

## PROGRAM OF MERIT---P. T. A.

PARENT TEACHERS TO HOLD UNIQUE PROGRAM Silver Offering To Be Taken

On Friday evening, March 27th, at 8 o'clock, the Parent Teachers' Organization of the Vernonia schools will hold a program at the High school building. A silver offering will be taken and the proceeds will go to equip a Rest Room for each school building.

The program will be composed of not only students from both schools, but parents and other people who are interested in the welfare of the schools.

1. Music, High School Band
2. Song, Mr. Culver
3. Reading, Laura Smith
4. Dance, "Highland Fling" Betty Culver
5. Duet, Students of Mrs. Culver
6. Flower Drill, "Pleasant Hill" Students
7. Play, "Mrs. Jones Millinery" 7th Grade
8. Dance, "Narcissus" Frances Soper
9. Violin Solo, Mr. McBerran
10. Music, Hoffman Family
11. Drill, 3rd and 4th Grades
12. Dance, Mrs. Hurley
13. Pantomime, "And the Light Went Out" 8th Grade
14. Ducky Songs, 5th and 6 Grades
15. Play, By Parents

Every one interested in the schools are welcomed and urged to attend.

## BURNED OUT

Twenty thousand Japanese were made homeless in a Tokio fire this week. Most of the city burned. Many predictions for 1925 seem to be coming to pass.

## SOME FIRE

\$4,000,000.00 fire hits Palm Beach, Fla., Wednesday, destroying noted resorts and million dollar hotels.

## DREADFUL SPRING

In the eastern states spring storms are dreadful. On Wednesday a tornado swept Illinois, Indiana and Missouri, killing thousands of people, wounding over 2000, and destroying hundreds of thousands of dollars in property. No wonder people want to come to Oregon.

We specialize in diamond setting, jewelry repairing of all kinds. Estimates cheerfully furnished. Kullander's Jewelry Store.

Conklin, Waterman and Schaffer pens all prices and all guaranteed at Kullander's Jewelry Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril John left in their car for Colfax, Wash., last week. They will make their home there.

Kalburnie Gingham 29c a yard at Kingsleys.

Silks, 79c a yard at Kingsleys.

FOR SALE—Ten varieties Oregon Gladiolus bulbs at seven cents; Early Halley's at 5 cents.

Mrs. W. J. Gooding.

One lot 50x100, small house, barn. Will sell cheap if taken soon. On Rose avenue. P. O. Box 242, Vernonia.

Bring your old watch and trade it in on a new Elgin, Waltham, Hamilton or Illinois Railroad Watch. Priced right. Kullander's Jewelry Store.

Ed. Sessaman purchased the new residence recently built by Mr. Johns on Vernonia Heights.

Mrs. Wm. Pringle and son Donald Sunday in Portland.

We cannot expect any new work or extensions to roads leading to Vernonia if the money has to be spent for repairs instead of extensions.

Business is Better.

## DISASTERS COME THICK

In the last forty-eight hours we read of fearful disasters in various parts of this discontented globe. It sets us to thinking—thinking of many things. Before the fall of Rome wickedness prevailed and money grabbing linked with parties and a high life was suddenly halted. Today we of the Northwest, Oregon and Vernonia, probably are thinking we are fortunate or lucky. While our heartfelt sympathies go out to the fire victims of Tokio in their Wednesday's conflagration; and we are extremely sorry for the flood victims of foreign lands; and we regret the four million dollar fire loss, this week, in Palm Beach; and while we are in deep sympathy with the middle states over the many hundreds of lives lost in Wednesday's mighty cyclone—the worst in the country's history, with all of these calamities, we are glad we live in Vernonia where cyclones were never dreamed of; where lightning was never seen in its true word, where hail, blizzards, earthquakes or tornadoes, extreme cold or hot winds, were never known. Yes, we are glad, and we wish it were possible for all the good people to live with us. But in our contentment we oft fail to properly appreciate it. We may grumble, we may kick—only to feel ashamed when we hear of so many other so unfortunate.

