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Fire Station Dedication Fitting Climax to Week

Fire Prevention Week, which is being observed throughout the nation this week, is a most appropriate time for the dedication of the new fire station of which the community is justly proud. The official ceremonies Saturday evening naturally feature this year's observance for it is the culmination of the hopes and dreams of local volunteer firemen and city officials.

With a modern station, good equipment and a fine department, the Hillsboro area is well prepared to meet the emergency of fire when it comes. Local people have every reason to be grateful for the outstanding service given the community by their volunteer firemen under the leadership of Chief Wilbur Dillon.

The dedication will be a fitting climax to the week in which every effort is made to bring out the importance of fire prevention, something which should hold an important place in our lives every week and every day of the year.

Lessons learned during this week should not be forgotten for it must be remembered that careless individual habits are responsible for all but a small minority of fires.

Fire waste for the first eight months of 1949 totaled approximately $450,000,000. This is lower than for the same period in 1948, but most of the drop was probably due to slightly lower commodity and construction costs. The cost of fire cannot be measured in mere financial terms. It can be seen in the death and maiming and disfigurement of thousands upon thousands of persons annually, many of them children—in the destruction of great forests, such as has happened right near home in recent years, and other natural resources—in lost jobs, in piles of ashes that once were homes, in ruined factories.

The disgraceful thing about all this is that most fires can be prevented. Major causes of fire are "little things"—carelessness with matches and cigarettes, rundown stoves and heating systems, improperly stored paints and solvents and other inflammables, out-of-repair electrical equipment, and many others. A little thought and a little effort could eliminate most of these hazards.

Fire prevention is a job for us every day in the year. Let's take it on.

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Big Strikes Threat to Economy

The great strikes in the basic industries of steel and coal, which have idled hundreds of thousands of workers, pose a definite threat to the economy of the country and the well being of the people. Surely these situations can be worked out fairly to both labor and management without crippling strikes in which everybody suffers. Even if gains are made, the worker is usually months and years making up for the amount lost in wages during the strike.

The country is in great need of a period of stabilization for the promotion of confidence in business and with the buying public. Continued spiralling and upsetting the applecart assuredly do not contribute to this need, but rather have a depressing effect.

Several months ago, Roger W. Babson, noted economist, in noting a decline in living costs, held that new wage demands by labor unions might lead to less employment. He said that labor in demanding higher wages is not fighting management, but the public, and predicted that the next panic would be due to overreaching of labor and collapse of the present union leadership.

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A Chance to Help Others

It is to be hoped that full co-operation will be given to Walter Grosjean, recruitment chairman for the Hillsboro blood program, by everyone that can possibly give blood to help save lives and aid in the recovery of others. Recruiters will be needed in every section and in various parts of the city. Help should come from throughout this area to assist in meeting the community's blood quota.

There is no better exemplification of the spirit of doing unto others as you would have others do unto you than in giving livesaving blood. It might be you or some loved one that may need this blood in case of accident or illness and need it right now.

So far there has not been enough blood given here to meet the community's needs and some must come from blood banks elsewhere when available. It is not a question of letting the other fellow do it, but a responsibility of each individual, so let us do our own part in this community program to meet the community's blood needs.

Wouldn't you like to help someone? It won't take much time when the bloodmobile visits. Scores of others are helping in this great humanitarian program in many different ways in addition to giving their blood.

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It might be a good idea for some of our citizens to practice the good neighbor policy right in their own community.

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Never be afraid of what other people say if you are sure that you approve of what you have done.

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It's good business, even in family deals, to keep the record straight.

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With prosperity depending on agriculture it is important to keep farmers prosperous.

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The first essential in the security of a worker is to be able to work.

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The time to observe Fire Prevention Week is before your house burns down.

In Other Days

15 Years Ago

Argus, October 18, 1934—Proposed Hillsboro levy for 1935 set at $27,450, an increase of approximately $500 over 1934.

A vastly improved Hilhi grid eleven hits its stride here Friday afternoon to trample Newberg 57 to 0 in the opening league game.

