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Schools of City Show Big Gains

Enrollment at Hilhi Expected to Increase To 800 by Next Week

Marked increases in enrollment at both the Hillsboro union high school and the three elementary schools continued in order this week, according to school officials. Hilhi, which opened Monday, reported a record first day attendance of 780, while the grade schools gained from 761 to 796 during the second week of school.

Opening registration at Hillsboro union high school showed a gain of 93 students over the first day enrollment of 687 last year, according to Principal John R. Cox. Class registrations were 231 freshmen, 219 sophomores, 161 juniors and 168 seniors.

More Students Expected

Cox stated that he expected more students to enroll during the balance of the week. This would bring the anticipated enrollment to approximately 800, he said. As a result, it is expected that another teacher will have to be hired to help carry the load.

About 500 students are being transported to and from the high school this year, Cox reported. Another bus has been added for a short run to Orenco and back. Total of 11 busses are now being operated and all are loaded to capacity.

Registrations at the three Hillsboro elementary schools continued to grow during the week and Monday the total had gained from 761 to 796, according to Superintendent J. W. Poynter. The additional attendance was distributed over the three schools, Peter Boscow gaining from 105 to 107, B. W. Barnes from 261 to 270 and David Hill from 407 to 419.

Marked increase has also been noted at the two cafeterias, according to Poynter, who said the gain was about 25 per cent over the average last year. The David Hill cafeteria is required to run three shifts and the Peter Boscow cafeteria two to accommodate the youngsters.

That it was impossible to extend present transportation facilities for grade school children due to the lack of money for the purpose in the budget was the decision reached by the school board Monday night, the superintendent said. Hence transportation will be provided only for youngsters living more than two miles from school. The board pointed out that many children inside the city limits were required to walk three-quarters of a mile to more than a mile to school. Only two busses are available at present with a capacity of 50 students each. At present transportation has to be provided for 152 youngsters.

SPARTAN GRIDDERS DRAW BATTLE GEAR—Six lettermen and a host of football aspirants were on hand Saturday afternoon on Coach Al Bogue's call to draw uniforms and go through a limbering-up workout. Manager Dale Baker, behind the cage, checks out the first outfit which Willie Laird, half-pint backfield speedster, passes on to Tommy Straughan, husky blocking back. Gridders shown (left to right) are Laird, End Bob Amacher, Fullback Art Eastwood, Center Les Clark, Center Dave Ehlers, Straughan, Wallace Sigler and Tom Callahan.

Bogue Installed As President of Lions Club Here

Al Bogue, Hilhi athletic coach, was installed Wednesday noon as president of the Hillsboro Lions club. He succeeds James C. Say as head of the organization.

Other officers for the coming year are Ken Wilcox, first vice-president; Bob Beattie, second vice-president; Ken Peterson, secretary; Eric Marggi, treasurer; Del Jones, tail twister; Ed Brown, lion tamer; R. P. Rasmussen, Reid Cottrell, Dr. J. V. Horne and Francis Sturgis, directors.

Past president's pin was presented to Say. Ed Coman was installing officer.

Committee appointments for the coming year were read by Bogue.

State Senator Paul L. Patterson of Hillsboro and Bill Meehan of Oregon City, a charter member of the local club, were guests.

Prune Shakers Needed to Save Crop in County

Emergency call for prune shakers in orchards near Forest Grove was issued this week by the county farm labor office. Plenty of pickers are available but the shortage of shakers makes it impossible to utilize the labor supply to the fullest advantage, according to Roy L. Davidson, farm labor assistant.

Prune shaking requires the services of men or husky boys, and growers are paying $1 per hour for the work, Davidson said. Considerable picking help has been made available by the fact that Forest Grove high and grade schools are dismissing at noon so students may help save the crop. As a result between 25 and 50 more shakers are required immediately.

Some of the prunes have started to rot on the trees and on the ground, Davidson said. Immediate help is needed to save much of the crop from spoiling.

Growers who wish student pickers are asked to contact the farm labor office in the basement of the court house, Hillsboro. They may also contact Paul Menegat at the Forest Grove high school or Loy Marshall, elementary school superintendent.

The hop harvest is almost complete in the county, the labor assistant declared. However, some picking is still underway in the Buchanan and Sinclair yards.

Some pickers will be needed at the Hendricks and Henderson rean fields today (Thursday) and Friday, Davidson said. Other fields are practically finished.

