

Fourth War Loan Drive Start Set

Large Group Plans Thorough Canvass; County Goal \$1,741,400

"Battle of the Fourth War Loan" will get under way in Washington county next Tuesday morning with nearly 800 volunteer workers determined to put the county "over the top" on its \$1,741,400 quota in the shortest possible time. With nearly three times the number of collectors available than for any previous drive, present plans call for a house to house canvass in order to give every possible bond purchaser an opportunity to buy.

Although the county quota for the Fourth War Loan is smaller than that set in the last campaign, the present \$1,741,400 goal must be raised by non-bank sources, H. L. MacKenzie, and W. C. Christensen, co-chairmen of the war finance committee, declared. Since the bonds must be sold to individuals, corporations and tax-levying bodies, the county committee has been materially expanded. The county has been divided into six areas under general chairmen. Then each of these areas has a bond committee in each school district. This is expected to assure the contacting of every patriotic citizen in the county during the drive.

Quotas Announced

Washington county's \$1,741,400 goal has been broken down into the following area quotas: Hillsboro \$644,000; Forest Grove \$453,000; Janks \$93,900; Beaverton \$244,000; Tigard \$191,500; and Sherwood \$115,000.

Breakdown of the county quota as to types of securities that must be sold during the drive is as follows: running from January 18 through February 15 is \$774,000 in series E, \$104,600 in F and G bonds and \$863,800 in other securities. In addition \$672,900 is the quota allocated to corporations in the county.

Area Chairmen Named

L. Searcy has been named chairman of the committee which will conduct the Fourth War Loan battle in the Hillsboro area, according to MacKenzie and Christensen. Other area chairmen are George Sawyer at Banks, E. L. Peldanus at Forest Grove, Mrs. Robert H. Summers and Jay Gibson at Beaverton, and W. M. Evans at Tigard.

"Kick-off" meetings of volunteer workers in each of the six areas are being held tonight, Friday night, to instruct collectors regarding the bonds and the details of the pending campaign. The Sherwood committee will be the first to meet at the Banks high school to night. Friday night Tigard workers will gather at the Tigard high school and the Beaverton committee at the Beaverton high school. Monday night will see the Hillsboro workers meeting at the chamber of commerce and the Forest Grove committee at the Forest Grove chamber of commerce. All of these sessions have been called for 8 o'clock.

The meetings will be conducted by MacKenzie, Christensen, Searcy and James C. Say.

Insurance Firm Shows Good Gain

Assets of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company at \$117,662.47 at the close of 1943 with no outstanding liabilities according to a financial report presented at the sixty-first annual meeting of the group Monday afternoon at the Hillsboro chamber of commerce. Receipts for the year totaled \$35,600.99 and disbursements \$21,606.79, leaving a net gain of \$13,994.19, according to G. E. Montgomery, secretary-treasurer. New insurance for 1943, year amounting to \$1,093,390.40 brings the total force to \$9,850,789. Thirty-six losses were handled during the year.

President J. Wismer of Hillsboro, vice-president J. Arnold Berger of Helvetia, Frank P. Sailer of Beaverton and Ferd Langer of Sherwood, Guerber is president of the board.

Patterson Elected Head of Fire Group

Wayne Patterson was unanimously elected president of the Hillsboro fire department Thursday night at the annual dinner and election officers at the city hall. He replaces William Joss as head of the group.

Fleming Back from Trip Around the World As Member Merchant Marine

James R. Fleming of Hillsboro returned Saturday from a seven-months' trip around the world as a third engineer in the merchant marine. He expects to be here for a month visiting his wife and son, and he says that it seems good to be home.

His ship, which left out of the west coast, touched at Australia, India, North Africa and Sicily and then across to the east coast of the United States, where they docked last month. Effects of the famine in India were very noticeable, particularly so in the morning at Calcutta, where he saw people dead from starvation on streets and in the river. The Hillsboro engineer also saw ruins caused by Japanese bombing of Ceylon and Calcutta and Italian bombing of Port Tuffis near Port Said.

