

Strawberry Harvesting Starts

Bands in Mass Concert on Courthouse Lawn

Growers Raise Pay For Picking

Price of 1 1/4 Cents Per Hallock Set as Wage For Field Workers

With pickers enjoying a pay boost paid into effect by a majority vote of growers at a meeting here Friday, strawberry harvesting was begun this week in a scattering of Washington county fields. Weather being favorable, heavy picking is expected to be in full swing within a week, marking an early start of the season.

Including a bonus of 1/2 cent per hallock, a picking price of 1 1/4 per hallock was established by growers as the uniform rate of pay for field workers throughout Washington county. This is an increase of 1/4 cent over the picking price of last year and conforms with field pay recently set in other strawberry growing counties.

Seek Price Increase
The Washington county growers also framed and signed a petition calling attention of packers to rising costs for field supplies as well as the field labor and urging that an upward adjustment be made in the price to be paid for this year's crop.

Sherwood growers, meanwhile, have announced plans to hold a meeting in that section of the county to take similar action.

Contractors already signed between packers and growers set a price of five cents per pound, the local berry-growers declare in their petition to the packers that the contracted price in view of rising costs of production, does not offer a profitable return from their crops.

Presented for adjustment of the packers' price to growers was set several years ago when the packers petitioned growers to lower a contract price of seven cents per pound to four cents per pound. In view of the economic situation at the time, growers made this concession and a price of four cents per pound was established for the season.

Signatures attixed to the growers' petition for a buying price rise this year numbered a total of 1502 acres in Washington county strawberries, an actual count disclosed.

Committee Appointed
The growers meeting here also gave a vote of approval to organization of a five-man executive committee to represent the growers and to call future meetings of the group at any time a matter of policy or joint action is to be discussed. County Agent William F. Cyrus was called upon to appoint this committee and he has since announced his appointments as follows: Alex Eischen, Cornelius route 2; Ed Schlegel, Banks; August Jesse, Forest Grove route 1; Y. Shigeno, Cornelius route 1; and George Iwasaki, Hillsboro route 3.

Refusal of packers to boost the canner price for strawberries was reported by the five-man growers' committee following a meeting with packers on Monday.

Eischen Comments
Commenting on the failure of the growers' petition to bring a higher price, Eischen stated, "The berry industry in Washington county can expect to have no future unless the packers can meet changing economic conditions with price adjustments to growers on a parity with increases in growers' production costs. Washington county is the center of the strawberry industry in the state of Oregon."

Over 100 berry growers—both white and Japanese—were in attendance at the meeting to set a picking price and while action taken flowed smoothly without opposition, the three-hour session was extremely lively. Problems of labor supply and guarantees of county wage observances of the picking price set were discussed at length. Alex Eischen acted as chairman.

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Graduation Class Ties 1940 Record

Hilhi Baccalaureate Services Sunday Eve; Commencement May 16

A class of 152 Hillsboro high school seniors—equalling in number the record-breaking senior class of last year—will receive diplomas at commencement exercises set for May 16, according to a tentative graduation list released this week by John R. Cox, principal.

Baccalaureate services for the large group of seniors will be held Sunday evening, May 11, at 8:15 o'clock, in the high school auditorium with Rev. Newton D. Penberthy presiding. Rev. A. J. Sullens will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Other Hillsboro clergymen who will have parts in the ceremonial program are Rev. R. L. Putnam, invocation; Rev. Ira Aldrich, scripture reading; and Rev. W. T. Mugford, benediction.

Appropriate musical selections are also included in the baccalaureate program, which will be open to the general public, Principal Cox said.

Record Last Year
The class of 152 seniors graduated last year was by far the largest group ever to receive diplomas at Hilhi, being almost half again as large as the previous record of 106 seniors who completed their secondary education in 1939. Next largest class was in 1937, when exactly 100 diplomas were awarded.

