

MOUTHPIECE of the NEHALEM VALLEY

COLUMBIA COUNTY

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CITY PAVING IMPORTANT

Vernonia Must Pave Bridge Street; Most Important City Improvement.

Vernonia must pave Bridge street. No one seems to know much of the anticipated job and estimates of cost are being made high enough to almost discourage the public. The city of Banks has a splendid job of paving that is proving perfect and giving perfect satisfaction. The Eagle asked the Banks city recorder the cost of their job and the following letter will prove interesting.

Friend Robinson:
"In reply to yours of the 23d, will state that the pavement in this city was constructed by the Warren Construction Co., in 1922, and is in first class condition to date. The cost to the 50 foot lot on the 40 foot pavement with curb was \$294; on the 20 foot pavement with two foot rock shoulders was \$163.48; on the 18 foot pavement with two foot rock shoulders was \$147; this was paid for by issuing bonds and assessing it to the lots under the Bancroft act. The intersections cost the same rate and were paid for by issuing bonds. I believe that we would get a better price on the paving if we had of advertised for bids so that any kind of pavement could be constructed, instead of advertising so that only one company could bid. Sincerely yours,
H. J. ANTLE, Recorder

KEEP THIS DATE

May 8. The big high school band concert at the Majestic theatre. They have arranged a splendid program, and if you haven't been keeping posted on the "doings" of the high school boys, you have a big surprise coming.
Attend the high school band concert, May 8.
Senior class play, May 15.
Sunday, May 10th, is "Mother's Day," write to mother that day. Of the many days to be honored in our land, none is more worthy of observance than "Mothers Day."

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The district track meet is to be held at the Vernonia ball park, Saturday, May 2. The schools that are to be represented are: St. Helens Clatskanie, Rainier, Scappoose, Hill Military Academy, Warrington, Astoria and Vernonia.

Friday, May 24 the executive committee of associated student body of the Vernonia high school met and nominated officers for 1925-26. The nominees are:

Lena Gibson, Sr., for president; Margaret Smith, Sr., for vice-president; Russel Mills, Jr., for vice-president; Dudley Spencer, Jr., for treasurer; Percy Bergerson, Jr., for treasurer; Mildred Bergerson, Sr., for secretary; Louise Lester, Sr., for secretary; Thor Roberts, Sr., boys a. m.; Charles Hoffman, Sr., for boys a. m.; Theresa Bays, Jr., for girls a. m.; Amy Hughes, Jr., for girls a. m.; Raymond Titcher, Jr., for yell leader; Carl Fowler, Jr., for yell leader; Raymond Titcher, Jr., for yell leader; Loritz Aamodt, Sr., for sergeant-at-arms; Pete Peterson, Sr., for sergeant-at-arms.

The following boys will represent Vernonia in the district track meet to be held here Saturday: 100-yard Ray Mills; 220-yard, Thor Roberts, Ray Mills; 440-yards, Thor Roberts, Virgil VanAlstine; 880-yards, Leol Roberts, Donald Hodges; Mile, Harold Smith; pole vault, Dane Brady, Ray Mills; high jump, Morris Bennett, Ray Mills; javelin; low hurdles, Leol Heiber, Donald Hodges; high hurdles, Leol Heiber, Donald Hodges; broad jump, Ray Mills; shot, Lewis Laramore, Carl Fowler; discus, Carl Fowler, Kenneth Whit-sel. The relay team has not yet been chosen.

Friday afternoon was a scene of great enthusiasm at Vernonia Hl., when Mr. Austin presented the football and basketball letters to the boys and girls who played enough

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VERNONIAS LIBRARY ASSURED

At a meeting in the city hall Monday night, a board of directors and committees were appointed to advertise, solicit books, subscriptions, money and the general support of all the people of Vernonia, as the library is for everyone in the city, camps, schools, etc.

We have the support of the state in loaning 200 books twice a year and a large number of books have been donated.

We have set aside Saturday, May 9th as Library Day and Tag Day so no one will be slighted in doing their bit.

The city council has kindly set aside space in the city hall, and Mrs. Eugene E. Marsh, a very capable young lady will be the librarian.

Always remember it is your library and it is up to you to make it a success.

