

MOUTHPIECE of the NEHALEM VALLEY

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Advertising Medium of a Big Pay Roll Community

VERNONIA PLAYS BALL

MOST INTERESTING GAME IN VERNONIA THIS YEAR

"Doernbecher Furniture Co.," of Portland, came out last Sunday and played the Vernonia ball team. It was the best game this season on Vernonia ground. The teams were well balanced, decisions caused no comment, and the rooters were in the game for all they were worth. The game was close, 6 to 7 in favor of the Portland team. It was Vernonia's game, however, over 90 per cent of the time, and we lost on errors. We made seven errors, the visitors made four. We got 15 hits off their pitcher "Scotty," and they got five hits off Vernon. Vernon walked 6. Goose eggs were piling up fast on both sides of the board, and not until the fifth inning was a run made. In the first half, "Scotty," their pitcher, made a good hit, bringing in one of their men who had rambled as far as third. Our boys got a little anxious here and made some rank errors. Then pep was revived in the second half of the sixth, when bases were all full. Glen Roberts made a splendid hit that brought in two scores, the Coyle brothers. That brought Vernonia on her toes, then to keep up the jazz, Kenneth Roberts did the same trick, bringing in his brother Glen, and Nance, as well as getting in himself. All the grandstand thought that this won the game—by all proper methods it did. Here the visitors changed pitchers, which did them little good. Teiderman, our catcher, got one on the shin that bothered him a little, and Vernon was feeling his arm. It was the first half of the eighth, everybody confident. Two visitors on bases and a batter made a fly hit that brought in two scores. Two minutes for yells. And the half resulted in three scores for the visitors. Our boys to bat and not a score. Then the first of the ninth; Strangers made good. First a man was brought in on a bunt which made the score even. Excitement here was at fever heat among the Portlanders. Batters were getting bases on balls. The bases were full. Walt Coyle was put in the box to relieve Vernon, ten minutes too late. The inning closed with the visitors one ahead of the game. The final inning would have been as well not played. It was a close game, and a mighty good game. More such will put Vernonia in a real playing class. A large crowd witnessed the performance.

WATER NEXT WEEK

Water is turned on. Glad news that sounds good and makes all feel safer. Every property owner should hasten to get the water tapped to their buildings and a piece of hose handy will be worth much in case of a blaze starting in town. It was a long wait, but in a few days we will all wonder how we got along without it. The system isn't completed nor is a very large percentage of the buildings yet got the service, but the fire plugs are mostly in and the work will be completed now rapidly. We have water—that is the all-important question solved at last. Hurray!

CITY IS WELL REPRESENTED IN THE COMMERCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The last meeting of the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce was a real meeting, where enthusiastic citizens voiced their opinions freely. All were aware that Vernonia needed some vital improvements and needed them immediately. Everybody seemed to agree that certain improvements must be made eventually and the idea foremost was "why not now." At the table were twenty men and practically all talked on the questions concerning the whole city.

A committee was appointed to wait on the city council and present the wishes that all speed and all endeavors in any way be put forth to get a sewer system in the city as soon as possible. A committee was also appointed to call on the citizens and urge each individual to clean up around the property, streets, alleys and lots. Also suggested that the city clean Rock creek of brush, tires and cans. The pavement question was talked of with much interest. Bridge street in Vernonia is the worst little strip of road between Timber and Clatskanie. Each and all, 90 per cent of the citizens, see the urgent need of paving this street this summer, as it will be almost impossible to use it this fall and winter. It was decided that a delegation of Vernonia citizens attend in a body the next meeting of the county court to ask for what aid we can get on this street, which is a county road. The prevailing opinion was that the county should go 50-50 with us, then the city make it an improvement district and pave under the Bancroft act, or bonds, with ten years to pay. Then it was decided to celebrate—Vernonia's second celebration of the coming of the railroad and new enterprises. A big picnic and big time for two days, August 24 and 25.

Jolly's Cafe put on the banquet, L. H. Detrow "set-up" the cigars, and we will meet again next Thursday night at Seseman's hall. Let everybody be there. If not a member come any way and join.

Will Deliver Milk

O. G. Weed has purchased Mr. Snyder's milk route in Vernonia and began delivering milk daily to Vernonia homes last Sunday. Mr. Weed has purchased a new milk cooler that is a marvel; he has a herd of Jerseys all tested and is thereby selling only pure and absolutely good milk.

Visiting in the East

Mrs. F. E. Malmsten and Marshall and Catherine left Monday morning for a summer's trip. They go to Timberlake, S. D., where Mrs. Malmsten's brothers reside, and from there to Swea City, Iowa, where her mother and sisters live. On their return trip in the early fall they will come the Canadian route.

