

Commissioners hold special meeting

As posted, a special meeting of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held at 3 p.m. March 23.

The purpose of the meeting was to adopt a resolution regarding questions to be submitted to the voters of the county in the May primary election.

Present were chairman, Robert Hunt, Commissioners Cleo W. Horn and A.J. Ahlborn, county counsel John Hunnicutt, board secretary Gloria Salvey (deputy clerk).

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parents clung to was that the boy was accompanied by a stray dog that had been at their home for a couple of days.

"Later I found I had gone the wrong way when I looked for Arty," his mother recalled. "I couldn't go too far from home though because of James, who's two years old, and Jean, who is only a year old." She sighed. "I was really worried. I just didn't know where he could have gone."

Another fear which had not been expressed too loudly was that someone might have picked up the boy in a car and taken him away. But no one wanted to think about that.

As the search continued fears increased. It was decided to try and get a bloodhound to look for the boy. One was brought in from Washington state and the hunt went on.

By now it was getting colder and the sun was dropping behind the trees. Soon it would be too dark to make an effective search. The tension mounted.

Then the news came. The boy had been found—alive and well. Little Arty Laubach was brought back home by his rescuers Jim Bergerson, Gary Robertson and Shorty Welch. With him was the dog. The boy was fine except for a small blister on his foot; the dog was exhausted from the approximately five mile trek that had taken them over the hill and through the woods. Apparently the dog was from Clatskanie and decided to go home. Arty went along for the walk.

"I was really glad to see my boy," Mrs. Laubach said, a wide smile on her face. "I guess that was one of my happiest moments."

According to Mrs. Laubach Arty suffered no ill effects from his long cold stroll. She added that her husband and she had discussed the matter very thoroughly with Arty and it is unlikely that he will decide to go for a walk alone in the woods again for a long time.

and John Bledsoe of the Columbia Herald.

The meeting was called to order by Hunt and following the reading of the resolution prepared by Hunnicutt, Commissioner Horn moved and Commissioner Ahlborn seconded to adopt Resolution No. 32-78 regarding the issues to be presented in the May primary election, those being:

1. Shall Columbia County be within the jurisdiction of the Portland Metropolitan Area Local government Boundary Commission as presently authorized by law? and

2. Shall the area near the Port Westward site be zoned 3,000 acres M-1, heavy industrial?

Although the special meeting had been called for the purpose of adopting the aforementioned resolution, Hunnicutt advised that it would not be a violation of ORS 192.640 since the board had already made their decision to approve the Findings of Fact and Order in the matter of the appeal filed by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sahagian on a decision by the Planning Commission granting a variance to Joe Dykstra. Based upon this advice, Commissioner Ahlborn moved and Commissioner Hunt seconded to sign the Findings of Fact and Order, No. 33-78, in the matter. Commissioner Horn did not partake in the hearing, the decision, or the signing of said Findings of Fact and Order.

Goodwill due in May

The Goodwill truck will be in the Vernonia area May 15 to pick up any repairable items residents wish to donate. Goodwill representative for Vernonia is Cora Lange, 429-3421.

GOLF NEWS

The Vernonia Mens Golf Association got their 1978 season underway Sunday, April 9 with the traditional Spring Handicap Tournament. Twenty-six members participated this year. Sam Beardsley captured first place with an even 70 (two under par with handicap). Elmer Schlottman and Dave Siedelman tied for second place with even par 72s with handicap.

Saturday, April 15 the mens club will sponsor their annual Crab Feed at the Vernonia Golf Course club house. Price is \$5 per person. "Be sure to bring your own cracking utensils—crab will be uncracked," they advise. If you don't have any, come anyway, the men invite. A table knife works fine and these will be supplied.

TOPS install new officers

New officers were installed for the local TOPS group recently. Leader is Ruth Cadwallader; co-leader, Echo Metcalf; secretary, Penny Port; treasurer, Yvonne Haverland; weight recorder, Eileen Grady. Visitors are welcomed by the group. Meetings are held in the Washington Grade School library Thursday evenings, 7:30 p.m.

Like more information? Call Ruth at 429-8431.

Inspirational

Cast up, cast up, prepare the way, take up the stumbling block out of the way of the spiritual return of My people. For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity Whose name is Holy.

Isa 57:14

Parents announce daughter's engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Duane A. Bartsch of Portland announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie to Ken Enneberg.

Debbie is a graduate of Madison High School, class of '75, and of Western Business College in 1977. She is employed by the Oregon Association of Hospitals.

Ken is the son of Lee Enneberg and Mrs. Bobbie Nightwine.

Ken is a 1975 graduate of Vernonia High School and employed by Don Hood Logging.

The couple plan to be wed June 3 in Holy Cross Lutheran in Portland.

After the wedding they plan to reside in Vernonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hixon of Pennsylvania, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Anna Hixon of Longview, Washington, surprised Mrs. Cora Lange with a visit Monday. While here the Hixons visited other friends in the area. The Hixons are former residents of Vernonia. They owned the busline, the Vernonia Stage which operated out of the Working Man's Store, now Treasure & Trash.

Household Hints

Combating Rust Stains

Rust stains on carpeting from metal casters or chair legs are problems to remove because only acids will tackle the marks, says Carol Ashley, Columbia County extension agent. Before any cleaning solution is tried, test it on a hidden area to see if it affects the carpet dye.

Hydrofluoric acid, usually available in the cleaning products section of grocery and department stores, produces excellent results on rust stains. If it doesn't change the color of the test area, put a couple of drops of the acid on a tissue wrapped around an ice cream bar stick and rub and the stain.

Oxalic acid also works on rust and because it is less caustic, many people prefer it. It is available at drug stores in one percent solution and can be applied in the same way as hydrofluoric acid. Several minutes will elapse before the acid begins to work on the stain.

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