

Travel Pool Organized by Local C of C

Chamber to Act as Clearing House for Stranded Workers

A plan to pool private transportation to assist persons stranded by the Oregon Motor Stages bus strike was formed Monday by the Hillsboro chamber of commerce. President Mervin Brink said at the chamber's regular Tuesday luncheon meeting.

The plan, similar to one used during the war when mass transportation was restricted and gasoline rationed, involves use of the local chamber of commerce as a clearing house for all persons in need of transportation and all persons who have transportation to offer others.

All persons were asked by Brink to register at the local chamber offices (telephone 2801) whenever they have transportation to offer others. Persons needing rides for business or other vital purposes should also call the chamber office, he said, in order to learn of rides available.

Commuters Need Help

The most important consideration at present is making provisions for persons employed in Portland to reach their jobs and return. It was pointed out that Verne McInnes, co-publisher of the Argus, offered the co-operation of the Argus facilities as a clearing house for information on private transportation available and needed. However, so long as the chamber handles the matter all calls should be made there, it was further noted in order to avoid confusion.

Meanwhile the bus strike appeared to have ended. No Oregon Motor Stages busses have come through Hillsboro since 7 p. m. Saturday, when the company announced a withdrawal of service in the interest of safety to the traveling public. Negotiations between union drivers and company officials were proceeding slowly Wednesday, with no indication given that a solution was near.

No Pickets Noted

No pickets have yet appeared at the Hillsboro bus terminal, although a few were reported to have marched before busses which came through the city Friday. Brink announced that the chamber will hold its regular weekly luncheon meeting next Tuesday. It had been originally planned to hold the luncheon Friday when a caravan of various Oregon city officials will visit the city on a tour of promotion tour. The Friday meeting was called off when it was learned the tour had already arranged to hold a luncheon in Portland.

Rev. Robert L. Warren, chairman of the city recreation commission, reported to the chamber on the commission's report, which was submitted to the council Tuesday night.

Maude Stannard Heads Campaign For Cancer Fund

Mrs. Maude Stannard, Hillsboro, has again been named head of the American Cancer society fund campaign to be conducted through-out Washington county this month. Other county officers named here this week include: Percy Johnston, state committee, and Dr. O. A. Pitman, county medical director.

Expansion of the present research program in cancer, and cure is one of the main objectives of the April campaign, officials said. The drive has the endorsement of Governor John Hall, who pointed out that 1800 persons died of cancer in Oregon last year.

"But great strides are being made in research on methods of control and cure," the governor stated. "These are largely supported through contributions to the American Cancer society. Of your contribution, 60 per cent remains in the state for medical service, education and research."

The society hopes to exceed the more than \$40,000 raised in the state a year ago, according to E. B. MacNaughton, of Portland, state chairman. Mrs. Stannard, long active in county affairs, is a member of the Pythians, Breakfast club, Boy Neighbors, and Parent-Teachers association.

The drive is to be opened Monday with area chairmen to be named next week.

Hilhi Bonds Sold To U. S. National

The United States National bank of Portland purchased \$200,000 in bonds from Hillsboro union high school district 3, school board officials announced this week. The bank was high bidder at 2 1/4 per cent.

The bonds will mature at a rate of \$24,000 a year starting May 1, 1949. Other bidders were Commercial National bank of Hillsboro, First National bank of Portland and Blythe & Co.

Men, Women Asked To Work in Fields

Forty men and 20 women and wife combinations are needed to plant berries in the county, according to Ben Scott, county farm labor supervisor here. The work, to last about two weeks, is to start Monday, weather permitting. Registration with Scott in his office at the farm labor camp must be completed by Friday. Transportation will be furnished.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Prev.
March 31	55	36	—
April 1	55	38	69
April 2	55	38	69
April 3	48	32	69
April 4	47	33	69
April 5	47	34	69
April 6	47	35	48

Hillsboro, Oregon, Thursday, April 8, 1948

To the Subscribers of the Argus:

Effective May 1, 1948, the yearly subscription rate of the Argus by mail in Washington county will be increased by 50c to \$3 a year.

The per copy price at all dealers and over the counter will be 10c.

Subscribers may renew their present subscriptions for one year from the present expiration date at the old price of \$2.50 per year in Washington county until May 1, 1948.

