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Solemn Obligation to Keep Faith With Those Who Die

On this Fourth of July we should rededicate ourselves to the preservation of those principles of freedom and democracy in which this day had its original inception and for which the cream of American young manhood is now fighting to maintain.

It is our solemn obligation to the living and the dead to see to it that the sacrifices of our young men are not in vain, and, as pointed out here last week by Captain Ned Ross, do our part in making a peace that will be worth the great price that is being paid.

That Washington county boys have paid dearly to maintain these principles is evidenced in a compilation of casualties made by the Argus up to June 21. Reports received by the Argus show that 137 Washington county boys have been killed in action or died in service, 178 have been wounded, 30 are missing and 11 are prisoners of the Japanese. Besides the 11 held by the Japanese many more have undergone extreme hardships and suffering in German prison of war camps, but are now liberated.

God grant that we at home will not falter in our obligations to these men who have sacrificed so much and the others who will follow. We at home have a big part to play in the buying of bonds to bring the war to a speedy and successful conclusion to prevent greater loss of life, to assist in the Red Cross and War Fund financial drives, to give our blood that some American boy may be saved and to help out in salvage campaigns willingly.

Hillsboro's Fourth of July Traditional Homecoming

Very appropriately the people of Hillsboro have made a big occasion of the Fourth of July over a period of many years. The "Happy Days" Fourth of July celebration has been observed here for so long that it has become traditional and many people from far and near, particularly former county residents, look forward to it as a time in which to meet old friends and to make new ones. In this respect it is a great homecoming event appreciated by the oldtimers.

For young and old alike, there is plenty of entertainment including much of the old fashioned kind that goes with such a celebration. As a result it has drawn large crowds and will continue to do so for a long time. Our main regret at this time is that so many hundreds of our young men and women are in foreign lands or in distant training camps in this country. The hope and prayer of all will be that victory over Japan will be secured long before another Fourth of July comes around so that the day may be most fittingly observed as "Happy Days," a name given when happier times prevailed.

For a good many years now the celebration has been sponsored by the Hillsboro Firemen's association with Wilbur Dillon as manager. In sponsoring this event the firemen have continued their fine record of public service that is not limited to their great work of firefighting. They have conducted an orderly celebration that is truly a credit to Hillsboro and Washington county.

Among other groups which has helped materially in the success of the celebration is the Business and Professional Women's club, which has sponsored the "Goddess of Liberty" candidates' contest for many years and before that the "Queen" contest. This is an attractive feature of "Happy Days" celebration, and the club deserves great credit for its participation.

In making plans for the Fourth of July observance it should always be remembered that Hillsboro is a good place to be at any time and that in this year of continued gas rationing and tire shortage the best thing is to stay near home. The firemen and the community extend a welcome to everyone to join them here next week.

Treasury Checks Evasion

Every citizen should pay his just share of taxes and the Treasury Department is rightfully making a drive to detect and eliminate tax evasion. In this drive it is requiring all financial institutions to file reports of unusual currency transactions. Included in this category are all currency transactions "in amounts or denominations which, in the judgment of the financial institutions, exceed those commensurate with the legitimate and customary conduct of the business, industry, or profession or the person or organization concerned."

The Treasury points out that the use of currency, in an attempt to conceal income, is a factor in many tax evasion cases now under investigation. Secretary Morgenthau said, "The Treasury will pursue unrelentingly its campaign to stamp out tax evasion. I deplore deeply the fact that some people in the middle of a war seek to defraud their government. If such frauds are not prevented, the net result will be to throw a heavier burden upon the vast majority of our fifty million taxpayers, who make honest returns and pay their taxes in full, with the knowledge that the money is needed to sustain the war effort. No honest person needs to fear the results of our investigation, but the Treasury is determined to use all available personnel and all legitimate methods to deal with the cheaters."

Let us hope that the government is successful in this drive, for tax evasion is not good citizenship and is decidedly unfair to everyone else.

That the help situation has hit the small town papers hard is evidenced by a report of suspension in Iowa. Eighty-four Iowa weekly newspapers, 15 per cent of all the weeklies in the state, have gone out of existence since Pearl Harbor, according to a survey made by the University of Iowa school of journalism. Such suspensions are a real loss to the communities served because of the part played by the weekly newspaper in small town life.

Lewis and Clark

The Great American Odyssey
A Condensed Story of the Historic Expedition of 1804-6
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CHAPTER V.
FLOYD ONLY CASUALTY
Sergeant Charles Floyd died August 20 of natural causes, at a point on the river below present Sioux City, Iowa. He was buried on a high bluff with military honors, and his grave was marked with a cedar post bearing his name and date of death. Today a tall, stately obelisk marks the spot of his interment. His name was given to Floyd's river, which flows into the Missouri a short distance above the bluff where he is buried. Floyd was the only man lost on the entire trip. There was one desertion, Joe Barter, a Frenchman called "La Liberté."

How-wows were held with the Indians at various points and peace pacts were made with the Sioux, Arikaras and Mandans. Big Sioux river was reached on August 21. Two hundred miles up this stream were located the quarries where the Indians got the stone with which to make their famous red-stone pipes. James river, near the present Yankton, S. D., was reached on August 27. Pryor, Oregon and another man were sent up the river to contact the quarries of Sioux Indians and invite them to a party. Lewis and Clark met the Indians 20 miles farther up the Missouri, where the council was held with the usual formalities.

Big Bend of the Missouri was reached on September 20, in present South Dakota. The bend was over 18 miles around the loop and less than a mile across the neck. Four days later they arrived at present Pierre, S. D. Bad river and Wilson Price Hunt set out with his Astorians in 1811 on his epochal land journey to the Columbia.

