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Successful Celebration Aids City in Numerous Ways

The swarming crowds at Shute park Monday night and parking at a premium for blocks around gave evidence aplenty that the local firemen had conducted another successful "Happy Days" Fourth of July celebration that brought thousands of people here for the big three-day event. With numerous attractions for every taste, the people seemed to enter into the spirit of the old-fashioned celebration of Independence Day.

The coronation of Alice Vandehey at the auditorium Saturday night by Mayor Lester Hughes of Forest Grove was usual colorful affair annually sponsored by the Hillsboro Business and Professional Women's club. That this celebration has come to be an all-county affair that not only attracts Washington county residents, but people from over the northwest, was brought out by our neighboring mayor in a short talk before the coronation. The throne for the goddess and her attendants was artistically arranged by the sponsoring women, who have handled the selection and inaugural since 1935 in an outstanding manner.

The parade, which has come to be one of the outstanding highlights of the celebration, seemed to run off more speedily than in other years. Many were heard to comment, however, that the lack of a band in the parade was very disappointing. Fred Sewell, who has been in charge of parade arrangements for the sponsoring Rotary club, put in a lot of commendable work in getting a good turnout and lining things up. The judges really had a hard time in making their decisions as the participants lined up in the old ball park after the parade went through Shute park. Sewell made considerable effort to obtain a band, but without success. An American Legion drum and bugle corps is being organized and will probably be available in another year.

The flag raising ceremony and patriotic program brought out the true significance of Independence Day and the freedoms that have meant so much to our own people and of freedom-loving peoples everywhere. Annually arranged by the Allied Veterans Commanders Council, representing the veterans groups in this city, the program was a credit to the sponsors.

Many renewed old friendships as former residents of the county came from far and near to enjoy the celebration, which is also regarded as a homecoming. Taking advantage of the benches around the auditorium, many who had not seen each other for a year or perhaps a number of years renewed friendships and reminisced over their yesterdays.

"Happy Days" is truly an All-Hillsboro and all-county affair for which the local firemen are entitled to a great deal of credit. A big "Thank you" is due them for the many hours of effort that they put into it each year. Not only is it important from the standpoint of publicizing Hillsboro, but at least half of the net proceeds go into the city's general fund for park maintenance and improvement and most of the firemen's share goes into equipment and materials for the fire department to help in protecting our property.

Mrs. R. Frank Peters

In the death of Mrs. R. Frank Peters, this community has lost one who gave much of her time and talents in service through various boards, fraternal groups and clubs. Throughout her residence here she took a lively interest in all things leading to the development and improvement of the Hillsboro area.

Serving 12 years on the board of directors for the Hillsboro grade school district and the last two as board chairman, Mrs. Peters had a big part in the planning of the greatly needed school building program. It was particularly fitting that she could be present to participate in the dedicatory ceremonies for the new David Hill school last spring and when the teachers' lounge room was named for her. Her interest in education as indicated by long service on the school board and about 20 years on the city library board was shown in earlier years when she was a teacher in the Portland schools and where she obtained a life certificate as a teacher.

Her interest was also evident in fraternal and civic affairs, as shown by her active membership in the Eastern Star and Pythian Sisters in both of which she went through the chairs. Also in the American Legion Auxiliary, and was a past president of the Hillsboro Coffee club, women's civic club.

Through her friendly spirit and kindness, she had a host of friends who feel a deep personal loss.

The enthusiasm and participation of local youngsters in the summer recreation program is proof aplenty that it is a good investment for Hillsboro people. A visit to Bagley park when the youngsters pile into the busses for the swimming classes would convince the most skeptical of the good that is being done and point to the need of early construction of a swimming pool here.

Addition of a branch office of the secretary of state in Hillsboro will prove of definite advantage to the people of this area. Furthermore, it, along with the employment office, adds to the importance of this city as the hub of Washington county.

Lester Ireland is the latest Hillsboro resident to be named to the head of a state organization, the Retail Furniture Association of Oregon. Congratulations and best wishes go to him from his many friends.

Did you ever stop to think that this issue of the Argus represents about the cheapest investment you can make?

In Other Days

15 Years Ago

Argus, July 1924—Legal action to enforce the occupation tax ordinance was started Wednesday by the city council with the filing of a complaint in recorder's court. Washington county is feeling the effects of the Pacific coast waterfront strike, which is seriously hampering business and industry.

Less estimated at between \$4000 and \$8000 resulted from a fire which swept farm buildings on the Dan Bailey farm south of Hillsboro Tuesday night.

Deaths—Stanley Meeusen of Roy from fall in bath; Mrs. Mary Martin Westcott of Reedville; Dennis Duley of West Union; Vernie Roscoe Jett of Hillsboro.

Supervised recreation programs at the David Hill and Peter Roscoe schools, conducted as an SRA project, have been proven a decided success, according to C. H. Nosler, superintendent.

