

THE PACIFIC EMPIRE COULD ENTERTAIN THE WORLD, AND BENEFIT

The Eagle agrees with the majority of Columbia County residents and it agrees with 90 per cent of the Vernonia people and it agrees with the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce and it agrees with 2000 of our readers—when it agrees that the Pacific Northwest is now amply capable of entertaining the world with a "World's Fair" by any name pleasing to the majority. Oregon needs this exposition. Oregon needs 500,000 more people in Eastern Oregon. An exposition as mentioned, would result in locating these people, who in turn would help meet our taxes, produce from now vacant lands, and bring prosperity to not only themselves, but to all Oregon. A world's fair for the near future should be financed by subscriptions or stock sales, and none of the expense by taxation. But, to tell the story at this early stage of development, we quote from an address by Mr. George L. Hutchin, which not only tells of the proposed fair, but tells of our wonderful wonderland worth exhibiting:

"The Pacific Empire Exposition invites the world to this vast region of undeveloped resources, and scenic wonders, to participate in a Galaxy of Historical anniversaries—The birth of our flag, admission of Oregon to statehood, National liberty, and world peace.

At a preliminary meeting held recently by prominent men of the state it was unanimously decided that the West Coast States should hold an exposition and invite all nations to participate. It was also decided that a general call should be sent throughout the state urging everybody to join in the exposition movement—it was to be democratic and for the general good of all.

Since sending forth that call innumerable responses have been received heartily endorsing the Pacific Empire Exposition movement and pledging unqualified support and cooperation.

By request of those sponsoring the proposed Exposition, Mr. George L. Hutchin, General Manager of the Knights of Electra, was requested to prepare and submit a tentative working plan for attaining our World's Fair objective. The following message is his report to this convention:

"Brothers of Vision and Faith—We greet you.

"The future's development will take place on the Pacific Coast where opportunities are vast and the populace is not overcrowded. The Pacific Empire Exposition will point the way.

"Remembering the benefits that accrued to the Pacific Northwest thru the Lewis & Clark Exposition in 1905 another and a larger World's Fair and Universal Exposition is proposed to be held by the ten Pacific Coast States in 1928, or as soon after as may seem expedient.

"For the purpose of launching such an Exposition the convention here assembled has been specially called today.

"The name of the proposed Exposition is of vital importance. It should be brief and meaningful. I have suggested a name that has met with the general approval of others enlisted in the Exposition cause. If a more appropriate name can be proposed it should be adopted. I suggest as a fitting title for our great enterprise:

THE PACIFIC EMPIRE EXPOSITION

"This will include the Ten Pacific Coast States. Westward the Star of Empire has taken its way until there is no further West. The broad Pacific lies beyond. Here the Star of Empire is poised above the last great scene of American civilization. Hence I feel the appropriateness of the christening, The Pacific Empire Exposition.

The Exposition Organization

"Great care should be exercised in selecting the controlling board for the Exposition. It should be given to the Governors of the Ten Pacific States the privilege and pleasure of appointing as a high commissioner the foremost citizen of his state to serve upon the Exposition board, each and every county in Oregon should be represented by a delegate upon the board to assist in gaining every vantage for his locality. All the participants in the undertaking should join in the act of incorporation and select the functioning officials.

The Location or Site

"There can be no greater attraction, no greater Exposition, no greater World's Fair to thrill and exalt the coming millions than will be glimpses of nature's incomparable galleries of rugged art. Every angle of Oregon and the Pacific Empire is a vista of wonderland. The whole matchless region is a World's Fair unto itself. Therefore we should capitalize our grandeur, our unrivalled resources, our \$80,000,000 highways, our picturesque seashores, our Crater Lakes, our Wallowa vales and Alpine peaks, our Marble Caves, our Old Oregon Trail, our Mount Hood Loop, and our other countless attractions and enchanting lures. What God hath wrought—the Pacific Empire's scenic grandeur, shall be our World's Fair to which we invite all the nations of the earth.

Who Shall Lead?

"One of the biggest problems to be solved is the matter of Presidency, for upon the shoulders of our Chief Executive will greatly depend the success of our undertaking. May God grant us power to choose wisely, to choose one endowed with that force of character and stamina that will inspire perfect confidence and exalted veneration. Who will answer the call of the people for a leader. Possibly when this Exposition movement is legally incorporated a man of the hour will come forth, an inspired Commander to point the way.

Financing the Exposition

"We are assured that there will be no serious difficulty in financing this project up to \$5,000,000, if the public makes good its promises and gets squarely behind it, as thousands have signified their willingness to do. Great financiers will bond the enterprise when those vitally interested have subscribed a million dollars. The matter of raising the necessary funds by taxation is unthinkable, however, just such a scheme might seem to many. Every structure of the proposed Exposition should be built of concrete and other durable material to guarantee the highest percentage of salvage.

Only Vision and Faith Necessary

"The Pacific Empire Exposition can be made the glorious reality pictured if you so will it. If you have vision you can see the golden eagle rolling to your keep; if you have vision you can see the millions of tourists and homeseekers hitting the Old Oregon Trail for the land of golden glory where our pleasant dreams come true; if you have vision you can see the most wonderful progress and development through the aid of The Pacific Empire Exposition, and if you have faith God will grant it.

Shall We Have It?

"Under the inspiration of Citizen F. E. Beach the Lewis and Clark Exposition was conceived and carried to successful denouement. The Hydro-Electric League, under the guidance of President F. E. Beach, inaugurated the Exposition idea for 1925. For two years The Knights of Electra have kept the home-fires burning for a favorable hour to launch a real World's Fair. That time has come—the hour has struck. The opportunity is yours; the Exposition is yours to have and to hold for all of you of The Pacific Coast States.