Aloha-Huber To Vote on Bond Issue

Water District Plans $215,000 Improvement; Election on Monday

Voters of the Aloha-Huber water district will vote Monday on a proposed $215,000 bond issue to construct a new distribution system in the district and to construct a new main from Hillsboro to the district tank. The vote will be taken at the Huber Commercial hall and the polls will be open from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m. Every person who has resided in the district for a period of at least 90 days and is a registered voter in the district is qualified to vote, according to Harry Leskela, superintendent.

Commissioners of the district have asked for the authorization of $120,000 in general obligation bonds and an additional $95,000 in revenue bonds to finance the work. Cost of the improvement will require a 10 mill levy on property in the district and possibly require a slight increase in water rates. Amount of the increase will depend upon the number of new users that can be obtained in the district, it was explained. Commissioners also point out that the tax rate could be reduced as the district increases in population and assessed valuation in years to come.

Improvements Proposed

Improvement proposed for the district includes the construction of a 10-inch steel pipe main from Hillsboro to the district tank, with laterals on every street to houses now constructed that desire service and new service pipes from mains to meters. The laterals are to range in size from eight-inch steel pipe to two-inch galvanized pipe. Altogether, the district would construct approximately 38 miles of pipe line to provide service to everyone desiring it in the district.

Bonds to purchase the system from private owners were voted July 14, 1941. Proposal at the time was to replace it as rapidly as possible to provide an adequate and an assured supply of water. Shortage of materials and manpower during recent war years held up plans for a complete water system and commissioners now point out that the system has outlived its usefulness and is beyond any ordinary repair. Water loss and maintenance costs during the past two years have been heavy.

Hillsboro to Be Source

The Aloha-Huber district plans to purchase water from the city of Hillsboro in view of the latter's plans for extensive improvements to its system to guarantee an ample quantity of water through installing a larger pipe line to the present supply and the development of additional sources.

HEADS WAR CHEST—Henry E. Shelton of Forest Grove, who is directing campaign plans for the 1945 war chest drive in Washington county.

Legionnaires, Auxiliary Will Install Officers

Joint installation of the American Legion and Auxiliary will be held at the Legion hall Tuesday night, September 25, according to announcement made at post meeting Tuesday night. All World War II veterans and their wives are invited to attend the installation.

The Legion will meet twice a month beginning in October, on the second and fourth Tuesdays. During the war only one meeting was held each month.

Reports on the state convention in Portland last week were made by A. J. Foelker and Commander E. A. Griffith, Art Brodersen of Forest Grove was named a delegate to the national convention in Chicago in November, and Foelker was named as an alternate. Foelker reported that the Legion reaffirmed its support of universal service. He expressed the belief that such service should be tied in with a boy's education. It was also brought out in the convention that the Legion posts should make the Legion sufficiently attractive to veterans of World War II.

Neil Morfitt of Astoria was elected department commander.

Mrs. Ethel Powers and Mrs. Pat Johnston, president and vice-president-elect, were delegates to the Auxiliary convention, and Mrs. Lucile George and Mrs. Emma Ferland, alternates, also attended the sessions.

Mrs. Dorothy Templar of Brookings was elected state president, and Mrs. Etta White of Astoria was elected president of this district. She will be installing officer for the Auxiliary on September 25. Mrs. Sadie Graham of Corvallis, well known in Pythian cricles in this county, was elected finance officer.

$32,400 Set As Goal for War Chest

Quotas Increased In Final Drive Slated To Open on October 1

Washington county's goal in the 1945 war chest campaign which opens October 1 was set at $32,400 during a meeting of the county committee Monday night in Hillsboro. The quota, which is $1900 over last year, is made up of $25,812 for national and state organizations, $6000 for county groups and $588 for campaign expenses, according to Henry Shelton of Forest Grove, county chairman.

National and state budget allocated to Washington county is $1212 greater than in 1944, Shelton said. However, these budgets will be sufficient to finance national war fund agencies through to their liquidation or the end of 1946, he explained. The coming war chest campaign will be the last operated on a national basis.

County Groups Share

County organizations which presented budgets to the committee and will share the $6000 allocated in this area are the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Camp Fire Girls. Girl Scout budget of $500 is the same as last year, the Camp Fire Girls' estimates were increased $200 to $1200, while the Boy Scout budget was upped $1300 to $4300. The latter increase will permit the assigning of a full-time Scout executive in the county to handle activities in the Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Tualatin area councils.