Joseph Belanger, assistant county agricultural agent for the past two years, has been appointed agent of Morrow county.

re-elected chairman of Hillsboro high school district board L. C. Lomax appointed district clerk. Mrs. Arlene Hahn installed as noble grand of Hillsboro Rebekah lodge.

Hillsboro Sunset league team beats league-leading Willamette Sunday 9-4.

Hillsboro Bears of Tualatin Valley league lose to Newberg Sunday 9-4.

30 Years Ago

Argus, July 3, 1919—World peace pact signed Saturday.

William Hanson of Scholls elected president of county threshermen and A. D. Hill of Laurel is secretary.

Deaths—Gerhard H. Pranger of Leisvile; Fred Stetler of Mountaineer.

Hillsboro ready for greatest celebration ever staged in the county seat. Manager Phelps has worked unceasingly to get together a program that will mean a triumphal end of three weeks of nerve-straining effort.

James H. Davis, former county recorder, has taken his old position as telephone central at North Plains.

Miss Myrtle Huffman of Bacons lands bear in trap.

Murrow new president of Washington County Poultry and Pet Stock association.

45 Years Ago

Argus, July 7, 1904—More than 100 participated in annual veterans' encampment here. E. J. Groat of Scholls was named president.

Deaths—Albert Dale McGahey of Hillsboro; Jacob Clearwater, Buxton. Dies result of being kicked by a horse.

Hillsboro horses open Portland's eyes. R. H. Greer's Thomas H. wing cup. T. H. Tongue Jr. riding Laurie won third in the half-mile running race. E. B. Tongue riding Bill Bailey would have won race, but for misapprehension.

Eight thousand enjoy largest Fourth of July celebration ever held here. O. S. Schiffer of Cornelius wins first in pony race. Hillsboro defeats Beaverton 18-7.

Fourth of July committee has profit of \$200, which will be used for a future nest egg.

New county officers assume duties as follows: John W. Connell, sheriff; E. J. Godman, clerk; M. C. Case, school superintendent; C. B. Buchanan, commissioner, and E. C. Brown, coroner. F. T. Kane is deputy to Connell and W. D. Smith to Godman.

Art Says - - -

Tuesday, June 28—Saw the finish of the strawberry season at the G. A. Wiesenbush & Sons ranches. A funny thing happened in the morning when I went to the house to receive my instructions for the day. I was sitting in the car ready to go to the field and G. A. standing alongside. I happened to think of a funny story and I told it to him and Allan, and started to drive on down the hill. I was about to throw the Chev in high when I heard a patter along the car, and looking out, I saw the running alongside of the car. I thought, "first he was cutting a caper or trying to see if my '41 Chev was O. K. yet. He finally got his breath and yelled, 'Stop, you got my suspenders caught in the handle of your car.' It was sure funny, after he got untangled. I said, 'I thought I heard some short pants from the rear.' He said, 'well, it was all right even if I pulled them clear off as it was only one-half mile to nudest colony.'—A. J. M.

Hoff On Expedition

Marion Hoff, seaman apprentice, USN, of 30 South Fifth street, is scheduled to go to a crew as a member of the attack cargo ship USS Seminole, in the Point Barrow Resupply Expedition, which will take him to the Navy Petroleum Reserve Camp at Point Barrow and other isolated military outposts on

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THE OLD HOME TOWN

By STANLEY



Tualatin Valley Air News

Wick's Air Service

Another glorious Fourth and a truly glorious day as far as the weather was concerned. Not everyone went to the beach, however, as we anticipated. Plenty stayed home, and many came to fly. After all, it is safer to fly than to drive, especially when the traffic gets crowded.

Among the coffee shop visitors of the week were: C. J. Wilsey, visiting in Portland from Yakima, Wash.; A. R. Schmidt of Sebastopol, Cal. on his way to Shelton, Wash.; F. L. Ison on a pleasure flight around the area as was J. Vorshel.

Johnson Opens an Office at Tigard
Representative J. O. Johnson has opened a law office in Tigard and expects to spend much of his time there. He will maintain his main office in Portland, but hopes before long to make his headquarters in Tigard.

Johnson has taken space in his own building in Tigard formerly occupied by Doctors Bossett and Davis. He says that part of the county is growing very fast and justifies the maintenance of an office there.

A resident of Metzger, Johnson has maintained offices in Portland for many years.

Remember, in Argus Classified Ads, The More You Tell — The More You Sell.

Wick's Air Service Inc. announces the addition of two new members to its staff. Bob Baker, A & E mechanic, who is home from California, and Harvey Henderson, A & E and designer. Both men are skilled mechanics and top men in the maintenance of aircraft. Bob is already moving this week from St. Helens.

