

### MOUThPIECE of the NEHALEM VALLEY

### Advertising Medium of a Big Pay Roll Community

**STANDING TIMBER**  
Will Get Accurate Statement of the Amount of Standing Timber in County—Contract Let to Lester Clark and Work Starts at Once.

In order to ascertain the amount of standing timber in Columbia county and make the proper tax assessment, the county court has ordered a cruise of the timber. No cruise has been made for the past 15 years, it was stated, and the court deemed it necessary to make a cruise.

Thursday afternoon the court entered into a contract with Lester Clark, well known timber cruiser of Portland, to do the work. His bid was 18 cents per acre for the timber lands and 12 cents per acre for the burned over lands. He is also to make a contour map of the county.

According to information secured from the office of County Assessor C. W. Blakesley, the standing timber in the county, based on the cruise of 15 years ago, is about five billion feet. The valuation placed by the assessor's office on this timber is \$5,990,270. There is approximately 120,000 acres of timber land and probably twice that much of burned over land, so if the entire acreage is cruised, the county will pay a bill of \$25,000 to \$30,000 for the work. However, the cruiser will work as directed by the court and should it be found that the original cruise is near correct it will not be necessary to cruise the entire acreage.

The court has directed Mr. Clark to start work in Townships 4 and 5 which are in the Nehalem country and when the work is checked up with the former cruises they will decide whether or not to do other cruising.

### LARGE NEW DEPOT FOR VERNONIA

The big passenger depot is now under actual construction, and it is a splendid one. The best on the entire line and one of the prettiest that the S. P. & S. Co. have. The location could not suit our city better and the railroad company is showing its good will and confidence in Vernonia, which is evidenced in this commodious and well arranged building. It will improve that part of town immensely.

### Another Way To Help Build A City

It was a cold frosty morning like we had a week ago. A little tot of a girl probably five was on an errand to the grocery for Mother. Her list covered several articles not too heavy for her to carry had they been wrapped up but it was too much for the little tot's fingers exposed to the cold and tears began to trickle down her pink cheeks when a gentleman came to her rescue and carried the parcels, and the little white cold fingers went into her little coat pocket to get warm.

### Vernonia High School

ALICE ENYARTS, Editor

V-V-Ver-n-o-nia!  
H-H-igh!

Vernonia High! and several other snappy yells which were roared by the enthusiastic students during the twenty minutes yell practice last Friday morning sure did raise the roof.

Basket ball season is at hand and some practicing has been done altho' the gym is not quite finished. If the team keeps step with its Rooters it will certainly be a bear cat.

Men are building our longed for sidewalks, No wading thru' the mud this winter. Rahl! Rahl!

The rushing business of the Sophs. & Frosh. class has suddenly died down since the initiation which was held last Friday evening in the high gym. There was some trouble getting started but it went off nicely considering that there were two freshmen to one Sophomore. Games were played and refreshments were served afterwards, then all the students went home.

The students in the play A Case of Suspension; are practicing every spare minute. Be sure to come.

A report has reached us of the marriage of one of our former high school students, Miss Doris Wood. We don't know who the lucky man is, but we wish that they may live long and happy.

Miss Elizabeth Perry our high school superintendent was to visit us last week.

Miss Edith Wilson a sophie, and Miss Julia Keasy, a freshie missed two days of school this week. We hope that the initiation party is not at fault.

Horrors. A high school student has lost his bottle—of ink.

### Big Business Deal

An important business deal this week is that of the sale of the two lots on Second Street by Mrs. Webster to Brown & Brown the new furniture store people. Mr. Brown tells us today, that they will build on the corner lot a large 50x100 foot building to be used by them for an undertaking parlor, chapel and furniture store, in connection with their present store in the Brown building.

Mrs. Eva Nevling, of Butte, Montana, is a new arrival in Vernonia, visiting with her friend, Mrs. G. M. Mecklen. Mrs. Nevling is purchasing a lot and will build a new home here.

### Hanson Wins Match, Which Goes the Limit

(Communicated.)

The fans who attended the smoker last Saturday night at Vernonia Hall received a treat seldom accorded a town the size of Vernonia. Hanson, knowing from his first match with Hill, that he had a tough man to conquer, did not rush matters but tried wearing his man down. Hill proved to be equal to the occasion and took the first fall in one hour and eighteen minutes, with an arm scissors and wrist lock.

