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CITY OF VERNONIA AS VIEWED BY AN OUTSIDER

Addison Bennett recently visited Vernonia, and wrote an article on his impressions for the Oregonian. We have been asked to re-print it in the Eagle:

By Addison Bennett

Vernonia may be called a new old town or an old new town, for it is a town that was really founded by the establishment of a small country store more than 47 years ago. At least C. W. Mellinger went to Vernonia 47 years ago and the store was then doing business. This store was on Rock creek, a short distance above the present bridge that crosses that stream about one-half mile north of its confluence with the Nehalem river.

This store did not last very long and then the father of C. W. Mellinger opened a store practically on a part of the present townsite. At that time there were a good many ranchers in that part of Columbia county, but the country was mostly covered with timber and brush. The Mellinger store did not last long, and then Mr. McNutt of Cornelius took in a stock of goods from his Cornelius store. This old store building is still standing and is occupied as a residence. McNutt carried a good stock and kept it well replenished by hauling goods from Cornelius.

Townsite Is Platted.

Soon after McNutt came the townsite was platted by Joseph van Blainco. This was in 1891, thirty years ago. The little town took on a new growth and a newspaper was started, the Nehalem Journal, by Byron & Braden. Their old office building is still standing near the west bank of Rock creek and a short block from the bridge. The place is owned and occupied by L. B. Stuart as a drug store, but it has been worked over several times.

It did not prove a bonanza for Byron & Braden, and they only lasted a year or so. They sold the plant and good will to Van Dyke and Davidson, who changed the name to the Sentinel.

This was in 1893. The Sentinel soon suspended and the plant was moved away, thus ending the history of newspapers for Vernonia up to the present. But somebody will soon drop into a good thing by starting a weekly there with a good job outfit attached. It is the best location I know of in the northwest.

Town Is Incorporated.

About the time the Sentinel started the town was incorporated and there was a good deal of railroad talk. There was a good many ranchers in the vicinity and at the 1891 election there were 400 votes polled there. And, remember, the women then had no vote. (At the recent primary election 171 votes were cast there.)

Perhaps that is enough ancient history to give about Vernonia. I was invited to go over there recently and write something about the town. As the crow flies it is about 30 miles from Portland to Vernonia, and upon inquiry I found the best route to reach there was via the Tillamook branch to Timber, then 11 miles by auto.

And just a word about Timber. It is one of the most important stations on the Tillamook line and a very large amount of mail, freight and parcel post business is done there, the most of which originates or ends at Vernonia. You can get from Vernonia to Portland by leaving at 6:30 A. M., 8:30 A. M., or 10 A. M.

Auto Line Operating.

C. A. Mills has a lot of autos carrying passengers and freight back and forth. Of course you can get there or away from there by wagon or auto via Buxton, and there is a fairly good road from Portland to Astoria, on which Vernonia is about the half-way point.

When the pioneers first settled in the limits of the present townsite they had a prophetic vision. The only trouble with the vision was that they overlooked about as many mishaps as could hold a town back. But the location, at the confluence of the Nehalem and Black creek, was ideal, for it was in the midst of one of the greatest timber sections in Oregon and with Vernonia as about the only channel through which it could be brought

Katherine Malmstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Malmsten spilled a pot of boiling coffee over the right side of her face and shoulder Sunday, inflicting severe pain and probably leaving a small scar, she is now sitting up during the day, but suffers considerable.

Sidney Malsten, and family were Portland guests last week.

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Read all the advertisements. They are good reading, and a personal message from each firm.

Little More Local News

Columbia County Fair St. Helens Sept. 19—21.

Work has begun on the new Catholic church.

Mr and Mrs John Urie, and Mrs Charles Urie were shopping in Portland Saturday.

Our hundreds of readers outside o Vernonia can tell what business is represented here by the ads in this paper

Dale & Hill, Vernonia painters, are still spreading colors all over town. This week they have painted Lane & co store, The Haxelwood, the Lunch Box, Bryan's barber shop, Hall's store, Throops store, Elvin Mill's bungalow and Judge Harises ungalow.

We challenge any Oregon town when it comes to newly painted buildings. Very few "old shaks" and unpainted buildings in Vernonia. Most of the business houses are newly painted or under the painters brush now, it looks splendid.

To Lodges and Orders

Can't we insert regular directory notice of your meeting nights and officers in the Eagle each week, so as visitors and new comers may know your meeting night and that you are in existence? Don't cost much. How about printing you some lodge stationery too?

Register

City Election in November You must register to vote. Vernonia Registration Book Opens Sept. 4 for 30 days. All Vernonia voters requested to register early. Don't neglect it.

Build

Vernonia' must have at least 100 more houses; cottages for new coming people to live in. The demand is here; any builder doubts the demand, we will rent or sell the houses for him before he starts building.

The Vernonia Crange will have a booth and serve lunch Sept 9, on the corner lot east of Hall's store.

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Mr. Wiles of Wiles Motor Co. Forest Grove, was transacting business here Wednesday.

Clayton Welty who is employed here, visited this week in Hrbbard, Ore.

Miss Esther Urie returned home Sunday after spending a month with her Grand Mother. Mrs. John Urie of West St Helens.

Reuben Roberts was in Portland on business Saturday.

UP RIVER NEWS ITEMS

Mr. Ripperdam, who has been staying at Mr. Ahlers left for daho last week.

Edwin North is entertaining an aunt from Honolulu.

Religious services are being held at the Kist school house every evening this week.

Peter Bergerson has been busy threshing for the past week. Everyone is relieved to have the threshing done before the rains.

Mr. and Mrs. Christensen have been visiting Mrs. Christensen's mother, Mrs. Anderson, for a few days.

The Condit and Stanton young folks were visitors of the John family Sunday.

Jim Magers and family returned from Oregon City, where they had been visiting to their home near Vernonia

Alden John motored to Portland last week, and returned with an Essex roadster.

Earl and Charley Snyder motored to Forest Grove Sunday.

Mrs. Rilla Snyder was in Vernonia Monday having dental work done.

Miss Eunice Mitchell, a former teacher of Pleasant Hill school, sailed Sunday from Seattle on the S. S. Pref. McKinley for Canton, China, where she will engage in Missionary work under direction of the U B church.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ringland of Riverside, announced the arrival of a son August 6. Mrs. Ringland, formerly Miss Lena Coiner, was a teacher at Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. Clifford Bergerson's sister-in law, Mrs. Fiuke and children of Beaverton, are visiting at the Bergerson home.