Area quotas, as announced by the committee, are all slightly higher than in 1944 to meet the increased budget. Goals were assigned as follows: Area 1, Forest Grove, Gaston and Gales Creek—$7400; Area 2, Laurel, Scholls — $2600; Area 3, Sherwood, Tualatin —$1600; Area 4, Beaverton, Progress, Cedar Mill, Garden Home—$3200; Area 5, West Slope—$2000; Area 6, Huber, Bethany, Aloha—$1100; Area 7, Hillsboro, Cornelius, North Plains—$9800; Area 8, Orenco, Reedville, West Union—$1100; Area 9, Tigard, Metzger — $2000; Area 10, Banks, Buxton, Roy — $1600.

Leaders Named

Area chairmen have been appointed in four districts, according to Shelton, and leaders in the other six will be named soon. Those now appointed are Rev. Hubert Sias, Forest Grove area; George Laver, Banks area; Art Mason, Tigard area; and J. W. Mulloy, Laurel area.

State agencies which will share in the war chest drive are the Boys' and Girls' Aid society, Catholic Children's bureau, Children's Home, Oregon Protective society, Volunteers of America Mothers' and Children's Home, Salvation army White Shield and Wemme Homes, Waverly Baby Home and Oregon Mental Hygiene society.

National agencies include the United Service Organizations, United Seamen's service, War Prisoners Aid, Philippine War Relief, Belgian War Relief, United China Relief, American Relief for Czechoslovakia, American Relief for France, Greek War Relief, American Relief for Holland, American Relief for Italy, United Lithuanian Relief, Friends of Luxembourg, American Relief for Norway, Polish War Relief, United Yugoslav Relief fund, American Field service, Refugee Relief Trustees and U. S. Committee for Care European children.

That the six months of the coming fall and winter will be one of the most critical periods in human nistory is the declaration of war chest leaders. The victory in the Pacific, and the morale problems of occupation, demobolization and convalescence mean a peak load for the USO and other service organizations, with no possible retrenchment until spring.

During the coming drive the American public will be asked to "Be Generous in Victory"—showing their loyalty to those in the armed forces who won the victory and their friendliness and generosity to suffering and stricken neighbors in their time of greatest need.

Tillamook Burn Area Studied By Forestry Group

Tour of inspecion of the entire Tillamook burn involved in the recent forest fire is being conducted today (Thursday) by the special state forestry committee, according to H. D. Kerkman, Washington county judge and a member of the group. A recommendation to the governor concerning the proposal to seed experimental strips in the burn to grass and tree seeds may be made following the tour.

Committeemen assembled at the Northwest Forest Protective association headquarters at 9 a. m. on the Gales Creek road above Forest Grove. The group hopes to cover the entire burn during the day.

Governor Earl Snell and Harlan Woods, Tillamook county judge, were invited to accompany the tour, Kerkman said.

The experimental seeding program includes clearing of snags and planting mile-wide test strips to grass and alder seed. Washington-Tillamook county group backing the proposal contends that the strips would serve as fire breaks, prevent soil erosion, provide flood control, conserve water for summer use and protect fish and wild life.

Other burned-over and logged-off lands in the state are to be studied by the group which was named by the governor to consider fire prevention, fire suppression and reforestation problems in the state.

Fire Area Vote Set at Tualatin

Organization election for the Tualatin rural fire protection district will be held Friday at the Cipole school, according to W. A. Tupper, county clerk. Polls will be located in the school basement and will be open from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m.

Candidates for the five positions of director of the recently formed district are H. E. Cowgill, W. E. Reber, Edward C. Hunziker, Fred Plieth and R. W. Howell.

Members of the election board include Mrs. Bessie Galbreath, chairman, Mrs. Hilma Gaard, Mrs. Florence M. Frewing, Mrs. May Werre, Mrs. Manette Lafky and Mrs. Lola Tooze.

Capt. Harty Home From Combat in CBI

Capt. Henry Harty, veteran of a year's flying with the 10th army air force in the CBI area, arrived in Hillsboro last Friday. Stationed at Bhamo, Burma, Capt. Harty flew combat cargo in a C-47. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross with two oak leaf clusters, the Aid Medal with two clusters and Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon with three stars.

