

Mutual-Aid Fire Program Worked 'Fine' at Aumsville

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AUMSVILLE—Marion County's mutual-aid fire protection agreement drew praise from county fire leaders Tuesday following the blaze that destroyed the door plant at Willamette Builders Supply Co. here last Thursday.

"It was the finest operation of the mutual aid plan we have ever had," said E. L. Smith, chief of the Salem fire department and director of the mutual-aid program for the Marion County Firemen's Association.

Seven Trucks Responded
Five fire departments sent seven trucks and approximately 70 men to the fire scene at 9:23 when the fourth alarm sounded. Under control.

Scheduled Followed
Smith said all fire departments responded according to the mutual aid schedule. The Aumsville department received the first alarm at 8:58 p. m. and at 9:02 Aumsville Fire Chief R. L. Mickey sounded the second alarm to the dispatcher at the Salem City Hall.

Silverton Host To 140 JCs
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SILVERTON—Junior Chamber of Commerce members numbering 140 from 16 Oregon towns were guests of the Silverton Jaycees Sunday at the Silverton Armory.

Plans were made for the state and national conventions to be held later in Bend and Atlanta, Ga., respectively.

Graduation Slated For Hazel Green Eighth Graders
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HAZEL GREEN—Eighth-grade graduation exercises for six students—all boys—will be held at 8 p. m. Wednesday, May 25, at Hazel Green School. Principal Marry Harrison reported Tuesday.

Community Unit To Meet Friday At Spring Valley
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SPRING VALLEY—The Community Center Association will meet Friday at 8 p. m. at the Community Center. Mrs. Lloyd Hoxie, vice-president, will preside.

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from Stayton were headed for the fire. Salem's newest pumper truck headed for the fire scene at 9:23 when the fourth alarm sounded. Under control.

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Commencement Slated June 2 At Cascade Union High School

TURNER—Commencement exercises for the Class of 1955 at Cascade Union High School will be held at 8 p. m. on Thursday, June 2, in the school gymnasium, the school announced Tuesday.

Baccalaureate services will be held in the school auditorium at 8 p. m. Sunday, May 29. The Rev. George H. Swift, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Salem, will deliver the sermon.

Others ranking in the top 10 in the class scholastically were listed by the school as Patricia Ahrens, Wayne Feller, Linda Smith, Margaret Boyer, Janet Crane, Ardess Hammer, Alene Freeman and Donald Papke.

KEIZER—A report of the baked-food sale held recently was given at the last meeting of the Keizer Lions Auxiliary. Mrs. Otto Yunker was hostess to the group, assisted by Mrs. Gerald Bowerly.

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Weather Jolts Economy of Canyon Area

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MEHAMA — Work has been slack for several months in this region due to winter weather. Principally a logging area, mud and rain and snow halt operations.

The large plywood plant of M and M at Lyons has cut down on man hours due to a scarcity of logs, caused by winter weather.

Many loggers here have been unemployed for several months. Five Mehama men a week ago went to California to work where weather is reported better.

Valley Briefs
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Hubbard—A farewell dinner for the Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Hastie of the Hubbard Gospel Church will be held at 7 p. m. Friday at the Legion Hall. Friends of the church are invited.

Auburn—A courtroom scene concerning juvenile delinquency will be presented as the program at the Auburn PTA meeting at 7:30 p. m. Thursday at the school.

Jefferson—Mrs. O. G. Howard is reported "improving nicely" from a serious illness, relatives reported Tuesday. She was hospitalized for five weeks.

Marquam—The Scotts Mills Utility and Beauty Garden Club will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Engval Edland. The party will honor the latter who will move soon to San Diego, Calif.

Willamina—One hundred and twenty-four first and second grade pupils at Willamina Grade School have signed slips requesting the Salk polio vaccine, 80 per cent of the eligible group of children.

Spring Valley—The Farmers Union Local here will sponsor a booth at the Polk County Fair this fall, members decided Friday night.