School Fund Checks Going Out This Week

Final payment of county school funds to elementary districts based on the 1942 census is being made today, according to Austin Serafford, county school superintendent. Total being distributed is \$40,428.18 and completes the \$10 per capita allowed by law on the 1942 census.

Payment is being made on the basis of \$3.51 per capita on a census of 11,513. The Hillsboro elementary district with a census of 1425 will receive \$5,001.75. The current distribution is the first since May of last year.

Polio Benefit Scheduled

Aloha Grange will sponsor a dance to be given the evening of January 29 at the Grange hall as a benefit to the infantile paralysis fund. Old time and modern dancing will be featured. Public is invited.



WOUNDED AGAIN—Pfc. Jack R. Bascomb of Hillsboro was wounded December 20 in Italy, where he was serving with Lt. General Mark Clark's 5th army, according to a telegram received by his wife, Mrs. Alice Bascomb. He received shrapnel wounds in the leg July 25 and the above picture shows him being awarded the Purple Heart for those wounds at a convalescent hospital somewhere in North Africa October 21. Pfc. Bascomb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bascomb.—(Official army photograph)

Blood Bank Unit Visits Set for January 21-31

Importance of meeting monthly blood plasma quota, is becoming more vital every week as the tempo of the battle on our main fighting fronts increases. This was the declaration of Mrs. F. Abendroth of Hillsboro, county Red Cross blood bank chairman, in calling for volunteers for visits of the mobile unit to the Hillsboro donor center January 21 and 31.

The recent influenza epidemic has disqualified many of the volunteers originally scheduled for the next two blood bank days and other donors are needed to assure meeting the minimum quota of 140 pints of the two days, she stated. She also urged that volunteers meet their appointments promptly or notify her by phone at Hillsboro 3612 if unable to attend, in plenty of time to obtain a substitute.

Appointments assure the volunteer of being taken and of the minimum of delay. Mrs. Abendroth is present for the meeting, prospective donors are urged to visit the center whether they have an appointment or not. It is usually possible to work in extra volunteers since the maximum amount of blood that can be taken is 160 pints. Advance appointments facilitate the efficiency of the unit and permit the donor to come at the most convenient time.

Re-donors are not necessarily called every eight weeks. Mrs. Abendroth declared. Volunteers wishing to donate whenever eligible should phone Mrs. Abendroth and make appointments.

Appreciation of the blood bank committee to the three Hillsboro drug stores, the Delta Drug store, Bates Hillsboro Pharmacy and Kramien's Palm Drug store who sponsored a page blood plasma advertisement in the Hillsboro Argus December 23 was expressed by Mrs. Abendroth.

Rites Saturday For Mrs. Hagg

REEDVILLE—Funeral services for Mrs. David Hagg, resident of Reedville for more than 50 years, were held Sunday afternoon at the Donelson & Sewell chapel in Hillsboro. She died January 6 at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mrs. A. W. Anderson, in Portland, just four days before her 87th birthday anniversary. Interment was in the Hillsboro cemetery.

She suffered a fractured hip in fall at her home on November 25 and was taken to Portland, where she underwent surgery and later returned to the Anderson home, where she was confined to her bed until she passed away.

Born Augusta Stone, January 10, 1857 at Vestergotland, Sweden, she emigrated to the U. S. A. in 1881 and lived in St. Paul, Minn., until 1884 when she came to Portland, and united with the Swedish Baptist church, now the Swedish Baptist temple. The pastor of her church, Rev. Lindsay Johnson, officiated at the funeral service, and Miss Johnson, soloist of that church, sang two of Mrs. Hagg's favorite hymns, "I am a Pilgrim" and "Rock of Ages." She was married to David Hagg, September 24, 1887, in Portland, where the couple lived until they were settled on Reedville, where the family on the large farm where the family lived for many years. She was the widow of David Hagg of Reedville; a daughter, Mrs. Edith Anderson of Portland; five sons, Fred D. of Portland; Henry G. Oscar N. and Clarence W. of Reedville; and Paul E. of Tigard; a sister, Mrs. Clara Ekstrom of Gresham; also 12 grandchildren, including four granddaughters in the service, and three great-grandchildren. One son died in early childhood.