Prior to leaving for overseas duty, Capt. Harty was instructing B-26 pilots at bases in Louisiana and Florida. He received his pilot's wings at Stockton, Cal.

Capt. Harty will report for reassignment at Santa Ana, Cal., on October 7. His wife (Grace Bowman) will accompany him.

Hilhi Spartans Field Heavier Team in '45

Hillsboro's Spartans will be represented on the gridiron this season by a much heavier team than last year and one almost as fast as the squad that placed second in the 1944 Tualatin-Yamhill valley football league, according to Coach Al Bogue. The backfield, spearheaded by Jack Doyle, swivel-hipped halfback who has made the TYV all-star the past two years, promises to be a bit faster than the 1944 ball-carrying aggregation, but the line is expected to be a bit slower.

Bogue and his two assistants, Don Kirsch and Louis McCorkle, had a grid turnout totaling 113 the first of the week. Out of this group a tentative varsity squad of 29 gridders has been selected including four regulars from last year, four additional lettermen, three reserves from 1944, one transfer and 17 promising men from the B squad.

Lettermen Return

Letterman regulars back in uniform are Doyle, two-year letterman; Tommy Straughan, one-year letterman blocking back; Wayne Faber, two-year letterman tackle; and Bob Amacher, one-year letterman end. Other lettermen on the squad are Willie Laird, halfback; Les Clark, center; Art Eastwood, fullback last year who has been shifted to end; and Sam Christensen, guard. Reserves include Ron Haworth, back; Kenny Brandaw, tackle; and Don Miller, back. Dave Ehlers center prospect, is a letterman transfer.

Promising players from last year's B squad are: Forrest Hennings, Stan Neitling, Duane Olanie, Ivan LaHale, Tom Callahan, Garth Kohlmeyer, Howard Frazier, Wally Sigler, Jack Shearer, Duane Kelly, Jerry Doyle, "Red" Gearnhart, "Speed" Waibel, Morrie Barackman, Wally Flint, Dick Vanderzanden and Gilbert Howell. Several members of last year's freshmen squad are showing promise of developing into varsity caliber.

Team Shapes Up

Tentative lineup as developed in the first few days of practice seems to evolve into Doyle, Laird and Miller at halfbacks; Straughan at blocking back; Haworth, fullback; Clark or Ehlers, center; Christensen, Waibel and LaHaie, guards; Faber, Brandaw, Vanderzanden and Callahan, tackles; Amacher, Eastwood, Frazier and Sigler, ends.

In Brandaw and Faber Bogue will have a pair of 20-pound tackles, while all four of his tackle prospects appear plenty rugged. Eastwood shows promise of developing into a capable running mate for lanky Amacher on the wings, while the Spartans have several top prospects for "scatbacks" to pace Jack Doyle. Straughan, hailed by Bogue as one of the

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Bethany Woman Named on Staff National Board

Miss Irene Hansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hansen of Bethany, has recently been appointed to the staff of the homemaker's service department for the National Livestock and Meat Board with main offices in Chicago, Ill. The National Livestock and Meat Board is an educational organization representing livestock growers and feeders, livestock marketing agencies, meat packers, and retail meat dealers.

Miss Hansen, with headquarters in San Francisco, will serve as regional home economist in the west area. The United States is divided into six areas with one home economist in each. The eight states in the west area include: Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico.

Miss Hansen will conduct meat cookery lecture demonstrations, nutrition discussions, radio talks, and will present meat educational material to homemakers, high schools, colleges, public utility companies, and other organizations.

Miss Hansen attended Beaverton high school, is a former 4-H club member of Washington county, and a graduate of the school of home economics of Oregon State college. For the past two and a half years she has served as home service consultant for the Puget Sound Power & Light company at Seattle, Wash.

En route from Chicago to San Francisco Miss Hansen visited at the home of her parents while in the Portland area. She left Sunday evening for California.

Blood Donor Plan To End Saturday

Blood donor program in the United States will end Saturday night, according to word received here Wednesday by Mrs. F. Abenddroth, Washington county donor service chairman. As a result no donors of type O blood will be taken at the Portland center after that date. Mobile unit visits to Washington county were halted about a month ago.

Farewell party for donor service workers in the area covered by the Portland center and mobile units will be held Monday between 4 and 6 p. m. at the Portland center, according to Mrs. Abendroth. All local workers are invited to attend.

