

Shingle Mill Burns

Loss \$4000, Delay

Saturday morning we were sorry to hear the news of the burning of the Flippin & Hall Shingle mill, or the "Dock Jones Mill," near Vernonia. The owners had not owned the mill long. They purchased a nice bunch of cedar and were running steady, with night shift part of the time.

In addition to the mill about 175,000 shingles were burned, and the top of Mr. Lane's auto destroyed. This is certainly tough luck when shingles are so much in demand here. The company will rebuild. No insurance was carried.

The same day of the fire a valuable horse of the company's laid down and died.

Local Parties in Court

Professor Wilson then swore out a warrant for H. Van Blaricom, charging assault and battery and disorderly conduct. Trial came up Saturday night before Judge Owens. Mr. Van Blaricom had no witnesses and was his own lawyer. Several witnesses were called and all testimony was of the same nature. Mr. Van Blaricom was fined \$50 and cost and put under peace bonds.

It was a happy gathering that seemed to lack nothing to make an enjoyable evening, unless the hostess had served refreshments.

Physician Locates Here

Dr. Short, well known physician of the state, has located in Vernonia. His office for the present will be in the Brown & Brown upstairs rooms. This week Dr. Short has been busy clearing his lots on Vernonia Heights, and erecting a residence. Vernonia welcomes the new family. The doctor is a mighty nice man to meet.

A mass meeting is in session tonight for the purpose of deciding on a City Park for Vernonia. We need a community park and auto camp ground, and if we don't secure it now we never will, without some kind person dies and wills the ground.

The bakery was closed temporarily this week until the baker receives a large new oven that he is ordering.

Suit is Compromised

State of Oregon vs. Cyrus Todd called for last Saturday was a compromise. The complaining witness on the warrant was J. R. Covert. It appears that Mr. Todd had arranged with Mr. Hall for some wood and went after the wood, not knowing that Mr. Covert had secured the lot. Mrs. Covert objected to Mr. Todd taking the wood and a heated argument ensued that ended in threats, blows and talk, resulting in the charge of assault and battery being served on Mr. Todd. The defendant paid the costs of the serving and the complaining witness withdrew the complaint. The case was before Justice Weed.

"Dad, Here's to You"

We happened in a house the other night, and over the parlor door was the legend worked in letters of red, "What is home without a mother?" Across the room was another brief, "God Bless our home."

Now, what's the matter with "God bless our Dad?" He gets up early, lights the fire, boils an egg, and wipes off the dew of the lawn with his boots while many a mother is sleeping. He makes the weekly handout for the butcher, the grocer, the milkman and baker, and his little pile is badly worn before he has been home an hour.

If there is a noise during the night Dad's kicked in the back and goes down stairs to find the burglar and kill him. Mother darns the socks, but Dad bought the socks in the first place and the needles and yarn afterward. Mother does up the fruit; well, Dad bought it all, and jars and sugar cost like the mischief.

Dad buys chickens for the Sunday dinner, carves them himself, and draws the neck from the ruins after everyone else is served.

What is home without a Mother? Yes, that is all right; but what is home without a father? Ten chances to one it is a boarding house. Father is under a slab and the landlady is the widow.

Dad, here's to you! You've got your faults—you may have lots of them—but you're all right and we'll miss you when you're gone.—Shreveport Caucasian.

50 men in this community eligible to join the American Legion. Then why have't we a Legion Post in Vernonia?

Spray Your Fruit Trees. Necessary

Paint up; Clean up. It's Spring.

Our 'Want ad' column gets results

Zero, Back East. Glad you're here?

Suggestions for Improving Mail Delivery Service

The prompt delivery of the letters you write depends upon your supplying a complete and correct address. Most letters are of sufficient importance to justify this effort.

Most of the trouble in the local post office is caused by mail addressed to "Portland, Oregon" or "City," without street and number, and that addressed to office buildings, without room numbers.

If possible, mail should be addressed to street and number; if these are not known and it is addressed to a street corner, it should have the proper prefix, S. W. or N. E., etc.

In view of the benefits to be gained may I not request that your envelopes, letter heads and statements bear, conspicuously, your full street or office building address, as a convenience to those who wish prompt delivery of their letters to you?

Your co-operation in the interest of an improved mail service will be much appreciated. All envelopes should have your return address printed on them.

POSTMASTER

Chicken Ranch

P. Hill has a real chicken ranch out joining the Wm. Pringle ranch. No one is better qualified to have a real chicken ranch than Mr. Hill. He understands the business thoroughly. He is interested in White Leghorns and Plymouth Rocks. A 500 egg incubator arrived last week for him, making four of the machines he is now operating. He will soon have baby chicks for everybody.

H. W. Smith was in the picnic and fishing party last Sunday. They started home on the railroad track, Smith taking steps long enough to leave the rest far behind. Excitement was high when the party noticed a train speeding down the track behind them. Coyle, Detrow and most of the crowd scattered for the brush, but Smith started down the track in front of the train. He said if he couldn't out-run it on a level track he was sure he couldn't in the brush. He beat the train into Vernonia by several moments and rested at the depot for the arrival of the train and crowd.

Wm. McPherson is another newcomer this week who likes Vernonia well enough to stay.

Phone the Eagle office a news item; that's what we have a phone for.

Mr. Sessemann showed us his new undertaking parlor this week, with several new caskets he has in stock. It is a well arranged and clean, new, neat room throughout.

Miss Gladys Malmsten, of Monmouth, spent a few days of a spring vacation here this week. Miss Hazel Malmsten, her cousin, from Salem, is on a ten day vacation with her parents here.