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New Charter Plan Given Study Here

Objectives for City Management Outlined; Public Meeting Held

Hillsboro's proposed new streamlined city charter was studied by a group of representative citizens meeting with the city council Monday evening at the city hall. A further analysis of the charter by the council charter committee, headed by J. L. Searcy, based on the discussions Monday night along with the public meetings will be held before the charter is finally submitted to the voters.

A fairly large group of business men was present to participate in the discussions. The meeting was open to the public.

Councilman Searcy in explaining the proposed charter, said that changing conditions necessitated so many amendments that it was deemed better to have an entirely new charter. The charter under which the city is now operating was enacted in December, 1923.

Follows Model Charter

City Attorney Paul Patterson in making a review of the proposed charter said that it followed a model charter that was being adopted in many parts of the United States and also that quite a few Oregon municipalities had adopted it. In planning for post war changes, Patterson said it was considered necessary to make a number of changes.

Two points stressed by Patterson in explaining the proposed charter was the desirability of having a more flexible method of handling city improvements in the post war period and to provide for a true city manager form of government in the interest of greater administrative efficiency.

Under the present street improvement provisions the only way open at the present time is through petition of 60 per cent of the property owners and with the assessments to be made against the abutting property. This, he said, has resulted in the city being forced to take over considerable property over the years. During WPA days, Patterson asserted, charter restrictions made it difficult to obtain some improvements.

It was pointed out that the new charter would permit the use of the general fund, money that might come from the city's share of gasoline taxes and possible federal and state aid, to be used for maintaining and possibly replacement of streets that are worn out and used by the public generally. The

J. E. Johnson Rites Held Here

Funeral services for Julian Eggleston Johnson, 82, former local photographer who died here Sunday, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Donelson & Sewell chapel in Hillsboro. He was born in a log cabin in western Wisconsin February 7, 1861, where his parents had homesteaded in 1838. In 1879 the family, of which Mr. Johnson was the tenth of 11 children, moved to Redwood Falls, Minnesota. About this time he developed a love for writing poetry, a hobby which he continued throughout his life.

He started teaching school in 1880 and was married October 3, 1882. He began taking pictures as a hobby in 1888 and shortly afterwards resigned as a teacher to take up photography as a business. In the years that followed he had studios in three Minnesota towns, before moving to North Dakota. In 1907 he came to Oregon and two years later opened his Hillsboro studio.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary here in 1932. Two years later Mrs. Johnson died.

Mr. Johnson is survived by a son, Dewey D. Johnson of Oakland, Cal.; two daughters, Mrs. Lee L. Withers of Portland and Mrs. Thelma Peppard of Hillsboro; 16 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Items Concerning Local Folk in Service Wanted

The Argus welcomes news stories relative to the activities of Washington county service men and women. Information about promotions, transfers, visits home should be turned in so that friends in and out of the service may keep informed. Letters of general interest from local boys are also appreciated.

Curb on Ration Book Loss Planned Here

Warning that residents of the Washington county should be careful to take better care of their ration books and other materials against loss was issued this week by Mervin W. Brink, local rationing board chairman.

Replacement of lost ration books will be more difficult in the future, Brink declared. A thorough investigation of the loss will be made before new books are issued. This delay may work a hardship in many instances, Brink pointed out.

Polio Drive Opens Here On Friday

Coin Boxes Placed In Stores; Program Includes Other Events

Hillsboro's campaign to raise funds to help children crippled by infantile paralysis back to health, happiness and a brighter future will get under way Friday under the direction of Mervin W. Brink, chairman of the Lions club committee in charge of the drive. Half of the money raised during the campaign which will end January 21 remains in Washington county to aid local polio-relief officers, the balance going to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to carry on research into the causes and treatment of the crippling disease.