Continued increase in the relative strength of the democratic party in Washington county is evidenced by registration figures for the general election released this week by County Clerk E. C. Luce. Both parties show losses from the peak of 1932. Republicans total 10,455 and democrats 4889.

Proposed special school district tax for the Hillsboro union high school during the 1934-35 school year totals $57,400, the same amount as for the last two years.

R. A. Allison and L. Sherman of Hillsboro start a business in wood novelties, known as "Wild Wood Novelties."

Congressman Charles A. Martin, democratic candidate for governor, speaks before chamber of commerce.

Three killed and three injured in auto accident near Timber Friday. The dead: Vernon Jones, Miss Helen Brimmer and Otto Tallman.

Helen Becker elected president Reedville Christian Endeavor.

Deaths—Mrs. C. P. Stafford of Laurel.

Mrs. Charles E. Wells of the Hillsboro Coffee club elected president of third district of State Federation of Women's clubs at district meeting at Dallas Friday.

A house near Manning, occupied by Robert Wallace and family, burned October 7.

Banks loses in football to Beaverton on Banks field 33 to 0, Friday.

Mrs. Edna Davis installed as president of Banks American Legion Auxiliary.

30 Years Ago

Argus, October 16, 1919—Sam Ornduff of Laurel sells his hops to Hartrampf Bros. for 75 cents a pound.

County farmers have good yield and big prices.

Sgt. Herman C. Ruecker of Cornelius home from service in France. He participated in big parade in Washington.

J. C. Lamkin retires as Hillsboro postmaster and is succeeded by H. A. Ball.

45 Years Ago

Argus, October 13, 1904—Barn of J. C. Buchanan near Cornelius burns with $3000 loss.

Herman and Will Schulmerich, Ed Boge, H. Whitmore and Dan Burkhalter bag big bear and three deer on Wilson river.

Frank Peters elected president of senior class at Pacific university and his sister, Miss Lottie, is named treasurer.

John M. Wall elected grand prelate Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and W. H. Wescott of Gaston is grand outer guard.

Long Ago

By C. E. Barker

Yes, long ago to the younger generation, but it doesn't seem so long ago to those who lived here in 1915.

The writer recalls the following families in Aloha in 1915: Wolfe, York, Livermore, Rose, Buck, Wheeler, Wiesenback, Tibbitt, Thompson, Anderson, Rasmussen, Dimeo, Blanton, Cherry, Behner, Hathaway, Larsen, Nord, Schroder, Wardle, Tobias, Shaw, Covell, Delk, Clark, Bleakney, Rush, Caples, Young, Huber, Hays, Carlson, Bons, Schlottman, Homerich, Johnson, Sweet, Hershey, Sundberg, Pike, Peterson.

North of the railroad track was uncleared logged off land. There was no highway; that did not come till 1919.

The school house stood among stumps and hazel bushes. Hunters shot pheasants there and more than once stray shots came through the open windows. Clifford York's pet pigeons flew in one day and perched on their master's shoulders till he had to take them home a mile away so school could go on.

Frank Homerich owned the first Ford in this community in 1914. It is said he paid the cost from his first crop of potatoes. Dan Shaw in 1915 was the next to turn modern in the same manner, and Frank W. Livermore the next in 1916. They gave all the children in the countryside free rides.

There were two stores in Aloha in 1915. S. N. Buck and Sons, and David R. Wheeler. The only other business building was Rush's feed store, now Kinneman's warehouse. Reedville was a city then compared to Aloha. The name "Aloha" was first suggested by a resident of Aloha, Michigan, a sister of Hawley Buck Sr.

Imagine the puzzlement of Homer on reading this headline: "Heinrich Hits Homer in Ninth."

Death of the deer means life to the deep freeze trade.

Driver Test Saturday

A drivers' license examiner will be on duty in Hillsboro Saturday at the new state office building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to get in touch with the examiner well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure completion of their applications with a minimum of delay.

Don't let those comical drivers put you in stitches.