Outside Washington county in Oregon \$3.50 per year and outside Oregon in United States \$4 per year.

The change in subscription price has been forced by increased production costs, which have greatly advanced since the present subscription price was established. A substantial part of this increase has resulted from increases in prices of newsprint, ink, supplies and wages, but by no means all of it. A very considerable part of the increased production cost has gone into the making of a bigger, better newspaper with a more complete news coverage of the territory served, greater use of pictures and other improvements which we confidently believe make The Argus well worth the new price and still one of the greatest bargains which come into its readers' homes.

We have delayed making this increase as long as possible. Many other weekly newspapers in Oregon and throughout the United States have long since made the advance to \$3 or \$3.50 per year.

Promotion Awarded Local Scout Leader

C. Bryan Walker, field scout executive of the Washington county Boy Scout area since 1943, this week was promoted to assistant executive of the Boy Scout council comprising the entire northeastern half of Idaho, it was announced Wednesday by officials of the Portland Area Council.

Walker, who took over the scout office in his Hillsboro office in November, 1943, will leave the local office April 15 and will move to Idaho Falls April 26. He will be assistant executive in the Teton Peaks Council.

Idaho scout officials requested Walker's transfer on the basis of his outstanding record in the Washington county area in the past three years, it was pointed out. The transfer came as a complete surprise to Walker and local volunteer scout leaders. No successor has yet been appointed.

Walker was appointed field scout executive of the Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Tualatin districts after he had served for 31 years as a volunteer scout leader in the Portland area council. He succeeded C. Peterson, who was transferred to the Boise Area Council as a scout executive. Peterson is now executive of the Boise council.

During Walker's term here the number of boys registered in scouting has risen from 75 to 215. The number of Boy Scout, Cub Scout and Senior Scout units has been increased from 21 to 43.

He instituted the first tri-district camporee here last year as a means of welding the county together in its scouting effort. He also started a tri-district scout leaders' training course in 1946, which graduated 11 leaders in the county. A similar course is now being held.

When he took over the local office the three districts were operating on an annual budget of \$2600. The figure has been raised to the present \$6200 budget for 1948. And other big event started in his term of office here was the Yellowstone trip for qualified scouts in the Hillsboro district.

The Hillsboro district comprised seven units with 97 scouts in 1943 when Walker took over as field scout executive here. The district now counts 16 units with 340 scouts. The Tualatin district was made up of 11 units with 195 scouts in 1943, and has since increased in size to 22 units with 590 scouts. In the Forest Grove district the number of units has risen from three to five and the number of scouts from 81 to 146.

During his 31 years in volunteer scouting in the area Walker served as scoutmaster and district commissioner.

On learning of Walker's transfer, Jerry Fowler, chairman of the Hillsboro district, said, "It has been a pleasure to work with Bryan Walker in this area and we are all very sorry to see him go. He is gaining an outstanding scout leader and we wish him the best of luck."



GOVERNOR BREAKS GROUND—Washington county last week was named as the site for one of over 100 Blanding's Dream Houses to be built this spring in every metropolitan area in the nation. Governor John H. Hall is shown above breaking the first ground at the site one mile north of Beaverton. Among officials taking part in the ceremonies were County Judge H. D. Kerkman (second from right), and Commissioner William A. Bowers (right) of Portland. County Commissioners James Lewis and Henry Johnson were introduced. The project is being undertaken by the Portland Home Builders' association in co-operation with the National Association of Home Builders. Completion is expected in July.—(Argus photo)

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Republicans Hold Margin Over Demos

Many Changes in Party
Affiliations Reported;
Registration to Close

More Washington county voters are changing party affiliations this year than at any other time in the last 12 years, County Clerk W. A. Tupper said Tuesday. Neither major party is gaining any substantial number of voters in the switching, he added.

With 11 days left for registration for the May 21 primary, a total of 23,720 voters had registered by April 1. Tupper reported. Republicans continue to lead Democrats by almost 3000 voters. The totals last week stood at 13,207 Republicans, 10,252 Democrats, 153 Independents, 20 Socialists, 13 Prohibitionists and 75 of miscellaneous affiliations.

The Republican margin in May, 1946, when the total registration stood at 22,506, was 12,242 to 9561. Democrats. The Republican lead in the November, 1942 general election was 2310.