Coin Boxes Planned

Collection boxes in which residents of Hillsboro and surrounding towns may place their donations for the fight against infantile paralysis will be placed in local business houses Friday, Brink declared. Larger donations may be mailed to him at the Commercial National bank building in Hillsboro.

Plans are now being considered to conduct a benefit dance for the campaign. Details will be announced shortly. It is also planned to mail "March of Dime" cards throughout the Hillsboro area and to conduct "March of Dime" drives in the schools.

Last year there was enough infantile paralysis in Oregon to assume the proportions of an epidemic, Brink declared in launching the local drive. Today the helpless victims of the disease are in need of immediate expert attention. He pointed out that donations should be increased this year since there is more to be done.

If the nation had been prepared for the scourge of infantile paralysis last year, a greater toll of lives might have been taken, seriously affecting the war effort. However, the National Foundation had taken every possible precaution to assure the best medical care would be available wherever polio struck. What might have been a major catastrophe was averted because the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis had trained many workers who could be rushed to epidemic areas, because it had available all known data on the disease, because its thousands of volunteer chapter workers were on guard in every locality in the nation.

Growing children are this country's greatest assets. To provide for their future security, Americans are giving their lives daily in world war II. The responsibility of keeping up a constant battle against this crippling disease rests with the home front.

Committees appointed by Brink to handle various phases of the local campaign are as follows: speakers, Frank Sturgis, chairman, Ken Wilcox, Bob Bugdale, H. P. Rasmussen, James C. Say, Schools—Kenneth Peterson, chairman, Dan Bogue, Dr. A. M. Abrams, Dr. Fred Bunker and

Dairy Payment Rates Boosted

The Portland said there were now 224 government bureaus with a government employee for every 45 persons. He cited the following objections to the bureau system: (1) They spend money they don't have to carry and don't have to make books balance; (2) make their own rules; (3) encroach on local and state government; and (4) giving AAA office. Under the new program, producers in Western Oregon will receive a five cent increase to 30 cents a hundredweight on whole milk and an increase of one cent to six cents a pound on butterfat.

These rates apply to milk and cream produced in January. Payments for November-December production, now being made by the county AAA committee, will be at the original rates.

Rationing Eased On Women's Shoes

Ration regulations on women's shoes will be eased for a two-week period beginning Monday, according to a recent OPA announcement. Retailers will be permitted to sell shoes that were in their stock of women's footwear without requiring ration coupons during the period beginning Monday and ending January 29.

Regulations require that these sales may be for shoes priced at \$3 or less. This is expected to limit sales to novelty type shoes. Footwear to be included in the rationing plan will be marked with official OPA non-rationing stickers.

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The Weather

(By A. W. Moore of U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, co-operative weather observer)

	Temp.	Prect.	
	Max.	Min.	(Inches)
Jan. 5	43	30	0
Jan. 6	40	26	0
Jan. 7	40	24	0
Jan. 8	42	22	0
Jan. 9	44	24	0
Jan. 10	42	22	0
Jan. 11	46	31	0
Jan. 12	38	26	.46



BABY DERBY WINNERS—Apparently blissfully unaware of the fact that they started life as winners of the 1944 Hillsboro Merchants' annual New Year Derby are Judith Nora Shoop (above), snuggled against her mother, Mrs. Floyd Shoop, and Susan Cheryl Young (below), cuddled in the arms of her mother, Mrs. Homer H. Young. Judith Nora received the gifts assigned to the first baby of the New Year born to parents living inside the Hillsboro city limits, while Susan Cheryl won the shower of presents offered the first baby of 1944 born to parents residing in the Hillsboro trading area outside the city limits.

Curb Placed On Deferment Many Youths

Placing of a drastic curb on occupational deferments on youths 18 through 21 effective February 1 was announced Saturday by Major-General Lewis B. Hershey, Farm workers in the 18-21 age group will not be affected by the new order. Occupational deferments will not be granted to registrants under 22, even if they have critical skills or will fathers, the order stipulated. Only exceptions permitted will be in the case of farm workers or industrial deferments authorized by the state selective service director. Deferments in effect February 1 will be allowed to run their course but will not be renewed, it was said.