RETURN TO WILLAMINA
WILLAMINA — Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Peterson and family of Anaconda, Mont., have returned to Willamina after being gone two years while Peterson was in the service.

'Mothers Day' Scheduled at Woodburn HS

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WOODBURN—Thursday afternoon has been set aside at Woodburn High School to honor mothers of students in an observance which has become an annual affair at the school.

Visiting mothers will be greeted by members of a welcoming committee headed by William Stampey.

A visit to a class, of which a son or daughter is a member, will be followed by entertainment in the gymnasium where Agnes Dan-skey, Carmelita Moffett, Peggy Doerfler, Laveta Slover, Peggy Schuh and Blanche Christensen have planned a presentation of "Vaudeville Follies."

Tea will be served later while a fashion show is in progress. Barbara Mouser is heading the invitation committee; Linda Peterson is in charge of appointments for the tea tables; Ruth Applegate, Colleen Fieck, Larry Sterling and Ray Meininger are decorating for the affair; and Delen Seely, LaVerne Fieck, Nina Rice, Joyce Mack, Emily Mitchell, Carole McCormack, Blanche Christensen, Juanita Moffett, Jo-Anne Gaviola and Joyce Eckwartz are in charge of refreshments.

German Priest Thanks Mt. Angel For War Charity
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MT. ANGEL—Monsignor Michael Prem, head of Caritas War Relief in Regensburg, Germany, talked at the three late masses in St. Mary's Catholic Church here Sunday.

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Marion County Nearly Free of Brucellosis



Another step in Marion County's health program was reached Tuesday when Dr. K. J. Peterson of the state department of agriculture, presented Judge Rex Hartley the certificate showing that this is now one of the certified brucellosis-free areas in the state. Watching (left to right) are Ed Rogers, county commissioner; Dr. Norris Boe, Salem (back of Dr. Peterson); A. H. Barnes, livestock health chairman; Dr. Austin Elvers, Salem veterinarian; Dr. E. L. Henkel, Silverton veterinarian; Ben Newell, Marion County extension agent, and Roy Rice, county commissioner. (Statesman Farm Photo)

Cattle Disease Incidence Low Now in Five Oregon Counties

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
Farm Editor, The Statesman
Oregon is far ahead of many states in the nation in the brucellosis eradication program. Tuesday, Marion County stepped into line with the top counties in Oregon in the control program.

As a result the official certificate was awarded the county as being a modified certified brucellosis-free area. Marion is the fifth county in the state to receive the honor. Others are Clatsop, Coos, Curry and Josephine.

Reports showed that Marion County has the largest number of herds of cattle of any county in the state, but Tillamook tops Marion in actual number of cattle. There are 3,007 herds with 25,182 head of cattle, in Marion County and 1,144 herds with 29,208 head in Tillamook. Tillamook's percentage of reactors is 8.8. Only areas where brucellosis is less than one per cent in not more than 5 per cent of the herds, are eligible under the program for certification.

There is a new bill before the legislature, which Dr. Peterson said "would fit the bill much better." This provides for testing 20 per cent of herds over 25 in number. In herds of 25 or less, all must be tested. Also, all dairy cattle and all purebred breeding stock must be tested.

When this bill is enacted, and there is very little doubt that it will be passed, we can do a better job of cleaning up the herds. As it is Marion County is certainly to be congratulated on its progress," Dr. Peterson said.

In accepting the certified, Judge Rex Hartley spoke of the cooperative work it had taken, the "partnership between the farmers, the extension service, the state department of agriculture, the veterinarians with the Dr. Peterson spoke of the as-

county court to accomplish this." assistance of calf vaccination, now being practiced throughout the state, but more heavily in eastern Oregon. This preventative has worked better "than we had hoped it would," the veterinarian said.

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849. Harney with 4.101 per cent has the highest number of reactors, percentage-wise, in the state while Multnomah County with .108 per cent has the lowest.

Considerable credit was given Tuesday at the meeting to the work of veterinarians in assisting with the control program.

A. H. Barnes, Silverton, chairman of the Marion County Livestock Health committee, was chairman of the meeting.

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