Tell Soule, of Port Angeles, visited this week here with his mother, Mrs. Soule and sister Mrs. C. A. Malmsten. It has been fourteen years since he visited the old town and he didn't know it.



AN EVENING OF FUN UNDER BIG TREES OF THE NEHALEM

Last Thursday evening L. H. Detrow asked the editor and wife to "get in and cool off." There were three car loads and none of us were dressed up. It wasn't that kind of a party. All drove to the V. Farnsworth home a little ways up Beaver Creek. They didn't know we were coming, but they didn't care and the bunch didn't care. Did we enjoy it? We'll say so. The moonlight night, the cooling breezes through the trees fanned our knees and the "hot dogs," the sandwiches and all that went with it made life worth living again after a hard, hot day at the shop. And the bunch that were there. The neighbors said we were crazy. We were, all right, but all of the same asylum. Mr. Brown, of the Brown furniture store is some wild man, he wears spurs and it is hard for him to forget the days of cowboy life, when he was king of the bull-doggers. The ladies "hog-tied" him, however, and put him in the creek out of harm's way. He wouldn't sink, as he had his clothes stuffed with weiners stolen from the grub basket. Lum Brown was another wild one that had to be tamed. Detrow was afraid the crowd wouldn't get enough to eat, and he kept on insisting. Messrs. Cole, Nelson and Lindley all declaring that they ate so much they couldn't hold another drop. And about that time they passed the marshmallows and canteloupe. There must have been twenty or thirty people there, but they wouldn't hold still long enough to be counted. It was just a good time and an evening off, enjoyed by the men, ladies and children.

DOES IT PAY?

Advertising has made the Victrola dog famous. It has made the cash register a big brother to retailers all over the world. It has introduced the world to a substitute for sole leather. It is displacing the truck horse with 40 horse power trucks. It has helped you to an appreciation of Stetson hats, Walkover, Douglas and Emerson shoes. It has made the hand written letter in business an oddity. It has put hair oil on heads where no hair oil would do any good, and on heads where no oil was needed. It has put Castoria down your throat, put bristles on your gums, and then gave you a rubber set. It has put Sozodont, Pebeco, and Pepsodent on your teeth. It has put a Gillette against your hayfield. It has put Murine in your eye, Cuticura on your pimples, rouge in your wrinkle, Pears in your bath and Ivory in the family wash. Arrow collars around your neck and Ingersols around your wrist. It has jammed your feet in Hole-proof sox, put Paris garters on your legs and Tiffany rings on your fingers. It has stuck numerous brands of cigars between your teeth, worn out your jaws on Wrigley's and posted you on what to cure corns, warts, bunions, goat and ingrowing toe nails. Go anywhere you will, do anything you wish, advertising has had a hand in it—absolutely. Then some people ask, "Does advertising pay?"—Stroud Democrat.

Vernonia Ball Boys Win over Hillsboro At Fourth Celebration

Hillsboro opened their eyes in wonderment Monday. They opened their Fourth of July celebration with a ball game between Hillsboro and Vernonia, expecting of course to win the opening game. Oh No. Hillsboro You dont know the harty players of the Nehalem. Say, it was some game. Vernonia was at her best. Each player in fine fit. Vernon and Coyle pitched the best games of their life. Roberts did field work that was wonderful. It was a game to be remembered by Hillsboro for a long time. Twelve to four in favor of Vernonia. Now who says we cant play ball. Every day in every way we are getting better and better.

Bank of Vernonia

The showing that our local bank is making not only speaks well of the bank, but of the Nehalem valley. Read the bank statement in this issue and notice their large gains.

History Made

Wednesday, in Portland, was the first time in history that a Contingent of the British Navy ever marched in a Fourth of July Celebration in the United States. The British cruiser Curlew saluted the President on his arrival with 22 guns.

NEHALEM BRIDGE CONTRACT IS LET

The County Court held an adjourned session Wednesday, the purpose being to consider bids for the construction of a bridge over the Nehalem river a short distance from Vernonia. The contract was awarded to John Overson, whose bid was about \$400 lower than his nearest competitor. His bid was slightly more than \$5000, and Judge Philip said the work would soon begin. The bridge will be a wooden one.—Mist.

New Dental Office

Dr. W. H. Hurley, a new arrival and a new dentist for our city this week. Dr. Hurley has secured offices over the Haltom Mercantile Store and is ready for business. He has moved his family here from Portland and adds to our population. The doctor has many acquaintances in Vernonia, as he lived here before the war, enlisting from this place.