Student deferments are sharply curtailed by the order, though a limited number of college students taking scientific or professional work are exempted. High school students in the last half of their academic year will continue to be deferred until the end of that year if they request it.

The order does not affect occupational deferments for men 22 and over, and in issuing the order to draft boards, selective service emphasized that in granting occupational deferments, fathers over 22 would normally be given consideration over non-fathers.

General Hershey warned that although the new order will make at least 115,000 more non-fathers eligible for military service, the order would not delay long the draft of pre-war fathers. Only 90,000 fathers were inducted in the last quarter of 1943. The original goal was 446,000 but draft boards are loathe to induct fathers," Hershey declared.

\$23,220 School Quota

Quota for Washington county schools during the Fourth War Loan has been set at \$23,220 in series E bonds, according to word from the state war finance office. This is three per cent of the county's E bond goal.

President Roosevelt Asks National Service to Speed End of Conflict

President Roosevelt on Tuesday recommended to congress a five-point legislative program topped by a national service law, which he said would prevent strikes and make "every able-bodied adult in this nation" available for war production and other essential services.

The five points are: (1) A realistic tax law. (2) A continuation of the law for the renegotiation of war contracts. (3) A cost of food law. (4) Early reenactment of the "economic" stabilization statute of October, 1942. (5) A national service law which, for the duration of the war, will prevent strikes, and with certain appropriate exceptions, will make available for war production or for any other essential service, every able-bodied adult in this nation.

Although I believe that we and our Allies can win the war without such a measure (national service), declared Mr. Roosevelt, "I am certain that nothing less than total mobilization of all our resources of manpower and capital will guarantee an earlier victory and reduce the toll of suffering and sorrow and blood.



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School Census Shows Big Gain In County Areas

Increase of approximately 400 in the number of boys and girls in the county between the ages of four and 20 is indicated in the 1943 school census tabulation completed this week. The total, as of November 25 is 11,914 as compared with 11,518 for 1942.

The gain is substantial but far below the gain of the previous year when the total jumped by 595, according to Austin Serafford, county school superintendent. Next largest group is the 15-year-old with 631.

Distribution of the current census shows 6,173 boys and 5,741 girls in the county between four and 20 years of age. Largest age groups are the 14- and seven-year-olds with a total of 804 each. Next largest group is the 15-year-old with 631.

Population by age groups is: 4-6, 363 boys, 334 girls, total 697; 7-10, 377 girls, total 780; 11-12, 373 girls, total 804; 13-14, 398 girls, total 304; 15-16, 631 boys, 623 girls, total 1,254; 17-18, 342 girls, total 757; 19-20, 392 girls, total 782; 21-22, 329 girls, total 743; 23-24, 379 girls, total 792; 25-30, 362 girls, total 727; 31-40, 397 girls, total 801; 41-50, 393 girls, total 740; 51-60, 376 girls, total 737; 61-70, 389 girls, total 877; 71-80, 289 girls, total 536.

Pork Bonus Ends Saturday Night

Saturday night will mark the expiration of the second pork ration book, according to the OPA. Under that time, spare stamp No. 2 in ration book four has been validated for the purchase of five points' worth of fresh pork and all sausage.

Pork, such as smoked ham and bacon is not permitted with the special stamp. All fresh pork and any type of sausage, except that canned or in glass readiness of pork content is authorized.

Reils Heart of Nazidom

Powerful formations of U. S. bombers belted highly stormy weather and terrific German fighter opposition Tuesday to pound targets deep in Germany. Nazis claim 136 of the bombers were shot down. U. S. communication states 69 bombers and five fighters failed to return.

Proclaiming the object as the "utter defeat of the enemy," the Red army was closing in on the old Polish rail junction of Sarny from three directions Wednesday and was massing for a steam-roller smash toward Rumania. En-

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