A VERNONIA INSTITUTION

The Vernonia stage line with headquarters at Vernonia, owned and operated by Mr. Hixon, is gaining in equipment and business at a fast rate. Mr. Hixon has many thousands of dollars invested and is daily improving the service. This week two large new stages arrived and are now on the run to St. Helens and return and Forest Grove and return. The Keasey stages will operate from now on and give a schedule to accommodate the public. This Keasey stage promises to be a big thing for Vernonia. The new seventeen passenger coaches are very beautiful and modern to every detail.

Last Monday evening was a big night for the local K. P. lodge. Besides work in the second degree the lodge was honored by the presence of Grand Chancellor Comander Jay Upton and Grand Keeper of Records and Seals Walter Gleason. Both of the Grand officers delivered excellent addresses for the good of the order. Several St. Helens Brothers came over for the evening, and the lodge session ended in a midnight banquet.

JERSEY JUBILEE TO HAVE INTERESTING PROGRAM

An interesting program is being arranged for the Columbia County Jersey Jubilee to be held at Mr. L. G. Smith's place at Scappoose, May 18th, so states Mrs. May Briggs, secretary of the Columbia county jersey cattle club.

Mr. Loughery, representative of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, Mr. Mulkey, president of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club and others will be present at that time to address the gathering. Stock judging work will be given for club members and also grown ups by Mr. Seymour of O. A. C., and Mrs. Harry West.

Mrs. Briggs also states that a dinner will be served cafeteria style.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadden, of the Vernonia Light and Power company, have resigned the local position and are in Portland, where Mrs. Hadden was compelled to enter a hospital for medical and surgical treatment.

The I. O. O. F. of St. Helens visited Vernonia lodge Tuesday night. The visitors brought their degree team and put on work in the third degree. The hall was crowded and after the regular lodge work, refreshments were served.

TO BE A BIG DAY

The entries are nearly all in for the county and district track meet to be held here Saturday. The high schools to be entered are Astoria, St. Helens, Rainier, Warrenton, Clatskanie, Hill Military and Vernonia.

The races beginning at 1 o'clock at the ball park are as follows: Mile run 100-yard dash; 220-yard dash; pole vault; javelin; shot put; broad jump; H. hurdles; relay; 440-yard; high jump; low hurdles; 880-yards; discus Officials: Jumps - Fowler-Wilcox; Hurdles, sprints, Austin and Mathis; Weights, Nelson and Jandrall. Dont miss any of it. Go to the ball pary early.

Mrs. Herman Veal is very ill with a bad attack of the flue. Beatrice Veal has also been sick with the same malady.

Marks of Spring



A NARROW ESCAPE

IT WAS A FORD

The American Laundry driver had a narrow escape that was marvelous in fact seeming impossible. Wednesday on the hill between the O. A. office and town the car plunged over the high embankment, turning seven complete summersets and landed down near the yard railroad a complete wreck. The driver crawled out unhurt. Surely a lucky man.

MR. PETTIJOHN DIES.

Thos. Pettijohn died at his home early Thursday morning. Mr. Pettijohn had been in fairly good health until a few days ago when he suffered a paralytic stroke. On Thursday morning the final stroke caused his death. Thos. Pettijohn was a Nehalem pioneer, well known by practically everyone of the valley. Mr. Pettijohn was a member of the Union high school board.

Today is May Day.

Geel You can get a lot of candy at Lincoln's for a nickle.

Power off again. This is getting serious. Enough is enough.

The track meet Saturday—dont miss it.

Patronize the library at city hall. It's a public library—free reading.

See Lincoln about that "Mother's Day" box of candy.

Wm. Folger was a business visitor in Portland this week.

Cook food sale by W. B. A. at Kingsley's store Saturday, May 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stratton of Portland visited at the Paul Robinson home Wednesday.

Watch for our special every day, Lincoln Candy Kitchen.

Dr. and Mrs. M. D. Cole will Sunday at Hood River.

Special Mother's Day program at high school Sunday, May 10, at 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berch and Mrs. O. B. Laramore were among Portland visitors the first of the week.

We have a new shipment of boxes for Mother's Day. Come, look them over. Lincoln's Candy Kitchen.

And plan to attend the band concert at the theatre on Friday night: May 9th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack McJensen, Wednesday, at Eureka, California, a baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Repass, Bob Repass and Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are in Grants Pass for a day or two.

Mrs. James Munger, who underwent a serious and difficult surgical operation about a month ago, is now at home and rapidly regaining her strength.