No Bomb Can Hurt

Grandfather is telling Midget how a bomb might be dropped from a plane and blow up the city and kill all the people. Hear Midget's answer—"But Grandfather it couldn't hurt me for I belong to Jesus and He is everywhere and He will have me with Him."

Away back in His days here on earth, Jesus saw the little ones turn to Him as being strong and wise and loving. And said He—"Except you turn and become as little children, you shall in no wise enter the Kingdom of Heaven."—BIBLE, Matthew 18:3.

TURN AND TRUST

But God could not side with your sins. Stand on it that Christ the Son, died for all your sins and God the Father gives you eternal life. From that on, sunshine or showers look utterly to Christ to power you. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved.—Acts 16:31.

Geo. N. Taylor

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

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY

Tualatin Valley Air News

Chet Mason from Los Angeles is a brave man indeed. He took a cross country last Tuesday in all that fog and low clouds, to Pasco and return. After all that he rushed over to Portland Columbia to catch an airliner home.

After spending an hour and some to wash the Taylorcraft-85, Ruth and Betty Wikander were rather chagrined to have a big cloud of dust envelop the wet T-Bird. Tut! Tut! "Swede."

In spite of the drizzly weather Tuesday "Swede" and the hunters came home.

We're mighty glad to see Peg and Hap Oslund's progress getting their air service back in shape. The first beam was replaced Wednesday, October 5. If determination and grit are what it takes, they have succeeded already.

Pair of Fledglings

Two of the new fledglings to Wik's Air Service are Lee Johnston and Ben Oldemeyer. Lee says that he almost went through the top of the T-Bird the other day, but it was just that old familiar feeling that accompanies a sharp stall. Ben hasn't made any comments so far, but that beaming look is better than words. He went along as passenger in the twin Cessna Saturday afternoon. Secret ambition Ben? Harry Wilson is another new student who was an eager passenger.

Professor Rienerston who teaches physics at Pacific university and is a member of the Pacific University Flying club, brought his wife over to begin flying Friday afternoon. They were bound for the Naval Reserve Air station, Seattle, Good Luck! Mrs. Rienerston.

Guilford Wikander and his wife had the thrilling experience of seeing 20 deer this last Thursday evening while driving in southern Oregon. Friday on the way home through Crater Lake park a big old bear sashayed up to the car and they were lucky enough to get a good picture of him without losing anything but a little time.

Saturday's visitors to the service were Bob Trenholm from McMinnville in an Ercoupe, Jim Vorseth from Portland, Ray Amundson from Beaverton in a Cub J-5. There was also a Cub J-5 from Portland carrying J. W. Clark.

Weather Bureau Calls

The weather bureau is most accommodating at times. Just to prove our point we tell of the call from Portland Weather Bureau, Sunday. They called to warn us of a bad wind shift with a change of 180 degrees in direction, and breezes up to 45 miles per hour. We watched the wind blow the clouds like fury across the hills to the north and west of the field, but do you know the wind sock hung limp and placid. Thanks a lot fellas, but in this pocket of hills we sometimes don't get the direct blast of the weather. Thanks to Oslund Airways for passing the word around.

Ruth Wikander and Harvey Henderson have been checking out in Wik's silver twin Cessna, but guess Ruth won out. Anyhow she soloed the snub-nosed bird on this past Sunday. Her last comment as instructor Guilford Wikander climbed out the door was, "I don't want to." She did though and it just goes to show, you don't know how good you are until someone makes you see the light.

P.S. Hey! Harvey come on!

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Ball-Ralston Flying Service

Wes Timerman of Hillsboro soloed the PA-11 after eight hours of dual instruction.

Dick Williams of Willamette Flying Service is experimenting with a new sprayer using oil smoke to hold the spray over the crops and help in the distribution of the spray.

Roy Clough has been building a new convertible canvas hangar for his Swift.

The flying deer hunters, Ray Bradford, Onie Kramien, Bud Halvorson, Walt Niuman, Clarence Winjum, Jerry Fowler and C. W. Lindsay, returned with three large bucks shot on the upper Imnaha river.