## COMMERCIAL RUSHED US THIS WEEK

The Eagle was almost neglected for a time this week on account of a rush of "job printing." There were 2000 tickets for the Nehalem Market Ham prize; Theatre programs, 500 shipping tags for Vernonia Merc. Co., 500 bills for Kingsley Merc. Co., thousands of counter slips, bill of fares and notices for the White Lunch, 500 letter heads and 500 envelopes for Halton Merc. Co., tickets for the Brazing works, ballots and warrants for the city, 500 letter heads and 500 envelopes for the Rose Barber Shop, checks and cards for O-A Mill, large circulars for Dr. Wight, Laundry Slips for both laundries, letter heads for City Hall, 1000 letter heads and 1000 pay slips for the Home Bakery, statements, letter heads and envelopes for Dr. Cole. In all a pretty good weeks run, and we are proud to say the work is as good in quality as could have been done any place.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The spring sunshine is bringing out better crowds to both Sunday School and church. Last Sunday, morning 98 were present at Sunday School. We have the enrollment of 177 pupils. We shall not be content until we have them all and more attending regular again.

A splendid number of young folks are attending church services regularly.

We invite and urge all young and old, who are not attending Sunday School or church elsewhere, to come out and hear Rev. Mathis.

The topic for next Sunday evening's sermon will be "Who is My Neighbor?" This will be interesting to all, and especially to men belonging to the Odd Fellows' lodge. Special music is being arranged for that evening.

Four good used beds for sale. Mrs. M. B. Hatten.

Mrs. J. E. Jenkins and son Tillman of the Burn, near Mist, visited Wednesday with her daughter Mrs. H. C. Felsman.

A. J. Akers and family, C. E. Durham and family left Tuesday for Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. John Imbeck and daughters spent the week end at the M. Stephens farm.

Evan Hall left for home at Meridian, Idaho, last Friday.

Mrs. Huston Brendle was a Portland visitor Saturday.

Andy Gump lost fourteen straw hats, so it is reported, in the Palm Beach fire, but his presence probably saved the city.

## REGARDING BRIDGE STREET PAVING

The city council has called a special election to be held on the 23rd of March between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., at which registered and legal voters of the City of Vernonia are entitled to vote, for the purpose of determining whether the council shall issue \$6000 of Vernonia General Obligation bonds, in order to obtain the money with which to pay for the paving of street intersections on Bridge Street.

The property owners on Bridge street will later on be called upon to form an improvement district, and that district will be assessed for the paving of the street. It is the common practice of all cities to pay for their street intersections by general taxation, and it is particularly necessary in Vernonia, due to the fact that the assessed valuation of the property on Bridge street cannot legally bear sufficient assessments to pave this street. Even though the property owners were willing to bear all the burden allowed by law, it would still mean that Bridge street cannot be paved this year. Therefore the entire electorate of Vernonia have an opportunity of expressing their opinion on the paving of Bridge street.

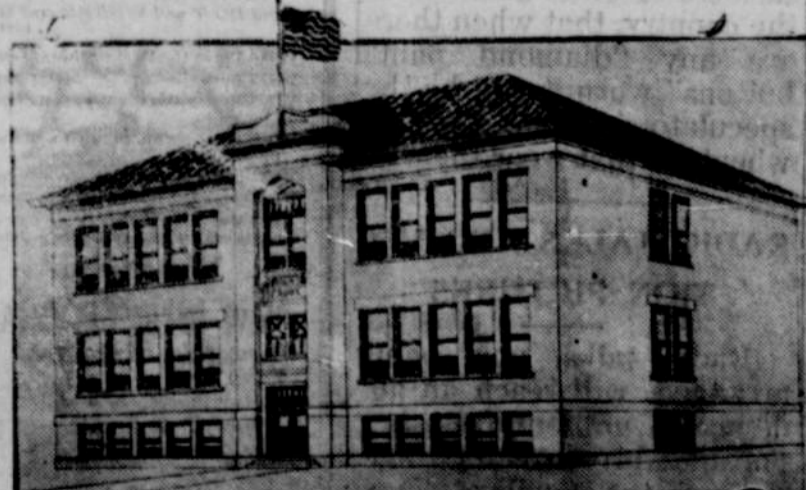
The council is asking authorization for an expenditure of \$6000 in order to be on the safe side, while it is now estimated that only \$5,000 will be necessary. However, taking the largest figure and figuring that the bonds would run for an average life of ten years, the total cost of principal and interest to the city would be \$9,600. Therefore, to find out what each property owner would have to pay for the improvement of Bridge street out of general taxation, the following method will be found available for determining any property owner's burden:

For each dollar of assessed valuation, it will take less than three cents to pay out. Therefore if you own property the assessed valuation of which is \$75.00, you will eventually pay \$2.25 towards this improvement. Or if you own property with an assessed valuation of \$300, you will eventually pay \$9.00 towards this improvement.

The question to be determined by the voters of Vernonia on March 23rd is only one: that is, to express their opinion on whether they desire to aid the property owners along Bridge street to an amount of \$6000, which will come out of general taxation on all the property in the city for the paving of intersections which belong to the city as a whole and not the property owners. In other words, they will pay for the improvement of their own property.

The above question is the only one being submitted to the people of Vernonia at the present time. The question of whether there shall be storm sewers or no storm sewers, open gutters or no gutters, cement paving or some form of bitulithic paving, is entirely out of the question, and the voters of Vernonia should understand immediately that there is no decision, and will be no decision for several months to come on the general type of construction. When the question of whether Bridge street shall be paved has been settled, the council will be in a position to employ a competent engineer, but until the surveys are made and costs estimated finally, it will be impossible to determine exactly what is needed by the city.

Therefore the amateur engineers of Vernonia should not sway anybody's opinion as to whether the council is proceeding in the right direction. The council is doing the only thing humanly possible and that is to provide the ways and means for improving Bridge street permanently, and they are calling upon the people to express their desire to shoulder their share of it. When this has been accomplished it is time for persons to go before the council and argue for some pet type of improvement.



Attend the Entertainment at High School Next Friday Night March 27th

## WILLING WORKERS MEETING

An enjoyable evening was spent by members and friends of the Willing Workers at the home of Mrs. Hawkins, Tuesday. The house was gayly decorated in Saint Patrick's Day symbols and colors.

A large crowd was present and spent the evening enjoying readings and songs and playing games.

Late in the evening delightful refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Greene, Rev. Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. Porterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Veal, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Hyland, Ms. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Sitts, Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Misses Maxine and Laura Jean Elliott and Mildred and Ida May Hawkins, Miss Emma George, Miss Rosie Sitts, Miss Helen Veal, Miss Jessie George and Marvin Porterfield.

## EVANGELICAL CHURCH

"The Father's Protective Care" constitutes the sermon topic for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock service. The theme for the evening service will be "The Supreme Authority of Jesus."

The Sunday School will be in session from 9:45 a. m. until 10:55 a. m. Classes six and seven are still tying in attendance and offering. The Christian Endeavor meets at 6:30 p. m.

It has been reported that a rumor had been circulated to the effect that there was an unreasonable debt upon the church and parsonage. We wish to answer this by saying that the actual debt is under \$2000. Up to this all is covered by pledges and money due from old property. We believe the subscribers to be honest and in due time pay their full subscriptions. An effort is being made now to raise a certain sum and pay off on the indebtedness. Statements will be mailed to all subscribers reminding them of their pledges.

P. A. Nickles was a Portland visitor the first of the week.

Mrs. Helen E. Duggins, whose home is in Bakstrfield, Calif., is making an extended visit with her daughter Mrs. Robt. Spencer.

N. C. Shipley, of Forest Grove, father of C. W. Shipley, the Barber, was a Vernonia visitor this week.

Bob Repass is in Tillamook with his brother Emmot who is quite sick.