Heaviest Republican centers in the county continued to be Canyon Crest, Hillsboro, East Multnomah Country club precinct, Union, Lewis, Gaston, South Cornelius, Blooming, Grabel, Scholls, Kinton, Southwest Tigard and Middleton. Democratic strength is heaviest in Cedar Mill, Verboort, Cherry Grove, Aloha and Mulloy.

Of the county's 68 precincts, 50 are dominated by Republicans and 16 by Democrats. Republicans and Democrats were tied in Watts and Cedar Mill last week.

Registration in Hillsboro's five precincts totaled 2592 last week, with Republicans holding a big high hand under the Democrats. Forest Grove counted 1749 voters, 997 of them Republicans and 628 Democrats.

Tupper advised that citizens should register in the county court house in Hillsboro or at local registration places throughout the county if they did not vote in the May or November elections in 1946. If they have moved since the last election, if they have changed their name, if they have become 21 since 1946, or if they have resided in the state six months or more and did not vote in Oregon in 1946.

Frank Lamb of Hoquiam, Wash., who presented the charter to the district governor, will speak briefly at about 8 p. m., according to General Chairman M. P. Cady.

A motion picture of the salvage operation of the "Diamond Knot" was shown at the luncheon last Thursday by E. A. Jacobson of the Marine Branch of Fireman's Fund Insurance company. John E. Meek introduced Jacobson.

Leo Pearson and Richard E. Wiley will be delegates to the district conference in Portland April 11, 12 and 13, it was announced by President Paul Patterson.

The Fire Chief Wilbur Dillon asked the Rotarians to again sponsor the annual Fourth of July parade.

Terry Christensen, student body president, introduced Norman Goetze as the new Rotarian-of-the-month from the high school.

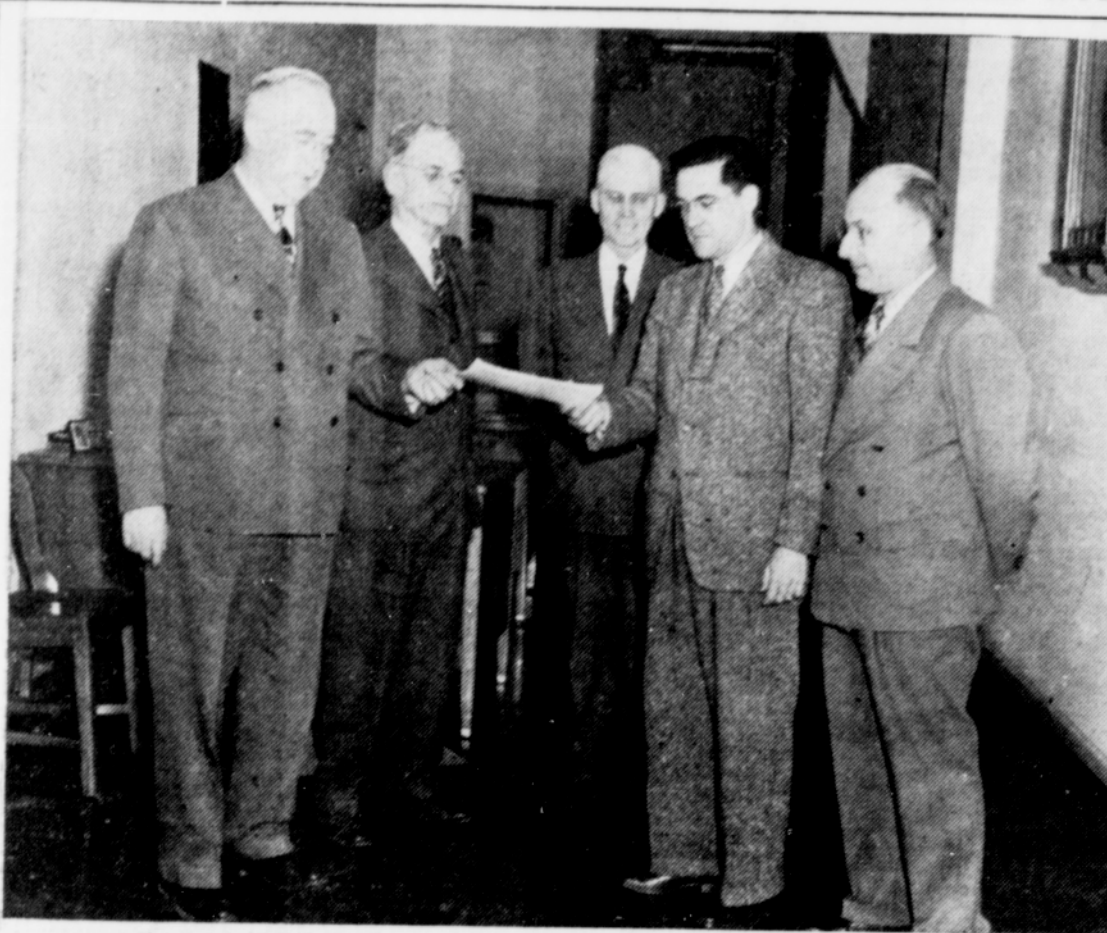
Present plans call for a parade of players at the field, band music and short talks by various officials, according to David Samuel, supervisor for the local softball program.