Votes Challenged In Roy Election

Six votes in the recent Roy district ballot on proposed merger with Banks union high school area have been challenged, according to Austin T. Scrafford, county school superintendent. The questioned voters have been requested to contact the county district boundary board and prove that they were legal voters.

If three or more of the voters prove they were qualified, the election will stand. Otherwise a revote on the proposition will be required. The Roy district voted August 31 with the returns favoring the merger 22 to 18.

Friday Final Day Home Canning Sugar

Friday will be the final day for making application for home canning sugar at the Hillsboro ration office. The local office will be closed all day Saturday, the final day set by OPA for receiving and processing canning sugar applications.

Gallon Clubbers Continue Group

That the Washington County Gallon club would continue as an organization was the decision reached here Saturday by members of the group composed of donors who had given eight or more pints of blood during the Red Cross blood plasma program. Future meetings will be held twice a year or oftener if necessary, according to Mrs. Frances Deaville, president.

Seven new members were taken into the club, bringing the total of members who qualified at the county donor center to 114. County residents who qualified at other centers amount to 111, bringing the total club membership to 225.

That donors who were a pint or two short of qualifying for the gallon club could meet the requirement by giving a blood transfusion to a member of the armed forces was pointed out by Mrs. F. Abendroth, county donor service committee chairman. Donors with type O blood can still complete their gallon at the Portland center.

Appreciation to the Portland blood donor center for Washington county's opportunity to have mobile unit visits was expressed by Mrs. Abendroth. She also thanked members of the mobile unit, the county health unit, the Red Cross canteen clubs, the Women's Relief Corps, the secretaries and donor center staff, the Red Cross motor corps and all others who helped make the program in the county a success.

Steps will be taken to complete the Gallon Club plaque. Don E. Anderson, J. B. Thomas and Mrs. Marguerite Linn of Hillsboro, Ben Reeher of Forest Grove and Mrs. Abendroth were appointed to complete the plaque.

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HELLO DADDY—Perry Dell Selfridge Jr., five-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dell Selfridge of Hillsboro, has a nice smile for his daddy, a motor machinist's made 3/c in the South Pacific since January. The father has never seen his baby. The baby is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Selfridge of Hillsboro. The baby's mother was the former Jean Kidd of McMinnville.

Toastmasters Set First Meet Friday

Hillsboro Toastmasters club will hold its first meeting of the year Friday night at the Forest Hills country club. The session will start at 7 p. m. and new officers will be installed by Don Nelson of Portland, district governor.

Gordon Hanson of Forest Grove will be the new president and R. W. Weil of Hillsboro, retiring president, will be deputy governor for the local club. Other officers will be John Kovaly, vice-president; Don E. Anderson, secretary-treasurer; and C. T. Richardson, sergeant-at-arms. All of the latter are from Hillsboro.

Rural Teachers Meet on Monday

Mrs. Dorothy Sellers of Banks, teacher at the Thatcher school, was elected chairman of rural school teachers Monday afternoon during a meeting of this group at the county court room in Hillsboro. Approximately 75 teachers attended the session for discussion of school problems, according to Austin T. Scrafford, county school superintendent.

Mrs. Mattie Kurtz, teacher at the Seth school, was elected secretary.

Speakers during the meeting included Superintendent Scrafford and Mrs. Florence Withycombe, elementary supervisor; Mrs. Kurtz and Mrs. Harriet Ford of Hillsboro, materials; Mrs. Margaret Stroeve, Aloha-Huber, art; Mrs. Margaret Mooberry, Hillsboro, reading; Mrs. Frances Deaville, Orenco, Red Cross; Mrs. Zola F. Morgan, executive secretary of the Washington County Public Health association; and Miss Corrine Pennington, Mrs. Ruth Mulkey and Miss Elizabeth Panck of the county health department.

War Finance Heads See County Leaders

Representative Burt Snyder of Lakeview, state chairman of the agricultural division of the Oregon war finance committee, and Earl T. Ross, associate field director of the war finance division of the treasury department, were in Hillsboro Tuesday calling on county war finance committee leaders in connection with the Victory loan drive scheduled for October 29.

Most people realize the importance of the coming drive to help finance war costs in spite of the coming of peace and are planning to back it up as enthusiastically as the war loan drives, according to the visitors. They pointed to Victory bonds as a good sound investment.