VERNONIA POLICE FORCE

COMES OUT IN SUMMER GARB

"All Dolled Up" Chief of Police Kelly, feeling the summer season upon us, will hereafter be easily distinguished from the ordinary plain clothed citizen. Chief Kelly has a new uniform—doe skin blue with 14 carat gold buttons. Well and good, but an indignation meeting will soon be held if the officer dont get a head piece to match. A high hat with a good tip helmet or a cap with gold trimmings.

VERNONIA BOY DIES

Bernard Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hall, died Tuesday morning of pneumonia. Bernard would have been fifteen years old in June. He contracted a bad cold or "la grippe" that turned into double pneumonia. The funeral is being held at the house this Friday.

VERY TOUCHING MOTTO

As a little gift, with compliments of the Vernonia Book and Art store we received this week a neatly "When you meet a knocker strike him where his brains ought to be, and kick him where his brains are." The Book and Art store does splendid work in framing pictures and it is a real pleasure to visit the store.

VERNONIA

It takes a stranger to awake us to the fact that we have a thriving little city, a party who has been touring the state, stated that in a 1500 mile drive that he had not seen a town of the size of twice the size of Vernonia that showed as much business activity.

The fact is, property is changing hands almost daily almost a capacity business, other merchants and business is picking up each day, paving will start on the streets as soon as the weather permits, logging camps are opening up, saw mills and shingle mills are working with the prospects of an excellent year of business.

In regards to our city affairs the mayor and council are to be highly commended for the improvements they are planning and starting, also for the efficient man who is the head of the police department, for at the present time Vernonia is one of the best policed cities on the coast and the decision to uniform the police shows that a policy has been adopted that means a far deal to all.

The future of Vernonia sure looks good. MR. MURPHEY

Mr. Maurice Richardson, a linotype operator and printer, is now on the Eagle force. We are glad to secure Mr. Richardson, an exceptionally good and upright young man and citizen, and with his experience we hope to be a little less rushed and now enabled to get out all work on time.

Portland suffered a severe fire early Wednesday morning when a big apartment house at 16th and Flanders burned. Five lives were lost—three women and two men. Four of them were trapped and burned in their rooms and the fifth killed in jumping from the fourth story.

FIRE DESTROYS HALL HOME

The beautiful eight room residence of Henry Hall, located just east of the Nehalem bridge, was totally destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning.

Mr. Hall was in Portland at the time and Mrs. Hall in Vernonia. Not a thing was saved; all furniture, clothing and keep-sake' were burned. Partially covered by insurance.

BAND CONCERT DREW CROWD

The band concert and entertainment last Friday night drew a full house of well-pleased listeners. Considering that the band is newly organized and some of the members a few months ago didn't know what a note looked like, they certainly are progressing rapidly. The music was splendid. The solos of the entertainment were heartily applauded and each participant deserves praise.

The band has promised us open air concerts during the summer, which any town appreciates and is lucky to get. The "Boy Crusoe" is a wonder and all wanted to hear him more.

Tuesday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. Alrich, a farewell party including a kitchen shower was a surprise for Mrs. Lindquist, who was a dinner guest. Much sorrow lies in the hearts of every W. B. A. member as our sister leaves us. Mrs. Lindquist was one of the charter members in the year of 1922 and has proven a splendid leader and is much loved by everyone who has learned her sweet personality. She leaves Vernonia the 15th of May with her three children to join her husband in Burley, Idaho. Much happiness is wished them from all, as we say, Vernonia's loss and Burley's gain.

Earl Smith, chief of the Vernonia fire department, was in Portland at the Roosevelt hotel when the big apartment house fire occurred. At 3 a. m., the fire siren sounded and Mr. Smith jumped out of bed and into his trousers at one jump. When asked his hurry he came to and said: "Oh, I thought I was in Vernonia and heard our alarm."

"MULTNOMAH vs. VERNONIA" Play Ball Here Next Sunday

Doc Proudfoot's Multnomah baseball team will come to Vernonia next Sunday to play the Vernonia Athletic club and it is expected that Vernonia will make a much better showing than they did last Sunday. The game will start promptly at 2:30 p. m., admission 35 cents. The Vernonia line up will be made up of much stronger material. Hartwich will be seen on first and it is expected that the two Turk brothers will take care of 2nd and 3rd. Jack Nance will be in center field, McJensen has three new players he is trying out this week and expects to have a team Sunday that will display some real baseball. Be there and see

"The Power is off"—most distressing words heard in a printing office. It delays the paper, and in the Eagle office, costs us \$10 per day every time it's off. You probably notice how we were tormented with it this week. It can't be helped, however, as they are building the Keasey road, and falling trees on the right-o-way that interfere with the power lines.