Les Hewitt has been burning the midnight oil in preparation for a flying deer hunt with Dr. Thierfelder of Forest Grove. They are going to fly to Lapine strip south of Klamath Falls.

G. M. White, the 61-year-old lad who earned his private license and bought a Stinson all in 60 days, has been approved for a commercial course by the Veterans Administration and the CAA.

Bill Forbis has been flying the Navy's SNB Beech at Salem getting in his monthly quota of navy time.

Paul Falco of Portland was approved for a commercial GI course with Ball-Ralston and has started training in the PA-11.

Jay Smith flew home from eastern Oregon with one buck to his credit.

The Oregon Flyers held their monthly meeting in B-R's ground school room Thursday night. An Oregon State Aeronautics board member was scheduled to speak. Refreshments were served.

Funny People Show Set for Portland

Art Linkletter, well known radio personality, will make a personal appearance in Portland on October 22 with his "people are funny" radio show under the sponsorship of the Oregon Advertising club. The radio performance will be staged at the Portland civic auditorium beginning at 8:30 on the evening of the 22d.

Tickets for the personal appearance show are on sale at J. K. Gill company. Mail orders are now being taken by sending a check payable to Oregon Advertising club with a self-addressed envelope to "People are Funny," room 625, Cascade building. Orders will be filled as received.

Main floor seats for the first 25 rows sell for $2.40 and all others in the main floor, first balcony, second balcony and wings sell for $1.80.

Staying alive in today's traffic is as simple as ABC. Always Be Careful!

Personality of the Week . .

Editor's Note: In order to give public recognition for individual merit, the Argus is running a series of articles on leaders of Hillsboro and Washington county, whose work is outstanding in the community. This weekly feature will be known as "Personality of the Week."

By Ernie Martz, Staff Correspondent

"Hillsboro is a great place to live and I'm going to make it my personal project to see to it that it remains one of the most beautiful and happiest towns around," remarked Walter P. Grosjean, Hillsboro Auto Parts partner.

Walt has lived in Hillsboro since September, 1946, and he has adopted the town with the ardor of a native. He has a home on North Third avenue and devotes all his possible free time to keeping the place in top shape.

A native of Omaha, Neb., Walt attended grade and high school in the midwestern city and was tumbling artist in the way of athletics. He also sang with the glee club. He entered Omaha university and after two years at the college, directed by his energy to the auto parts business with which he has been associated since.

The Grosjeans, Walt and his wife Esler, moved to Portland in 1937 where he was associated in the auto parts business. There he met and worked with his partner, Harold Wynne, for nine years prior to their purchasing of the local parts house from Jack Fairweather.

Active in Affairs

Grosjean has wasted little time in getting himself into the swing of things since coming here. He is a member of the Rotary club, the chamber of commerce, and the Masons. Lately Walt has been directing the recruitment for Hillsboro area blood program and during the summer he headed the recreation project committee for Bagley park.

Turning to sports, Walt is an enthusiast in any athletic event but is partial to football and gets a great kick out of following the Hilhi Spartans. As a matter of fact, he seldom misses any of the grid contests of the Spartans.

Fishing is on the top of the list as far as the parts man is concerned but this season was "not too good for me," he reported.

Pheasant hunting also rates the nod with Walt, but there seems to be a yen for the home state when this subject is brought up. According to the bird hunter, "there are many more birds back home than any place out here." The duck hunting here really shows the sportsman something.

Wood carving is another hobby of Walt and he has been at this craft since he was a boy and all the pictures in the Grosjean house are the products of his spare time. He does figurines and scenes in relief.

Walt has two desires which are at the head of his list, to get a swimming pool in Hillsboro and to get his two boys through school. After these two realities, he will undoubtedly find some other worthwhile project to get behind.

