

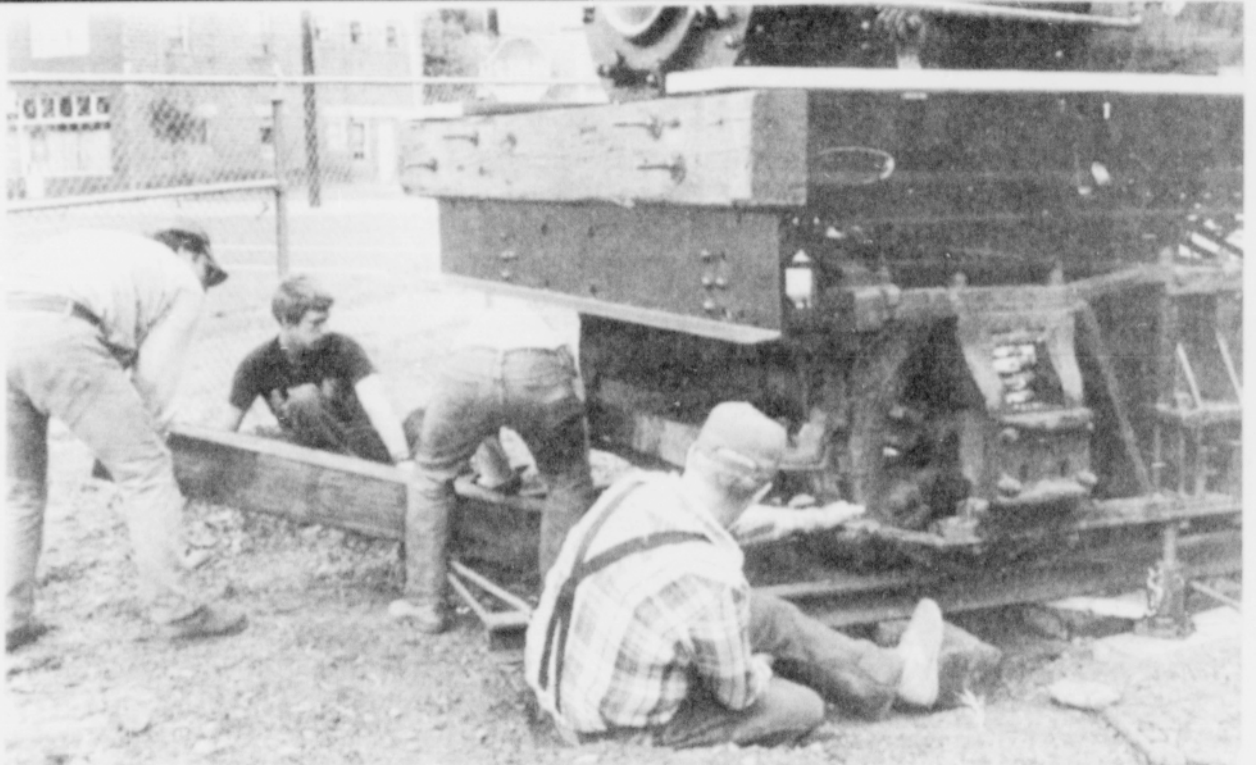
Study of sewer system started

Vernonia's sewers are going to be given a close look in an attempt to define and locate existing problems, and determine what is required to make repairs.

The council this month awarded a \$70,000 contract to HGE Engineers to uncover the causes creating the system's problems - leaking pipes, inadequate pumping stations and periodic discharge of insufficiently treated sewage into the Nehalem River. HGE will

also make recommendations for repairs and/or replacement of the system.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will pay 55 percent of the total cost of the study, the city has \$4,500 available at this time for the project, and a HUD grant will take care of some of the cost. The remainder will have to be raised from various sources, and the city can reduce the total cost by having public works employees do some of the work.



Tim Enyart, Wally Vaughn, Chuck Goodman and Ray King are shown raising Vernonia's Shay locomotive to replace the rotting rail ties. They hope to complete the restoration before the next Jamboree. Anyone interested in this and related projects may call Tim at 429-6932.

C of C awards dinner planned

The second annual Citizens' Awards banquet, sponsored by the Vernonia Area Chamber of Commerce, will be held January 16, 1988,

and people are being asked to start considering nominations of area men and women who they feel should be honored for their contribu-

tions to the quality of life in our community.

Nominations forms will be mailed to organizations later this month. They will also be available at locations to be named later.

Additional information about the banquet will be available soon, said chairperson Mary Tolonen.

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