Ed. Condit and sister Isabei and Benetta Parker came near having a severe accident Friday night when the Ford tipped over in a deep ditch at the McDaniel bridge. The car was wrecked and the occupants shaken up considerably.

ORDINANCE NO. 60

An Ordinance awarding to the Vernonia Construction Company, a partnership consisting of C. A. Mills, C. U. Enstrom and Fred Overen, a contract for the construction of a Municipal Water System.

The City of Vernonia does Ordain as follows:

Section 1. That there be and is hereby awarded a contract to the Vernonia Construction Company, a partnership consisting of C. A. Mills, C. U. Enstrom and Fred Overen, for the construction of a Municipal Water System in the City of Vernonia, in conformity with the plans, specifications, and schedules as prepared by Stiger & Lincoln, engineers for said City, and on file at the office of the City Recorder. The amount of the contract price for the construction of said Water System shall be approximately Twenty-six Thousand, Two Hundred and Seventy-eight and 20/100 Dollars.

Section 2. That Whereas it is necessary for the health, and peace of the City of Vernonia, that this Ordinance shall go into immediate effect, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall go into effect upon its passage by the council, and approval of the Mayor of said City of Vernonia.

Passed by the Council of the City of Vernonia March 19, 1923.

Yeas: R. M. Hall, C. W. Mellinger, Guy R. Mills, Dr. B. L. Sears.

Nays: None.

Approved this 19th day of March, 1923.

CHAS. D. WHITE,

Attest: BEN S. OWENS,

Recorder.

New Dining Room

Mr. Sale is building a dining room annex to the Horseshoe, making room for thirty more chairs.

If a thought occurred to you, That you would like to settle down Near a lively town, Where life will take on added charm. If you are seeking perfect health, That combined with certain wealth, Where the lumber business is booming to beat the band.

If you are seeking a home, or a chance to make the dough, Vernonia is the place to go.

—By E. H. S., Vernonia.

No loafing. Everybody is going to work. The light and power pole gang and the telephone pole gang have been busy in town this week and next week the water system will require a gang. Work starting in earnest in every direction.

County Court in Vernonia

Judge Philip, Commissioners Miller and Fullerton and Road Master Ellison were in Vernonia Saturday. They were on an inspection trip and visiting our growing community. We are very sorry that we were absent when they called at the office.

The road and bridge situation attracted their attention, as well as the crushed rock question. It is the plan to make Vernonia the center or distributing point for the crushed rock for this end of the county.

There is an item of immense importance we would like if they had noticed, and that is the condition of the county road at the west part of Vernonia, up the Corey hill. This road was cut down last fall to fill in Rose avenue, and it is left in an impassable condition. Hundreds of people live in the west side and those building new homes there are "up against it" to get to the business center. Wagon or auto cannot possibly make the hill in the wet, sticky clay, and many new homes want to build but cannot get the lumber up the hill. It is up to the county to finish the job and rock this hill for at least three or four blocks. It won't need it this summer, and next fall it will be too muddy to get the rock up the hill. Now is the time it should be rocked.

What Might Have Been

The Forest Grove Logging Co. presented a proposition to furnish the city power plant with saw dust for two boilers for a lump sum of \$7,665 per year, or \$21 per day. Offered fuel at \$20 per car load of saw dust, hog fuel and planer shavings. Slab wood, \$2.50 per cord. The proposition was taken under advisement and referred to the purchasing committee.—Forest Grove News-Times.

Just suppose Vernonia had turned down the hydro-electric and tried a steam plant, run by the city.

Game Warden Here

Game Warden Brown was in the city this week. Mr. Brown wants to impress upon the minds of the fishermen that the trout season does not open until April 15. He also informs us that ten dozen China pheasants were turned loose in the county last week.

Assault and Battery Case Ends in Monotonous Comedy

A warrant issued by Mr. Van Blaricom charging Prof. Wilson with assault and battery on Miss Myrtle VanBlaricom, an eighth grade pupil, resulted in a trial before Recorder Owens Friday. The process of the trial grew monotonous, as witness after witness was called, until those in attendance feared the entire school and all grades might be called. Nearly three hundred spectators attended the hearing. Each witness testified to the effect that the Professor was justified in the punishment given the student.

As soon as the last witness had testified, the case was dismissed. The dignity of the court was forgotten in several instances of prolonged laughter from the audience, which was probably justified from the program.

New City Marshal

E. D. Fowler has resigned as City Marshal, and at the council meeting Monday night Mayor White appointed D. W. Keasey for the position. The appointment was endorsed by the council. As the city grows every day, so the duties of Marshal become more numerous and important. There is a "Clean Up" campaign due and the Marshal will undoubtedly have the backing of the City Dads, which is absolutely necessary for success.

New Theatre Building

J. R. Bush, a recent arrival from Corvallis, is showing his faith in Vernonia by getting in on the ground floor. He recently purchased the feed business from Mr. Throop, and now announces the immediate construction of a new, large and modern theatre building on the lot at the corner of Bridge and Third streets, known as the Crockett lot. We understand the fixtures, etc., will be strictly up to date and the pictures the best obtainable, as good and late as most cities can secure.

Silverton will build a \$40,000.00 City Hall. Silverton is situated somewhat like Vernonia, in that it is a mill town; but its nearness to Salem is no help to its business institutions.



Moving Ahead

To save steadily is to progress steadily. It may not be much at first but it can be regular—planned ahead—a rule to be followed.

It is not difficult for us here at the Bank of Vernonia to pick out the men and women who are succeeding—and we don't look at the balance either—it's the frequency and regularity of deposits that counts.

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Vernonia, Oregon

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