Roland Trehorn, having sold his interest at the Brazing works to Messrs Solomonson and Bateman, has purchased Mr. Fisher's interest in the American Laundry. The laundry is now owned by Beall and Trehorn. Mr. Fisher will go to Chehalis.

J. W. Brown was in Portland Tuesday investigating the upholstering of his new horse for the Brown undertaking firm. The new horse was made in Vernonia by Stankey & Son, and it is one of the neatest and best jobs ever turned out in Oregon. And the entire body is as substantial as it is beautiful.

The power has been off entirely too often the past week—costing patrons real money. To blame is the workers on the Keasey road in an indirect way by the blasting of stumps along the power line. It is getting discouraging and many think proper care has not been taken.

VERNONIA DEFEATED

Pitcher Myers Plays Sterling Game; Lack of Practice and Plenty of Errors Cause

The Vernonia Athletic baseball nine met their first defeat severely delivered to them by the Gladstone A. A. club. They were completely shut out to the tune of 11 to 0. Pitcher Myers for Vernonia certainly pitched a sterling game and practically played the game all by himself. The cause of defeat was no fault of Myers that's a cinch. Erickson at short-stop got a very bad start by fumbling three times in succession and had to be sent to the bench. While Turk fumbled two also at second after that time Turk played fine ball. Tolke who started receiving for Vernonia couldnt hold Myers and was sent to the bench promptly. However, Tolke was handicapped for the fact he was not prepared to play ball and had no practice. Budon, who relieved Folke caught very nicely until the seventh frame when he got hit on the elbow with a bat. This little fellow is fast, accurate and is at work all the time and will no doubt surprise many very shortly. Dustin who relieved Budon held Myers fairly well but his pegging was awful. Shotwell at center fields was also sent to the bench for his hay making swings while he was at bat with men on bases Shotwell got up and made three wild swings instead of taking proper orders from the manager. Shotwell will not be seen in Vernonia uniform again. Hartwick, Sheely, Nance, Budon and Myers did play good baseball. However, throughout the game although Vernonia was losing, all the boys kept up the fighting spirit and were not beat until the last ball was sent over the plate. The wet weather in the past two weeks made it impossible for practice and with all said and done it looks as though Vernonia is going to have a real ball club this season. The Gladstone boys were as clean a cut bunch of boys as anybody wished to meet.

Benefit Dance May 9th for Mrs. M. F. Gordon and Three Children

The Serpentine Carnival ball that was to be held May 9th, 1925, by the Vernonia ball players has been postponed until May 23, and the ball players are going to hold a benefit dance for the purpose of raising a few dollars for Mrs. H. F. Gordon and her three children, aged 10, 4, and one year. A short while ago Gordon, who was selling insurance in Vernonia sold the belongings of his family for something like seventy dollars. He handed his wife five dollars and left for greener fields and has not been heard of since. Every thing has been done to locate Gordon but he has not yet been found. Mrs. Gordon is now staying at the Verene apartments with her three children and is expecting to become the mother of a fourth one sometime next month. The children need shoes and clothing and above all they need food. The Gordons have lived in Vernonia for a year or more and by those who know Mrs. Gordon and the children nothing but good words can be spoke of them. This is a very pitiful case and the family needs help and plenty of it. Immediately the ball players heard of the case they made up their minds to go to the bat for Mrs. Gordon and her children. They sincerely hope that when any true blooded Vernonian is approached to buy a ticket for the dance on May 9th that they will not meet the answer of "nothing doing." Jack McJensen, manager of the Vernonia ball club will have charge of the affairs and anybody who wishes to help may get in touch with him and do their bit. Now remember folks the dance May 9th is for a good cause and that is the time for all good men to come to the aid of a good cause. CITIZEN.

Guard Well Your Eyes

And have them examined. Dr. Lugader, eyesight specialist will be at Kullanders Jewelry store on next Monday and Tuesday, May 4th and 5th. If you suspect any eye trouble call on the doctor and he will tell you their condition.