

People's Column

JUST PLAIN FACTS (Contributed).

Much has been mentioned from time to time, in the columns of the Eagle about the citizens of this valley buying their goods from the wholesale houses and sending their money out of town.

If the merchants of Vernonia want the citizens of the valley, which includes the farmers, to patronize them entirely, why do they not co-operate with the farmers instead of sending to Portland for their fruit, vegetables, hay, grain, meat, etc.

True, the merchants buy in small quantities at times but not by any means all that is produced in the valley.

When the farmer has produce to sell the merchant will not buy until the freight price is deducted and when he wants to sell his merchandise he will not sell without adding the freight, plus a good profit, thus making the farmer pay the freight

both ways.

The merchants feel and say that they have invested their money in their goods and that it is not fair that people buy elsewhere. How about the farmers in this valley who have invested all the money they have made plus from twenty to forty years of hard labor, without the pleasure of many things which you have enjoyed before you came here. Most of the farmers in the Nehalem have lived many years in here when we had no good roads or railroad, no autos, when it took days instead of hours to make the trip to Portland.

They endured the many hardships and sorrows of not having a good doctor nearer than thirty miles, having to wait in cases of accidents and sickness to get a doctor who then had to come horseback thus taking time.

Those days, not even the telephone had reached the valley to help.

These are only a few of the many investments which the Nehalem farmers have made. They have invested as you have

their money in their business.

Do you not think they have invested as much as the merchants who have enjoyed life in the cities elsewhere during these years of sacrifice and hard work of clearing the land, making the roads, building the schools and getting this town ready for you to come and make your money.

Who has paid the enormous taxes and who is still paying the largest amount of taxes on his investment, the farmers of course. These farmers have invested all these things in their farms expecting to live comfortably and profit a little, when Vernonia built up.

Now you merchants come when all the hardships are over, build your stores and expect the farmers to buy your merchandise at any price you may ask, while you invest your profits in Gold Hill and oil stocks, etc., and call yourselves financiers of Vernonia.

How long can you be the financiers or merchants if the farmers should take a long deserved vacation or should they even stop working eight hours a day, twice a day?

No. When the farmers want to save a few dollars he is compelled to buy of the wholesale houses and will probably be just as independent about it as he has a right to be.

When the merchants get hungry he will be compelled to expect the farmer to raise something for him and the city folks to eat.

Do as you expect to be done by and be content even if you do not receive all as you feel that you should.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers and legal voters of the City of Vernonia, Columbia County, Oregon, that a special meeting of the Common Council of said City will be held in the City Hall in said City on the 26th day of September, 1925, at eight o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of fixing the tax levy for all municipal purposes for said city for the year of 1926, and to hear any discussion or objection to the following estimates.

The total amount of money needed by the city during the fiscal year beginning January 1st, 1926 and ending December 31st, 1926, is estimated in the following budget and includes estimated amounts to be received from fines, licenses and all other sources.

BUDGET OF MUNICIPAL EXPENSES

GENERAL FUND—	
Administration Expense—	
Rent, light, fuel and accounting	\$ 800.00
Recorder's Office	
Salary	\$ 1200.00
Supplies, incidentals	300.00
Treasurer's Office	
Salary	120.00
Supplies, incidentals	30.00
Legal Expense	
Attorney salary	600.00
Police Department	
Marshal salary	1800.00
Supplies, jail expense	200.00
Fire Department	
Supplies and equipment	100.00
Health Department	
Service and supplies	100.00
Street Department	
Street lighting, repairs and maintenance	500.00
Elections	50.00
Legal Publications	50.00
Engineer's Office	
Supplies, incidentals	50.00
Emergency	1000.00
Total	\$ 7300.00

WATER OPERATING FUND	
Water Superintendent's salary	1500.00
Assistant's salary	1200.00
Extra help, supplies and maintenance	3300.00
Total	6000.00

WATER BOND FUND	
Sinking fund	5600.00
Interest	3600.00
Total	9200.00

SEWER BOND FUND	
Sinking fund	1700.00
Interest	2400.00
Total	4100.00

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS	
Payment of outstanding warrants and interest	1700.00
Total	1700.00

GENERAL BOND FUND	
Sinking fund	600.00
Interest	360.00
Total	960.00
Grand Total	\$29260.00

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:	
From fines, licenses, etc	2500.00
From water system	10000.00
Total	12500.00
Balance, amount to be raised by direct tax	\$16760.00

We estimate that a levy of Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$16760.00) will be required to produce the amount of money needed for all municipal purposes for the year 1926.

G. R. MILLS, Mayor

ATTEST:
D. B. REASONER, City Recorder
(SEAL)

Certified correct:
PAUL SCHOOLEY,
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