Mrs. Dean Hess and Miss Anna Dudley completed a full day of outing with dinner at Wick's Inn last Tuesday. Claude Duran was a Friday guest flying in with his Cessna from Tacoma, Wash. and Norman Brown from Center Field. Robert Benson from McMinnville in his Piper J3 and William Pierson from Troutdale in his Aeronca, arrived Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ludwig of Ft. Benton, Mont., arrived Wednesday to visit relatives in Scholls. They came in their Luscombe and had a wonderful trip flying west.

Pete Dickinson of Tacoma, Wash., made a stop on the way south and again on the way back home all in one day. He was the pilot of the "Rim of the World" in northern Alaska.

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RAINBOW GRANITES

Personality of the Week..

Editor's Note: In order to give public recognition to individual merit, the Argus is running a series of articles in columns of Hillsboro and Washington county citizens who are noteworthy in their fields. The weekly selection will be known as "Personality of the Week."

By ERNIE MAYS

"Don't know just why I rate this personality interview because I'm just a small frog in the big puddle around here!"

was the quip of Elmer E. Guerber, Helvetia agriculturalist.

A Washington county native, Guerber was born and has spent his life on the 200-acre family farm on the rolling hills

near Helvetia. He took over the farm at the end of World War I and has run the place since that time and in the last few years with the aid of his son and a host of the most modern farm equipment.

At present, Elmer is specializing in farming, raising grain, seed and cover crops. He formerly had a 30-head dairy farm but soil erosion in 1935 caused him to turn to seed raising.

Helvetia Native

The Helvetia grass grower was born in 1897 and attended grade school on the hill and then went to business school in Portland. The draft caught up with Elmer and he entered the army a few months before the end of the hostilities and spent his time traveling around the states trying to find a place to be instructed in heavy artillery.

Returning home, he took over the farm operated by his father, Alfred Guerber and started his long career as top man at the hillside grass plant. On June 13, 1924 he married Martha Berger of Bethany. When asked how and where he met Mrs. Guerber, he smiled and answered that "I knew her all my life and I really don't remember the first time I saw her."

Two children round out the Guerber family, daughter, Ruth who is Mrs. Alfred Teufel and son, Don who is a senior at Oregon State college majoring in farm crops. Looks like the farm is going to be handed down one more generation if farm crops is any indication.

Heads Insurance Group

Elmer has found time outside of his work to be very active in a number of activities ranging from heading a 4-H club to president of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company.

He has been a member of the fair board for eight years and has held all three top offices at one time or another. At present, he is vice-president. Add to the list the names of the Washington County Land Use committee, American Legion advisory board of the Veterans Agriculture Farm Training program, and an ardent supporter of the county 4-H clubs and you can pretty well see where all the time of Elmer Guerber has to spare is spent.

As a hobby, he is quite partial to hunting and taking trips. Guerber and his wife have just returned from a month long tour of the country celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary. He remarked that the trip was a wonderful experience but that he was happy to get back home again. He added that Oregon is easily more diversified than any of the states that he visited on his recent journey.

Turning again to his career, he lays his claim to fame on the fact that at one time he led a 4-H club whose roster listed the names of three boys who later became county agents in various parts of the state. The boys were Don and Earl Josay and John Hansen.

Hopes to Retire

As to the future plans of Elmer Guerber, he figures to remain on the farm a few more years and then turn it over to his son.

Elmer Guerber is "Jack of all trades" and has proven himself to be a "master of them all."

Beaverton Voters Down Levy, 77-47

Beaverton city officials were considering another election, this week after voters rejected a special levy of \$10,000.66, two thirds of the proposed city budget for 1949-1950.

Under state law, a tax increase of more than six per cent over the largest of the preceding three years

must be put to a vote.

On June 9 the voters rejected the special levy by a vote of 47 yes to 77 no.

According to Mayor H. H. Jeffries, the city has only \$8000 available for the year. Unless voters approve the levy, general operation and road construction and repair will be greatly cut, he said.

So Ends This Age

Back in Noah's day, mankind had become so wicked that God wiped them all out by flood. And this present age—our age—also is to see man sink so low in sin that once again, God is to send awful judgments. And said Jesus—except those days should be shortened, no flesh would be saved. See Mt. 24th—Great Prophecy chapter and Luke 27:26-30.

Yes, man ever sins, sinks and dies lost. For all have sinned and the wages of sin is death—Bible Death—eternal separation from God. But as a human father would see his sons and daughters back safe in the home nest at nightfall, so the Heavenly Father would have and look. But he cannot work at our sins and so it was he put them all on his Son, Jesus Christ, who died under them for us. God counts Christ's death as full settlement for all your sins. Stand on it that God was in Christ dying for you. Stand on it that by Christ, God cleared you and God gives you new birth into eternal life.

J. C. BLACK, Director, Pacific National Bank, Seattle, says—Jesus Christ saved me from my sins and myself. Even when I fail Him I am conscious of His love and nearness. And what is Christ to you?

Dean Taylor

Portland 1, Ore. This space paid for by a Washington county family.

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