A unique program is being planned for Hilhi's 1941 commencement. For the first time in the school's history, there will be no outside speakers, this traditional part of the exercises being displaced by a series of five-minute talks by six students selected from the graduating class.

They are Joyce Martin, Winifred Wiley, Joyce Kellington, Donald Cady, William Troutman and Wallace Truman. The student speakers will choose their own topics. Vocal and musical numbers on the program will also draw talent from student body ranks.

A complete list of seniors in the 1941 Hillsboro high school graduation class will be published in the Argus next week.

"Hawthorn City" Suggested Title For Hillsboro

Carrying into action a civic betterment suggestion made by Toastmaster Ed C. Coman at a recent chamber of commerce meeting, the Hillsboro Toastmistress club this week launched a campaign aimed at naming Hillsboro the "City of Hawthorns" or the "Hawthorn City."

Letters urging support of the campaign have been sent out by Mrs. A. L. Amacher, Toastmistress club secretary, to the Hillsboro chamber of commerce, Garden club, Rotary club, Lions club and Hillsboro Argus.

The letter says in part that this title would be suitable: 1. Because H. W. Ray's stables, the Hawthorn stables, are becoming nationally known; 2. Because Hawthorn trees are adaptable to this immediate climate; 3. Because Hawthorn trees can be planted along the highways and in residence parkings; 4. Because the trees grow quickly; and 5. Because they can be purchased reasonably.