Hillsboro Couple Injured in Crash

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Young of Hillsboro were injured early Saturday morning when their car hit a power pole at Tenth and Baseline in Hillsboro. Young suffered chest injuries, while his wife was cut about the face and head. They were taken to Jones hospital for treatment.

Cans Available To Mail Foods To Service Men

Postal regulations permit overseas mailing of sealed tin cans properly tagged to service personnel overseas, according to Miss Faye Nichols, county home demonstration agent. Tin cans may be purchased anytime at the county agent's office in the court house basement and Miss Nichols will seal the cans on a can sealer in her office.

Sealed tins must bear the sticker signed by the home demonstration agent and designating the contents of the sealed cans, she pointed out. Coffee cans have been used successfully in some cases by sealing them with adhesive tape. The cans should then be securely wrapped or packed in an outer container. The outer wrapper or container may be opened and if the sealed tin receptacle bears the certificate or tag as indicated above the sealed tin can will not be opened.

Tin cans and tin boxes are the only type of containers which give assurance of reasonable success in mailing food overseas, Miss Nichols said. Long delays sometime render even food in tin partly or wholly inedible.

Such foods as hard candies, dried fruits, candied fruits, fruit cakes and cookies of the firmer type, can be sealed successfully in the home demonstration agent's office.

September 15 to October 14 are the dates set for mailing Christmas packages overseas.

Salvage Body Ends Activity This County

Work of the salvage committee in Washington county has been terminated, according to an announcement this week by O. Phelps of Hillsboro, county civilian defense co-ordinator. As a result no further collections of prepared tin cans and waste paper will be conducted by the committee.

In the future these items will be collected through regular junk dealer channels or by charitable agencies, Phelps said. He declared that the committee did not feel justified in conducting a collection campaign now due to the recent county-wide pick-up drive.

More Winners Announced In County Fair

Additional list of 4-H club winners at the recent Washington county junior fair here was released this week by Don E. Anderson, assistant county agent. These classifications were overlooked when the list was compiled last week.

Winners of the 4-H club swine showmanship were Lloyd Koch, Tualatin, first; Ronald Kamp, Tualatin, second, and Don Rowlands, Columbia academy, third. Winner in the forestry display exhibits was Charles Hornecker of Pumpkin Ridge, and Sally Hornecker won the Rose and Flower exhibit.

A new addition in the 4-H division was an exhibit by the Helvetia Farm Safety club, led by Don Guerber, 1944 national winner in the farm safety contest. The individual members exhibited their record books and farm safety scrap books. Winners in the farm safety record exhibit were: Charles Hornecker, first; Bob Yungen, second; Willie Mullerliele, third, and Bert Yungen, fourth.

Much interest was shown in the leather tooling exhibit made by members from the Glenwood school whose club leader is Mrs. Josie Johnston. Winners in these exhibits were: Beverly Schofield; first; Alma Crume, second; Barbara Roe, third; Kenneth Kercher, fourth; Erma Jean Pittser, fifth; Stanley Johansen, sixth; and Vandlee Blythe, seventh. The woodworking exhibits were also from the club at Glenwood, led by Herbert Norris. The winners selected were: Francis Vandehey, first; Larry Paulson, second; and Raymond Miller third.

The judges who placed the exhibits in 4-H livestock and agricultural division were Louie Gross, Yamhill county agent, dairy; Homer Settlemier, Hillsboro, poultry; John Zwiefel, Maplewood Rabbitry of Portland, rabbits; Syver Ruud, Hillsboro, handicraft and forestry; Mr. Stiner, Oregon State college, vegetables, and Walter Leth, Polk county agent, swine.

The agricultural demonstration contest winners were: Hillsboro Dairy club, first, Margaret Freudenthal and Frances Wilcox team members; Rock Creek Dairy club second, Don Guerber and Glen

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$20,000 Robb Construction Tops Building Permits Here

Construction program in Hillsboro for the month of September got away to a flying start with the issuing of a permit to Dr. J. O. Robb for a $20,000 building, according to City Recorder E. M. Bowman. The permit is larger than the total of all permits issued during six of the past eight months.

The building is now under construction on East Washington street between Second and Third avenues on the former site of the Episcopal church. It will be 67 by 120 feet, one story tile construction, and will house the Stranahan Motor Co. showroom and service garage and Clay Kent's City Plumbing.

