouts Week-end at Timberline Lodge

ST. MARY'S HOME—An enjoyable week-end was spent by the

Boys Scout troop at Government camp and Timberline Lodge with the Portland Knights of Columbus as host.

Rehearse for Play
G. B. Fahey of the faculty is training a cast for a forthcoming play.

Bulldozers are at work clearing about ten acres of woodland of St. Mary's holdings along Huber avenue.

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