"Brothers, what are your words of welcome?"



VERNONIA BASKET BALL OFFERS EXCITING GAMES

Last Game at High School One of Best Ever Witnessed in the County

The most interesting basket ball game in the history of the Vernonia high school was played in the high school gym. last Friday night when Scappoose high school boys defeated our team by a score of 15 to 14.

During the first half, Scappoose succeeded in faking several goals by throws from the middle of the floor. Our five man defence was not working properly and the half ended with the score of 10 to 5 in favor of Scappoose.

In the second half the Vernonia boys played a wonderful game and prevented Scappoose from making a single field goal. At one time Vernonia was several points ahead of Scappoose but by good luck Scappoose succeeded in making its free shots. The game ended with the score of 15 to 14 in favor of Scappoose.

The only thing that caused Vernonia to lose the game was the inability of the boys to make goals when a free trial was given. Scappoose made 11 fouls and three of their men had three fouls each when the game ended. Vernonia only made five fouls.

The boys game was not the only interesting event inasmuch as the team played the Scappoose girls the score being 21 to 5 in favor of Vernonia. This was one of the best girls games played here for some time.

A large crowd witnessed the games and seemed to enjoy them.

The next two games will be played out of town at Rainier and St. Helens. On Wednesday, Jan. 28, Clatskanie will play the boys on the home floor and we would like to see a large crowd out.

The lineup of the boys team is as follows.

Position	Points
Mills	C. 4
Roberts, L.	F. 7
Roberts, T.	F.
Ellis, L.	F.
Smith	G. 3
Hawkins	G.

Girls lineup was:
Gibson, Lena J. C.
Bays, Theresa C.
Keasey, Julia F.
Bergerson, Mildred F.
Akerstedt, Doris G.
Condit, Lillian G.
Subs: Orlene Counts, Mildred Cates and Amy Hughes.

The Junior class furnished the refreshments for the visiting basketball teams and for the local players Friday night. The refreshments served were: sandwiches, pickles, cake and chocolate.

Why Worry

or fuss or bother about baking that Pie or Cake when we are here to do it for you? We use only quality ingredients in our pastries; we have the facilities for doing it right and the finished product has quality and lots of it and real individuality.

Our Pies for instance—they are so good and so nearly like the home-made variety that it is difficulty to detect the difference. Try our Cream Pies or our two-crust Pies and see how really good they are.

And our cakes are just as good. If they were not we could not sell them to a discriminating public but our sales reflect that they ARE GOOD and all that we claim for them.

Come in and look over our line of bakery goods and see the many good things we make.

And if you are not now using our bread—"MOTHER'S BREAD"—start today and enjoy a really good bread.

SPECIAL: Every Saturday Cream Puffs filled with real whipped cream.

VERNONIA BAKERY

Brewer and Visnaw, Props. On 2nd. St. a few doors South of Bridge St.

Mrs. Cole is having a busy week because she has just moved into her new home.

have an average of 90 per cent or more will be exempted from their examinations and their names placed on the honor roll.

The students in the chemistry laboratory enjoy filling the school house with the fumes of various sulphur compounds.

The semester examinations are scheduled for Thursday and Friday and the students will be glad when this ordeal is over. The students who

Margaret Smith is back in school after a slight illness.

Edna Strong and Opal Coyle have joined the freshman class.

NEW THINGS ARE "NEWS"

Every member of every family is interested in the news of the day. No items are read with keener relish than the announcement of new things to eat, to wear, or to enjoy in the home.

Business men, merchants and professional men have goods or service and the desire to sell them. The readers of the Eagle need the goods and services and have the desire to buy. The connecting link is advertising.

Tell the people the good news of new things at advantageous prices. They look to you for this "Business News", and will respond to your message. Let us show you that AN ADVERTISEMENT IS AN INVITATION.

Vernonia Eagle

Skaggs United Stores

No. 225
VERNONIA, OREGON

It is noticeable even to the uninterested that Vernonia people patronize Skaggs' Stores in ever increasing numbers—this fact is significant—and considering that this class is composed of independent, well posted, and withall, very competent food buyers, one would naturally conclude that SKAGGS' STORES are different from the ordinary. They are! Our prices lead.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

Large package of white Naptha Soap	"Castlehaven" Sifted Peas, 2 tins	25c
Chips with one package of Sun-brite free, for	Per case (24 tins)	\$2.95
Milk, 11 tins for	"American Beauty" Schrimps, 2 tins	35c
Per case (48 tins)	for	50c
Del Monte Peas, medium size, per tin	"Nucoa" per pound	30c
	"Table Queen" Squash, per pound	5c

MEAT DEPARTMENT

GOVERNMENT INSPECTED MEATS OF QUALITY AT VERY REASONABLE PRICES

SATURDAY FEATURES

Loin Steak, pound	20c	Fancy Sugar cured Bacon, lb.	30c
T-Bone Steak, pound	24c	Fancy Sugar cured Ham, pound	25c
Choice Pot Roast, pound	12 1/2c-15c	Picnic Hams, pound	16c
Fender Boiling Beef, pound	10c	Pure Open Kettle Rendered Lard	
Pork Roast, pound	17c	3 pounds for	59c
Hamburger, 2 pounds	25c	High Grade Shortening, 3 lbs	49c
All Pork Sausage, 2 pounds	35c		