Of the five permits issued in the city since the first of the month, the $2500 residence being built by Theodore M. Rose on South Fifth avenue at Cedar street is the only other sizeable project.

Banner month for building permits so far in 1945 came in July when the total of projects ran to $38,625, according to Bowman. This included $13,000 for the Hillsboro branch of the First National Bank of Portland remodeling and $11,000 for the Henry Meltebeke building on the southeast corner of First and Washington.

During August, 19 permits were issued totaling $11,925. Major projects were: Fred Harty, $1200 residence on North Bailey near Jackson street; Frank Peas, $1000 residence on North Dennis near Main street; John Lorsung, $2500 residence on corner of Second and Jefferson streets; T. H. Folkenberg, $2000 residence at 433 East Oak street; and E. M. Stiles, $1200 remodeling on residence at 252 West Baseline street.

Total value of projects for which permits were issued during the past eight months are: January $3675, February $9615, March $12,875, April $25,650, May $10,650, June $11,540, July $38,625, and August $11,925.

Sherwood Soldier Drowned in Umpqua

Roger Horton, 24, of Sherwood, on 30-day leave from Fort Lewis, Wash., following recent return from overseas, was drowned September 5 in the Umpqua river, 11 miles west of Elkton. Horton, who was visiting at the home of his uncle, Robert D. Barton, Elkton, was swimming with two younger cousins when he was apparently overcome by cramps. Young Horton was reported to be an expert swimmer. The body was recovered in about 45 minutes.

All Varieties Cheese Removed From Rationing

All varieties of cheese were removed from rationing Wednesday by order of OPA.

The agency took this action as the agriculture department removed all cheese controls following notice from the army that some military stocks of cheddar cheese can be used to meet requirements of foreign claimants.

Technically, cheese stays on the ration list but now has a zero point value. This means it could be restored to rationing on short notice.

The Weather

(By A. W. Moore of U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, Co-operative Weather Observer)

September 5	67	50	.05
September 6	72	47	.01
September 7	80	45	.00
September 8	73	46	.00
September 9	81	43	.00
September 10	85	43	.00
September 11	80	45	.00

Col. Killen, Former Local Man, Freed; Cites Cruelty

Colonel Wade Killen, formerly of Hillsboro and who was held prisoner by the Japanese from the time of the fall of the Philippines, arrived in San Francisco September 5 on his way to join his wife, who is critically ill in Phoenix, Ariz., according to word received by friends here.

Colonel Killen, who was chief of staff to Major General William L. Sharp on Mindanao, was first reported captured in a Japanese broadcast. He had gone to the islands the fall before the Japanese attack. The colonel entered the service during World war I and had continued in the army.

The veteran officer is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Killen of Hillsboro, and attended the local schools. His father was editor for many years of the old Hillsboro Independent, which was consolidated with the Argus in 1932. His sister, Mrs. R. J. Beattie, lives in Seattle.

A story of ill-treatment, including face slapping, beatings, starvation diets and coolie-like labor, was told by Colonel Killen in an interview given to Mort Cathro on his arrival aboard an Army Transport Command plane at the Fairfield-Suisun Army Air Base. A clipping giving the interview was sent to the Argus by Leon S. Davis of Hillsboro, Red Cross field director at Hamilton Field, Cal.

The story, dated September 7, is as follows:

Freed from Japanese imprisonment with Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Killen, 50, said he had lost "only" 30 pounds during his imprisonment, was "constantly" slapped in the face if he failed or forgot to bow to the Jap guards, and was often beaten with sticks.

The first repatriate to land at the Fairfield-Suisun base since the offial Jap surrender, Killen left Mukden, Manchuria, last Sunday and was rushed home on a high priority to be with his wife, Mrs. Rosetta Killen, who is critically ill in a Phoenix, Ariz., hospital.

Officer is Ill

Killen himself is suffering from beri-beri, malaria and other ailments incurred during his three and one-half years of imprisonment.

The army officer told how the Japanese apparently began to realize they were losing the war and started to give officer prisoners at Krenkow, Formosa, a "break" in treatment.

"Most of the time between our capture—May 9, 1942 on Mindanao—and June, 1944, the Japanese made us work long hours in the rice paddies and farms on a diet

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