Hanson, after twenty-nine minutes of Herculean wrestling, gained an arm scissors and held Hill's shoulders to the mat longer than was necessary. The referee had some difficulty in making a decision on account of the position of the men. At this period Mrs. Hill, wife of the wrestler, showed great sportsmanship and knowledge of the game by stepping out of the audience and slapping Hanson on the back, conceding him the fall before the referee did. Had Hanson been compelled to exert more strength with his hold Hill's shoulders would have been wrenched and the next fall would have been but a matter of a few minutes, as happened to Hanson at the last match when Hill got a wrist lock in the second fall.

The men returned to the mat with determination to gain the deciding fall, but after fourteen minutes of hold after hold, fell apart, as the two-hour limit was up. The referee raised Hanson's arm as winner, which did not prove popular. The match should have been a draw in fairness to both men.

It requires considerable knowledge of the game to make a decision in a case like this. To the novice the man on top seems to have advantage, which is not always so, as some of the country's greatest wrestlers got their deciding holds from underneath, so the writer of this article, who has covered a good many big bouts, is of the opinion that this match should have been a draw.

The boys, with the exception of Erickson, did not show up for the preliminaries, much to the regret of Mr. Dow.

Had the match been over in time to clear the floor there would have been dancing after the bouts. The majority were well satisfied, but you can't satisfy everybody as was proved by the individual who stole the gasoline lantern from the sidewalk to get what he thought was a dollar's worth.

Some of the boys were of the opinion that the match was not up to snuff because of the lack of roughness. Credit must be given both men for avoiding this stuff. Knee butting, biting, eye gouging are not a part of wrestling, and it is this kind of bouts that has caused commissions to be formed to govern same. We want clean sports, and Vernonia is not going to tolerate any other kink.

Cedar Timber for sale—splendid site for mill timber enough for several years' run, Eight miles from Vernonia.—Address O. Enneberg. Mist Ore. 2t.

A. W. Hufface just finished a nice new residence on the East Side near the Dent property.

### COUNTY AGENT NEWS

Berry vines should not be left to lie on the ground during the winter months as an injury known as die-back occurs frequently where this has been done. All vines should be trellised up from the ground. Some times there will be an injury from freezing where they are trellized up, but tests have proven that the freezing injury will not be as severe as the injury from die-back where they are left on the ground.

### To Poultry Men

Are you in the poultry business or considering going in, if so, there are certain fundamental facts which must be observed if your venture is to prove successful. First: correct housing facilities. Plans for up-to-date chicken houses can be secured through the County Agent's office. Proper feeding and care is one of the very great essentials in the poultry business. If in doubt get in touch with your County Agent who can supply you with right information on this subject. Are you going to need baby chicks for next year's flock. Let us remember that the production during next September, October, November and December will be carried on by the pullets you start next spring as your mature hens invariably take a rest during this period. It is also well to remember that this represents the peak of your price period so that in order that your flock is producing during these months you should be growing pullets next season that will permit production at this time. In order to do this baby chicks should be secured that hatch from March 10th to April 20th. Earlier than March 10th is not advisable and later than April 20th should not be considered at all. No doubt there are many poultry men who will question this statement, but it has been proven by extensive experiments conducted through our Oregon Experiment Station along this line, that baby chicks hatched during this period come into earlier fall production and produce through the peak price period. Hatched earlier than this they are liable to go into a molt and hatched later they do not come into production until the price of poultry production starts on the downward scale, therefore all poultrymen should insist that their chicks be hatched during this period. In order to secure these chicks from commercial breeders you should immediately get in touch with any good hatcheries and have your orders booked early. The County Agent's office can supply you with information and recommendations along this line.

Runners that have started from old strawberry vines should be cut and not allowed to feed from the old plant as the production of your field next year will show a considerable decrease where this is not done.

County Agent's office has been advised that a herd of 15 dairy cattle of the Jersey breed whose records are from 350 to 400 pounds of fat with an average test of 5.6 with good udders and teats, sound in every way and on the U. S. accredited list, having passed three T. B. tests without a reactor, are for sale. Also, five spring heifer calves from some of these best cows. The herd can be bought at a very reasonable price. Anyone interested should get in touch with the County Agent's office immediately.

### NEW PRESS FOR EAGLE

The Eagle has been troubled more or less each week with our newspaper press and on a few occasions the paper has been delayed on account of breakdowns or the amount of work for our size press. This week we are busy installing a new magnificent six-page cylinder power press. A press large enough and fast enough to handle any size paper a city of several thousand could demand. In fact, the same make of press many daily papers use. It is built for high speed electric power, and for a short time we will be compelled to use a gas engine until the juice is turned on in Vernonia, probably next June. The Eagle goes to some twelve hundred to fifteen hundred dollars extra expense in the new press, and between you and I, we are going in debt for part of it, but we have faith in the community and it was an absolute necessity that we purchase it and do it immediately. Our city is growing fast and our readers want their paper to keep up with the procession. The Eagle now has a No. 1 printing office, an office capable of turning out any kind of work, and no job is too large or too difficult. Come in and see a real printing office.