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National league teams entered are: West Union, Bethany, Verboort, Laurel, Troutman's Store of North Plains, Aloha, Blooming and Knights of Columbus. The five regular season teams entered Monday are: Perfection Bakery, Moose Lodge, Commercial Bank, Tigard Electric, Knights of Pythias and Valley Heating. Girls' teams are: Alter's Service Station and Sanitary Service.

Contracts for the teams were given out at last week's meeting. Bowman has been secured from the regular season teams. The good only for nights when the player is in action.

Next meeting of directors of the association and club managers will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the Washington hotel.



RECREATION STUDY COMPLETED—The city council Tuesday night officially accepted a report and recommendations from the Hillsboro recreation commission. Shown above handing the report to Mayor E. A. Griffith (left) is Rev. Robert L. Warren (second from right), chairman of the recreation group. E. J. McAlister, chairman of the park commission; Councilman Harry Seabold and J. W. Poynter, member of the recreation group, look on.—(Argus photo)

Benefit Concert Set By Grove Gleemen

The Forest Grove Gleemen, widely-known male chorus, will give a benefit concert next Wednesday evening, April 14, in the Hillsboro high school auditorium. The three-part concert will start at 8 o'clock.

Proceeds will benefit summer recreation for boys and girls of this area. This is the second year the Gleemen have included Hillsboro in their spring concert series under local sponsorship of the Lions club.

The Gleemen are a non-profit capella chorus directed by B. Ellisworth Harris, former professor of voice for Pacific university. In the 90-minute concert, they offer a wide variety of music, including classics, semi-classics, popular, Negro spirituals and some specialty numbers.

The group was first organized in 1946 and has established a wide reputation not only for its music but for annual sponsorship of the All-Northwest Barber Shop Ballad contest. Included in this spring's concert series are appearances at the district Rotary convention next Sunday, April 11, in Portland, and during the international convention of Federated Women's club in Portland the latter part of May.

Jerry Fowler is in charge of arrangements for the Lions club. Tickets, available from members of the club, are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. Tickets may also be secured at the following business places: Penney's, Mr. Fowler; Portland General Electric, Clarence Winjum; Title & Trust Co., Reid Cottrell, and the Hillsboro Argus. There are no reserved seats.

Included in the tentative program are: Chorus from Finlandia, Sibelius; Blow, Trumpets, Blow, J. V. Blum; A Fortune, arranged by Noble Cain; The Wheel of the Wagon is Broken, Carr E. Cox; The Lord Chord, Sullivan; The Gaiety Piper, Fletcher; Ole Ark's a Move, Noble Cain; Meadowslands, Knippt and Wilhulsky; Goodnight, Goodnight, Beloved, Pinaud; De Gospel Train, Noble Cain; My Heart is a Silent Violin, Fox Andrews.

(Picture on page 8, section 2)

Hillsboro Bank Purchases Bonds

A total of \$38,000 in bonds was sold Monday by Hillsboro grade school district 7 to the Commercial National bank of Hillsboro. The sale was made after bids from three firms were reviewed by the school board.

The bonds, dated April 1, 1948, will mature from April 1, 1949, to April 1, 1968. Interest was set at 2 1/4 per cent of \$100.10 for each \$100 par value. Of the 38 bonds, each of which is valued at \$1000, the last 35 are made callable at the option of the district or any interest paying date on or after April 1, 1960.