Walt Grosjean

Curiosity Raised Over Giant Worm Displayed at Fair

Coast-to-coast publicity was received by the Washington county fair this year. Center of the national interest, press clippings and letters reveal, was the six-foot Australian angleworm displayed at the fairgrounds.

News dispatches concerning the large specimen were carried in newspapers throughout the nation by both the Associated Press and United Press.

The following letter from Berkeley, Cal., is typical of the responses received, according to Leon S. Davis, manager:

"I am a cultivator of worms. In our local newspaper I read where a six-foot worm was entered in your county fair. I would appreciate knowing where I can gather more information about the six-foot worms, and perhaps have some for myself."

Say you saw it in the Argus

Medical Men Travel To Coos Bay Confab

Oregon Health Officers association conference in Coos Bay October 6, 7, and 8 was attended by two doctors and their wives from the Washington county office.

"Newer Tricks of the Trade" was the title of a discussion led by Dr. Hollister M. Stolte, Washington-Yamhill district health officer, along with Multnomah county's health officer, Dr. F. Hanson. Dr. Carl L. Tarlowski, deputy district health officer, was the other local official driving to the three-day fall meeting.

Featured guest at opening session was William E. Walsh, of Coos Bay, state senate president. Also on the agenda was a report of health officers association advisory committee which met the week before in Portland to discuss problems of restaurant sanitation throughout Oregon.

Mothers Sponsor Camp Fire Group

By Mrs. Ida Hermens

VERBOORT — Mother's club of Visitation school are sponsoring a group of Camp Fire Girls. All girls interested are to report to the Mother's club immediately.

Monday Meeting Announced

Women Foresters are scheduled to meet Monday night in Verboort.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jansen and three children, who remained with them till the games were all played in New York, arrived home Friday for the winter months. They made the trip by car which they recently purchased.

Verboort high school "Flying Dutchman" squad traveled to Banks Friday afternoon and won from the "B" team by 27 to 6.

Hillsboro Hogs Head for Hawaii

A Hawaiian doctor evidently does not believe in E. P. Butler's famous short story, "Pigs is Pigs." He sent all the way to Hillsboro for six hogs to be used at one of the island's traditional Luau feasts, barbecued pork being only one of the many items at the huge menu that sometimes go on for days.

Harold Kummer of Kummer Slaughter house in Hillsboro put the dressed hogs on an airplane Thursday night, and they arrived in Honolulu 13 hours later. He bought them from Edward Freudenthal, Putnam & Sons, and Albert Grosjean.

Red Cross Group Confers in Salem

Several Washington county Red Cross workers traveled to Salem Wednesday for a Home Service conference. Attending were Mrs. W. R. Manley, executive secretary, Hillsboro; Mrs. Louis Busch, Forest Grove; Mrs. Otto Shaltenbrand, Sherwood; and Mrs. George Avery, Tualatin. The regional conference included Washington, Clackamas, Polk, Benton, Linn, and Marion counties.

Old Paper Causes Fire

Old clothes, newspapers and magazines tucked away in rafters and attics cause many fires in homes, the National Board of Fire Underwriters warn. The fire experts suggest that attics and cellars be cleaned out during Fire Prevention Week, and kept clear of quick-burning cloth, wood, and paper.

From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

But Curly "Knows What The Score Is!"

Was over at Doc Sherman's drug store listening to the World Series on the radio. Curly Lawson wanders in and says: "How about a chocolate malted, Doc?"

"Sorry, Curly," says Doc, "can't make you a malted for a while yet." "What's the idea?" Curly asks. "Well," says Doc, "most of the folks want to hear the game and the mixer makes too much noise." Curly thinks a moment and says, "Okay with me, Doc—I'll take a chocolate soda!"

This shows how tolerant folks *can* be. Doc showed his respect for how the majority felt; Curly was big enough not to insist on his malted even though he doesn't happen to be fond of baseball.

From where I sit, willingness to respect the other people's feelings is important in a Democracy. If we're tolerant of a person's love for baseball or a glass of temperate beer, we've come a long way on the right road . . . the road to a better America, that is!

Joe Marsh

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