All Outside Come to Vernonia's Big Picnic

VERNONIA TO CELEBRATE

Vernonia Day, one always to be remembered, will be held two days this year—August 24 and 25. It is our second Annual Picnic and Celebration of the making of Vernonia. Last year saw the first railroad train to enter the city. Many changes have taken place in the short 12 months, and the jubilee days will draw crowds from all over two or three counties to help us celebrate. The occurrence will also attract newcomers and tourists, as it will be ably and liberally advertised, and it will give visitors a chance to see how we have been growing. There will be more particulars as the program committee prepares the complete arrangements.

VERNONIA'S BIG MILL

ONE OF THE LARGEST INDUSTRIES IN THE STATE NOW INCREASING FORCE ON BIG CONSTRUCTION

VERNONIA TO BE LARGE TOWN IN THE BUSY CITY CLASS

The Oregon-American Lumber Co., a subsidiary of the Central Coal & Coke Co., of Kansas City, one of the largest in the nation, is doing things at Vernonia. They are making a city out of Vernonia. And Vernonia has got to get busy. This week they start pouring cement for the main mill building, one of the largest and best in the Northwest. Grading has been going on for some time on their large 40-acre mill pond, their railroad spurs and large cook houses, dining rooms, bunk houses, all built and occupied. The company is now building 20 residences at their camp, and arrangements are being planned for new residences to be built in Vernonia as soon as possible. Also the company has purchased 30 acres on Spencer hill, that they are now clearing for additional homes for the officials. This slightly piece of ground has been laid out as a magnificent park, with fine driveways, gardens, fountains, etc., all to be completed as soon as it can be looked after. Another good item worthy of more than mere note is the fact that a clubroom, gym, pool, reading room, card room and assembly hall for the employees will be located on their property here according to rumors now current here. All this and many times more than mentioned will now be rushed to completion. It means to Vernonia a city as rapidly as we can build it, of from 3000 to 6000 people. Today Vernonia has about 1200, so it is easily seen that a big job is before us. While we build we should build right, the foundation must be the best. It must be done, delay only hurts us all. Seemingly costly improvements will pay for themselves. Visit Vernonia if you would see a growing city.

Mr. E. E. Hayes, superintendent of the big Vernonia mill of the Oregon-American Lumber Co., has rented the Sydna Malmsten home.

Charter No. 267 Reserve District No. 32

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bank of Vernonia, at Vernonia, in the State of Oregon, at the close of Business June 30, 1923.

RESOURCES	
1. Loans and discounts, including rediscounts shown in items 29 and 30, if any	\$ 90,811.63
2. Overdrafts secured and unsecured	98.68
3. U. S. government securities owned, including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any	27,800.00
4. Other bonds, warrants and securities, including foreign government, state, municipal, corporation, etc., including those shown in items 30 and 35	10,941.36
5. Banking house, \$4,948.77; furniture and fixtures \$3,948.51	8,291.68
9. Cash on hand in vault and due from banks, bankers and trust companies designated and approved reserve agents of this bank	61,392.86
11. Checks on banks outside city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	533.50
Total cash and due from banks, items 5, 9, 10 and 11	\$61,925.86
Total	\$199,564.06
LIABILITIES	
16. Capital stock paid in	\$15,000.00
18. (a) Undivided profits	\$4,052.29
(b) Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid, 2,554.09	498.20
19. Reserved for taxes, interest and depreciation	322.78
23. Individual deposits subject to check, including deposits due the State of Oregon, county, cities or other public funds	154,549.90
24. Demand certificates of deposit outstanding	2,720.94
Total of demand deposits, other than bank deposits, subject to reserve, items 23, 24, 25, 26	\$157,270.84
27. Time certificates of deposits outstanding	10,060.32
28. Savings deposits, payable subject to notice	15,811.87
Total of time and savings deposits payable on demand or subject to notice, items 27 and 28	\$26,872.19
Total	\$199,564.06

State of Oregon, County of Columbia, SS.
I, H. E. McGraw, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. E. McGraw, Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of July, 1923.
G. B. RICHMOND, Notary Public.
My commission expires Oct. 12, 1923.

W. O. Galaway,
Louis Bogart,
G. G. Mills, Directors.

Independence Day

TO the man or woman who saves, every day is an Independence Day. The same spirit of freedom and love of liberty that spurred our forefathers into action 147 years ago is that which is helping many savers toward independence from conditions.

Your savings account at the Bank of Vernonia is your Declaration of Independence.

BANK of VERNONIA

Vernonia, Oregon

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Pure Drugs Vernonia Drug Co. Phone 171
Wm. Folger, Pharmacist.
Vernonia, Oregon