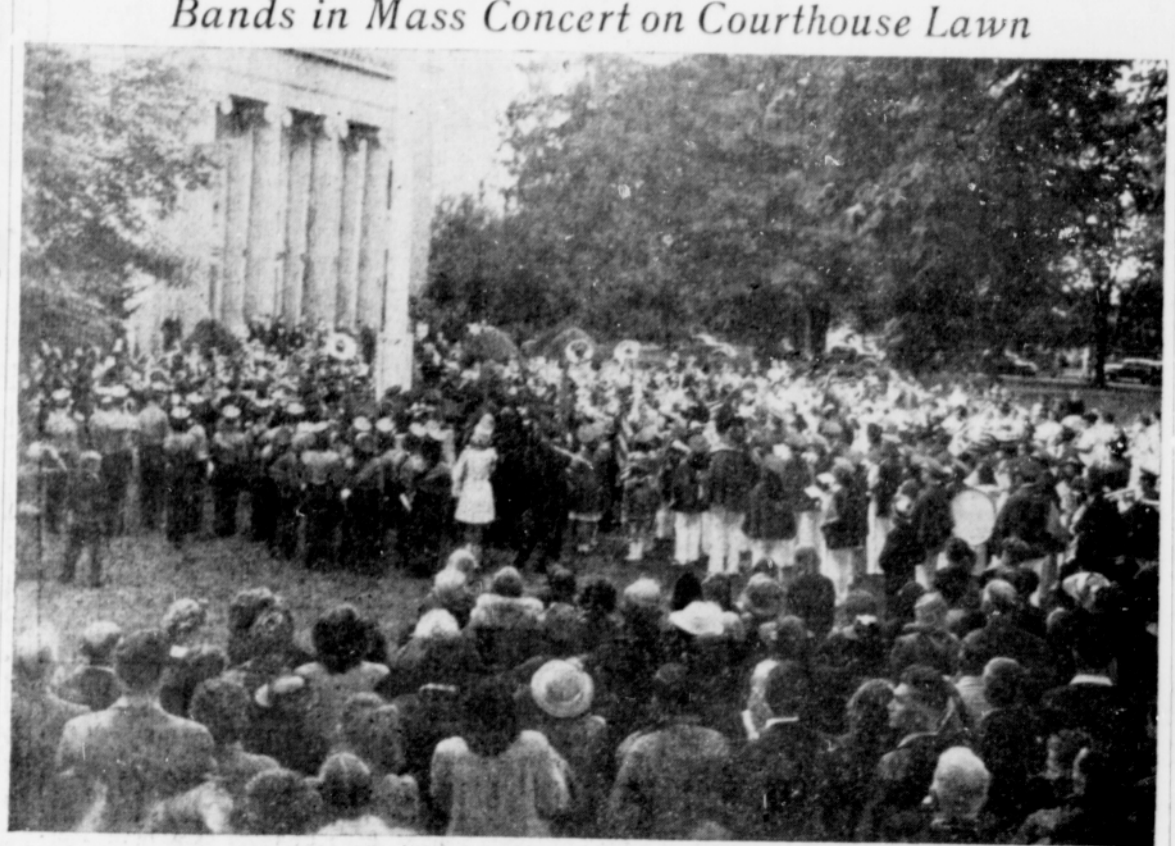
African Lions Visit Hillsboro Lions

Tailtwister Ide Refuses Duty Of Club Office

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A hodge-podge of glistening band instruments and colorful uniforms formed the nucleus for a deep circle of craning necks as spectators flooded onto the courthouse lawn here Saturday afternoon to witness a mass concert of 10 bands and four drum corps. The concert followed a gala parade through the business district in Hillsboro's third annual band festival.—(Argus photo)

Council Calls for Amendment to Zone Ordinance

The city council in regular session Tuesday night approved three requests for permits to install gasoline storage tanks and then instructed City Attorney Paul Peterson to prepare an amendment to the existing zoning ordinance on such installation to include restrictions for residential districts.

At the present time, it was brought out at the meeting, there is no law governing installation of gasoline tanks or pumps for private use in residential districts of the city.

Permits Listed
Permits granted by the council were to the Union Oil company for an additional 1000-gallon tank at its service station on Second avenue and Washington street, to Washington county for a 280-gallon tank on the north side of the courthouse and to Henry Meltebeke for a 550-gallon tank at his residence, 550 E. Baseline.

The Halvorson Motor company was awarded the contract for a city dump truck on a low bid of \$1200. Two old trucks in trade are figured in the deal.

Approval was stamped on sale of a city lot in the Boscow addition on Seventh avenue between Main and Lincoln streets to Louis W. Hurd.

Costs Apportioned
The city fathers passed a resolution on apportionment of costs for sidewalk improvements on the north side of West Jackson street between First and Adams. The total improvement cost was \$164.10.

Proceedings for improvement of South Eighth avenue from Maple street to the Southern Pacific railroad were dismissed by the council. Work is already under way for improvement of highway from Baseline to Oak and from Walnut to Maple under action taken at the last council session.

Soldiers Get Furlough
Many Washington county parents saw their "soldier sons" home on a four-day furlough from Camp Murray this week. The special vacation started Saturday and ended Tuesday.

Mrs. Susie Goodman Struck by Auto
Mrs. Susie Goodman, 61, Hillsboro, was treated at the Jones hospital for head injuries, and Drew Kimpton, 19, of Portland, a soldier at Fort Lewis, paid a fine of \$100 for drunken driving as a result of an accident in this city Tuesday.

Mrs. Goodman, stepmother of B. M. Goodman, local merchant, is considerably improved, according to latest reports from the hospital. Kimpton, whose car struck Mrs. Goodman on the pavement, pleaded guilty to the charge of drunken driving when hauled in at A. W. Havens' justice court here Tuesday morning.

Road Foremen Deputized as Fire Wardens
Eight Washington county road foremen were appointed as deputy state fire wardens and a price was set for contracted service of city fire fighting equipment and men in unprovided areas of the county as the county court met Saturday.

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P. T. A.-P. A. A. joint sponsorship of a boy to the forthcoming Beaver State Boys' camp was announced Wednesday. The odd initial combination stands for Parent-Teachers' association—Perry A. Anderson. Each has subscribed \$5 of the \$10 fee needed to sponsor the youth.