John Nelson Conkey, age 56 years 3 months and 12 days, died in the logging camp on March 12 of heart failure. He was buried in the local cemetery on Sunday afternoon at one o'clock. He is mourned by two sons and three daughters. Services were held in the undertaking parlors and were conducted by Rev. H. G. Herrmann.

They tell us that 5000 new homes are now under construction in Portland. We wouldn't doubt it, as one can count a few hundred in most every resident section.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Drarbaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mills were Portland visitors Monday.

Ruben Roberts and J. C. Brown traded farms last week, Roberts leaving Tuesday for Glenwood, Idaho, where the property is.

Furnished housekeeping apartment, light and water. Mrs. M. B. Hatten.

Spring style displays are being advertised in all state papers, and it is proving profitable they tell us.

You would hardly suppose anyone would vote against the Bridge street paving proposition.

Vernonia needs badly a live correspondent for the Portland dailies.

Got your flowers and lawn decorations all planted yet?

MISTAKE—In Skaggs advertisement on another page, Flour price should read: "Sack \$2.69, bbl. \$10.65."

## SOME ACTIVITY EVERY MINUTE

### RUINED SENSE

Members of the American Legion Post-Vernonia-119, known that spring is coming, not account of their unusual brilliancy, but from the flippant manner which the Flying Apes, entered their rendezvous Monday night, March 16th, for their weekly feed and conflick. With extended nostrils, ears at a 40 per cent angle, feet flying in all directions, these babies entered the hall on TIME, full of pep as though they had just eaten a dish of TNT.

Must be spring that makes them feel that way, and in order to keep them in the same humor, Chef-de-Cook, Shields, threw them, dainty morsels of corn-willie and gold-fish with humble bees in-step for desert. The sonorous manner in which the baboons inhaled this grub, would have brought tears of joy, to a cannibal's heart, one of the Apes said he would like to be a cannibal in order to see what a flapper tastes like.

Free of brains as a frog is of feathers, these babies, grinned like cats eating yellow jackets, thinking that the Chef would enco'e the grub, but the Chef refused to be vamped by their cat-like grins and ate the balance of the gold-carp himself.

The Legion singers favored the bunch by singing "You Made Me What I Am Today," and after the song ended it was noticed that quite a few of the boys had departed, evidently they figured that some more songs would follow.

We tried to conquer the impulse to throw the quartet out on their dome, and knock them for a home-run, but the compassion, (which means) "sorrow for the suffering of others," forbade us to commit such a rash act.

From 19 to 74 members in the last ten weeks, is the record which the Legion holds for increased membership.

We are now tied with Sheridan, Oregon, in the number of members and within the next month or so we hope to reach the 85 mark.

Our new club house in fine, lots of room, newly painted and fine lots on side and rear of Club for tennis court.

### CHEMMIN-DE-FER.

Happy Thompson and wife visited over Sunday in Portland.

Mr. Bryan of the Halton Merc. Co., was in Portland this week buying more Easter and Spring goods.

It is estimated that it will cost "us"—our county—\$10,000 to repair the damage done the road between Vernonia and Timber by the freight trucks that haul to Vernonia business houses. Why then don't the business men then patronize the railroad. Unless the damage ceases the county court may be compelled to reduce the load weight that can be hauled over our roads. This would make it impossible for small mills and shingle mills—our pay rolls—to continue business. This is important, business men. It is up to us.

J. H. Rivard, of Portland, has taken the place of C. R. Pool in the meat department of the local Skaggs store.

Today is the first day of the spring.

Koster Camp is starting operations. This sounds good.

J. W. Brown purchased the Ed. Sessman home this week.

### MARRIED

The later part of last week Mr. Elmo Jory and Mrs. Anna North were united in marriage in Vancouver, Wash. Both parties are well known in Vernonia and have hosts of friends, who are extending congratulations. They will continue to make their home here.

The Eagle wishes to join with the many friends in wishing them every success and a full shade of life's joys.