Other bidders were First National Bank of Portland and Blythe & Co.

Football Grandstand To Be Moved at Hilhi

Bids for moving the grandstand from the present Hillsboro high school football field to a new site about 100 yards to the east will be received at the high school until 8 p. m. Monday, April 12. Principal John Cox announced Tuesday.

Softball Season To Open April 16

Gala opener for Hillsboro's softball season has been set for Friday, April 16, at 8 p. m., with the regular season games following on Saturday night. It was decided at a recent meeting of the Hillsboro Softball association.

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Recreation Study Goes To Council

City Fathers Accept
Report; Set Special
Meeting for April 19

An 18-page report filled with far-reaching recommendations for a year-around city recreation program was officially accepted Tuesday night by the city council from the city recreation commission. The report asked that the council accept or reject the recommendations at a special meeting to be called within three weeks.

A special meeting was set by the council April 19 for a discussion of the recreation commission report and interested persons are invited to attend. The council will study the report at a special luncheon meeting next Monday.

To Resign May 1
The 10-member commission, with Chairman Robert L. Warren acting as spokesman, said it would resign as a body when the council accepts the recommendations and report but would not serve longer than May 1, 1948. "The future program now rests with the people and the city council," Rev. Warren added.

The commission was appointed November 7, 1947, by Mayor E. A. Griffith to study the city's recreation needs, formulate a long-range program and report back to the city council. The following recommendations were included in the commission's final report:

Year Around Plan

1. That the city institute a year-around supervised recreation program for persons of all ages.
2. That the entire program be financed through taxation.
3. That a full-time supervisor of public parks and recreation be hired to administer the year-around program.
4. That an indoor swimming pool be constructed adjacent to the B. W. Barnes garage, at North Third and Adams streets.
5. That the budget for administration of the first year's program be \$7300.
6. That plans be started for development of future recreation areas.
7. That a community activity center be constructed and that the Davis property (surrounded by Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth streets) be considered as one of the few remaining sites available.
8. That children's play area at Bagley park be placed high on the council's list of projects to be completed.

Summer Program Asked

9. That the city sponsor a summer recreation program for children.

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Strawberry Men Expecting Boost In 1948 Prices

Washington county strawberry growers are expecting between 17 and 20 cents for their 1948 crop, B. L. Sellers, secretary of the United Berry Growers association, county, said Monday in reply to a recent news article written by Robert Holley, marketing editor of The Journal.

"The usual thing this time of year," Sellers said, "is that processors invariably are talking low prices to the grower or through sources that will realize that grower. As we see it from the information obtained, we feel certain of prices equivalent to or a little better than last year's."

Growers aren't expecting "any" figure that the processors are indicating to Mr. Holley. Sellers said. "In defense of local strawberry growers, I stand and say that though the acreage in Oregon has increased, the national acreage has decreased."

It is generally known also that many of the southern states have suffered severely from freezing temperatures which have in some areas cut into fruit production," he said. "Also in our northwest we are not safe with April snows and cold temperatures sweeping our hill countries of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties where a large part of Oregon's strawberries are grown."

Sellers also pointed out to include in part to their adaptability to increased demand for strawberries, quick-freezing.

Hillsboro Building Quiet in March

Hillsboro went through its second successive month of comparative quiet on the building scene in March when permits worth an estimated \$38,950 were issued in the city hall by Recorder Edwin Bowman. Permits totaling only \$32,400 worth of construction were issued in February.

Residential construction made up the bulk of the building started last month. Seven private homes estimated to cost about \$38,000 were under construction. Of the four other permits issued two were for a chicken house and an addition to a residence and two were for remodeling.

The March total brought to \$311,778 the value of construction started in Hillsboro this year. The average per month of building started at \$103,926, was still far above the average of \$87,874 set in 1947 when a new record for building permits was established.

Largest structure started during March here was by Earl Stranahan. He is building a 32 by 48-foot residence, with a 20 by 24-foot attached garage, at North Third and Adams. He set the cost at \$10,000. Other residences started during the month were:

Robert E. Tipton, \$7000 home at North Adams; Walter Shores, \$7000 home at South Eighth; Ray Traugher, \$6000 home at East Jackson; Henry P. Nelson, \$6000 home at North Adams and Jackson; W. M. Arrington, \$2900 home at South Ninth.