On October 18, Lewis and Clark came to the mouth of a stream where there were large quantities of round stones resembling cannon balls, so they named the stream Cannonball river. Hunting was good, the explorers living on the tenderest portions of buffalo, elk, deer and antelope. For a change they had ducks and fish. There would be lean days ahead when their stomachs would water and their stomachs yearn for those delicacies.

Winter was now coming on and Lewis and Clark looked for a suitable place to make a permanent camp. The principal Mandan village was located south of present Stanton, N. D. below the mouth of the Knife river. A location was selected across the Missouri from the Mandan village at a wooded spot on the north bank of the river, which here flows east. On November 2 they commenced the erection of their buildings and a stockade of cottonwood logs. They called it Fort Mandan. Here they spent the winter of 1804-5, about 1800 miles from the mouth of the Missouri. It had taken 160 days to make the journey, at an average of about 10 miles a day.

Trading was resorted to during the winter, the Indians bringing corn and pumpkins for iron articles made by the blacksmiths, and for other articles of trade. The traders exchanged visits and provided entertainment for one another. Christmas Day, however, the Indians were excluded, being ignorant that this was a "Big Medicine Day" for the white men, when they wished to be alone. A grand feast was prepared and toasts were drunk to President Jefferson and other high government officials. The flag was hoisted amid the cheers of the men and a salute from their guns. Crutcher, the on-eyed boatman, got out his fiddle. Rivet danced on his head, and the men sang and danced until a late hour. This was the first Christmas celebration that had far west.

(To be continued.)

In Other Days

Fifteen Years Ago
Argus, June 26, 1930—More local history placed in box in cornerstone of remodeled city hall.

Mrs. Orpha Carille elected state president Woman's Relief corps. Newberg defeated Manager Paddy Kreitz Hillsboro team 6-4 Sunday morning.

W. T. Putnam of Farmington named as a director of Hillsboro union high school district.

Patty Lomas elected president Hillsboro Business and Professional Women's club.

Deaths—Fritz Meier of North Plains, Chris H. Larsen of Elmtonia.

Thirty Years Ago
Argus, June 24, 1915—Grover Combs will soon open a moving picture house in Hillsboro. He has already purchased the plant and will first operate at the celebration grounds.

A regular cloudburst hit Hillsboro Friday. The gutters could not carry off the heavy downpour and the streets, between the curbs, were miniature lakes.

Death—Mrs. Christine Wren of near Centerville.

Business section of Timber destroyed by fire early Saturday morning.

O. B. Gates elected Hillsboro school director and Peter Boscow was named clerk.

Reaverton votes bond issue of \$23,500 to build a high school.

Ben Hurs beat Hillsboro Grays Sunday 4 to 2. Donovan for Ben Hurs struck out 15 and Ralph Williams whiffed 12.

Forty-five Years Ago
Argus, June 28, 1945—Congressman Thomas H. Tongue to speak at big Fourth of July celebration here.

Band boys turn out in fine new uniforms and give concert in court yard Saturday evening.

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County Church Services

Cedar Mill Community Church—Sunday school 9:45. Morning service with communion at 11. Ross H. Cornwell and Otis Smith guests. Y. P. 7:15 p. m. Burt Rydman, speaker. Evening hour 8. Burt Rydman of Aloha. No Bible study hour during week—Rev. Simon E. Forsberg, minister.

St. Paul Lutheran, Sherwood, 1 1/2 miles west of Six Corners—Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; church services, 10:30 a. m.—J. H. Meisinger, pastor.

All Saints' Episcopal, 4th and Lincoln St.—Friday, St. Peter's day. Holy communion 7:30 p. m. Sunday, Holy communion 7:30 a. m. Holy communion and sermon 11 a. m. Tuesday, prayer service 12:30 p. m.—Newton Penberthy, Vicar.

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Services every Sunday at 11; Sunday school at 11. Wednesday services, 8 p. m. Free reading room open Wednesday and Saturday, 2 until 4 p. m. Sunday's topic is "Christian Science."

First Baptist, corner of 2nd and Lincoln St.—Friday, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship and communion service at 11. Sermon: "The Inevitable Church." B. Y. F. youth groups meet at 7 p. m. Evening gospel hour 8. Singership at 9:15 p. m.—Norman W. Brown, minister.

Assembly of God Tabernacle, 246 E. Lincoln—Sunday school at 10.

BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY THE VOICE OF PROPHECY INTERNATIONAL BIBLE BROADCAST

Question—What is the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel and mentioned by Jesus in Matthew 24:15?

Answer—The parallel passage in Luke 21:20 reads: "And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh." The abomination of desolation evidently refers to the desolating heathen armies of Rome with their pagan standards.

Q.—Please tell me where to find the text which says that we have a living soul.

A.—You may refer to Genesis 2:7, which says that man is a living soul, not that he has a living soul. "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

Q.—What causes dreams? Does God send them?

A.—For the cause of dreams induced by physical or mental conditions, men consult a physician or psychiatrist. On the other hand, the Bible declares that God does speak to men by dreams. Numbers 12:6: If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord . . . will speak unto him in a dream. A prophetic dream was given to Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon. [See Daniel 2.]

Q.—The gospel has been preached for 1900 years, but hasn't converted the world yet. How much longer do you think it will take?

A.—Christ's promise was not that the preaching of the gospel would convert the world, but that it would be a witness to the world. Matthew 24:14: "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

Q.—What is the meaning of the expression "a time and times and the dividing of time"? [Daniel 7:25.]

A.—In Revelation 12:6 we read: "And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days." This period is again expressed in verse 14 by "a time, and times, and half [dividing of] a time." These 1260 days are here used in symbolic prophecy and must refer to a literal period of time.

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Letters from Service Men

Hatred Evident

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