Ninety per cent of the property owners in sidewalk districts are more than willing to pay for the walk along their property. The walk along Bridge Street, Rose Avenue and one to the High School is important. We want a walk to the property we live in—we are paying for it—and every renter and owner feels the same way. A suggestion heard this week, and a good one, is for the city to at once build these walks clear through and present the bill to the owners. They will pay them at once without a word of protest and be glad to do it. But you can't expect Mr. Crockett or Mr. Smith or any other man to neglect his business to come and build 30 feet of walk. Let the city build the walks CLEAR THROUGH, NOW, and be done with it. It will be cheaper for each if the whole job is done at the same time and they will be absolutely uniform. Must have walks and have them now.

Big improvement is the large new store building going up just off the Rock Creek bridge, to be occupied by the new Haltom-Smith Co. Dry Goods Store. These people will put in a big stock of new goods and their store promises to be an up-to-date one in every respect.

St Helens Oregon Nov. 22 '22  
The Eagle, Vernonia Ore.  
First service new Catholic Church, will be held next Sunday morning 9 o'clock. All Catholics are expected to be present to make plans for dedication of building by Arch Bishop Cristie of Portland who, according tentative arrangements, will arrive by special train. The general public invited to attend Sunday.—Rev. Father Jos. P. Clancey.

### ORGANIZATION IS WORTHY

In unity there is strength. In Vernonia the Chamber of Commerce can do much for the city and the town. In every town there are "kicks" about the commercial organization. These objections are generally unfounded and exaggerated. They usually come from people that don't attend the club. No city of any importance can make personal visits and get every individual's idea or consent before an improvement is contemplated. We know citizens of Portland or any other city don't even know of street improvements, new enterprises or all city improvements until those improvements are completed and seen. Leaders are needed, leaders that have the city's interest at heart, leaders that have pep and initiative ability to go ahead. The Chamber of Commerce acts as a clearing house for all good suggestions that come up for our welfare. The Chamber of Commerce is not stealing any cash or glory, and if anyone is not perfectly satisfied, they should attend and help push as well as see that their objections are well founded.

In some towns that struggle for an existence, we have known parties who have chipped in a dime and yelled for year over how that dime was spent, or insinuating that some one got the money. In these cases we have noticed that no one got any money that they were not entitled to, and in every case the ones doing the most work get the least for their work. The leaders are always entitled to more than they get—rest assured of that.

In Vernonia we don't hear any serious kicks. We do believe, however, that here we need more members to the Chamber of Commerce—men who will help put the city over, men who realize what a big industrial city we really have, men awake. Let more membership applications be turned in. It is a good cause. Of course, every move started can't materialize with all speed expected or wished for. Of course we can't all be winners every time. The big idea is, "If you are a loser, join the winners." We can all be winners if we all pull and endeavor to pull together. We are ever striving and we know of no city having better prospects or more opportunities. Let us have a large membership to the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce. The next meeting night is Friday, December 1.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cartwright are new citizens for Vernonia, this week, coming here to make their home from Chinook, Montana. They were among the eastern Eagle readers who have been reading of Vernonia every week through our columns, and Vernonia welcomes them.

R. B. Shaw is just finishing a large new residence in the south part of town.

The new E. L. Mastin residence is now ready for the family to move in.

Two fine new residences started on Rose Avenue this week. They are going up so fast the Eagle reporter can't keep track of all of them.

Build your sidewalks.

### CHARIVARI

On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Duncan moved in their new home in the Fowler residence. It was their first night at home, and the many friends in Vernonia were determined that the couple would long remember it. A large crowd of men, women and young people gathered that night with tin horns and made the atmosphere resound with unearthly music until invited in. The bride and groom welcomed the visitors, refreshments were served and a good time enjoyed.

### TAX MEETING

The High School District Tax Meeting that is called for 2 o'clock Saturday will probably be arranged in a way that a few will meet and call a recess until 3.30 o'clock. This will give an opportunity for parties to attend the Road Tax Meeting at Sidney Malmsten at 2 and H. S. Meeting at 3.30. Then this dismeeting at 8 P. M.


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