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Band Festival Draws Record Crowds Here

Record crowds as well as a record number of bands Saturday marked Hillsboro's third annual band festival as a convincing success.

An estimated 2000 persons lined curbs, building tops and office windows as the bands and drum corps made their high-stepping way down Main street, a good-sized crowd was on hand for the mass band concert on the courthouse lawn, some 500 persons took seats in the Hillsboro high school auditorium for the afternoon concert and an attendance of over 800 was present at the evening concert.

Fourteen Units Here
Although two bands expected to participate did not arrive here, Newberg was represented by a junior drum corps, bringing the total of music and drum groups to 14. Bands were from Forest Grove, Beaverton, Sherwood, Tigard, St. Helens, Scappoose, Gresham, Newberg, McMinnville and Hillsboro. Drum corps represented Newberg, McMinnville, Beaverton and Washington, Wash.

Intermittent snatches of spring sunshine, cloudiness and threatening rain did not help the outdoor activities. A light shower of a few moments' duration had everyone worried as the parade was half through, but the paraders were hurried along and no really "wet" rain followed to spoil the mass band concert as it did last year.

Massed in wheel-spoke fashion around F. C. Bushnell, Beaverton band director, the 14 bands and drum corps blended notes in rendition of a patriotic number as the Stars and Stripes were raised to the top of the flagpole, then broke ranks.

Twenty minutes of concert music was played by each of the selected bands in afternoon and evening programs at the Hilhi auditorium. Applause from audiences at both concerts complimented the student musicians.

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ABOVE—William G. Ide, real estate dealer, purchased the first defense bond sold in Hillsboro as the federal securities were made available to the public Thursday. He was on hand at the Hillsboro post office shortly after the department started business for the day. Postmaster L. T. McPheters is shown handing the bond to the "first buyer."

BELOW—Syver Ruud (right), Hillsboro high school manual training instructor, discusses with John R. Cox, high school principal, the fine cabinet technique shown by his woodworking students as exemplified by the pieces shown. These and over 100 other units of furniture will be placed on exhibit in the old Columbia Foods store location Saturday, May 10.—(Argus photos)

Hilhi Manual Training Exhibit Due Saturday

An exhibit of some 150 separate pieces of woodworking handicraft created by manual training students at the Hillsboro high school will go on public display in the old Columbia Foods store location on Main street Saturday, May 10. The exhibit will be open throughout the day, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., according to Syver Ruud, manual training instructor.

Glistening units of hardwood furniture so expertly fashioned as to enhance the beauty of any modern home will be seen. Coffee tables, book cases, Ottomans, bedroom sets, vanities, streamlined magazine racks, occasional tables, radio cabinets, and sewing cabinets—to mention a few of the exhibit items—will be included in the display.

Students to Guide
A public address system will be installed to direct visitors to interesting pieces of furniture while students will act as guides and servicemen to answer questions concerning their woodworking art.

Two public exhibits held simultaneously in the Commercial National and First National bank lobbies here last year attracted over 2500 visitors by actual count, Ruud reports, and this many or more are expected to see the 1941 woodworking show.

Woods used in manufacture of exhibit pieces include mahogany, walnut, gumwood, alder, spruce, maple, and the comparatively rare New Guinea wood.

Three More Girls In Goddess Race
Three more girls this week added their names to the nine already in the race for Hillsboro's 1941 Goddess of Liberty title. They are Beverly Jean Beach, sponsored by the Washington county V. F. W., Audrey Jean Bengt, Business and Professional Women's club, and Margie Campion, Hillsboro high school student body.

The nine girls listed previously were Gertrude Matano, Barbara Moore, June Ireland, Wanda Flett, Betty Sue Frisbie, Grace Larson, Dornie Foelker, Caroline Kalkwarf and Rosemary Read. The Goddess of Liberty, to be selected at the traditional candidates' ball, will rule over this city's jubilee Happy Days celebration, July 3, 4 and 5.

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